

**Professional Conferences and Events:** Try to socialize and be intentional about making new connections

**Volunteer Committees:** Help organize professional conferences, serve on boards and participate in fundraising groups

**Regional Alumni Clubs:** Join your local region for opportunities to attend year-round activities such as networking, social, athletic and service events

**Nova Network:** Connect with fellow Wildcats and join groups of interest in addition to your regional group

**LinkedIn:** Connect with colleagues, join groups and see best practices on the LinkedIn Checklist for Experienced Villanovans

## How to Deepen Connections

Ask for an informational interview for the chance to meet one-on-one and ask questions about their profession and career path

Check-in now and then to maintain connections by sending relevant articles or congratulating them on a known accomplishment; don't wait until you need something from them

Find ways to give back to your mentor; networking is a two-way street

Like, comment and share content on LinkedIn and the Nova Network

Consider informational interviewing with more than two professionals in y