How to Build an **Experiential** Major Map

Four Key Elements for Designing Experiential Major Maps



Road Map for Timing of Student Activity



Key Pillars of the Student Experience

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Academic, Cocurricular, and Support Services Info

Career Outcomes Information

Students often struggle to navigate and connect institutions' siloed, disparate academic and cocurricular opportunities. Faculty, academic leaders, and student services leaders can guide students in their decision-making by clearly articulating how academic and nonacademic opportunities fit together. To enable this articulation, leading institutions provide experiential major maps that help students make informed coursework decisions, encourage integration of complementary experiences, and drive engagement at opportune moments on their pathways to degree.

Look to the example at right to learn how each element is used in map design.

HISTORY | Bachelor of Arts

EXPERIENTIAL MAJOR MAP

2	FIRST YEAR	MIDDLE YEARS	LAST YEAR	
CULTIVATE Learning and Academic Excellence	 Review general education requirements and pick the best-fit thematic curriculum pathway Review program requirements with your academic advisor Register for Introduction to History (HIST 105) 	 Apply for the Problem-Based Learning Fellowship program Consider adding a minor or certificate in another field such as business, marketing, or computer science Meet with an advisor to check progress to degree 	 Work with an advisor to ensure you have no outstanding course requirements Complete your senior capstone Submit your capstone paper to the <i>EAB University Historical Review</i> or another journal for an opportunity to get published Apply to graduate 	ACADEMIC SUCCESS CHECKLIST Discover library resources Book an appointment with your academic at Visit the writing and tutoring center Complete FAFSA and academic scholarship applications
ENGAGE Globally and Locally	 Participate in Orientation Abroad and the corresponding reflection seminar Sign up for a foreign language course and join a foreign language club Visit the International Student Center to learn about study abroad opportunities, clubs, on-campus events, and spring break community impact 	 Speak with a professor about research opportunities in your department Submit a study abroad program and funding application to the Study Abroad Office Visit the Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement or the Global Affairs Center for volunteer opportunities Attend speaker and special events hosted by the History Department 	 Integrate electives with a global or local focus (Virtual DC or Sustainability in DC) Participate in multicultural events and complete the Multicultural Certificate International students interested in staying in the country should connect with the International Student Advising Center 	72%Of history students study abroad89%Of history students complete an internship
PREPARE for Postgraduation Success	 Consider taking a first-year history field exposure course Attend the College-to-Career orientation session with Career Services and fill out the career fields of interest form Speak with Career Services about on-campus and summer job opportunities 	 Meet with Career Services about internship opportunities Take on a leadership role in a student club or association Attend the Career Fair to explore postgraduation career opportunities 	 Attend an alumni networking event Complete the Curriculum-to-Career course to translate your experience in preparation for the student expo Assess professional skill and experience gaps and take corresponding Career Services workshops and Career Readiness courses If considering graduate school, take a scholarship proposal-writing workshop and discuss options with your advisor 	 CAREER DEVELOPMENT CHECKLIST Join a student group Make an appointment with a career advisor Apply for on-campus jobs Complete the College-to-Career course set Participate in a mock interview Complete Career Services Certificate of Read
 CAREER INFORM What Skills Do Em Communicate clear Work in a team Solve problems and Analyze quantitative Lead and influence of 	ployers Want?This Major Gives MIy and effectively- Understand how pol and cultural changemake decisions- Connect current eve and narrativese data- Research and synthe of material and ident	itical, social, economic, – Museu occurs – Advan nts to historical trends – Lawye size large amounts ify relevant information – Social deadlines, and manage time – Market and concisely – Govern	Im curator Cement officer r Im coordinator policy researcher	Students Go One Year Out: terning 42% 50% Pursuing Further Education



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For step-by-step guidance on map development, download our Experiential Major Maps Workbook. eab.com/aafmajormaps