

## Gain Career Readiness Experience with UCS: Experiential Learning Value Wheel

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

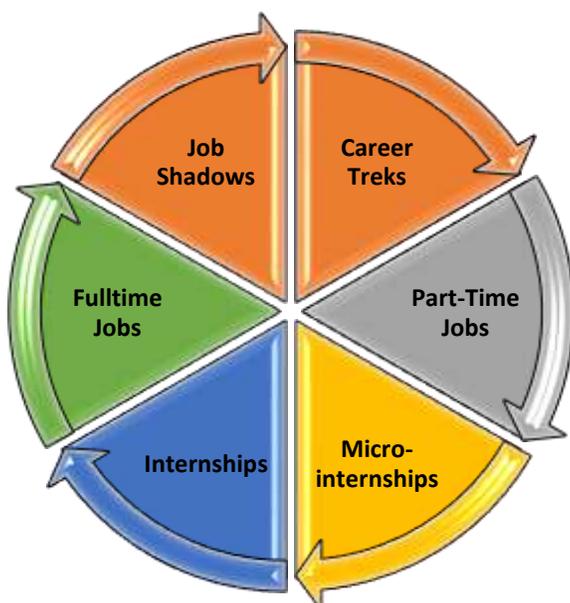
- ❑ **Career Treks:** A Virtual [Career Trek](#) allows students to learn about different companies and organizations through a live virtual event with representatives from the host employer. Students can learn about the host employer and its industry, listen to a panel of employees to learn about their daily responsibilities, and possibly participate in small-group breakout sessions so you can meet representatives, ask questions, and network. Virtual Career Treks mirror in-person Career Treks, but on a shorter timeframe. Virtual Career Treks are one to two hours in length and can be offered at various times.
- ❑ **Job Shadows:** A Virtual [Job Shadow](#) experience allows students to learn about different careers and occupations through virtual one on one sessions with representatives from a host employer. Students are able to learn about the host employer as well as their career journey, daily activities, and other information relating to the focused occupation. Virtual Job Shadows mirror in-person Job Shadow experiences, but on a shorter time frame. Virtual Job Shadows can be one to 1.5 hours and can be offered at various times.

### Paid Experiences: Designed to Build YOUR Career and Professional Skills

- ❑ **Part-Time Jobs:** Earn money with [part-time jobs](#) to supplement living and other costs 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 Secure 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 [virtual fairs](#).
- ❑ **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 [virtual fairs](#). 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](#).



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