



GRADUATE PROGRAMS

OSU Center for Health Sciences

Professional Development Plan

First Year Graduate Students

- Identify campus resources such as the professional development coordinator
- Establish relationships with faculty, staff and peers
- Develop good time management, goal setting and study habits
- Explore your interests and build your skills
- Obtain relevant work experiences (look for internships or shadowing)
- Write a resume and have it reviewed
- Write a cover letter and have it reviewed
- Attend professional development workshops
- Network with recent graduates



Second Year Graduate Students

- Meet with faculty members and your advisors to discuss career goals
- Schedule appointments with professional development for mock interviews and job search strategies
- Develop relationships with faculty and professionals in your field of study
- Research job opportunities, skills needed, salary ranges and possible locations
- Polish resumes, cover letters, and interview skills
- Build technical, communications, team working and leadership skills
- Enhance your skills through student organizations, internships, Co-ops and part-time jobs
- Research employers
- Research graduate programs, admissions requirements, and program deadlines

Don't wait until your final semester to begin job searching, resume reviewing, and networking!