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Community Fellows Program
Summer 2012
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Our Mission

The Center for Career Development is a team of career educators dedicated to the development and implementation of programs and services that promote lifelong career management skills for students and alumni. We collaborate with students, faculty, alumni, university colleagues and employers to build partnerships that enhance career development and generate career opportunities.

Our Services

Career Counseling
Professional career advisors are available by appointment to assist you in matching your interests to potential career paths. They can also critique your resume and cover letter, help you navigate the job and internship search process, and prepare you for interviews.

Group Presentations
Upon request, the Center for Career Development will provide special career-related presentations on resume writing, interview preparation, or internship exploration for academic programs.

SWAT Jobs
Take part in the Student Worker Action Team (SWAT), a group of students who rally to get the job done. When short-term, on-campus jobs are available, students are alerted via email. Positions are then filled on a first-come, first-served basis. To sign up to become a part of SWAT, contact the Career Center.

America Reads / America Counts
This federal work study program hires Adelphi students as tutors for local public school children that need help in reading or math. Adelphi transportation is provided to some of the local schools.

New tutors, apply by visiting:
http://students.adelphi.edu/career/americareads/
and attend one orientation session at the Center for Career Development in Post Hall:

Tuesday, 9/4 at 1:00 P.M. or 3:00 P.M.
Wednesday, 9/5 at 2:00 P.M., 4:00 P.M., or 6:00 P.M.

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Panel on “Careers in Nonprofit”
February 1, 2012

“It is refreshing to go to work because one feels a sense of accomplishment on a daily basis.” — Brian Leander

“I could not have selected a more gratifying career than serving my community and those faced with cancer.” — Chris Leonardis

“I assure you, a career in nonprofit does offer livable means, even for a new family.” — Maureen Dolan Murphy

“Compared to the corporate

A panel of nonprofit leaders from all over Long Island gathered to speak to students about working in the nonprofit sector and the career opportunities that nonprofit organizations have to offer.

The panel included: Aimee Torzilli, Director of Education, Long Island Children’s Museum; Maureen P. Mangan, Director of Communications & Marketing, Long Island Children’s Museum; Brian Leander, Assistant Director, Long Island Center for Nonprofit Leadership at Adelphi University; Maureen Dolan Murphy, Executive Programs Manager, Citizens Campaign for the Environment; Chris Leonardis, Outreach Administrator, Support for People with Oral and Head and Neck Cancer; and Joan Flynn, Volunteer & Community Relations Manager, Island Harvest.

Want a career in a nonprofit?
Here are some tips for success:

• Do what you love!
• Prepare yourself prior to obtaining an internship by taking the Internship Preparatory class offered at Adelphi.
• Use whatever free time you have to volunteer or intern for a nonprofit.

Alumni Return for “Diverse Identities and Career Paths” Panel
Co-sponsored by the Center for Student Involvement and the Center for Career Development
Monday, April 16, 2012

Advice to students from an Adelphi Alumnus

During your four years in college, it is very important to obtain an internship. Internships allow you to gain hands-on experience that can be used on your resume when you are hunting for your first job. A Bachelor’s degree alone is not enough. College graduates must strive to supplement their degrees with real world knowledge and experience. Being able to apply all of your textbook knowledge to actual problems in the workplace will give you a head-start on the competition.

As a student, I was fortunate enough to work in the IT Department at Adelphi University for four years, including each summer. Once I graduated with a B.S. in Computer Science, I could confidently say on interviews that I had 4 years of job experience within my field. This helped me land my first “real” job within three weeks of graduation and launch my career.

— Joshua Wyman

Alumni & Employer Appreciation Breakfast
Thursday, May 10, 2012

Check out our graduate profiles on
Alec Wishney, Nefertiti Anderson, Kim Berri, and Karen Sandoval on
YOUTUBE.com/user/adelphiUniv/videos

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How to apply for a job:

STEP 1: Visit adelphi.edu/studentemployment and complete the online student employment application.

STEP 2: Once processed, you will receive an email from the Center for Career Development. Print out a copy of your completed application and bring it with you to the Block Party, with your AU ID Card.

STEP 3: Come dressed to impress! If you have a resume, bring it with you. Many departments and off-campus employers will be hiring and ready to interview you.

