Graduate School Application Process Ideal Timeline

Junior Year, Fall & Spring

- Discuss your interests for post BA/BS work with your preceptor and faculty members
- Research areas of study and specialties in your chosen field
- Begin to look at institutions and programs
- Talk with advisors or career counselors about application requirements
- Investigate fellowships, scholarships and financial aid

Junior Year, Summer

- Send for application materials
- Check application deadlines
- Register and prepare for the appropriate graduate admission tests
- Visit institutions of interest
- Write application essays

Senior Year, Fall

- Obtain letters of recommendation
- Take necessary admission tests if you haven't already
- Make copies of all application material and mail completed applications
- Request transcripts from the Registrar and send additional transcripts as necessary

Senior Year, Spring

- Call all schools to which you have applied, prior to the application deadline, and confirm that your file is complete
- Keep faculty members informed of your application status
- Register for graduate and professional school financial aid
- Investigate the types of questions that an admissions committee might ask and practice interviewing with a career counselor

Need assistance with applying to graduate school? Contact the Career Center to set up an appointment with a counselor for mock interviews, essay reviews or help with any other part of the process. 609-652-4650

