Welcome to CEPS!
FIRST YEAR: YOUR DISCOVERY PROCESS BEGINS

High-level of activity and variety is key!
UNH’s 4 Year Plan

- First year -- Inquire
- Sophomore -- Explore
- Junior -- Expand
- Senior -- Act
- Exit into Graduate School or Industry

Spotlight on Research: UNH Pee Bus

Life after UNH: CEPS Fast Careers: Andrew Cunningham
The Discovery Process begins: high level of activity -- variety is key

Busy with a purpose -- assessing activities and experiences

Intentional Involvement

SATISFACTION:
The Inward Call
What you enjoy, find fulfilling, what you think you are good

ABILITY:
The Outward Call
What people see, recognize, compliment, and praise you for...
Assess your interests, strengths, and skills coming in.

Review the “big picture” curriculum and learning objectives of your major.

Study, prepare, go to class and manage your time well. Academics come first.

If you are still exploring options, research different CEPS and UNH offerings including the classes you may take outside your program.

Pursue both core and general classes, consider a double major or minor to broaden your experience.

Approach a faculty member in an option you are interested in exploring, visit a Department Office or talk to students in different options to learn more.
Learning should extend beyond your coursework. Continue your personal/professional development by becoming an member of the CEPS & UNH community; explore different student organizations in your discipline area, internships, research opportunities, campus work opportunities and volunteer experiences (UNH District FIRST Robotics Competition, Tech Camp, IOL).

Consider a study abroad experience in your junior or senior year or learn another language, widen your knowledge of diversity.

Identify and apply to scholarships for which you may qualify.

Aim to be a positive contributor and member of the community with no conduct record.
Be aware of image management: FaceBook, LinkedIn Profile, etc.

Practice talking about your skills - meet with an alumnus in your field of interest and do an informational or mock interview.

Prepare for what’s ahead: UNH Internship/Job Fairs in October and March, Interdisciplinary Science and Engineering Symposium in April, opportunities to engage with industry and the community during your 4 years.

Take advantage of the resources available!
Gain an understanding of what **STEM careers** are linked to different areas of study.

Familiarize yourself with *Wildcat Careers* to begin learning about the career resources and opportunities that are available, beginning to identify *companies* that recruit your major.

Develop a first draft resume and letter that can be edited for use in formal correspondence (inquiry letter, scholarship thank you letter, etc.)

Seek to continuously develop your skills in mathematics, problem solving, communication, team work, and technology.

Investigate opportunities to APPLY YOUR SKILLS (summer job, community service, internship)
If you have declared a major, introduce yourself and develop a relationship with your Faculty Advisor, Course Instructors and Department Office Staff.

*Get connected* -- use your UNH email account, friend your Dept on Social Media, familiarize yourself with the communication tools at UNH.

Familiarize yourself with CEPS and UNH communication outlets (website s, etc.)
GOOD LUCK!

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