Representatives from the Office of Student Financial Aid will be present with information on aid opportunities and scholarship programs.

Leadership Certificate Program

Six workshops, Two semesters, Life-long skills.

The Leadership Certificate Program gives undergraduate students and alumni the opportunity to improve their leadership abilities over the course of two semesters. Through a collaboration between the Center for Student Involvement, the Office of Alumni Relations and the Center for Career Development, professionals act as workshop facilitators on topics such as Communication, Group Dynamics, Personal Development and Attitude.

By attending six workshops, students can earn a Leadership Certificate. Students who attend additional workshops can distinguish themselves as either Gold or Platinum Certificate recipients based on the amount of extra workshops they attend.

Join the 46 leaders who have completed the program in the past two years. To participate in and see upcoming workshops, visit adelphi.edu/leadership

Past Leadership Certificate Participants

2012

Recipients

Maureen Canoza
Rafael Castellano
Sheri Clarke
Marlene Cooper
Malloy Freaney
Christina Gerlade
Brian Kornobis
Gina Kwon
John Lim
Susan Mangot
Allison Marranaro
Rachel McCoy
Suzanne McCoy
Thelma Perez
Christine Spina
Susan Sterling

2011

Recipients

Joel Castillo
Kimberly Dazzo
John Maini
Waaf Scheiner

Platinum

Shirley Baker
Islam Barhask
Carolina Cambonero
Christine Fan
Maureen Grey
Juan Mayor
Andrew Persaud
Robert Tudisco

Gold

Laura Harper
Gabrielle Iannucci
Sayyeda Khalfan
Zarahna Khan
Elizabeth Portor

Gold

Michael Fernandez
Shinee Himmings
Annie Lin
James Pekel
Living Improvised: Improv for Job Interviews
Leadership Certificate Program event presented by the Center for Career Development

Thursday, October 18, 2012, 6:00 P.M.- 8:00 P.M., Alumni House

Pat Shay has been helping people with their in-person communication for nearly 20 years. As an improv performer, he has toured for some of the country’s most famous improv theaters, including IO and The Second City. As a teacher and coach, he has worked with thousands of performers of all skill levels – from weekend hobbyists on Broadway to Film Stars. As a corporate facilitator, Pat has coached interpersonal communication for MBA Students at Columbia University, Consultants at AT Kearney & Deloitte; Execs at Pfizer, Chase, and DuPont; along with Veterinarians, Hotel Staffs, and many others. He is one of the longest serving teachers at the Peoples Improv Theater in Manhattan.

Pat’s website: www.LivingImprovised.com

Seal The Deal: 6 S.I.M.P.L.E. Steps for Getting Your Dream Job!
Leadership Certificate Program event presented by the Center for Career Development

Thursday, November 1, 2012, 6:00 P.M.- 8:00 P.M., Alumni House

Pete Leibman, is the author of “I Got My Dream Job and So Can You: 7 Steps to Creating Your Ideal Career After College.” Despite being told it would be “impossible,” Pete landed his first dream job as an executive for the NBA’s Washington Wizards when he was only 21 years old.

Less than two years later, he created The Washington Wizards’ Sports Careers Day and was promoted into management for the NBA’s Washington Wizards (at the age of 23). He then managed and trained entry-level staff, while being ranked as the franchise’s #1 Salesperson of the Year for three straight seasons. Today, Pete’s mission is to inspire students and professionals to land their dream jobs.

Assistant Director for Experiential Learning: Bernadine Waller

Pursuing a Ph.D. in Social Work, Adelphi University
MA in Mental Health Counseling, Adelphi University
BA in Journalism, Legal Studies Concentration, Temple University

My journey to this position has been an exciting one—full of ups and unexpected tunes. I came to Adelphi on the heels of an exciting career as a Marketing Consultant for a Fortune 500 financial services company where I created marketing collateral, managed annual sales conferences and wrote speeches for the company’s president and executive leadership. Serving as a leadership trainer and a diversity trainer, I was charged with the task of developing new leadership and reshaping the organization’s culture.

