



CAREER READINESS PROGRAM

What is Career Readiness Program?

- Students will build necessary skills and competencies to enter their chosen career.
- Students must convey to prospective employers how they acquired these skills through their coursework and experiences.
- The career readiness program is based on the career readiness competencies outlined by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE).

What is the benefit of the program?

- Students gain the skills they need to launch successful careers; this initiative is designed to help them learn to discuss their abilities and the competencies employers seek.
- The Career Readiness Program is a digital micro credential (badge) designed to incentivize students as they connect the dots between their education and experience.
- The value of these competencies can then be translated into the language of employers.

How will students earn the badge(s)?

Students will complete:

- 3 academic contact hours,
- 15 experiential learning hours,
- Submit a graded video response to a behavioral interview question,
- A written summary of how they developed this competency.

How can a faculty get involved?

- Review course content to highlight how their course helps students further post-graduation goals
- Enrich courses by aligning course objectives to one of the NACE Career Readiness competencies
- Promote the course as a way for student to develop and learn to discuss these skills

Where can I get more information?

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