

Gain Career Readiness Experience with UCS: Experiential Learning Value Wheel

Non-Paid Experiences: Designed to Facilitate YOUR Career Exposure and Exploration

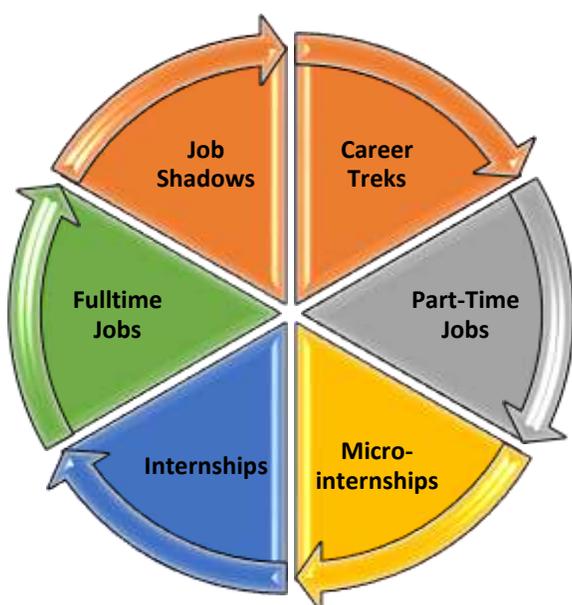
- ❑ **Career Treks:** A Career Trek allows a group of students to learn about different companies and organizations on-site with representatives from the host employer. Students can learn about the host employer and its industry, listen to a panel of employees to learn about their daily responsibilities, and participate in small-group breakout sessions to meet representatives, ask questions, and network. Career Treks can be half-day to full-day engagements and take place after December and May final exam periods.
- ❑ **Job Shadows:** A Job Shadow experience allows individual students to learn about different careers and occupations through one on one meetings with representatives from a host employer. Students are able to learn about the employer as well as their representative’s career journey, daily activities, and other information relating to the focused occupation. Job Shadows can be half-day to full-day engagements and take place after December and May final exam periods.

Paid Experiences: Designed to Build YOUR Career and Professional Skills

- ❑ **Part-Time Jobs:** Earn and learn with [off-campus part-time jobs](#) and on-campus part-time jobs while enrolled in college. Build your resume with relevant professional experience (Employers love soft skills!). Get ahead in the job market by connecting with employers and building a network of contacts. Obtain 3+ years’ experience before receiving your degree.
- ❑ **Micro-internships:** These short-term projects allow students to demonstrate skills and explore career paths across various fields, industries and disciplines. UCS has partnered with [Parker Dewey](#) to begin promoting micro-internships to UNC Chapel Hill students. Projects exist for all majors and can incorporate a student’s outside experience/interests learned outside of their major.

Paid Experiences: Designed to Achieve YOUR Career and Life Goals

- ❑ **Internships:** Getting the right Internship experience is crucial to developing key job function skills that leverage curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular experiences developed before and during UNC Chapel Hill. Internships can either be done through [internship-credit courses](#) which could be paid or unpaid, or they can be done during [summer internships](#) which could also be paid or unpaid. Two primary campus resources to find internship opportunities are through the [Handshake job boards](#) and [recruitment events](#).
- ❑ **Fulltime Jobs:** Being gainfully employed after undergraduate or graduate studies will ultimately be part of every students’ life after UNC. In many cases students are offered Fulltime Jobs from the companies they intern with, or they can leverage the internship experience to pursue Fulltime Jobs with other established companies or startups. Two primary campus resources to find fulltime opportunities are through the [Handshake job boards](#) and [recruitment events](#). Fulltime jobs also take into consideration those that students create for themselves through entrepreneurship. Students who are entrepreneurial have access to resources to start their own ventures with the help of incubators on campus such as the [Launch Chapel Hill](#) and the [Eship Center](#).



Need help deciding which of these experiences is right for you? Schedule an appointment with a Career Coach in University Career Services today at <https://careers.unc.edu/students/resources/schedule-appointment>.