Prior to cooperate America, I worked for the Emmy Award-winning NBC-owned and operated in Philadelphia where I wrote and produced stories for news shows, worked as a researcher for the student’s investigative unit, managed interactive content, and collaborated to produce the nation’s first interactive news crawl, which led from the student’s interactive blog. My print journalism career’s trajectory took me through the annals of The Temple News, The Associated Press, The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, and the Atlanta Journal Constitution, where I was the only intern covering a special edition story of the park bombing at the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta.

After obtaining my master’s degree, I was hired as a part-time counselor for the Center for Career Development, an Adjunct Professor for the Denver Institute and a Counselor for the Student Counseling Center, providing psychotherapy to students at the Garden City campus and the Manhattan Center. This new role afforded me the opportunity to give students the same boost I received. My career mantra is to “Make it Happen!” Every student has an “it.” Once you’ve determined what that “it” is, let’s partner together to make “it” happen!

Alumni Career Counselor: Maria Casy

Personal Coaching Certificate, New York University
Master of Science in Counseling, Long Island University
Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Adelphi University

Being back on the Adelphi campus has brought back sweet memories of early morning classes, studying in the library, and the broken-down Cherry station wagon that my parents let me use to commute to school. As an alumna, my experiences since my Adelphi years include education, non-profit management, training, as well personal and leadership coaching.

My career path has always revolved around work that truly makes a difference for others. Whether it was teaching at the Lexington School for the Deaf, my various positions at the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Metro New York, consulting with the New York Association of Volunteers Administration, and running my own training and coaching company, it has always been important to me that my professional life was supporting others’ growth and success.

I am looking forward to supporting the success of students and alumni as a member of the Career Center and am grateful that the cost I am using now is more reliable.

Graduate Assistant: Lisa Ward

Pursuing a MA in General Psychology, Adelphi University
BA in Psychology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

As confident as I was about my passion for psychology, I didn’t know what type of job would best suit me when I was younger. When I was 20 years old, my 16 yr old brother was diagnosed with a blood cancer called Hodgkin’s Lymphoma in the summer of 2006. After my diagnosis, I had a quarter-life crisis. I didn’t know who I was anymore or where I belonged.

Receiving chemotherapy and radiation in order to place myself into remission, I was cancer-free. As time moved forward and my hair grew back, I began to recognize myself again when I looked in the mirror. Without the lingering fear that my career would return, I started to live my life again blissfully.

With a newly ignited determination which I didn’t know was buried inside of me, I realized that I wanted to help other young cancer patients and survivors face this disease. Having been in remission for three years, I have learned to transform a negative experience into a positive one.

As the Patient Services Intern with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), I provide peer counseling to people with blood cancers and financial aid for whatever medical costs they may need covered. Also, I present motivational speeches at schools and events for LLS. Cancer, to me, was a nightmare but it was also a blessing. My experience with Hodgkin’s Lymphoma gave me a purpose, which is to reach out to others as a future Psychologist specializing in Pediatric Oncology. Accepted into the MA in General Psychology program this fall, I am thrilled to be a part of the Center for Career Development with our new Graduate Assistant. I hope to help students find and follow their passions, just like I did mine.

Social Media Correspondent: Nefertiti Anderson

BA in Communications, Concentration: Journalism, Minor: Business, Adelphi University

Throughout my undergraduate career, I took advantage of numerous opportunities to enhance my personal, academic, and professional development. Holding many leadership positions, I served as a Resident Assistant (RA), American Trails Today, and Health Peer Educator. Being a Communications major, I completed internships with Black Entertainment Television (BET) and Z 100 radio station (New York’s Hit Music Station). In addition, I also studied abroad in China.

Upon graduation, I pitched a job proposal to the Director of the Center for Career Development and created my own opportunity! While I saw a need for such a position, I believed this would be a valuable experience to add to my portfolio. So far, my responsibilities have included reporting live and editing video coverage of the office’s seminars, and managing its social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram).

