



Career Planning Guidelines for DrPH Students

YEAR ONE

	Login to CareerConnect to update your profile
	Explore OCPD services such as workshops, 1:1 appointments, and career panels
	Create or update your resume
	Develop a robust LinkedIn profile, join groups, participate in discussion fora
	Attend Career Expos & employer info sessions to explore different career options
	Learn about student organizations at the School and University that you may want to get involved in
	Connect with peers across university through social events, department newsletters, and student orgs
	Research fellowship and funding opportunities for summer internship
	Identify and articulate career skills gained from winter session immersion experience
	Get to know your faculty advisor and others in their network
	Start a career log to record your thoughts on academic coursework, future goals and employers of interest. Meet with career coach to explore options you want to pursue.

YEAR TWO

	Develop and enhance your elevator pitch and talking points to identify your doctoral project host
	Continue exploring career options by gathering career information at company presentations, career expos, and talking to alumni and employers of interest
	Update and tailor your LinkedIn profile, join groups, participate in discussion fora
	Build and expand your professional network
	Continue to attend workshops, employer presentations, and career panels
	Participate in OCPD job shadow program and career treks
	Identify and talk to faculty with contacts outside of academia
	Develop and practice interview skills through mock interviews
	Analyze job descriptions to become familiar with desired skills and employer needs

YEARS THREE AND FOUR

	Develop timeline and writing plan to meet doctoral project deadlines
	Take advantage of networking opportunities at your doctoral project host site
	Make an appointment with career coach to review your job application materials
	Devote significant amount of time to tailoring your application for each position
	Update your LinkedIn profile; continue to build your professional network
	Identify potential employers and sources of job listings in your fields of interest
	Attend workshops on interviewing

Read our weekly *Career and Professional Development Update* e-newsletter (sent on Sunday) to stay informed about upcoming programs, events and jobs that may be of interest. Our website also contains a calendar of our programs, job search tools and links to Career Connect (our job listing database) and other job listing sites.

