EXPANDING THE WORKPLACE VIEW

How can our students meet the challenge of learning about the vast world of work? Students need a clear view of the workplace in order to make good decisions regarding the best fit for them. A few suggestions to help your student get the insight he/she needs are:

- Consider using resources such as LinkedIn to identify professionals, particularly Boston College alumni, to contact with questions about career fields of interest.
- Connect with BC alumni during campus events such as the weekly Career Conversations series or at one of this semester’s Career Networking Nights in Science, Communications and Marketing.
- View the Career Center Calendar to stay updated on upcoming events.
- Read through the RealJobs Blog, a series in which Boston College alumni share their inside view of the workplace by “blogging their work week.”
SEARCHING FOR INTERNSHIPS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE

Summer internships and study abroad are two junior year experiences greatly valued by both students and post-graduation recruiters. Fortunately, with the proper motivation and some advanced planning, students can successfully do both! Below are some tips to share with your student to help him/her navigate the summer internship search while also taking advantage of a study abroad opportunity:

- Learn about the internship hiring timeline for the field you are exploring. Most fields recruit interns during the spring semester, but a few recruit in the fall semester.
- Connect with employers before going abroad. Employers are impressed when students proactively contact them to gather information about how to proceed through the internship search process from overseas.

Boston College senior and study abroad alum Megan Cain secured her summer internship while studying in Spain and advises:

“Contact employers before you leave the country. This allows you to have multiple contacts and possible internship leads, so you have less research to do while studying abroad. Make it as easy as possible for employers to interview you while abroad. Consider that most other applicants have the opportunity to meet the employer in person, so you want to put your best foot forward in any way you can. Being willing to alter your schedule and means of technology shows an interest in the job, even from many miles away.”

If your student is currently abroad and looking for a summer internship, please encourage him/her to take advantage of the “remote access” options mentioned on page one. They can also contact the Career Center via email (carctr@bc.edu) or phone (617-552-3430).

For more tips on this topic and a video on what employers think about study abroad, visit our website.

SPOTLIGHT: Selected Career Center Upcoming Events

**Career Conversations**
Alumni return to campus to speak about their careers in an informal, roundtable discussion format.
Tuesdays, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Career Center

**Science Networking Night**
Tuesday, March 12, 2013
7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Higgins Atrium

**Education Career Fair**
Wednesday, March 13, 2013
3:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Heights Room of Corcoran Commons

**Communications Networking Night**
Tuesday, March 19, 2013
6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
The Heights Room of Corcoran Commons

Students can view the complete list of upcoming events and, when required, RSVP on Eaglelink.