



Career Center Connections

Winter 2009

Where do I go from here?

2009 Winter Career and Internship Fair

Do not miss out on this opportunity to find potential career and internship possibilities.

Wednesday, February 18, 2009
Driscoll Ballroom 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Research and target all the opportunities.

Participating Organizations

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| Alpine Bank | Liberty Mutual Group |
| Army ROTC | Lockton Companies, LLC |
| Carney, Sandoe and Associates | National Center for Intermodal Transportation |
| Chipotle Mexican Grill | New England Financial |
| Community Reach Center | Northwestern Mutual Financial Network Theodore Group |
| Country Financial | Peace Corps |
| Cunningham Financial Group | Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia |
| DISH Network | Snow Creek Ranch |
| Eli Lilly | Social Security Administration |
| Elitch Gardens Theme Park | TIAA-CREF |
| Enterprise Rent-A-Car | University of Denver |
| Environment America | US Marine Corps Officer Selection Service |
| Environmental Protection Agency | VA Rocky Mountain Health Care Network |
| Grad Staff | Vail Ski Vacations |
| Great-West Life and Annuity Insurance Co. | Wells Fargo |
| General Services Administration | |
| InfoPrint Solutions Company | |
| Internal Revenue Service | |
| IRS - Criminal Investigation | |



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Quote of The Quarter

"Success is a continuing thing. It is growth and development. It is achieving one thing and using that as a stepping stone to achieve something else."
~John C. Maxwell

For an updated list of employers please visit:

<http://www.du.edu/studentlife/career/student/careerfairemployers.html>

Colorado Multicultural Career & Internship Fair



Make plans to attend the Colorado Multicultural Career and Internship Fair and meet recruiters from reputable, sustainable companies with a commitment to diversity.

**Thursday, February 19, 2009
1-5 pm**

**Four Points Sheraton Hotel
I-25 and Hampden**

This event is free and open to all Colorado higher education students and alumni, with a particular target audience of female students as well as students of color.

Undergraduate and Graduate Students: Learn about hundreds of well paid internships and full-time career opportunities.

Alumni: Connect your experience with the career advancement or transition you've been seeking.

Participating Employers*

Xcel Energy
MillerCoors
Charles Schwab
Kaiser Permanente
Aurora Loan Services
FourPoints by Sheraton
Sun Microsystems
Ameristar Casino
AXA Advisors
USBank
AT&T Mobility
U.S. Department of State
General Services Administration
Frito Lay
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Long View Systems
EchoStar Technologies
Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Oppenheimer Funds
TracyLocke
US Department of Labor
Equity Residential
DIRECTV, Inc.
USDA Forest Service
Central Intelligence Agency
Medtronic Navigation

* New employers register on a weekly basis, please visit our website for a current list

Register online at:
<http://www.multiculturaltalent.com>

Workshop Schedule - Winter 2009

Career Café

Stop by and pick up information and ask questions about the services the Career Center offers. Register to win a career assessment worth \$25!

- **Wednesday, February 11th, 5:30-7:00pm, Nelson Dining Hall**
 - **Wednesday, February 25th, 5:30-7:00pm, Halls Main Floor**
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Dazed and Confused

An interactive workshop to assist students who need assistance in figuring out what to major in and with researching career direction; it includes a discussion of resources, some activities, and goal setting.

- **Wednesday, March 11th, 5:00-6:00pm, Career Center Library, Driscoll South Lower Level**
- RSVP - Pat O'Keefe, pokeefe@du.edu
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Explore Your Skills to Gain Career Focus

This interactive workshop uses a skills card sort to help you look at your strongest and favorite skills that you might want to use in your career. This process helps you see how your favorite skills link to potential career fields that you can then further research. Limit of five attendees.

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"Find an Internship! It won't find you!"

An internship is one of the best ways to gain experience in your chosen field (and to build your resume), to confirm if the field or major is a good fit for you as well as to add richness to your classroom learning. Since about 60%-70% of workers found their latest job through networking, internships are a tremendous way to start building the relationships that are the critical foundation of networking. This workshop will cover the basics of finding an internship. **All workshops will be held in the Career Center Library, Driscoll South Lower Level**

- Tuesday, February 17th, 4:00pm**
- RSVP - John Haag, jhaag@du.edu

- Monday, February 23rd, 12:00pm**
- RSVP - Ruth Prochnow, rprochno@du.edu

- Tuesday, March 3rd, 4:00pm**
- RSVP - John Haag, jhaag@du.edu

- Tuesday, March 10th, 4:00pm**
- RSVP - Ruth Prochnow, rprochno@du.edu
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How to Network in the United States- Sponsored by ISSS and the Career Center

Networking can open many doors to job opportunities in the U.S. Come learn about networking in American culture and get some helpful hints to make the best of this job search method.

