

MANAGEMENT COUGAR MAP



BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: MANAGEMENT MAJOR AND MINOR

The Cougar Map is intended to guide you with suggestions for potential activities and career paths that can help you along your educational journey. Although everyone has different abilities, experiences and obstacles, this Cougar Map can be used with the help of your advisors to prepare for the future you want with a clear vision of your college-to-career pathway.

Please refer to the SXU Academic Catalog and academic planning resources for detailed degree requirements.

	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
Competence (major/minor, summer suggestions)	<p>Bring writing assignments to the Learning Center/Writing Studio for help in fine-tuning papers.</p> <p>Don't get discouraged in your first year! For stress relief ideas, visit the Counseling Center.</p> <p>Take advantage of your summer by taking courses to graduate on time or earlier.</p>	<p>Visit the library for the appropriate resources to investigate different management fields and career paths.</p> <p>Consider pursuing a second major or minor to achieve your career goals.</p>	<p>Be mindful of important dates, i.e. semester ends and begins, deadline to withdraw from a course, petition for graduation.</p> <p>Meet with faculty who are academic Success Coaches and attend a Success Workshop.</p>	<p>Showcase your management portfolio of professional industry certifications such as Hubspot Inbound Sales Certification.</p>
Character (Service, global perspective, study abroad, clubs/student organizations, volunteering)	<p>Consider joining a student club the Business Students Association or Women Entering Business.</p> <p>Enroll in Cougars LEAD that supports leadership development and begin working on your leadership certificate.</p>	<p>Research opportunities to take part in a service trip or study abroad program.</p> <p>Participate in the Chicago chapter of the Academy of Management.</p>	<p>Take on a leadership role within a student club or organization.</p> <p>Volunteer with SXU's Campus Ministry or a local organization or non-profit.</p>	<p>Mentor the next generation of student association officers.</p> <p>Become a member of professional management organization like the Academy of Management.</p>
Career Success (career or grad school prep, internships, jobs)	<p>Complete your SXU Handshake profile for student employment with the help of Center for SUCCESS.</p> <p>Talk to your advisor about preparing for internship experiences.</p>	<p>Create a LinkedIn profile and establish meaningful connections within your academic and personal circles.</p> <p>Attend GSM's Careers in Management and Marketing panel to explore your career options.</p>	<p>Meet with the GSM Experiential Learning Director for assistance with internships that offer relevant experience in management and business.</p> <p>Participate in conferences held by professional management associations such as American Business Women's Association, and the American Management Association.</p>	<p>Take the GMAT exam early and apply to graduate schools in December and January.</p> <p>Visit Center for SUCCESS to create a job search plan, sharpen your resume and practice interviewing.</p> <p>Attend job, graduate school and intern fairs to help prepare you for what comes next after college.</p>