Goals

• Academics. Coursework in the senior year of the Biomedical Science major is more flexible. Enroll in courses that complete academic requirements, but also in courses in which you enjoy.
• Make certain you have required hours to graduate. While students may have met all of the course requirements for graduation, students must meet other standards such as total number of hours, residency and GPA requirements.
• Run a DARS report to verify all requirements are completed. The degree audit report can be accessed on Buckeyelink.
• Have a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5. While graduate and professional schools may not necessarily make an admissions decision based on courses completed in your senior year, it is nevertheless important to maintain high academic standards.
• Have a minimum math/science GPA of 3.5.

Honors

• Complete 15 points for a total of 80 points to meet the honors requirements. Complete all necessary paperwork to graduate with honors.

Research

• If at all possible, continue with your research lab. Consider taking a leadership role if the lab if available by training new students to taking on a special project.

Graduate/Professional School Preparation

• Complete Secondary applications to schools from which you received an invitation.
• Prepare for an interview. Participate in mock interview, make arrangements for a business suit for the interview. If an interview requires that you travel, make arrangements for travel and overnight accommodations.
• Complete Financial Aid forms for graduate or professional school. Just like your undergraduate education, financial aid forms need to be completed early to ensure that you are eligible for all of the aid that is available.
• Accept/Decline offers of admission. Hopefully you will be admitted to more than one program! You will need to weigh the pros and cons of each program and consider the best fit for you.
• Write thank you letters to references and keep them apprised of your progress.

Nonacademic

• Wrap up your involvement in leadership activities. If you have accepted a leadership role in an organization, ensure a smooth transition to the next leader.
• Provide assistance with transition issues at a site or organization where you participated in service. If you can recruit new students to volunteer or provide leadership in the organization, offer those services. Send a note of thanks to anyone who was helpful or impactful in your service experience.
• Make arrangements to stay in touch with important people from your undergraduate experience. Faculty, advisors, peers, and members of your campus community will be interested in your plans for the future and may wish to stay in touch.

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