#### LINKEDIN PROFILE

# To earn credit for the LinkedIn assignment, you'll need to complete the following:

- 1. Create a LinkedIn account.
- 2. Complete your profile, including:
  - Professional picture
  - Headline related to your future career field
  - o Effective Summary (based on the textbook and class discussion)
  - Education details
  - Experience information
- 3. Join the following groups:
  - University and/or alumni groups
  - o At least two additional groups related to your major
- 4. Fill in additional details, such as volunteer work, affiliations, languages, awards/honors, certifications, and so on.

#### LINKEDIN ACTIVITIES

### LinkedIn Activity 1: Sharing an Article

- 1. Locate a recent article related to your field/industry.
- 2. Sign into your LinkedIn account.
- 3. Paste the article's link into the "Share an update" field.
- 4. Write a short summary of the article, state why it is important, and/or ask people for their thoughts/opinions about the article.
- 5. Use the dropdown under the article to select how public the post will be.
- 6. Click the "Share" button.
- 7. Make a screen capture of your post.
- 8. Submit the screen capture—either electronically or in print.

### LinkedIn Activity 2: Requesting Advice from an Alum

- 1. Sign into your LinkedIn account.
- 2. Use the networking tips and advanced search feature to locate an alum working in the field or at a company you would like to work when you graduate.
- 3. Send a message introducing yourself and asking a specific question of advice.
- 4. Make a screen capture of the sent message (and responses, if you receive any before the assignment is due).
- 5. Submit the screen capture—either electronically or in print.

NOTE: This networking activity is NOT the same as asking an alum to connect.

## LinkedIn Activity 3: Commenting in a Group Discussion

- 1. Sign into your LinkedIn account.
- 2. Join a group related to your field/industry.
- 3. Monitor the types of comments and conversations taking place in the group's discussions.
- 4. Select a discussion or post to comment on.
- 5. Add a short comment (2-4 sentences) that adds insight, engages with professionals, maintains a professional tone, displays your knowledge.
- 6. Make a screen capture of the comment (and responses, if you receive any before the assignment is due).
- 7. Submit the screen capture—either electronically or in print.