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Join the Sport Networking Club and other organizations related to your interests.
Attend Stillman Career Week events, sport networking forums and other career programs to learn about the sports industry.
Within LinkedIn, create a profile and join groups and discussions.
Follow organizations in the sports industry on various social media sites.
Identify sports industry job resources, such as www.teamworkonline.com and create an account.
Use Navigator to find related internships, volunteer opportunities, and part-time/summer jobs.

Year Two: Investigate
Meet with your career advisor to update your resume and identify targeted areas of interest.
Seek project or leadership roles in a campus organization.
Attend career fairs, networking forums and Sport Networking Club meetings to expand your industry knowledge and make connections with SHU alumni.
Determine your functional area of expertise or interest, such as sales, marketing, accounting, finance, IT, research, HR or project management.
Research the wide array of organizations in the sport industry (teams, venues, leagues, retailers, sponsors, partners, and community initiatives).
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Use LinkedIn and Career Shift to connect with SHU alumni in the sports industry for informational interviews and shadowing.

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Meet with your career advisor to identify types of organizational settings with job functions of interest to you.
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Attend the Fall and Spring Career Fairs and other networking events at major sports industry venues.
Follow up with professionals you meet to set up informational interviews.
Update your LinkedIn profile and continue to follow sports organizations.
Participate in discussions and post articles in sports blogs, LinkedIn and other social media sites.
Identify and interview professionals in diverse areas of the sports industry.

Year Four: Take Action
Update your resume and meet with your career advisor to develop a job search plan.
Attend the Fall and Spring Career Fairs to land internships and establish connections for full-time jobs.
Attend sports industry networking forums and follow up with professionals to set up informational interviews.
Identify SHU alumni in your target organizations using LinkedIn and Career Shift to set up networking meetings.
Apply and start interviewing for professional positions at the beginning of your last semester.
Update your networking list and keep in touch with your contacts.

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