

# Develop Relationships

## **Get to know your professors...**

As you're searching for information about certain majors, why not talk with faculty members and department chairs? They know the major inside and out, after all, and can share nuances with you that you may not have considered. So, get in there and make an appointment to do an informational interview. Ask questions about classes offered within the major, internship/field study requirements, what students can do with such a major and more.

## **Get to know your Academic Advisor...**

Your academic advisor isn't just there to sign off on your classes before registration. He/she is there to help you navigate the academic waters and make good choices. That's why it's important to be proactive in establishing a relationship with your advisor. Make an appointment to visit so you become more than just a name. Ask him or her to help you create a four-year outline of classes and other requirements so you can graduate on time. Talk through your dilemma when it comes to choosing a major.

## **Get to know Career Services**

Career Services isn't just for seniors needing resume assistance. Anyone can use them - and should! These folks are full of information and resources, from interest inventories to "What can I do with a major in...?" answers. Career exploration is a multi-year process and it makes sense to get started now.

## **Get to know other Students...**

Meet people with similar interests by joining a student organization or club! They don't have to be tied to your academic major.

Meet with upper-class students in a major that interests you, and find out what interests them about their chosen major.

## **Find a Mentor...**

Mentors are available throughout campus contact SSS for more information!

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