## **Junior** Career Development Checklist



## Make decisions/plot directions – Exposure

Experiment with possible career options. This can be accomplished through internships, summer jobs, and volunteer experiences.

- □ Review the Freshman and Sophomore Checklists and follow-up on items as needed.
- Delish your résumé, cover letter, and interviewing skills. (Optimal Resume)
- □ Review and update your LinkedIn profile.
- □ Attend the annual LinkedIn Seminar.
- □ Begin networking on LinkedIn with OBU alumni and employers that interest you.
- □ Update your OBU Career Portal profile.
- $\Box$  Narrow your career interests.
- □ Attend professional meetings and conferences.
- □ Check on your progress for meeting Chapel requirements for graduation.
- □ Seek an internship, part-time, or summer position to gain experience in your field of study.
- □ If you are interested in attending graduate school, get information on graduate programs and entry requirements. Prepare for and take the required entrance exam for graduate school.
- □ Continue building your network of faculty and professional contacts.
- □ Hold a leadership position in a campus organization and serve on committees.
- □ Review your progress in learning the skills employers look for in new hires. Find out how you can demonstrate these skills to potential employers.
- □ Research potential employers online and talk to recent graduates in your major about the job market and potential employers.
- □ Attend on-campus and virtual career and job fairs and employer information sessions that relate to your interests.
- □ Review and clean up any social media information about you that a potential employer may see.
- □ Start your professional wardrobe. Attending a JC Penney SuitUp Event will help you accomplish this.