CONNECT WITH GW STUDENTS!

Making connections and networking with GW alumni continues to help enhance the student experience. There are a number of programs and services designed to facilitate this connection starting even before students arrive on campus and continuing throughout the undergraduate experience. The Office of Alumni Relations, the Center for Career Services, and a number of other campus departments look to alumni to help us bridge the gap for students between the undergraduate experience and becoming involved members of the alumni community. From hosting a dinner for students or delivering a guest lecture to being an online mentor, you can help with this transition.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS:

Colonial Inauguration Dinners
Part of GW’s orientation program – CI – alumni are invited to join members of the incoming class at a dinner on the second night of each of the four CI sessions throughout June. (Location: DC)

Summer Send-Offs
These receptions held around the U.S. and internationally, welcome incoming students and their families. These events are hosted by GW alumni and parents in the months of July and August. (Location: various)

Dinner with Alumni
Alumni volunteer to take groups of three to six students out to dinner allowing a more personal way for the students and alumni to network and connect around a certain career focus. Alumni can select dinner dates from Monday to Thursday throughout October, November, March and April. This is considered a Gift in Kind to the university. (Location: DC & NYC in the Summer)

Speed-Networking Nights
These nights, held once each semester, provide students a brief course on how to network. Students then get to practice the skills learned with alumni volunteers through a series of rotations. (Location: DC)

Resume Madness
Alumni who have experience reviewing resumes are encouraged to participate in this annual event. Alumni volunteer their time by providing feedback to students on their resumes and interview preparation. (Location: DC)

Career Industry Panels
Alumni can support the Career Services series of industry-specific panels by serving as a panelist. Panel topics vary and include disciplines such as STEM, Health Sciences, Communications, Government, Law, and International Affairs. These panels are held throughout each semester. (Location: DC)

Career Workshops
Career Services hosts a series of career workshops related to topics such as resume writing, interview skills, networking, and internship/job searching. Alumni support this program by volunteering as a guest presenter or co-presenter with a career consultant. (Location: DC)

Career Fairs & Interviews
Alumni can be great resources to draw students to a company. Alumni and their organizations can participate in career fairs, conduct on-campus interviews, and hold information sessions to educate students on current job and internship opportunities. (Location: various locations)
Employer-in-Residence
Help students in a 1-on-1 setting by providing career advice, industry information, mock interviews and resume critiques. Employer-in-Residence also allows you to build your organization's presence on campus. (Location: DC)

Employer Site Visits
Share a bit of the professional world with students. Site visits are a great way for students to gain a deeper understanding of your organization and the scope of your work. (Location: DC; NYC)

FutureU
This program offers a series of events for juniors and seniors to promote the development of essential life skills. Programming through this series will vary, but alumni volunteers will be important in the support of these personal, career, and financial-focused events. (Location: DC)

Campus to Career Networking Events
This series of networking events for juniors and seniors is part of the FutureU program and provides the opportunity for alumni and students to connect with a focus on specific career/industry areas of interest. One networking reception for seniors and young alumni is held in October, and a series of dinners for all alumni and juniors/seniors are held in March and April. (Location: DC)

ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES:

Post Jobs or Internships for Students
GWork is the university-wide job and internship posting portal and is available to students and alumni. Alumni can help fellow Colonials while also helping your organization hire a great candidate. Alumni can post available positions in GWork for free. Visit https://careerservices.gwu.edu/ to log-in to GWork or email ocr@gwu.edu.

Career Advisor Network
Join this online network of alumni which is dedicated to providing career assistance and advice to other alumni and current students. It is a great online tool that helps students connect with alumni across the globe. Visit alumni.gwu.edu/career-advisor-network to start networking today.

LinkedIn
Join the GW Alumni Association LinkedIn group (go.gwu.edu/joinlinkedin) to network, post jobs, and connect with more than 33,000 Colonials.

Make a Gift
Alumni have the opportunity to make a gift to any part of the university. This support provides students the same experience you had at GW by supporting a department, student organization, or scholarship fund.

GETTING STARTED:
If you have not volunteered with GW before, complete the Alumni Volunteer Form online at alumni.gwu.edu/alumni-volunteer-form

Other opportunities for alumni to connect with more specialized populations of students (i.e. international students, veterans, etc.) do arise each semester. Information on any of these programs sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations or the Center for Career Services, or to get involved, contact:

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