I aspire to have a career in television. Two of my biggest career influences have been Oprah Winfrey and Wendy Williams because they take great pride and joy in helping people and use their personal life experiences to change the lives of others. I believe that if I work hard enough and stay focused, I can be successful too. Seeing myself as a change agent, I hope to empower others to become active citizens in their local and global communities, while helping them to acquire an unapologetic sense of self-sufficiency and worth. In the words of my favorite poet, Credeljohn’s Book, “Conduct your blooming in the noise and whirl of the whirlwind.” Incidentally, if you see me today, expect that I will look different tomorrow, as I am always changing hair styles and fashion looks. Just as my name is not one that you come across often, I strive to be a person that you do not come across often.
Employer Partnerships

Institute for Student Achievement
Inland Harvest
Island Photography
Kleinblatt
KPMG LLP
Leadership Training Center
Lighthouse International
Love & Theft
Long Island Children's Museum
Long Island Executive Development
Lynx Mortgage
Malka & Whitten Foundation of Metro NY
Mariana LLP
Margulies, Wexler & Wexler LLP
Maas & Shanahan
Maas & Shanahan
Maetria
MetLife
Metropolitan Jewish Health System
Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Michigan State Alumni
Multiple sclerosis Society
Nassau County Police Athletic League
National Urban League
Nassau County Executive Office
NEP/C
New Horizons
New York City Department of Education
New York City Police Dept
New York Life
New York State Dept of Education
New York State Police
North Fork Bank Group
North Shore LIJ Health System
Northeastern Mutual
Johnson Financial Group
Northeastern Mutual
Rauh Group
NY Met Insured
Casa Children's Services
OpenLoft Ventures
OpenShoring
Palm Teenage Day Camp/School
Papaya Bergin Ventures
Perrott House Remodelling Group, LLC
Perrone Website Group
Premier Assists
FVH
Presbyterian
Rosedale
Rhode Island Alumni
Rosedale School
Sabatini Real Estate Group
Sawgrass Village
Schubin & Company, LLP
SCL Family Foundation
Starmaker School District
Sound Wealth Financial
South County Coalition Against Domestic Violence
Support Services for People with AIDS, Head & Neck Cancer
Sustainable LI
Swampton Nature Center
Target
TD Bank
The Garden City School
The Long Island School
Towns of Oyster Bay Dept of Environmental Resources
U.S. Army RFC
Westinghouse Corp
Weyerhaeuser
Wolff & Company, LLP
World Wide Web Foundation
Weight Management
Yale Network/New York League for Early Learning
Zuber Corp

Partner with a Panther

The Adelphi University mentoring program, Partner with a Panther pairs students with alumni who are willing to share their professional expertise and advice on making the most of the college experience. The Mentor’s role is to motivate, guide, encourage and support students through these critical transformative years. The goal is for Mentors and Mentees to form a mutual, trusting relationship in order to share business information, professional experiences and networking suggestions that can be difficult to find elsewhere.

Objectives:
- Enhance the student's professional development
- Encourage student involvement in departments, part-time jobs and volunteer work in order to gain valuable experience and develop transferable skills to help prepare them for the transition from college to career
- Help students set long-term career goals and short-term learning objectives
- Encourage self-confidence

To sign up to be a mentor, contact Karen Autry at autry@adelphi.edu

Scott Cohen
Global Account Supervisor
Ogilvy and Mather

Scott: This is a great program. Being an alumna, I feel like I would have been lucky to have a program like this when I was a student at Adelphi.

After speaking with current student, Maria, I was able to have her come by Ogilvy NY. She is smart and articulate and we had a great meeting. Her challenges were very similar to the challenges I have heard from Marketing/Advertising students that I have spoken to across the region.

Marketing/Advertising students are having a hard time seeing what “the ad industry” is all about. They are overwhelmed by “sales/marketing,” “jobs” online and it’s hard to see that there is a real industry out there. So having a student as a mentee, here in the building, puts reality to the notion. My rationale for participating in mentoring programs, speaking to students and having presented at COACH programs is to encourage Marketing/Advertising students to not leave the field because they feel it just doesn’t exist.

Maria: I was excited to know I was selected to be part of Adelphi’s Partner with a Panther Mentoring Program. I saw it as a good opportunity to get to know an experienced alumna in my field of interest. When I found out that my mentor was from one of the world’s most famous advertising agencies, Ogilvy & Mather, I was ecstatic! It was a tremendous opportunity for me to network with and learn from someone who has firsthand experience and vast knowledge about the global advertising industry. Scott Cohen gave me insight about Ogilvy & Mather and the advertising field that I could never get in the classroom.

