

Career-Planning Checklist - YEAR 2

- **Academics** – top priority
- **Extracurricular Activities**
 - Research – Some specialties strongly recommend research experience while others do not. Consider doing research if you are interested in continuing research, looking to gain research experience and/or if you are considering a highly competitive specialty.
 - Volunteer, Community Service, Leadership, Teaching etc. - These experiences are valued by residency programs and provide enriching experiences that will enhance your residency application by gaining valuable skills and leadership experience
- **Career Exploration**
 - Continue to explore and develop career interests in medicine
 - Careers in Medicine (CiM) Exploring Specialties: Complete self-assessments and learn about the many specialty paths in medicine
 - Gathering information and clinical exposure to specialties of interest
 - Compare your assessment results to the information you've gathered about specialties
 - Attend Career Development Programs and Workshops
 - Extracurricular Activities: Provide learning, mentoring, teaching, leadership and specialty exploration opportunities throughout medical school
 - Student-run Specialty Interest Group Meetings (Department based)
 - Mentoring and Shadowing Programs
 - Career Exploration opportunities through the Curriculum: learning through your experiences, observations, interactions with clinical faculty (Informational interviewing)
- **Update your CV /MyPortfolio** to include your first year extracurricular and summer experiences
- **Schedule a Career Advising Appointment** with the Director or Assistant Director of Career Advising to discuss your interests and develop an individual plan - **To schedule an appointment go to Accudemia (<https://drexelmed.accudemia.net/Login.aspx>)**
- **Planning for Third Year**
- **Planning for Step 1**

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Career Advising Timeline – YEAR 2

- **Thanksgiving Break 2017**
 - Familiarize yourself with clinical sites
- **November 2017**
 - Clinical Site Fair – November 30th 4:30 p.m.
- **Winter break 2017**
 - Research clinical sites
 - Review Step 1 registration instructions
 - Consider reviewing possible Step 1 resources
- **January 2018**
 - Year 3/4 Student Panel- Scheduling Third Year
 - Third Year Lottery
 - Advisory Meeting: More on Step 1, Yr 3 planning
 - January 16, (PIL- Athenaeum & IFM - Physick House)
 - January 17, (IFM- Rocky Statue & IFM- Liberty Bell)
- **January – February 2018: Target Registration for USMLE Step 1**
 - **May 1, 2018:** Step 1 Self-study begins (DUCOM study time range 5-7 weeks)
 - **June 2018:** Sit for Step 1 exam
 - **June 17, 2018:** Last possible sit date: June 17, 2018
- **June 18- June 29, 2018**
 - Transition to Clinician I: Transition to the Clinical Years

Upcoming Career Exploration Programs – YEAR 2

- **Dual Degree Opportunities and Fair**– Tuesday, Oct 10, Noon-2pm
- **Career Exploration Program with Alumni** – Oct/Nov, 6:00-8:30 pm
- **C.V. Writing Workshops** – November and January (dates to be announced)
- **Watch for Upcoming-Specialty Interest Group Meetings and Shadowing Opportunities**
- **Career Exploration Program with Alumni** – January 2018, 6:00-8:30 pm
- **The 2018 Match Results...the Road to Residency** – April 2018

*****YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED ABOUT ALL UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS. PLEASE WATCH YOUR EMAIL AND TV MONITOR**

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