Your Skills

How do you get those missing skills?
How do you know what skills you have?

Examples of skill-building experiences

Classes
- projects
- papers
- presentations
- research
- labs
- field experiences
- group activities

Student organizations and clubs

Internships

Work-study and RA positions

Work experience

Research experiences

Study abroad
Community outreach
Volunteering
Mentoring programs
Exchange programs
Team sports
Co-curricular activities
Programs
Workshops
Certificates and certifications
Conferences
Job Shadowing
Professional development

Which Extra-Curriculars stack up?

*From a 2017 survey of ~3,500 employers*

1. Internships/Co-ops
2. Leadership in a professional organization
3. Work experience (non-professional)
4. Member of a professional organization
5. Leadership in social organization
6. Community service
7. Leader education course
8. Career planning course
9. Research with faculty*
10. Membership in social organization
11. Participation in recreational sports
12. Participation in creative activities (art, music)
13. Member of student government
14. Study abroad
15. Hobbies

*more important for academic positions*