Job Market Timeline:

1st Year:

Attend brief job market presentation in colloquium.

Present your emerging ideas for research in the final seminar of the year.

2nd Year:

Attend brief job market presentation in colloquium.

Begin thinking about the market you'd like to go on. Each market has various expectations; ie: single author vs co-authored job market papers; teaching experience; publications, etc.

Academic: Type of Institution and Department

Non-Academic: Organization, Sector, Etc

Begin thinking about and speaking with potential advisors and those who will sit on your orals and dissertation committees.

Visit the Center for Career Education for tips, timelines, and resources.

Approach faculty with kindred research interests regarding RA opportunities

3rd Year:

In preparing for Orals, you should also begin thinking about the paper that will become your job market paper.

Continue discussions with advisors/committee members; beyond their assistance with your research and dissertation writing, they can also be an excellent source of information regarding job prospects and the market process.

Attend Job Market talks both within and outside of SIPA, especially for searches within your department/s of choice.

Present in Colloquium

For Liberal Arts Colleges, continue to expand on your teaching experience, ie: summer TA/teaching opportunities.

For Econ, focus on research and publications. To better understand what the 'econ market' consists of, consult the guide available on the AEA website written by JOHN CAWLEY: "A GUIDE (AND ADVICE) FOR ECONOMISTS ON THE U.S. JUNIOR ACADEMIC JOB MARKET".

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4th Year:

Notify the department if you do not intend to go on the market.

Consider joining associations such as the AEA or other associations relevant to the job market you intend to go on.

Attend the opening Job Placement Director Information session in June.

Choose the market paper and begin drafting. Please note that drafts often take longer than expected.

Choose your market and meet with faculty or alum who have been on that market or participated in job searches in that market.

Once the Placement Director has been appointed for your cohort, meet with him/her as soon as possible. The 1st placement meeting will likely be held in June, but you may want to meet the PD prior to that time if possible.