It's no secret that different stages of your life bring unique financial priorities. Whether you recently graduated or you're halfway through your career, developing a strategy tailored to your needs is crucial to reaching the financial goals you picture in your head.

CU Employee Services has provided faculty and staff two ways to do this in February and March: the Flash Forward online challenge and campus events.

**Play the Flash Forward Online Challenge, enter to win an Apple Watch**

The online Flash Forward Financial Challenge, available from Feb. 16 to March 16, asks participants to take five simple challenges to increase their financial know-how. For each challenge you complete, you'll be entered for a chance to win one of three Apple Watches. (Hint: You can complete your first challenge by attending a Flash Forward campus event.)

**Attend Flash Forward and develop your personalized strategy**

From Feb. 27 to March 8, join Flash Forward: A CU Financial Event on your campus. This CU employee event brings together presentations from Employee Services, Wells Fargo, TIAA, Elevations Credit Union, Public Service Credit Union, PERA and CollegInvest to help you develop your personalized financial plan.

During the event, grab a cup of coffee and stop by financial booths to ask questions and snap up informational materials. Interactive tools and games will also be available so you can get a better picture of what your savings currently look like and estimate how they'll grow in a voluntary savings plan.

**Sign up and learn more**

The following presentations are divided into two tracks: early career and mid to late career. Choose the one that best suits your needs and register. Don't forget to bring along a guest or spouse!
• Reach your savings goals by using your CU retirement savings options at Basics of CU’s Retirement Plans.
• Discover repayment plans, options and more at Student Loans, Credit and Money Management.
• Get the basics about your PERA account and saving for retirement at PERA Fundamentals.
• Learn the importance of planning early for retirement, boosting your plan contributions and more at The Starting Line: Why and How Retirement Saving Should Begin Now.

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• Reach your savings goals by using your CU retirement savings options at Basics of CU’s Retirement Plans.
• Adjust your retirement plan and increase your savings with a personal evaluation at Halfway There.
• Learn how to distribute your assets according to your wishes and the needs of your loved ones at Wills and Trusts 101.
• Get the basics about your PERA account and saving for retirement at PERA Fundamentals.
• Discover how to start saving for higher education for your children, grandchildren or yourself with a 529 College Savings Program at Colorado 529 Plans.

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