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