

MIAMI UNIVERSITY

CAREER SERVICES

MAPPING YOUR
MIAMI JOURNEY



College is a time to explore who you are, what you are interested in, and what you want to pursue when you graduate. Your time at Miami University will provide you with countless opportunities to learn, explore, and grow through curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular experiences. Starting to think about what you are interested in learning, doing, and experiencing and how it connects to your future interests can help you make the most of your college experience. It is important to start connecting what you are learning and doing in college with how it can help you explore future career paths, or provide you with skills that will prepare you for your future pursuits. Whether you have declared a major or are still exploring different majors and career options, you can start acquiring skills that will help you succeed in your future career.

According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers survey, here are the top skills employers are looking for:

- Ability to make decisions and solve problems
- Ability to verbally communicate with persons inside and outside the organization
- Ability to obtain and process information
- Ability to plan, organize, and prioritize work
- Ability to analyze quantitative data
- Technical knowledge related to the job
- Proficiency with computer software programs
- Ability to create and/or edit reports
- Ability to sell or influence others

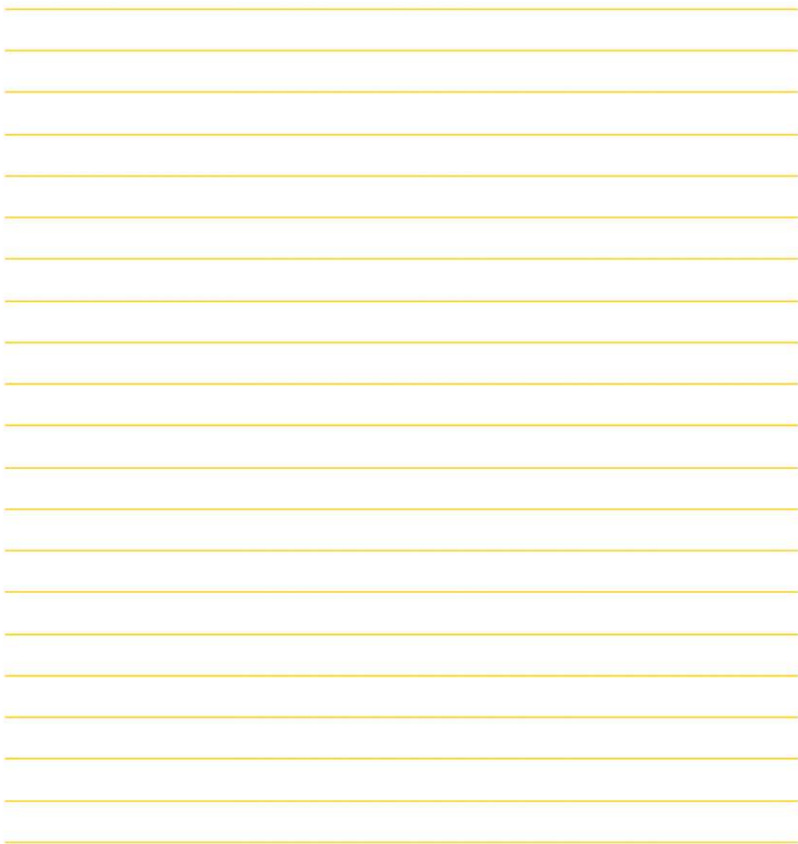
Other skills associated with a liberal arts education include:

- Leadership skills
- Design and Planning skills
- Research and Investigation skills
- Building Relationships and Interpersonal skills
- Management and Administration skills
- Personal/Career Development and Learning skills
- Intercultural knowledge and competence
- Civic knowledge and engagement – local and global

What do YOU Want to Learn?

Often students come to college with their own ideas about what they want to learn and who they want to become. When you think about your own learning goals for college, what do they include? You might be interested in learning more about being a part of a global society, or how you can find a future career that combines your interests in social justice and owning your own business. Maybe you are interested in learning how to be a better leader or how to run an organization. Whatever it is you think you might like to learn, college is the perfect time to start on that journey.

In the space below, jot down some of the things that you are interested in learning, or the ways in which you are interested in growing during college.

