

One of the best ways to be successful is to create a list of tasks that contribute to an end goal. This timeline has been created with a list of activities that will help you throughout the process of your academic and professional goals.

AWC TIMELINE FOR



STUDENT SUCCESS

1st Semester

Becoming a Matador

GOAL: Set up student account and become familiar with AWC

- Visit: azwestern.edu/enrollment/admissions and complete your first steps in becoming a Matador
- Become familiar with student resources
- Review important deadlines for add/drop week and withdrawal submissions
- Enroll in ORI 101 or ORI 197, Success Strategies course to learn college skills such as improved study skills, critical thinking skills, and general life skills **OR**
- Enroll in AWC 104 (2CR) Career Exploration for an in depth, intentional focused major and career exploration experience

GOAL: Choose a major and identify potential majors/careers

- Visit the Career and Advisement Services website to learn about workshops, events, services and resources available to students.
- Complete student profile in Jobs for Matadors: azwestern.edu/student-supprt/career-services
- Schedule an appointment with a Career and Academic Advisor to identify possible majors and careers and create your 2 year plan in Self-Service

GOAL: Build skills and experiences that will help you succeed

- Attend AWC Majors Event
- Join and participate in extra-curricular activities/join a student organization related to your career interest area: azwestern.edu/student-life/student-activities

2nd Semester

GOAL: Review program requirements

- Meet with a Career and Academic Advisor to review your 2 year plan
- Take advantage of priority registration: azwestern.edu/enrollment/register
- Complete FAFSA for upcoming Year: studentaid.gov/
- Continue to use available student resources e.g tutoring

GOAL: Begin to grow your professional network

- Get to know your professors and fellow students
- Conduct information interviews with those who are working in your field of interest
- Attend a Transfer & Career Event

GOAL: Enhance your career readiness skills

- Review Jobs for Matadors profile and update information
- Actively participate in extra curricular activities, such as a student club or professional organizations related to your career interest area

3rd Semester

GOAL: Review application deadlines and transfer admissions requirements

- Meet with a Career and Academic Advisor to review your progress in Self-Service
- Take advantage of priority registration: azwestern.edu/enrollment/register
- Review deadlines for graduation at: azwestern.edu/graduation-and-beyond
- See a Transfer Specialist to learn about the university admission process and requirements: azwestern.edu/student-support/transfer-services

GOAL: Continue to grow your professional network

- Attend a Transfer & Career Event
- Connect with professors or previous supervisors to ask for letters of recommendation
- Participate in local networking events e.g. Good Morning Yuma Breakfast

GOAL: Prepare to apply for employment opportunities

- Start searching for and applying to part-time employment and internship opportunities
- Schedule a mock interview with a Career Specialist
- Attend workshops and webinars presented by Career Services

4th Semester

& Beyond

GOAL: Complete program requirements and prepare for next steps

- Meet with a Career and Academic Advisor to review your progress in Self-Service, if applicable, apply for graduation
- Complete FAFSA for upcoming year
- Submit all required materials to transferring university

GOAL: Continue to prepare and apply for employment opportunities

- Update your resume and cover letter, add new experiences and skills you have gained
- Search for opportunities that interest you, and tailor your application materials to the jobs you are applying for

GOAL: Prepare to transition into the workforce and/or to a university

- Enroll in AWC 202: Job Readiness in the Digital Age course
- Keep in contact with mentors, your professional network, and contacts you have used as references