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Ever wanted to know more about professional development in general and what you can do beyond this GBM to improve yourself and how you can get that job you've been aiming for? Then read these tips and get to know how they can be of use to you!

Networking

Never be afraid to approach someone in a field that you're interested in and ask how they got there. I guarantee that while you have to be persistent, most people will also be willing to give you their help and have a short conversation with you that can point you in the right direction.

Many of the professionals that I have met have actually gained their jobs through networking and simply talking to people about their interests; so when in doubt, network it out! You can use LinkedIn to contact people about informational interviews, your own

friends and family who might know other people, et cetera.

Finding an Internship

Internships are incredibly useful for experiential learning (a fancy way of saying that you get to learn from experience) and getting a taste of what a job is like. To find one, you can potentially go to search engines and communities like Indeed.com or Idealist.com, or you can even go to organizations that you're interested in and check to see if they offer anything!

Or, as I expressed within the last tip, you can also network and ask around about how others received their first internship, which can potentially lead you to your own opportunity. Intern-

ships are usually in abundance these days, so I encourage you all to check them out!

Building a Résumé

Résumés can be a little bit tricky and subjective because the style and the contents depend on what kind of opportunity you're applying to, as well as what you think looks good when it comes to formatting. So, you will get a lot of different opinions on what makes a "good" résumé.

However, the one most important tip that I have for résumés is to make sure that it is easy to read and easy to understand. You do not want an employer to try and decipher it; you want to make it easy for them. So, do just that!

Upcoming Events

Intramural Basketball

Thursdays, 10pm
@ Armory

PCN Writing Committee

Tuesdays and Fridays,
5-8pm, @ JMZ 2123

Cultural Community

Crew Meeting

Thursdays, 6-7pm
@ SYM 3300

Next GBM

Thurs. 3/3, 7pm
@ Art-Soc 2203

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Sat. 3/5, 5:30pm
@ Stamp Colony Ballroom

Diary of a D6 Rep: Part 2

Hey everybody!!! It has been quite a while since I last wrote to you all. Since the beginning of last semester Pamela and I have been extremely busy with D6. From the monthly E-Board meetings to helping plan one of the greatest Semi-Formals in D6 history, Pamela and I have had a lot on our plates. However, this semester Pamela and I have decided to participate in a project that is close to both of our hearts. The Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education Project aims to raise awareness for Filipino Veterans who fought in World War II. One of the main goals the project wants to accomplish is the passage of H.R. 2737, The Filipino Veterans Congressional Gold Medal Act. Another major event Pamela and I have in store (Continued on next page...)



Just Ask Josh! Advice Column

Submit your own questions through Twitter using #JustAskJosh!

Josh, what is a career path that you could see yourself doing in the upcoming future?

There are many things that I would like to do. One career that I've personally wanted to get involved in would be writing as an author of fiction novels. Now you may say "Josh, that's not a career! That's a hobby! You won't get paid for that! There's only a few authors that make it big!" Well let me put it this way. I'd rather live a short life doing the thing I love than a long life of doing something I dislike in order to pay for my life of doing things that I dislike. If you have a dream, do it. The only thing stopping you, is you.

How did you figure out what you wanted to do, professionally? What kinds of steps did you take to realize that goal or that vision?

I figured out what I wanted to do by realizing what I didn't want to do. It was a struggle initially in Comp Sci, but societal pressures kept on telling me "It'll be worth it in the end, you'll get a big salary." But I really didn't enjoy myself as much as I could've, and the difficulties I had with it just made things more difficult. I decided I needed a change, and took different classes. One class was a poetry and short story workshop. That sealed the deal for me, and I decided to

switch from Comp Sci to English.

What is one personal tip that you have on how to find an on-campus job or an internship?

USE YOUR RESOURCES! You most likely have friends or peers who have had an on-campus job or internship. Ask them how to get the process started. This is important because they may hold a job/internship that you specifically want. Another resource to use would be Careers 4 Terps, which is a great source to find internships. For on-campus jobs, I'd look at the website of the department you want to work for.

Question from Dan Tamayo:

What advice do you have for singles to make the most of St. Valentine's day?

Well I'm gonna take a quote from myself in high school: "Today's just another day. There shouldn't be a day devoted to loving those close to you. You should do that everyday." There's nothing wrong with being single on Valentine's day. Everyday should be that opportunity to show people that you care about them. This also includes yourself. Take the day as a chance to show yourself that you love you. Or something along those lines. I don't know, I'm rambling here. Valentine's day isn't my specialty, but I still made the most of it by watching Deadpool with my friends!!!

(D6 Rep continued...) for this semester is the District Six Basketball Tournament. Spearheaded by our Sports Coordinators Ryan and Karina, we are extremely excited to be hosting the tournament this year. We think that this will be a great event to bring the District together for some friendly competition. Overall, Pamela and I are extremely excited for this semester. If you are interested in participating in the Fil-Vets Project or want to get involved with D6 Basketball feel free to contact me or Pamela through Facebook or our email at district.six.rep@fcaatumd.com.



Member Spotlights!

Get to know your Eboard and General Body Members!

Ryan Mavilia Web Master

Major: Computer Science

How has FCA helped you academically? FCA has been an

excellent resource for me in my academics due to its size and history. If I ever needed advice about assignments, class choices, or studying I went to FCA. It is almost guaranteed that there are multiple people who have taken the same classes as you and they have a plethora of tips about how to succeed.

What advice do you have for any incoming freshmen and rising sophomores?

My advice would be to enjoy the free time you have now. Enjoy the ability to meet new people and try new things. As you go through college you will receive more responsibilities and long for the first years when you could take a nap instead of going to work.

What's your motto? The motto which has helped me the most is, "you can only change the future". When things seem to be their worst, I keep moving forward because there is nothing you can do about the choices you've already made. While we can't change what we've done we can use those experiences to help us make better decisions moving forward.



Maria "Aiko" Mendoza

Year: Freshman

Major: Undecided,

but currently on a Civil Engineering track

Why do people call you Aiko? People call me Aiko because, as her first baby, it's something my mom said when I was born, "aray ko," also known as "ouch!" in Tagalog – in shortened form.

What do you look forward to most this semester?

I look forward to making new friends and becoming involved in FCA.

As a freshman, how do you hope to improve yourself in the years to come? I hope to improve myself by learning time

management, not to suuuuper procrastinate, and improve my communication skills.

What are the top three struggles of being a commuter for you? Top 3

struggles: packing a lunch so I don't spend too much \$\$\$, waking up on time, and frustration at rush hour traffic tbh.

In the event of a zombie apocalypse, where would you go? I would probably stay in my own house because there is enough food here to last me at least 10 years. Plus, it's made out of concrete.

