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- Prepare for success at Carey
- Make connections and understand community expectations
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- Engage with your coursework
- Define career goals and engage in career education and development
- Stay informed by utilizing Carey resources
- Develop cultural competence and participate in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) programs
- Develop business skills and toolkit
- Enhance your Carey Experience through experiential learning courses and activities
- Build your professional skillset to be a more competitive applicant

I AM A CAREY GRADUATE
- Celebrate and share your successes
- Remain engaged with Carey and JHU
- Consider continuing your Carey education
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★ Explore Carey’s degree options:
- Request Information from Carey Admissions by filling out the online request form and connecting with an Admissions Officer.
- Find out more by attending open houses, info sessions, and webinars.
- Take a virtual tour.

★ Navigate the application process:
- Submit your application and complete your Admission interview.
- Select your campus.
- Make your deposit(s), which then will trigger creation of your JHED ID.
- Navigate the Immigration process with the Office of International Services (OIS) (if applicable).
- Understand financial aid options and deadlines.
- Inquire about and apply for scholarships.
- Contact your recruiter if you have questions about the application process or Carey.

Develop an accurate understanding of the Finance program and the Carey student experience:
- Explore career, professional development, and recruitment resources available through the Career Development Office (CDO).
- Connect with current students and/or alumni to better understand the Carey experience.

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★ Prepare for transition to Carey:
- Prepare a financial plan for tuition and expenses.
- Identify housing and move to Baltimore or Washington, D.C. (if not here already) - Visit Housing Resources.
- Review the New Student Checklist to plan for life as a student.

★ Refine your academic/enrollment plan:
- Review your program, degree requirements, and any prerequisites at a more detailed level.
- Meet your academic advisor (1:1 or group).
- Register for your fall cohort schedule.
- Understand technical and soft skills within the industry, and determine plan to develop or refine through enrichment.

★ Prepare for success at Carey:
- Set up your JHU email account, and check it regularly.
- Complete provided preparation recommendations (Online trainings on Quantitative Business Prep, MATLAB, Python, Tableau, etc.) through Orientation and LinkedIn Learning.
- Become familiar with the Student Information System (SIS).
- Apply for Disability Accommodations (if applicable).

★ Make connections and set expectations:
- Attend International Orientation (if applicable).
- Attend MS Academic Orientation.
- Connect with your Academic Program Manager.
- Connect with peers who have similar interests.
- Explore mentoring opportunities (connecting with faculty concerning path towards PhD).
- Attend admitted student events (online or in-person).

★ See yourself as a future Master of Science in Finance alum:
- Review career resources offered through JHU/Carey.
- Develop career and professional development goal-setting.
- Develop your LinkedIn profile.
- Review anecdotal stories of Carey MS in Finance graduates about employment outcomes in our newsroom.

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**I AM A CURRENT STUDENT**

★ **Engage with your coursework:**
- Take advantage of experiential courses and action-based learning experiences.
- Engage with faculty and industry experts to understand the industry, trends, and technical elements.

★ **Define career goals and engage in career education and development:**
- Build and use Handshake and LinkedIn accounts.
- Identify and sign-up for a CDO Network(s).
- Utilize CDO Coach office hours and group coaching – sign up through Handshake.
- Utilize VMock to build business-ready resume and maintain consistently updated resume in Handshake.
- Participate in JHU-affiliated career fairs and hiring events.
- Attend network and global programming – gain industry education and employer connections.

★ **Stay informed by utilizing Carey resources:**
- Utilize and regularly check your JHU email account.
- Update your local address and emergency contact information in SIS.
- Use Degree Audit to track academic program progress.
- Register for classes and select electives.
- Fill out critical program-specific surveys from your Academic Program Manager.

★ **Develop cultural competence and participate in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) programs:**
- Engage with Baltimore/D.C. community.
- Participate in DEIB programming offered as part of continuous onboarding.

★ **Develop skills and business toolkit:**
- Utilize the Student Success Center for the core quantitative course and writing assistance.
- Attend academic workshops (e.g., Excel) and educational trainings.
- Access LinkedIn Learning classes for software development, qualitative communication, and leadership skills.
- Consider CFA designation.

★ **Enhance your Carey experience through Experiential Learning:**
- Participate in Case Competitions.
- Engage with student organizations.
- Work collaboratively on an Experienced Design Team.
- Contribute to your community through Community Consulting Lab.
- Connect with your peers, faculty, recent alumni (Lunch and Learns, Office Hours, social events, social media platforms, etc.).

★ **Build your professional skillset to be a more competitive applicant:**
- Consider taking LinkedIn Learning Classes, Python, or software development.
- Consider taking BU.001.520.31 Professional Development for Career Success, a non-credit Carey course.
- Build your portfolio of practical experience (e.g., Internship, teaching role, pro bono project support).

★ **Celebrate and share your successes:**
- Report post-graduate outcomes in employment surveys.
- Attend Graduation and celebrate with family and friends.

★ **Remain engaged in Carey and JHU:**
- Join an alumni network (such as Health Care, Black Alumni Network, Women Alumni Network).
- Give back and connect with current students as an alum.
- Set up an alumni email address and update contact information.
- Consider engaging in experiential learning as a project sponsor.
- Sign up as an Admissions Ambassador.
- Participate as a speaker at information sessions for prospective applicants.
- Connect us with your employer and post jobs at your company via the Carey Handshake Platform.
- Refer candidates for Admission.
- Participate in CDO activities and alumni events.

■ **Consider continuing your Carey education:**
- Explore second degree option or Executive Education programs.

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