Before School Begins

- Get a head start on career planning! Assess your career goals and consider what kind of job opportunities you would like to pursue. Review the Career Office LL.M. page for information and resources (http://www.uchastings.edu/career-office/LLMs/index.php).
- Take the LL.M. Needs Assessment (to be provided prior to or during Orientation in August).

Fall Semester (August – December)

- Attend HastingsCareersOnline.com (HCO) Orientation, Resume and Cover Letter workshops, Alumni Mentor Program (AMP) LL.M. Orientation, and other programs organized by the Career Office. Check your email and The Weekly for details!
- Upload your resume onto HCO and familiarize yourself with HCO. Begin reviewing job listings.
- Revise resume and cover letter. Schedule an appointment to discuss your job search strategies and materials.
- Research potential employers utilizing print and web-based resources offered by the Career Office (see http://www.uchastings.edu/career-office/LLMs/index.php).
- Start applying for jobs, including through HCO. Follow up by telephone with employers to whom you have submitted job applications regarding the status of your job application.
- Begin networking and building your professional network. Participate in the UC Hastings Alumni Mentor Program (AMP). Contact alums, former employers, colleagues, and friends working in the fields/for employers that interest you. Discuss your career goals with professors and ask them for advice. Search Martindale.com for UC Hastings alums in your field of interest.
- Register for the West Coast International LL.M. Job Fair (to be held at UCLA in February) and bid for interviews. Registration period will take place in November. Bidding will open in early December. Check your email for details!

Winter Break (Late December – Early January)

- Network, network, network! Reach out to contacts in the country where you are traveling for winter break regarding job opportunities. Meet with one or two contacts during your break for an informational interview.
- Continue researching employers and applying for jobs.

Spring Semester and Summer (January – July)

- Attend the West Coast International LL.M. Job Fair in February if selected for interviews.
- Attend Career Days organized by the Career Office, including Table Talks at PI/PS Day, IP and Tech Fair, and Meet the Employers (see http://www.uchastings.edu/career-office/LLMs/career-days.php).
- Continue revising and improving your written job application materials, applying for jobs, and networking.
- Attend the LLM Alumni Career Panel. Continue attending the Career Office events of interest.
- Study for and take the bar exam (if applicable).

Yearlong

- Regularly consult the UC Hastings master calendar for upcoming career programs (events.uchastings.edu). All Career Office events are open to LL.M. students!
- If you are interested in being admitted to practice law in the United States, seek bar admissions counseling from the Office of Student Services.
- If you are interested in working in the United States, consult Mei Cooley (cooleym@uchastings.edu) for OPT and other immigration-related information. Note: you must plan in advance to apply for OPT!