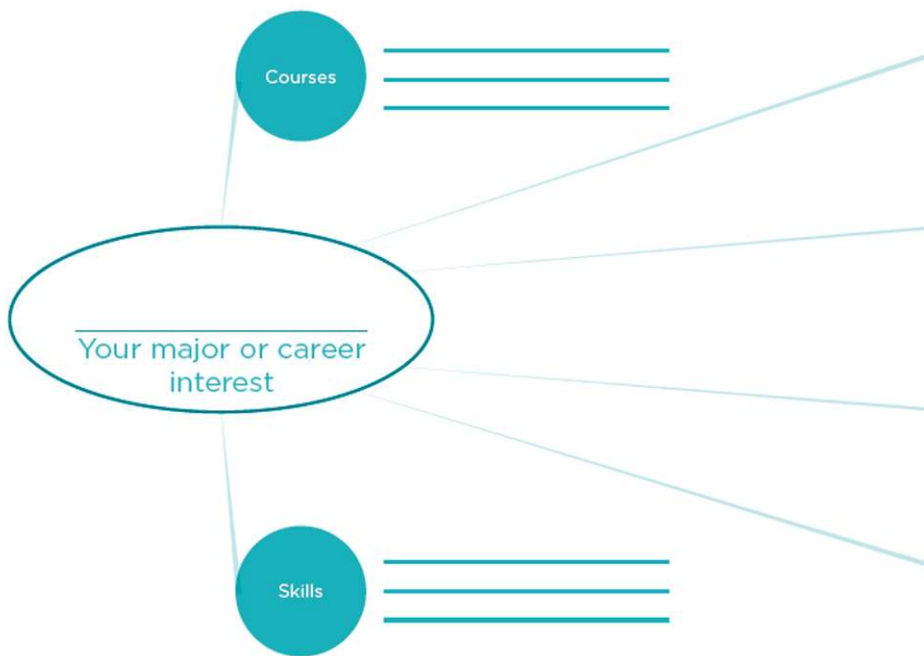


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What do YOU Want to Accomplish at Miami University?

Your Miami University experience is yours to create! During your time at Miami University, you have undoubtedly seen the broad range of experiences that are at your fingertips. Whether it is studying abroad, joining an organization, taking a specific course, or experiencing one of the thousands of other opportunities that Miami offers, deciding what to do can be overwhelming. Thinking about how your experiences can connect

to your learning goals and your future interests can help you focus on making the most of college. In the space below, spend some time plotting which experiences you are already involved in or new ones you think might be interesting. Either way, consider how these activities and experiences can impact your major or envisioned career path, or provide you with skills for which employers are looking. If you do not know what your major will be



or what career industry interests you, pick one that you want to learn more about (a list of possible industries is available on the last page of this workbook) and start brainstorming! This exercise can help you think about ways to explore whether or not a major or future career is for you! List your major, career interest, or career industry and use the spaces around it to map the things you are interested in pursuing to

support your learning in this area. Use the lines by each circle and fill in what experiences you intend to try or explore. Choose things that might also connect with your personal learning goals that you listed on the previous page.

On/off
Campus
Work

Leadership

Involvement

Experiences

Short-Term and Long-Term Goals connected to Your Future

As a part of this work book, you first articulated the ways in which you are interested in learning or growing during college either personally or professionally. You then brainstormed the ways in which various curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities could contribute to your learning within a major or career of interest. Now it is time to set some short-term and long-term goals to support your current and future interests. Goal setting will help keep you on track, provides clarity, and can keep you moving in the right direction.

Based on the work you did in this book, what are four goals that you have for next semester:

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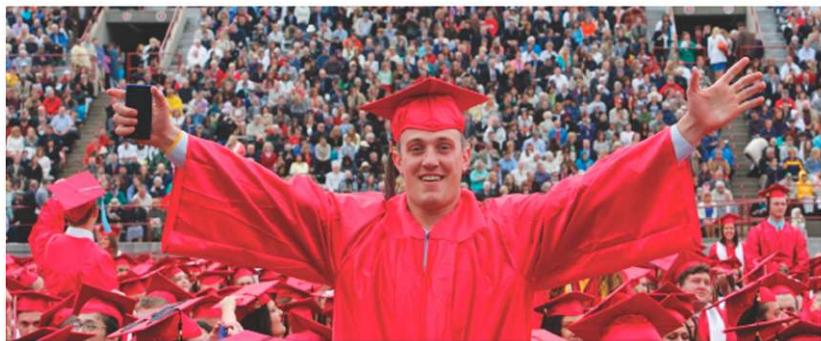
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4.

Who are people or resources that can help you successfully reach your goals?

When do you hope to accomplish these goals?



Now think more long-term. What are four long-term goals you have for your time at Miami University connected to exploring your future pursuits?

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2.

3.

4.

Who are people or resources that can help you successfully reach these goals?

When do you hope to accomplish these goals?

Career Clusters

Note this is not a complete or exhaustive list, but these are some industries in which you can use your education in many different roles. For instance, someone who is interested in graphic design could be a graphic designer in the automotive industry or in publishing. Similarly, someone who is interested in a career in human resources could find a job across many of the industries listed below.

- Accounting
- Analytics and Knowledge
- Architecture and Design
- Arts and Culture
- Automotive and Trucking
- Communication, Interactive Media, and Publishing
- Consulting
- Consumer Goods and Hospitality
- Finance and Banking
- Government
- Healthcare
- Industrial Engineering and Energy
- Insurance
- Logistics
- Merchandising and Retail
- Non-Profit and Community Service
- Sports
- Technology

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