HOW TO EXPLORE MAJORS
Follow these directions in order or skip around as needed

1. SELF EXPLORATION
   - Explore and consider your interests, skills and values.
     Ask yourself questions such as, "What subjects excite you?" "What are your natural inclinations?" and "What kind of lifestyle do you desire?"
   - Make connections between aspects of yourself and majors/careers. Students can make an appointment through Handshake to visit the Career Center and take self-assessment(s) to help with this process.
   - Get Involved. Using Explore Engineering, search for organizations, design teams, professional societies, and research opportunities to connect with others and learn more about yourself.

2. MAJOR EXPLORATION
   - Engineering Majors
     - Narrow down majors using the Explore Engineering tool to see descriptions, interest areas, and specific degree requirements
     - Consider related engineering majors. See related options using the Explore Engineering tool, specifically the “related major/minors section”
     - Review the "How to Declare an Engineering Major" document for a complete list of requirements and steps necessary to officially declare an engineering major.
   - All Virginia Tech Majors
     - Review the list of all the Virginia Tech majors. To narrow your options based on interests, view the section "Majors by Interest Area"
     - Narrow down majors using the Explore Engineering tool, specifically the "related major/minors section" under “Related majors outside the College of Engineering at Virginia Tech”
     - Consider major restrictions. There are two types of majors at Virginia Tech, restricted and non-restricted. Restricted majors have specific criteria students must meet to be eligible to declare.
     - Switching out of engineering to another Virginia Tech major? Review the steps to change out of engineering website and/or seek transitional advising for support.

3. CAREER EXPLORATION
   - Search various Virginia Tech degree programs on the First Destination Report. In this self-reported survey, view Hokies' post-graduation plans, including employers, locations, salaries, and more.
   - Browse careers on the Occupational Outlook Handbook or MyNextMove and find in-depth information on specific careers, educational requirements, earning data, and projected employment trends. Find additional resources on Explore Engineering under the "Career Resources" tab by major.
   - View Virginia Tech Alumni on LinkedIn. On LinkedIn, search “Virginia Tech” and select the university’s page. Next, click on “alumni” on the menu under the header.
   - Seek out a Hokie mentor to engage with about your career aspirations by connecting with alumni in your field of interest(s) through the Hokie Mentorship Connect platform.