### Professional Development Timeline

#### Month 1
- Talk to your mentor about your interests and possible majors and minors.
- Review your résumé with your mentor, update your résumé, and submit it to Nittany Lion Careers.
- Think about study abroad and/or internship options.
- Talk to your mentor about the Paterno Fellows Program.
- Explore new clubs and organizations on campus; seek out leadership roles if you are interested!
- Review internship/full-time position postings on Nittany Lion Careers and discuss them with your mentor.

#### Month 2
- Make a LinkedIn account to expand your network and make connections; talk to your mentor about ways to enhance your LinkedIn account.
- Meet with Career Enrichment Network staff member to discuss your top internship and/or study abroad options.
- Not studying abroad? Talk with your mentor about other ways to get a global experience.
- Attend career fairs, information sessions, and other workshops.
- Talk to your mentor about perfecting your “elevator pitch” at career fairs and networking events.
- Consider getting academic credit for your internship experience.
- Talk to your mentor about the do's and don'ts of networking.
- Apply for Enrichment Funding for your experience.

#### Month 3
- Update résumé.
- Meet with a Career Enrichment Network staff member to learn about résumés and cover letters and plans for the future, internships, and study abroad options.
- Search for positions on Nittany Lion Careers; talk with your mentor about your top choices.
- Review your experiences with your mentor and assess your progress and discuss ways to improve.
- Brush up on interview skills.
- Have a mock interview and feedback session with your mentor.
- Take the StrengthsFinder® assessment to learn more about your skills and strengths.
- Interested in graduate school? Talk to your mentor about your options.

#### Month 4
- Search for full-time jobs on the Nittany Lion Careers.
- Shadow your mentor at work for a day.
- Meet with Career Enrichment Network staff member to discuss your options for post-graduation opportunities.
- Review your experiences with your mentor and assess your progress and discuss ways to improve.
- Discuss any job or interview offers with your mentor.
- Talk about post-graduation life with your mentor.

#### Month 5
- Talk to your mentor about developing your own work/life balance.
- Interested in becoming a mentor? Contact Lauren Granese (leg5147@psu.edu).
- Fill out your Senior Survey before you graduate.
- Apply for enrichment funding for your experience!
- Discuss any job or interview offers with your mentor.
- Not doing an internship? Consider undergraduate research.