**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 new research experience and skills and/or if you are considering a highly competitive specialty.

- Volunteer, Community Service, Leadership, Teaching etc. - These activities provide enriching experiences that will enhance your residency application by gaining valuable knowledge, skills, and experiences.

**SPECIALTY EXPLORATION**

- Continue to explore specialties and develop your career interests in medicine.

- Student-run Specialty Interest Group Meetings

- Mentoring, Research Opportunities etc.

- Attend Career Exploration Programs and Workshops

- Extracurricular Activities: Provide learning, mentoring, teaching, leadership, and career exploration opportunities throughout medical school

- Career Exploration opportunities can be gained through the Curriculum: learning through your experiences, observations, interactions with clinical faculty (Informational interviewing)

- Careers in Medicine (CiM) Exploring Specialties: Retake self-assessments and learn about the many specialty and career paths in medicine

- Gather information on specialties of interest

- Compare your assessment results to the information you have gathered about specialties

- The Undifferentiated Medical Student…Your virtual mentor for choosing a medical specialty and planning a career in medicine. To empower you to think about your future career with physician interviews about every specialty and subspecialty (120+)

**UPDATE YOUR CV/MYPORFOLIO**

- to include your first year extracurricular and summer experiences

**SCHEDULE A CAREER ADVISING APPOINTMENT**

- with Karen Shulik to discuss your interests, develop an individual plan or to get more information about the road ahead. To schedule an appointment click here to get to Karen’s online calendar.
CAREER PLANNING TIMELINE

Year 2

**Dates are tentative and subject to change**

***You will be notified about all upcoming programs and class meetings. Please watch your email***

DECEMBER 2020
December 3, 2020, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Advisory Program
- Year 3 & 4 Student Panel on Scheduling Third Year

WINTER BREAK 2020
- Research clinical sites
- Consider reviewing possible Step 1 resources

DECEMBER 2020 - JANUARY 2021
Target Registration for USMLE Step 1

JANUARY 2021
January 6, 2021, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Mandatory Class Meeting - Third year Scheduling and Lottery Process.
Hosted by the Division of Clinical Education

January 7, 2021, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Advisory Meeting - Peer Mentor Check in - Mandatory

January 27, 2021, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Career Exploration Program with Alumni

FEBRUARY 2021
February 2, 2021, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Advisory Meeting - Academic Advising
Step 1 study planning – Mandatory

MARCH 2021
March 17, 2021
Step 1 Self-study begins (8 ½ weeks off for USMLE Step 1 study)

APRIL 2021
April 7, 2021: The 2021 Match Results...the Road to Residency
(Specialty Breakout Sessions with recently matched Fourth Year Students)

MAY 2021
May 1-14, 2021 - Target Testing Dates for Step 1 exam
May 14, 2021 - Last possible sit date
May 15, 2021 – Post-Step 1 Wellness Week begins
May 24, 2021 to July 2, 2021 – Introduction to Clinical Clerkships

WINTER BREAK 2021 - CLASS OF 2023 *THIRD YEAR
Begin reviewing information on Scheduling 4th year and Pathway System
Research away rotation requirements

DECEMBER 2021-JANUARY 2022
Mandatory Class Meetings:
Introduction to Phase 3 Curriculum, Early Planning and 4th year Scheduling Considerations, Career Advising, USMLE, Away Rotations etc.