- Wednesday, February 25th, 4:00-5:30**
- LOCATION: I-House
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New Career Center Staff



Kaila Wilkes joined the Career Center on October 1st. She will be working with alumni and University College clients.

Kaila has a Master of Arts degree in Career Development from JFK University in California. During her career she has provided comprehensive career services to a variety of clients in the education, federal government, military, private industry and non-profit arenas.

Originally from New Jersey, Kaila relocated to Colorado from Virginia eight years ago. Kaila's husband, Steve, works for FEMA and they have two golden retrievers, Jake and Barklee. She enjoys travel, music, estate saless, theater and interior design in her spare time.



Chris joined the Career Center on November 10th. He will be working with undergraduates in the Daniels College of Business.

Chris comes to DU from Portland, Oregon where he mentored traditional age college graduates that dedicated a year of volunteer service to the Jesuit Volunteer Corps Northwest. In this position, Chris collaborated with multiple employers in the non-profit sector to ensure an optimal growth experience for the volunteers and their supervisors. Chris thoroughly enjoyed working with young people but was eager to utilize more of his Master's level counseling training which he received from Naropa

University in Boulder. Chris is passionate about helping students find their career path.

For fun, Chris enjoys hiking and biking with his wife, Deb McNamara, who makes a life practice of caring for the environment as a staff member of the Northwest Earth Institute. Chris is elated to be back in Colorado to join his brother-in-law and best friend, Rob.

Summer Internship Grant Program

The DU Career Center will be offering grants in the amount of \$2,500 to eight (8) undergraduate students for working a minimum of 200 hours at an unpaid internship during the summer of 2009.

All the details and the online application for this program are on the front page of the Career Center's website (www.du.edu/career).

Please email Ruth Prochnow at ruth.prochnow@studentlife.du.edu or call her at 303-871-4705 if you have any additional questions.

This is a wonderful opportunity so don't miss out!

Who's Who From DU



Name: Onyeka Igabari
Major : B.S. Computer Engineering
Graduation date: June 2008

Most positive Career Center experience?

The Career Center helped me build up my resume and apply for jobs, by giving me resources that were very useful in my job search and interviews. One of the most remarkable things that the Career Center did for me was that they made me feel I wasn't alone in my search, they sent me job openings whenever they were available and contacted recruiters on my behalf. For this and more, I am very grateful!

Where was your internship(s) if you had one or more?

I didn't have any internships, but I worked as a Research Assistant at the University of Denver, Engineering Department. I also worked on a project remotely with Iowa State University.

Where are you now; job title and organization?

I currently work for EchoStar L.L.C in Englewood as a Software Engineer. It's amazing and I love what I'm doing because I'm doing what I love.

What advice would you offer current DU students and/or alumni?

To current DU students, especially to those who will be graduating soon: Searching for a good job is like a job in itself especially now with the situation all over the world. You need to put in a lot of time in your search. Also, remember that many people are competing with you for the available jobs. For you to stand out above the rest, look for what makes you unique from the rest and use that to advertise yourself in your resume and during your interviews. Don't be discouraged in your job search if you aren't getting any leads. Make good use of your resources and networks such as your professors, friends and most importantly, the Career Center.

To my fellow alums, congratulations! Once again, our work is not yet done. Let's make our Alma Mater proud by being the best at what we do wherever we are. Let's also see how we can help each other out and set a good example for those who would one day walk in our shoes. Remember we're one family, the DU family!

Job & Internship Hunting?
Visit DU Careers Online to view
the most recent postings!
<https://du-csm.symplicity.com/students>

What's New?



The Career Center is delighted to announce that we have just added the Vault Online Career Library to our vast collection of resources.

Vault is the world's leading source of career information. It will make your efforts at researching employers, industries, and career subjects infinitely easier and more efficient. This new online resource contains:

- Vault Career Guides and Employer Profiles in PDF
- 4,000+ Company Profiles
- 3,000+ Vault Career Advice Articles
- Industry and Occupational Profiles
- Access to the Vault Message Boards for insider information
- Much more!

Log on to the Career Center web page:

<http://www.du.edu/studentlife/career/careerlinks/allwebresources.html>
and click on **Vault Online Career Library** and the journey begins.

