## **LINKEDIN CHECKLIST**

LinkedIn is a great tool for networking with peers, searching for jobs, updating your employment status, and staying up to date on industries and people of interest.

PROFILE APPEARANCE
☐ Profile looks professional and organized
☐ Profile picture is a professional, headshot photo
☐ First and last name are displayed at the top of the page
☐ A simple and professional cover photo has been added
☐ Includes information for each category to complete profile
IMPORTANT COMPONENTS TO INCLUDE
☐ Headline is current employment or education status (e.g. Junior in the UW College of Business)
☐ Includes current location in order for job recommendations to be relevant
☐ Contact information (phone number or email) has been added
☐ OPTIONAL: personal pronouns and name pronunciation have been added if desired
MAKING CONNECTIONS
$\square$ Peers have been connected with (e.g. classmates and co workers)
$\square$ Superiors have been connected with (e.g. supervisors and professors)
☐ Network with people in your industry to make professional connections
EXPERIENCE SECTION
☐ Current positions listed first; others listed in reverse, chronological order
☐ Includes job title, employer, time period worked, location, and description
Description is sentences describing job situation, responsibilities, actions taken, and results of the employment (Use PAR)
☐ Soft skills are demonstrated by describing past job duties
EDUCATION SECTION
☐ Includes the university and college you attend (this helps others at the university connect with you)
☐ Degree, minors or concentrations, and cumulative GPA if above 3.0 are listed ☐ Lists any clubs, groups, and extracurriculars
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SKILLS AND ENDORSEMENTS
$\square$ Relevant hard and soft skills have been listed
$\square$ Peers and superiors have been asked to endorse any appropriate skills
Skill assessments have been taken and added to profile

Search through other social medias to find people to connect with
Follow companies you are interested in to get updates and see their posts
Find companies and subjects that interest you
Check your LinkedIn profile regularly to see new connections, check messages, job search, and get
industry updates
Customize your LinkedIn URL by clicking Edit Public Profile & URL in your profile
Any major projects you have worked on are featured on your profile

## **NEED HELP WITH YOUR LINKEDIN PROFILE?**

☐ Make an appointment with a Career Peer in the COB Student Success Center on Navigate



**HELPFUL LINKEDIN TIPS**