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**
Career Advising Timeline – YEAR 2

➢ Thanksgiving Break 2017
  o Familiarize yourself with clinical sites

➢ November 2017
  o Clinical Site Fair – November 30th 4:30 p.m.

➢ Winter break 2017
  o Research clinical sites
  o Review Step 1 registration instructions
  o Consider reviewing possible Step 1 resources

➢ January 2018
  o Year 3/4 Student Panel- Scheduling Third Year
  o Third Year Lottery
  o 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
  o May 1, 2018: Step 1 Self-study begins (DUCOM study time range 5-7 weeks
  o June 2018: Sit for Step 1 exam
  o June 17, 2018: Last possible sit date: June 17, 2018

➢ June 18- June 29, 2018
  o 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