

## Timeline for Student Success

### Throughout Your Undergraduate Career:

1. Develop relationships with faculty
2. Seek opportunities beyond the classroom
3. Develop a “Self-Narrative”

### Summer Before Freshman Year

- Consider what you want to get out of your college education
- Make a schedule for your freshman year: include when you will be in class, time for studying, time for working, and time for extra-curricular activities

### Freshman Year

- Get to know your Human Situation instructor and the other faculty members teaching your classes; **make use of office hours**
- Readjust your schedule if you are finding you are spending too much time working or participating in extra-curricular activities; **MAKE STUDYING A PRIORITY**
- Talk to your advisors about the opportunity to study abroad or conduct a summer research project or internship
- Join Honors, UH, and major-related organizations

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### Summer Before Sophomore Year

- Participate in a study abroad program, internship, volunteer endeavor or summer research project
- Find out more about available minors, such as Medicine and Society, *Phronesis* and Center for Creative Work

### Sophomore Year

- Get to know the faculty in your major department and find out from them about enrichment opportunities in your discipline
  - Consult the Office of Undergraduate Research regarding potential research and scholarship opportunities
  - Talk to your advisors about the opportunity to study abroad or conduct a summer research project or internship*
  - Join Honors, UH, and major-related organizations and consider a leadership position*
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### **Summer Before Junior Year**

--Participate in a study abroad program, internship, volunteer endeavor or summer research project

### **Junior Year**

--*Participate in organizations and continue to pursue leadership positions*

--Begin planning for your Senior Honors Thesis by selecting a faculty mentor to direct the project

--Research graduate and/or or professional schools and find out requirements, costs and fellowship and assistantship opportunities

--Submit paperwork for Senior Honors Thesis to Office of Undergraduate Research

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### **Summer Before Senior Year**

--Participate in a study abroad program, internship, volunteer endeavor or summer research project

--Study for GRE, MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, etc. (if applicable)

--Begin developing personal essays and application materials for graduate or professional school (if applicable)

### **Senior Year**

--*Participate in organizations and continue to pursue leadership positions*

--Apply for graduation

--Participate in Senior Honors Thesis program

--Study for GRE, MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, etc. (if applicable)

--Request letters of recommendation

--Apply for graduate or professional school (fall semester); be aware of application fees

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