## Fourth Year Snapshot – First Semester

Social	Emotional	Intellectual	Occupational
☐ Go to those campus events you always wanted to go to but haven't ☐ Spend intentional time with your close friends ☐ Make the most of your final year ☐ Work on that Bronco Bucket list ☐ Support your friends and others going through the same transition as you ☐ Expand your network and connect with classmates, professors, and alumni on LinkedIn	<ul> <li>□ Practice self-care and stress management to navigate job searches</li> <li>□ Acknowledge the bittersweet feelings of starting your final year at WMU</li> <li>□ Celebrate the small wins</li> <li>□ Connect with peers who are going through the same transition</li> <li>□ Balance optimism with realism</li> <li>□ Visualize your future a year from now</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Apply for Graduate programs</li> <li>□ Take a course you've always wanted to take if your schedule allows</li> <li>□ Create a personal knowledge library by holding onto articles, notes, and books you'd want to revisit</li> <li>□ Read outside your field</li> <li>□ Attend guest presentations and lectures while you still can</li> </ul>	□ Make sure your resume, cover letter, and any other career material are polished and professional     □ Practice interviewing, either with a friend or by making an appointment with Career and Student Employment Services     □ Conduct informational interviews with alumni working in areas that interest you     □ Create a personal portfolio or website     □ Search for and apply to jobs
Environmental	Financial	Spiritual	Physical
<ul> <li>□ Decorate your space intentionally with plants, photos, or calming elements that inspire focus and peace</li> <li>□ Unplug from technology every now and then during your week</li> <li>□ Volunteer for a campus clean up or garden program</li> <li>□ Study in different spaces (and campuses) to change up your scenery</li> </ul>	□ Understand how the student loan repayment plan works □ Explore loan forgiveness programs, especially if you plan to work in public service or education □ Use those student discounts while you can □ Create your "grad budget" including moving, transitioning costs and any job search expenses	☐ Create a vision of your future ☐ Ask deeper questions about your identity, legacy, and purpose ☐ Explore other philosophical or spiritual traditions by attending events, talks, or taking a class ☐ Create what will become traditions ☐ Practice mindfulness or grounding techniques, especially in stressful situations	☐ It is never too late to start a workout routine ☐ Prioritize sleep ☐ Stay hydrated ☐ Take that fitness class you've always wanted to try at the Student Recreation Center ☐ Learn your signs of burnout and how to manage it



## Fourth Year Snapshot – Second Semester

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<ul> <li>Reserve Commencement tickets</li> <li>Resolve any lingering conflicts</li> <li>Attend social events and traditions within your major/college</li> <li>Spend intentional time with close friends</li> <li>Make the most of your final semester</li> <li>Curate social media in a way that supports your mental health</li> <li>Go to those campus events you always wanted to go to but haven't</li> <li>Finish off your Bronco Bucket List</li> <li>Attend Commencement and graduate!</li> </ul>	□ Take a moment to thank those that supported you on your journey □ Order and pick up your Commencement ceremony regalia □ Write 2-3 thank you notes and deliver them □ Acknowledge the bittersweet feelings that you are transitioning away from college	<ul> <li>☐ Finish your capstone experience or final projects for your major</li> <li>☐ Consider starting a blog, podcast, or creative outlet to share all the knowledge you've gained while here at WMU</li> <li>☐ Work on your writing and communication, especially in persuasive and professional styles</li> <li>☐ Explore post-graduate certifications or skills</li> <li>☐ Commit to lifelong learning</li> </ul>	□ Develop a 1-3 year post-grad plan with flexible but motivating career goals □ Join professional associations □ Seek mentorship related to the job search □ Hone communication, punctuality, and etiquette in all job-seeking contexts □ Attend employer information sessions □ Search for job
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<ul> <li>□ Declutter your living space and prepare to downsize or even move to your next location</li> <li>□ Give back to campus by participating in a sustainability initiative</li> <li>□ Learn to manage waste, shop responsibly, and care for your environment wherever you go next</li> <li>□ Explore future housing options and find safe, affordable post-grad living spaces</li> <li>□ Organize your digital space by decluttering your desktop, organize files into folders, and unfollow negative accounts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>□ Develop your post-graduation student loan repayment plan</li> <li>□ Build credit responsibly if you haven't started yet</li> <li>□ Continue to contribute to your emergency fund</li> <li>□ Consider opening a high-yield savings account to get bigger returns on your contributions</li> <li>□ Avoid high-interest debt from credit cards or predatory loans</li> </ul>	□ Seek wisdom from mentors or others that offer inspiration/insight □ Align your career goals with your personal values □ Create a gratitude ritual □ Visualize the legacy you want to leave with an organization you're in □ Volunteer for a cause that aligns with your beliefs □ Reflect on how much you've grown in the time you were here at WMU	□ Understand your health insurance postgrad □ Keep up with that fitness routine that works for you □ Learn some simple go-to meals that you are going to be able to cook at night after working □ Schedule routine appointments with doctor, dentist, and eye doctor □ Begin searching for a primary care physician if you are moving to a new location post-grad

