Career Tiger

Studying is fun, but you don't forget why you are here: to prepare for working life. For you, studying is a jumping-off point to the job of your dreams. That is why it is important that during your studies you acquire not only knowledge, but also skills that will come in handy later on. Your heart beats faster with practical assignments where you can apply your knowledge. Outside the lecture hall, you work on your resume: through your side job or through skills training and networking events. There you make plans and prepare yourself for the real life that is about to begin.



Strength

Your intensive preparation will give you an edge over your fellow students when you soon start your career. You will already have one foot in society and you will know how to translate the knowledge from textbooks to the practicalities of the workplace.

Pitfall

Preparing for later is important, but don't forget to also enjoy the opportunities your study time gives you now. During your college years, you have a lot of freedom to expand your horizons. Make sure you don't regret missing out on that freedom later.

Professional perspective

You probably already have a career plan of your own...

Tips from VU Amsterdam

• Several faculties have <u>Career Centres</u> where you can orientate and prepare for your career after your studies. The Faculty of Social Sciences has the <u>Social Sciences Career</u> <u>Platform</u> (log in with your VUnetID and password).

• Do you have so many balls in the air at once that your

studies are in danger of getting stuck? Make an appointment with the <u>academic advisor</u>.