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# **Career** Planning

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## Introduction

Rob Liddell Executive Director of the Center for Career and Leadership Development

"The Center for Career and Leadership Development is here for your student, whether they're still discovering what they want to do or are getting ready to graduate and apply for jobs.

As a parent and a higher education professional, I encourage your support of your student's development through the following themes:

Focus more on their process and progress and less on results: Are they accessing campus resources on their own or with a group of like-minded friends? If so, what topics hold their attention and/or interest?

Offer help in building their network: Encouraging your student to seek out job shadowing and informational interview opportunities is a great strategy. The simple offer of introducing your student to a member of your extended circle is a sure way of supporting their career development.

Help them make their own decisions: Identify the strengths you see in them, the growth and responsibility they've won, and the learning they've acquired when getting back up from a setback. Communicate to them how excited you are to see what comes next.

Please tell your student to reach out to us at any time during the school year. We can't wait to see what they accomplish during their time at UTC."

### **Center for Career and Leadership Development**

#### utc.edu/career

The Center for Career and Leadership Development provides UTC students and alumni with the confidence and skills to find their purpose, thrive in their career and contribute to their communities.

Through a wide array of services and resources designed to explore interests, enhance networking connections and provide personalized guidance, students and alumni will be empowered to pursue their goals, chart their own path to success and build a satisfying, rewarding career. Staff at the center are available to help students with individual career counseling, developing job search strategies, preparing resumes, honing interview skills and more.

## **The Counseling Center**

#### utc.edu/counseling

The Counseling Center offers a variety of mental health services to assist with staying on track with personal growth and goal setting while in college. Whether just starting college or preparing for a career, the Counseling center can help students with life transitions that may present challenges. All counseling sessions are free.

## Graduate School

#### utc.edu/graduate-school

If you're looking to progress your career or take the next step in your education, the UTC Graduate School is the right place for you.

The Graduate School offers students a substantial variety of accredited liberal arts and professional programs: 22 graduate certificates, 22 master's degrees with 52 concentrations, one education specialist with four concentrations and six doctoral degree programs. Students completing graduate degrees at UTC are prepared to handle workplace challenges and provide leadership in the communities where they reside.

## **Center for Academic Success and Advisement**

#### utc.edu/casa

Student success in the classroom is the focus of the Center for Academic Success and Advisement (CASA) and the team is ready to help every student with a solid education game plan. CASA staff offers guidance and support through meetings with advisors and peers to connect students to resources, plan for their next semester's classes and enhance skills to stay in good academic standing. The center provides services such as academic coaching, supplemental instruction and tutoring, in addition to guidance for students deciding on a major or who need assistance to develop a clear path toward graduation.



#### Handshake

Students can use Handshake, UTC's online career platform, to find part-time on and offcampus jobs, internships and degree-required opportunities in addition to a number of other useful career resources. Students can sign up for daily or weekly alerts for opportunities based on specific interests and create a profile highlighting their work history, academic accomplishments and extracurricular activities. Students can log in to Handshake using their UTC ID at <u>utc.joinhandshake.com</u> or via the mobile app.



## **Conversation Starters**

What type of real-world experience related to your future career would be helpful to gain? What skills are hiring managers looking for in your field of study? What excites you about a career in your field?

