Junior Year Milestones

- **Complete general education requirements**
  Ideally, students will have completed their liberal education requirements as well as their second language requirement. Students may use the first semester of their third year to wrap up some of this coursework, however they should be enrolled in primarily upper division courses. Students should be taking courses to fulfill the requirement of 18 credits that are upper division and outside of their major.
  **When:** Fall and spring semesters
  **For more information:** [http://www.onestop.umn.edu/registrar/libed/index.htm](http://www.onestop.umn.edu/registrar/libed/index.htm)

- **Make substantial progress on completing requirements for the major**
  Your student’s schedule should emphasize courses required for the major.
  **When:** Fall and spring semesters
  **For more information:** [www.class.umn.edu/mbrochures](http://www.class.umn.edu/mbrochures)

- **Make and attend advising appointments**
  Students should plan to meet with their college adviser for a balance sheet appointment, where the student and adviser will review their remaining graduation requirements. Students may also want to meet with an adviser in their major department as well.
  **When:** Fall and spring semester
  **For more information:** [http://ulook.umn.edu](http://ulook.umn.edu) (Students can use ULook to schedule an advising appointment online)

- **Complete 90 credits by the end of third year**
  Students will need to register for at least 15 credits each semester to ensure timely graduation. After meeting with their adviser, students should register at their assigned time.
  **When:** Fall registration is November - December, spring registration April-May

Things to Think About All Year

- **Consider doing significant individual work with a faculty member**
  Students who are interested in participating in research with a faculty member should contact the department for information. Research experience can provide excellent preparation for graduate or professional school.

- **Consider participating in an internship**
  Paid internships and internships for credit are both available. If students are interested in receiving credit, they should talk with their major department. Internships are a great way to learn more about career paths and they are often helpful when doing a job search or applying to graduate or professional school.
  **For more information:** [careerservices.class.umn.edu/students/workopportunities/index.html](http://careerservices.class.umn.edu/students/workopportunities/index.html)

- **Begin investigating possible career paths**
  Along with internships, students may arrange informational interviews or job
shadows to get a better idea of possible careers they are interested in. They may also attend "What Can I Do With A Major In?" workshops, offered through CCLC and their student communities.

For more information: www.cclc.umn.edu

Investigate graduate or professional school interests
Students who are thinking about graduate or professional school after graduation should begin to look at programs in which they may be interested. Departments can be helpful in identifying appropriate programs for students to consider. Students should be gathering information and looking into taking the GRE, MCAT, and LSAT if needed. The University offers test preparation resources.

More information on:
Careers: www.cclc.umn.edu
Graduate record exam: www.gre.org
Law school admissions www.lsat.org
Medical college admission test: www.aamc.org/students/mcat

Consider applying for a UROP grant
This program is designed to give undergraduate students and faculty members the opportunity to work together on research, scholarly, or creative activities.
For more information: http://www.urop.umn.edu

Explore service learning opportunities
By enrolling in a service-learning course, students gain direct experience working on the same content, ideas, and issues discussed in class through working at a community organization several hours per week.
For more information: www.servicelearning.umn.edu

Apply for continuing student scholarships
Scholarships are available for continuing students in the College of Liberal Arts. These scholarships usually become available in late fall semester with a deadline early in the spring semester.
For more information: www.cla.umn.edu/honors/schollnk.htm

Instructors' office hours
Students should not be shy about visiting their instructors during posted office hours. Office hours are a good time to get additional help with a course, ask about research opportunities, and investigate careers in the field.