

## Career Action Plan

Take charge of your career!

### Middle Years

Review your career plan ... be proactive and adaptable

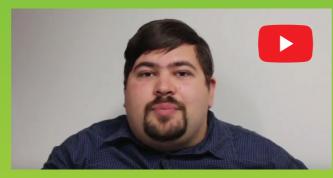
### Develop your professional identity

- Access our service for assistance with your LinkedIn profile.
- Expand your professional online presence join relevant <u>LinkedIn</u> groups and social media sites and pay attention to the discussions.
- Become a student member of your career relevant Professional Association and actively engage with networking and professional development opportunities.

### **Build on your networks**

### Networks lead to employment

- Attend the annual JCU Careers Fair develop your contacts, plus gain ideas on how to secure a graduate job.
- Develop your elevator pitch <u>Big Interview</u> can help you prepare and practice.
- Attend industry events clarify industry requirements and employer expectations as well as make contacts.
- Send LinkedIn connection requests to those you meet personalise the request email.



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## Undertake career-relevant work experience

Get your foot in the door and develop employer valued experience and skills

- Apply for internships, cadetships and vacation work programs (often advertised at the beginning of each semester).

  Regularly check JCU CareerHub and other websites or approach organisations directly.
- Volunteer in a course relevant area demonstrate your motivation and gain relevant skills and experience.
- Prepare for placements use the JCU Career Development Program.
- Improve your interview skills use <u>Big</u>
  <u>Interview</u> for online training and practice.

### Review your skills, knowledge and experiences

- Check employer websites /job vacancy sites to identify employer expectations.
- Identify your gaps in experience, skills or knowledge and develop areas needing improvement use <a href="Lynda.com">Lynda.com</a> via the Library page for online courses.
- Build your entrepreneurial skills complete the modules in our <u>Develop an Enterprising Mindset</u> online program.
- Keep a record of the knowledge, skills and experiences gained in and outside of your studies consider using an ePortfolio.
- Identify your strengths and areas of professional interest.

Take Action

Gain experience, develop networks

# JCU Careers and Employment

We support you with your career planning, decision making and transition into graduate employment.

**Our Services** 

#### **Appointments**

- Available in person, phone or Skype
- Career planning and preparation support
- Job application, interview preparation and job search strategy support
- Students unable to attend an appointment are welcome to email their job application documents for feedback

### **Careers** Fair

Townsville 26 March 2019 Cairns 27 March 2019 The annual employers on campus event

Don't miss this opportunity to network with employers and discover opportunities.

#### **Resources**

Develop an Enterprising Mindset Online modules to build entrepreneurial skills and attributes for career success



Online modules to develop employability and reach career goals



Part-time, casual, volunteer, vacation and graduate vacancy listings. Weekly e-newsletter



Discipline specific graduate resumes



Online training AND practice to improve interview technique and confidence.

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