
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE OF LAW

Career Resources Department

2L CAREER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

- > Update your resume with summer work experience, then have your resume posted on Symplicity
- > Look for notices and schedules regarding upcoming on-campus interviews (OCI)
- > Considering an externship for your second or third year?
 - > Make an appointment with Professor Chavez (civil and judicial) or Professor Molko (criminal) to review requirements and deadlines
 - > Students interested in joining the Immigration Clinic should contact Professor Koh (jkoh@wsulaw.edu)
- > Learn more about Western State's Certification programs in family law, business law, real estate practice, criminal law and immigration
- > Consider joining Western State's Public Service Program
 - > Contact Tim Mallory at tmallory@wsulaw.edu for more information

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

- > Attend at least one student organization event and become a member
- > Attend one networking event, either on-campus or off-campus
- > Schedule a meeting with Career Resources to review your resume and develop your career path

WINTER BREAK

- > Career Resources is open during Winter Break! Stop by for job search and resume assistance
- > Add updates to your resume: honors and activities, student organizations, and certifications in progress
- > Continue adding to your target list of possible practice areas, law firms, and organizations to explore
- > Check new job listings on Symplicity for employment and internship opportunities
- > Visit the Career Resources library (Main Library, ground floor) for job search resources and inspiration
- > Update your LinkedIn profile in preparation for Spring interviews

JANUARY THROUGH MARCH

- > Look for notices of upcoming events such as Public Service Week and Entertainment Law Day
- > Consider taking on a leadership position in one of the student organizations
- > To research employers, visit Chambers Associate, NALP, or Martindale-Hubbell
- > Update or add to your interview outfits: professional business suit, shoes and accessories
- > Career Resources is open during Spring Break! Make use of this time to prepare for your Spring/Summer job search
- > Talk to your professors about your areas of interest and job search status, asking for advice and/or contacts

APRIL AND MAY

- > Update your resume with new activities, honors, class ranking, and achievements
- > Schedule an appointment with Career Resources if you are still looking for summer employment or internship opportunities
- > Sign-up for a Mock Interview with a professor to hone your skills. Schedule through Career Resources
- > Order business cards through the SBA (look for e-mail announcements) or Career Resources

JUNE THROUGH AUGUST

- > Career Resources will be open during the summer months to offer assistance and answer questions
- > Keep an eye out for any work product that could be used as a new writing sample
- > Attend summer networking events sponsored by the local Bar associations