SOPHOMORE TIMELINE – Researching and Deciding

Your sophomore year is a continuation of your freshman year. You started to become involved in some areas that interested you. At this point, you may want to try new clubs or opportunities and leave ones that do not match your interests.

- Update your resume with all of the experience and opportunities you took advantage of during freshman year.

- Once you have become involved in different activities, you should be able to accurately discuss what you do and do not enjoy (e.g. working with numbers or with people?) What type of environment do you prefer to be in? Do you like bustling areas or quiet places?

- You should be confident enough to declare your major. Be proactive about familiarizing yourself with the chosen curriculum. Research your area of study for future opportunities. Explore the possibility of graduate school or a career after receiving your undergraduate degree.

- Research employers to get an idea of what type of environment and company you might like to work in.

- Establishing contacts in your field of interest is imperative to your success during your sophomore year. A few options are to speak to your professors and attend workshops offered by the Center for Career Services. It is also advisable to seriously contemplate a part-time position, a summer internship or an internship during the summer for your junior year.

- OrangeLink is our on campus recruiting system, with which you can post your resume and search and apply for jobs.

- Mentor@S.U., our alumni database with over 1,500 professionals in various career fields, is a way to get established early with people in your field of interest.

- Visit the Center for Career Services on the web or in person for personalized attention.