CONSULTING ACADEMY GUIDE

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<td>Learn about the differences in large vs. small firms and federal vs. commercial practice.</td>
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### ALL YEARS

- Participate in the Career Center’s Consulting Academy Week (October).
- Attend Career Fair to network with employers.
- Attend on-campus information sessions and events with employers.
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JUNIOR

**Fall**
- Refine resume specific to internship interests.
- Research opportunities and apply for summer internships.
- Attend case interview workshops.
- Participate in fall case competition.

**Spring**
- Consider pursuing a leadership role in student organizations.
- Participate in spring case competition.
- Practice behavioral and case interviews.
- Attend student consulting networking reception.
- Make connections with firms of interest.

**Summer**
- Participate in an internship.
- Learn culture and interview style at firms of interest.
- Network with alumni at firms of interest.
- Develop strategy for fall recruitment.

SENIOR

**Fall**
- Finalize resume for full-time opportunities.
- Apply for full time opportunities.
- Practice behavioral and case interviews.
- Participate in fall case competition.

**Spring**
- Participate in case competition.
- Attend student consulting networking reception.

Sample Student Groups
- Undergraduate Consulting Club
- Graduate Consulting Club
- Johns Hopkins Students Consulting for Non-profit Organizations (SCNO)
- NEST Strategies
- Alpha Kappa Psi, Professional Business Fraternity

Coursework
- Consulting firms hire from all academic backgrounds. Some suggested courses include:
  - Introduction to Business
  - Oral Presentations
  - Professional Communication
  - Economic Analysis
  - Organizational Development
  - Leadership

*These activities, classes, student clubs, and events are suggestions for students, not requirements. To determine your academic plan, please talk with your advisor.*