

## Step #2: Exploring Options for Further Education (Year 2-3)

As a student exploring and preparing for my further education, I need to...

- Research graduate schools and programs related to my degree and area of interest
- Develop a plan to meet requirements for my program, including my GPA, courses, admission tests and experiences needed; consider alternative plans
- Get involved in research and/or applied field work that will allow me to not only learn more about my field of interest but also gain experience that can aid me during the application process

I can start to achieve these goals with the UTM Career Centre by...

- Checking out the “Further Education” tab on the Career Centre website for information on Graduate Schools, Professional Schools and Post-Grad College programs
- Identifying the types of experiences that will be relevant to me by researching program requirements. I can start to find relevant programs in the “Finding a Program” section on the UTM Career Centre website
- Contacting professionals in the field and representatives from schools to learn more about a programs’ reputation, relevant experience options, and discover if a potential program is a right fit for me. I can start to find these contacts with the Career Centre by:
  - Signing up for the Extern Job Shadowing Program,
  - Checking out the UTM Alumni Binder
  - Participating in Career Connections
  - Attending the Career Centre’s annual Graduate and Professional Schools Fair
- Registering my UTM Career Centre online account to find summer, part-time, volunteer and work-study research opportunities in the UofT job postings
- Tailoring my resume and cover letter to emphasize my research/field work. For help, I can attend the UTM Career Centre Resume and Cover Letter workshop (check Events Calendar), browse our Resume Toolkit and library resources and even book a Resume Critique online
- Making an appointment with a Career Counsellor to discuss further education plans or an Employment Advisor for individual help and tips on how to find relevant experience or opportunities in a specific field