CAREER READINESS + STUDENT SUCCESS

We help students design a four-year experience that unlocks their potential to achieve the extraordinary, prepares them for what comes after Sewanee, and enhances their chances for success on campus and beyond.

SUCCESS КоACHING

• We pair every new student with a career readiness and student success coach to help them develop goals and enact strategies to accomplish those goals; returning students can meet with the coaches to continue this work.

• We offer tools for academic support, career readiness, time management, and finding connections on campus.

INTEGRATED ADVISING

• Faculty advisors guide students as they look to the future and make academic, co-curricular, and career plans.

• Working in tandem with their faculty advisors, we provide students with holistic support as they find their purpose and make progress toward achieving their goals.

CAREER READINESS COACHING AND EVENTS

• We welcome students at all stages of the career exploration process, from discovering their strengths to finding their first internships and jobs.

• We teach internship and job search methods, networking strategies, LinkedIn tactics, and interviewing skills.

• Our on-campus events, virtual events, and career treks bring alumni, employers, and students together for guidance and networking.

SELF-DISCOVERY

• We ask great questions and listen to students’ answers. (And to what’s not being said.)

• CliftonStrengths, YouScience, and Myers-Briggs Type Indicator assessments are provided at no cost to students.

There are infinite ways to craft your Sewanee experience, and your goals may evolve during your time as a student. At Career Readiness + Student Success, we hope that you will ...

DESIGN A SEWANEE EXPERIENCE THAT INFORMS A LIFE OF MEANING AND PURPOSE
Intentionally create the experience that will fit your goals and connect to your values through reflection and planning.

GAIN INSIGHT THROUGH EXPLORATION AND EXPERIENCES
Clarify the values, interests, and skills that may inform your purpose and potential career paths.

DEVELOP YOUR TEAM AND YOUR NETWORK OF SUPPORT
Build relationships with peers, faculty, staff, alumni, and others who will support you, your learning, and your goals.

SUCCEED AS A STUDENT AND BEYOND
Understand and evaluate how your challenges and successes in and out of the classroom encourage growth, skill-development, and learning as a student and beyond the gates.

TELL YOUR STORY
Describe how your liberal arts education, interests, values, skills, and experiences have informed and prepared you.
RESOURCES

• Our online Student Success Portal makes it easy for students to connect with advisors, coaches, and faculty to ask questions or schedule meetings.

• The Sewanee alumni network includes nearly 20,000 people who stand ready to help. Our students can connect with them through a Sewanee-only virtual community.

• A self-service photo studio for on-demand LinkedIn profile photos is available during office hours.

• Handshake lists thousands of jobs and internships—many posted for Sewanee students only.

• Sewanee is one of the first liberal arts colleges to offer VMock, a resume review platform for analysis, education, and improvement ... all in 30 seconds and available on-demand.

• Students have access to Big Interview, an online resource for interview preparation.

GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL ADMISSION

• Graduate and professional school admission representatives frequent our campus, and an expert on the graduate admission process and writing personal essays visits campus annually.

• Staff members provide support for students throughout the application process.

• Sewanee boasts high rates of acceptance in programs for law and health professions, and our students regularly are accepted to their top-choice master’s and doctorate programs. Average acceptance rates: business, 90–95%; law, 90–95%; medicine, 80–85% (compared to the national average of 42%).

PARTNERSHIPS

• We collaborate with Sewanee’s pre-professional programs and advisors in business, education, engineering, law, and medical and health.

• Faculty invite us to present to individual classes and to provide content for their majors. Student organizations partner with us to co-sponsor events for their members and for the broader campus community.

• We collaborate with multiple partners to create a campus-wide culture of career readiness and student success, including academic departments, All Saints’ Chapel, Athletics, the Babson Center for Global Commerce, the Benjamin Network of Black alumni and students, the Gender & Sexual Diversity Alliance, Greek Life, Office of Civic Engagement, Office of Global Citizenship, the Wellness Commons, and Student Life.

EVENTS So many events.

ANNUALLY

• Beyond the Gates: Preparing for Life after Sewanee

• Careers in Health and Medicine

• Graduate and Professional School Fair

• Wayfinding: Imagining Your Possible Path(s)

• Out for Work, co-sponsored with LGBTQ+ student organizations

• Smith Career Day for Careers in Banking, Consulting, and Finance

• Student-Alumni Networking Events

• Summer Opportunities Fair

ONGOING

• Campus visits by employers and graduate and professional schools

• Partnerships with academic partners and student groups for visiting speakers and residencies

• Coffee and Conversation events with visiting alumni

• Open House events at Career Readiness + Student Success

And many more each year ...

INTERNSHIPS, RESEARCH EXPERIENCES, AND FUNDING

THE SEWANEE PLEDGE promises funding for one unpaid internship or research opportunity, and we award more than $600,000 each summer through the help of generous donors.

• Students typically intern in 20 states and 10 countries each year.

• We post more than 150 internships sponsored just for Sewanee students, and faculty members provide numerous research opportunities on campus and across the globe.

• Sewanee students excel at attaining national internship and research opportunities.

Visit careers.sewanee.edu to learn more and to see where Sewanee students interned and conducted research.