

Career Planning Checklist

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Freshmen

Explore your interests



- Adjust to college life and develop a routine
- Develop good study habits and earn good grades (continue this habit throughout college!)
- Become familiar with JagWire at jagwuire.tamuk.edu and check your school email regularly
- Get to know your professors and advisor; they may eventually serve as references and it's good to build a great relationship from the start
- Stop by Career Services to familiarize yourself with the services and resources available
- Take the Focus 2 career assessment at tamusa.edu/careerservices/studentsalumni/focus2
- Schedule an appointment with a career advisor to explore your major and career options; learn which careers are best suited to your personality and interests (did we mention you get a free t-shirt for keeping your appointment?!)
- Utilize virtual career resources at tamusa.edu/careerservices
- Begin gathering information on careers you are interested in pursuing
- Look into part-time or summer jobs on Jaguar Jobs at jagwire.tamuk.edu
- Learn about student activities and get involved on campus; find a full list of opportunities at www.tamusa.edu/studentengagementsuccess/studentlife
- Develop your writing and computer skills
- Create your initial resume with the help of Career Services
- Take elective courses outside of your major to explore a range of options
- Gain experience through volunteer opportunities
- Develop a positive, professional online presence
- Follow Career Services on social media at facebook.com/TAMUSACareers and twitter.com/TAMUSACareers to learn more about upcoming events and career opportunities
- Seek out help if you need it, before you really need it; A&M-SA offers tutoring, disability services, counseling, and much more