**Success Checklist**

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| **Academics** | | **Career Decision Making** | **Extracurriculars** |
| **Freshman – Explore** | **Explore NUST**  ❑ Review the course outlines  ❑ See your academic advisor  ❑ Get to know your professors  ❑ Think about choosing your Major(s). You are expected to pick a major later but may remain undecided until Sophomore year.  ❑ Identify 3 career fields of interest  ❑ Do informational interviews with alumni | **Explore Career Issues**  ❑ Meet with a career counsellor (HoD or ILO) to help identify your interests, skills & values  ❑ Explore NUST’s career related offerings such as workshops, resume critiques, & mock interviews  ❑ Develop a resume  ❑ Research summer internships  ❑ Attend panels & info sessions | **Get Involved**  ❑ Participate in hostel activities, clubs & societies, organizations or service projects  ❑ Ask for advice from Resident Assistants, Freshman Advisors, Teaching Assistants, faculty advisors and Counsellors |
| **Sophomore – Clarify** | **Clarify Academics**  ❑ Confirm your choice of major  ❑ Meet regularly with your advisor  ❑ Choose electives to make you more versatile. Consider a second major or minor if interested.  ❑ Explore opportunities for research.  ❑ Consider study abroad. Meet with the ILO of your school. | **Refine Career Goals**  ❑ Meet with a career counsellor  ❑ Update your resume and discuss it with your seniors and faculty members  ❑ Attend career fairs  ❑ Attend workshops to build career skills  ❑ Explore opportunities for work experience: internships, externships.  ❑ Network and cultivate mentors  ❑ Do informational interviews | **Connect**  ❑ Participate in student professional organizations  ❑ Seek opportunities to build leadership skills  ❑ Volunteer |
| **Junior – More Experience** | **Specialization**  ❑ Choose electives to enhance learning and career goals  ❑ Consider your interest in grad or professional school  ❑ Continue developing relationships with faculty, grad students and professionals. Identify potential references.  ❑ Apply to distinguished fellowships and scholarships if appropriate. | **Gain Experience**  ❑ Meet with a career counsellor to create a job or grad school search strategy  ❑ Update your resume  ❑ Find a summer internship  ❑ Do informational interviews  ❑ Network, network, network  ❑ Create a LinkedIn profile  ❑ Do a mock interview  ❑ Shop for interview attire | **Exercise New Skills**  ❑ Consider joining professional associations  ❑ Continue involvement in clubs, societies, student organizations, and volunteer activities |
| **Senior – Commit** | **Decisions**  ❑ Apply to graduate or professional school if that is your plan  ❑ Develop or continue an independent research project with a professor  ❑ Keep up grades | **First Career Choice**  ❑ Make a job search plan  ❑ Attend workshops on how to network, write a resume, interview, etc  ❑ Update your LinkedIn profile  ❑ Do a mock interview at peers  ❑ Participate in on-campus recruiting  ❑ Ask for 3 references | **Prepare to Graduate**  ❑ Consider outside activities (family, lifestyle, values, etc)  ❑ Project your needs and create a budget  ❑ Serve as a leader  ❑ Enjoy your senior year and join the Alumni Association! |