# Career Planning Guidelines for DrPH Students

## Year One
- **Login to CareerConnect to update your profile**
- **Explore OAACA services such as workshops, 1:1 appointments, and career panels**
- **Create or update your resume**
- **Develop a robust LinkedIn profile, join groups, participate in discussion fora**
- **Attend Career Expos & employer info sessions to explore different career options**
- **Learn about student organizations at the School and University that you may want to get involved in**
- **Connect with peers across university through social events, department newsletters, and student orgs**
- **Research fellowship and funding opportunities for summer internship**
- **Identify and articulate career skills gained from winter session immersion experience**
- **Get to know your faculty advisor and others in their network**
- **Start a career log to record your thoughts on academic coursework, future goals and employers of interest. Meet with career coach to explore options you want to pursue.**

## Year Two
- **Develop and enhance your elevator pitch and talking points to identify your Delta project host site**
- **Continue exploring career options by gathering career information at company presentations, career expos, and talking to alumni and employers of interest**
- **Update and tailor your LinkedIn profile, join groups, participate in discussion fora**
- **Build and expand your professional network**
- **Continue to attend workshops, employer presentations, and career panels**
- **Participate in OAACA job shadow program and career treks**
- **Identify and talk to faculty with contacts outside of academia**
- **Develop and practice interview skills through mock interviews**
- **Analyze job descriptions to become familiar with desired skills and employer needs**

## Years Three and Four
- **Develop timeline and writing plan to meet Delta thesis deadlines**
- **Take advantage of networking opportunities at your Delta project host site**
- **Make an appointment with career coach to review your job application materials**
- **Devote significant amount of time to tailoring your application for each position**
- **Update your LinkedIn profile; continue to build your professional network**
- **Identify potential employers and sources of job listings in your fields of interest**
- **Attend workshops on interviewing**

Read our weekly Career Advancement Update e-newsletter (sent on Sunday) to stay informed about upcoming programs, events and jobs that may be of interest. Our website also contains a calendar of our programs, job search tools and links to Career Connect (our job listing database) and other job listing sites.