



EMPOWERING YOUR JOURNEY

QEP STUDENT GUIDE

WHAT IS THE QEP?

As part of The W's accreditation process with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), the university must complete a Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). The QEP requires the university to engage in institutional reflection and review and then create a new five-year plan to do work that will enhance students' learning and success. The QEP is a process meant to transform student learning and make us better at what we do.

WHAT IS THE W'S QEP ABOUT?

Our QEP, entitled *Empowering Your Journey*, aims to get students career-ready and help them see themselves as the job-ready professionals and future leaders that they are! Our goal is to support student success by promoting professional development and career readiness across the curriculum and through outside-the-classroom opportunities, including internships, mentorship programs, research opportunities, and other high-impact learning. By focusing on career readiness and competencies, we want to help students explain how what they have done in their time as a student transitions to the job market and is valuable to employers.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE QEP?

The purpose of *Empowering Your Journey* is to help you, the student, see yourself as a professional and develop the kind of career competencies that will allow you to be successful on the job market. Our goal is not limited to helping you get your first job, but in helping you understand the value of your skill sets for the long term. In other words, we want you to be successful from your first position to your last.

HOW WILL I PARTICIPATE IN THE QEP IN CLASS?

You will see career-based assignments and activities throughout the curriculum, including in classes that you are required to take for your major. Each academic program and major has different needs, but the faculty coordinating your program are going to ensure that professional development is not a one-off event.

HOW WILL I PARTICIPATE IN THE QEP OUTSIDE OF CLASS?

The revitalized and redesigned Center for Career Services and Professional Development on campus is going to be a major site for career readiness programming. We know, too, that students already engage in all kinds of high impact learning and leadership experiences outside of the classroom in social clubs, athletics, and honor societies. Tracking technology will help you make a comprehensive list of such activities that can be added to your resume or CV. There are going to be lots of ways to participate in professional development outside the classroom.

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TO LEARN MORE:



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WHERE IS THE CENTER FOR CAREER SERVICES AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON CAMPUS?

The Career Services and Professional Development Center is located at the front entrance of campus in Whitfield Hall, 1st Floor. Come in to meet our staff and discuss ways we can help empower you on your career journey.



WHAT SERVICES DO THEY OFFER?

- + Career advising
- + Mock job interviews
- + Internship help and training
- + Resume/C.V. building and editing
- + Career fairs
- + Employment connections, Handshake and others
- + Professional development workshops

The list goes on! If you haven't contacted the Center for Career Services and Professional Development, what are you waiting for! Call, email, or find them on social media today to get the help you need to build your resume or find an internship!

HOW DO I CONTACT THEM?



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