PS. For DU students, Vault is also offering a 15 percent discount on its career services – including case and finance interview preparation, and resume and cover letter reviews.

Your discount code is **20du09**.

Simply go to: <http://www.vault.com/careerservices/careerservices.jsp>, and put in the discount code in the box on the upper right when you order to save 15 percent.

Quick Questions

For your convenience the Career Center reserves an hour each day to assist you with quick questions. These appointments are on a first come first served basis, and may be limited to 15 minutes.

No appointment necessary.

Monday - 1:30pm-2:30pm

Tuesday - 10:30am-11:30am

Wednesday - 10:30am-11:30am

Thursday - 2:30pm-3:30pm

Friday - 10:30am-11:30am

For Undergraduate Business Students:

Tuesday - 4:00-5:00pm in

Margery Reed Hall 114

Award-Winning OptimalResume



Now offered to University of Denver Students and Alumni

As a student or alumni, the Career Center is proud to offer you access to OptimalResume, the gold standard in online resume technology. Used by hundreds of universities across the country and across the globe, OptimalResume guides users in the resume process from content creation to online publication.

You can draft your resume in just a few short minutes with OptimalResume's comprehensive software, which includes content examples for each section and format assistance, all on a 24/7 basis. Once a resume has been composed and formatted, it is immediately generated in four formats: Rich Text, .PDF, Plain Text, and HTML (an interactive resume web-site). Career Counselors often remark that the quality of the first draft is far better with OptimalResume.

Once a resume has been created and filled with content, you can pick from thousands of different combinations of resume styles to find the right look for your resume. It's never been so easy to create an attractive and professional resume presentation!

<http://du.optimalresume.com>

Access code: ducareercenter

303-871-2150 for questions

Who's Coming to DU for YOU?

To participate in On-Campus interviewing, simply login to DU Careers Online at www.du.edu/career then follow these steps:

Click DU Careers Online:

Login using your USERNAME which is your DU ID Number: 87*****

and PASSWORD which is your WebCentral Password:

- 1) Upon login complete the information in "My Profile"
- 2) Click "My Documents" and upload your resume(s)/cover letters/writing samples, etc.
- 3) Click "Opt In Resume Book" then "Select Resume Books" option.
- 4) Click the "Search Jobs & Internships" tab and select "Career Center Job Board" from the dropdown list.
- 5) Find Show Me and select "All interviews" from the dropdown list then "Search".
- 6) Click on "Job Title" for job description, date and location of interview, application instructions, etc.

Upon successfully submitting your application materials, you will be notified electronically of your interview status a couple of days after the Resume Submission Deadline Date. Once you have been invited to interview, please log in to the system and sign up for an interview time as soon as possible. Thank you!

Below is a sampling of who's coming in: Winter 2009

Full-time Positions:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Job Title</u>	<u>Interview Date</u>
Carney, Sandoe & Associates	K – 12 Teaching Positions	February 19
Fund for Public Interest Research	Citizen Outreach Director	April 16
Prudential	Financial Services Associate	February 25

Internship Positions:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Internship Title</u>	<u>Interview Date</u>
DISH Network	Accounting, Audit Finance, Sales Operations, Marketing, Advertising, Communications, Public Relations, IT	February 19

Events, Information Sessions and Tables on the Driscoll Bridge:

<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>
Career & Internship Fair	Driscoll Ballroom	February 18
DISH Network	Commerce Room	February 18
Fund for Public Interest Research	Table on the Driscoll Bridge	March 24, 25 & 26
Fund for Public Interest Research	Career Center, Dris. South #30	March 24, 25 & 26
Peace Corps	Table on the Driscoll Bridge	April 14
Peace Corps	Commerce Room	April 15

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If you should experience any difficulties with the system please contact the Career Center at career@du.edu or (303) 871-2150.

DU Know?

Know What You are Worth It Makes Sense

For undergraduate and graduate students who want jobs regardless of their financial need, the **Office of Student Employment** specializes in locating and developing part-time off-campus jobs. Please visit our student employment website at <http://www.du.edu/studentemployment> to view current job listings in the area. Students may also contact the Office of Student Employment at 303-871-6792.



Featured Websites

Uniworld

The sole publisher of two unique multinational business contact directories:

- American firms operating in foreign countries
- Foreign firms operating in the United States

Interview Stream

Online software that allows you to practice interviewing with your computer's web cam.

For more information on both sites visit:
<http://www.du.edu/career>