

## START WELL

## STAY ON COURSE

## FINISH STRONG



## Learn

- Get to know your academic advisor in your department
- Follow your [sample schedule](#)
- Learn how to use the degree audit program [DegreeWorks](#)
- Work on time-management and study skills
- Do not be afraid to ask for help

- Be diligent in following the degree plan that you continue to adjust with your academic advisor each semester
- Pay attention to the classes and hands on laboratory experiences that are most enjoyable to decide on a future research project or internship

- In the first two weeks of your last semester, apply for graduation
- Ensure that your degree audit is 100%



## Experience

- Check out forensic science conferences, both locally and nation wide/global
- Attend [Apeiron](#) or other local conferences
- Consider applying to be a [First Year Experience \(FYE\) Peer Educator](#)

- Take the Professional Forensic Science Seminar class and find out about jobs in forensics that you never knew existed
- Apply for a [Washburn Transformational Experience \(WTE\)](#) to obtain the funding to pursue an area of research in forensics or in chemistry that most interests you

- Present your research to your peers at Apeiron and Washburn's Day of Transformation
- Gain the skill set to communicate your research to a wide audience



## Engage

- Join a club, such as the Chemistry club or the Forensic Sciences Club, and engage in community events
- Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by participating in events such as International Brown Bag lectures

- Join a professional forensic science organization, be it local, state, or national level
- Present your research and engage in scientific discussions and workshops at a Forensic Science Conference such as [KDIAI](#) or [AAFS](#), or even Pittcon
- Engage with faculty who can serve as references and points of contact

- Network with people in your field of interest through classes that invite guest speakers and adjunct practitioners
- Attend National Forensic Science Week at the KBI



## Launch

- Discuss career goals with your advisor
- Take on a leadership role in a [club](#) or community organization

- Apply for an internship in your area of interest or find a research project that allows you to practice the skills that will launch your career
- Write up your research or summarize your internship to assist in presenting and discussing with future employers

- Utilize the [Career Engagement Office](#) to search for jobs
- Polish your resume or CV and send it to someone in your field to review
- Apply for jobs and practice your interviewing skills before you leave college

## WHAT'S NEXT?

With a degree in Forensic Chemistry, you can move on to graduate school, professional school, or start a career in:

Forensic Drug Chemistry

Latent Prints

Trace Chemistry Toxicology

Firearms and Toolmarks

Medical Laboratory Science

Pharmaceutical Chemistry

Government/military defense

Environmental/quality control

Research

Cannabis Testing

Analytical Laboratories

Fire Investigation

Forensic Law

Crime Scene Science

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