It is one thing to take a Marketing and Advertising class, but to learn from the Global Account Supervisor and get fieldwork experience at one of the top agencies in the world is something completely different. After meeting my mentor, I became certain I wanted to pursue a marketing career. Mr. Cohen encouraged me to search for an internship. Now, I am interning in Manhattan working on a digital marketing ad campaign, continually learning about the industry.

Maria Toft
B.S. in Marketing
Internship Preparation Seminar

Register Now:
- Internship Preparation Seminar (0137-299)

**Course Goals & Objectives:**

This seminar will enhance students' professional and career development skills through:

- Resume development
- Interviewing skills - poise, confidence, readiness
- Developing informational networks and career-related contacts
- Orientation toward good organizational practice based on solid self-assessment
- Identifying learning objectives and self-reflection
- Critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Interpersonal communication and teamwork skills
- Workplace ethics; character attributes

The 1-credit seminar will feature several benefits available only to seminar enrollees. Most specifically, enrollees will be better prepared for the Summer 2013 Community Fellows Program, a full-time summer paid internship program that runs from the first week of June through the first week of August.

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**Community Fellows Program**

Community Fellow at Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau

Asa-Mari Thompson
B.A. in Philosophy, 2014
Minor: Business

Asa-Mari Thompson became aware of the Community Fellows Program (CFP) while reading some of last year’s internal biographies. She already knew she had a passion for helping others fulfill their dreams since she had previously worked as a Stability Coach and the Youth Client Coordinator at the WorkPath Connection in Houston, Texas. While at work, she was attending career training workshops, she was recognized for her positivity and drive. The director selected Asa-Mari to work at the center. There, she assisted members to find career opportunities, which was especially challenging because of the dismal 2009-2010 job market.

Up until that time, Asa-Mari did not know the nonprofit sector existed. She thought she was going to be working in customer service for the rest of her life. But she became more and more involved with the work to be done in the nonprofit sector, which kept her out of customer service for good.

Enrolling in Adelphi University to fulfill her academic career, Asa-Mari registered for the Internship Prep Seminar, to which she attributes to helping her discover qualities about herself she never acknowledged, like her investigative nature, which has now prompted her to consider a different career path, possibly becoming a Medical Examiner.

Her journey of self-discovery continued this summer when Asa-Mari applied for the Community Fellows Program and was accepted as the CFP Intern at Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau (CGBSH). This organization works collaboratively with others in the public and voluntary sectors to offer professional and compassionate care to needy individuals and groups through a broad array of community-based programs. Specific programs include preventive services, foster care, adoption, day care, shelter care for homeless women, maternity services, and residential living for the developmentally disabled.

Asa-Mari's personal story could rival those of the people she currently assists at Catholic Guardian. Asa-Mari experienced financial difficulties which forced her and her children to find refuge in a homeless shelter. Once her supervisor found out about her living situation, he connected her with a Housing Specialist to get the matter resolved quickly. She is grateful to the women in the Bronx office who assisted her in finding a home in the perfect spot for the perfect price.

Asa-Mari has added another ability to her skill set: grant writing. Grant writing, if done correctly, marries good ideas to funding, to allow proper programming for nonprofits. At Catholic Guardian, Asa-Mari saw the need to present creative solutions with reliable sponsors. As a CFP intern, Asa-Mari was very excited to learn she would get the opportunity to develop her ability to find the “right words to say, to the right people, in order to put funds into the right programming.” Collaborating with another Adelphi University CFP intern, Andustria Paratus, they applied to 145 Foundations on behalf of CGSBSH to find monetary contributions. They received $1000 in support of a program which educates and supports women who are shelter residents and victims of Domestic Violence.

According to Asa-Mari this summer was a real journey of self-discovery which put the puzzle together of who she is, and who she needed to become.
Community Fellows Program

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Not Pictured:
57. Sara Kulina, Sierra Club Nature Center
58. Karen Medina, Center for Science Teaching and Learning
59. Rebecca Novick, Make-A-Wish
60. Katerina Polianou, Oceana Corporation
61. Sammy Rosenthal, YAI Network
62. Anwita Shrestha, Sustainable Long Island

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Community Fellow of the Year

Congratulations to
Mahnoor Misbah
Community Fellow at Global Kids

She was awarded an iPad2 for her dedication and service this summer.
Save the Date:

Job and Internship Expo

Wednesday
April 4, 2013
1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
University Center, 2nd Floor