Welcome!

Career Services is pleased to provide you with our electronic newsletter created just for Lafayette parents and families. FROM HOGG TO HOME is produced three times a year to keep you "in the loop" about the extensive career-related programs, events, and services we offer to students throughout the year. We welcome your suggestions for article and feature ideas. In this issue...

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Feed your Passion and Earn a Living in the Non-Profit World

Spring is the season in which many seniors ramp up their job search, and underclassmen actively seek internships. Lafayette students are interested in having different experiences and thus, pursue opportunities in a wide variety of industries. One area that should not be overlooked in a job or internship search is the non-profit sector. Some people are under the false assumption that non-profit work always involves direct service. Although many positions do involve interacting directly with those in need of support, there are also numerous opportunities that focus more on the administrative work of non-profit organizations. For example, a student with an interest in marketing could work in the promotions area of the American Cancer Society. Or, a student with superior quantitative skills could work in the financial area of The Boys and Girls Club of America. In the Lafayette Class of 2010, 89 students reported obtaining employment with a non-profit organization.

Career Services offers a variety of programs and services to assist students in finding jobs and internships in the non-profit sector. In early March, we held our second annual on-campus Non-Profit and Public Service Fair. The Philadelphia Non-Profit and Government Fair will be held at Villanova University on April 14th, with over 80 representatives from employers talking with students about job and internship opportunities. Career Services is also offering the first ever Non-Profit Leadership Development Program this summer, for students interning at Lehigh Valley area non-profit organizations. This program will offer accepted students a Friday seminar series learning from non-profit executives. The following article also describes in detail, our Internship Scholar, Internship Stipend, and Summer Housing programs. These programs provide resources that are of great help to students interning in low paying or unpaid internships, which is often the case in non-profit work. For more information about any of these programs, contact Rachel Moeller in Career Services at moellerr@lafayette.edu.

Scholars, and Stipends, and Housing, Oh My!

Lafayette students, regardless of major or class year, are currently making decisions about how they will spend their summer. Many will choose to engage in
summer internships. This type of experiential learning provides students with hands-on work in a professional setting. They are able to apply their classroom learning to the world beyond Lafayette. Career Services is pleased to offer three programs supporting students doing summer internships this year.

The Intern Scholars Program - This is the second year for this outstanding opportunity. Five students will be selected to receive a $4000 stipend in support of a summer internship AND be paired with an alumnus/a mentor in their general industry interest area. Student will have ongoing communication with the mentor throughout the summer and will present at a Brown Bag session in the upcoming academic year. Students must have an internship secured at the time of application and additional criteria apply. Students should be aware that two letters of recommendation are required as part of the application. Applications are being accepted on a rolling basis until March 31, and are available in the Career Services Office or by emailing blythea@lafayette.edu. Candidates will be evaluated as their applications are received. There is no guarantee that spots will still remain at the March 31 deadline.

Alumni Endowed Internship Stipends - Through the generosity of Lafayette alumni and the current senior class, a number of stipends are available to support students doing unpaid, low paying, or high cost internships. These stipends vary in amounts from $1000-$3000. Some place restrictions on the location and/or industry of the internship while others do not. Students need not have secured an internship at the time of application, but the stipend will not be distributed until a letter is received from the employer stating the student has been hired and outlining the details of the internship. A number of criteria apply and students should see the application for details. Applications are due no later than April 8 and are available in the Career Services Office or by emailing blythea@lafayette.edu.

On Campus Housing for Local Internships - Students choosing to do a summer internship in the greater Lehigh Valley area may apply for on campus housing at no cost to them. There are a limited number of spots that will be approved on a rolling basis until all are allocated. Students may not apply until they have secured the internship and can provide a letter from the employer outlining all the details of the internship. A number of restrictions apply and these are listed on the application. Applications are available in the Career Services Office or by emailing blythea@lafayette.edu. Students should be aware that they must also apply through the Residence Life Office and are subject to all policies set forth by Residence Life, including move in and out dates. Rooms will be assigned by Residence Life.

Graduate School - Did you Know?

It's hard to believe the end of the spring semester is already around the corner! Did you know that the summer months are an optimal time for your student to begin preparing for graduate or professional school if they are considering this path after Lafayette? During the summer break, students have the opportunity to take advantage of the vast resources available to them, regardless of where they are spending their time. This can be a prime time to research programs, prepare for entrance exams, and begin drafting personal statements. While many students may be taking a break from their studies, Career Services is here on campus and
available to work with them individually in-person or over the phone, to discuss their graduate school questions, concerns, plans, and the application process.

Additionally, students have many resources at their fingertips, such as our extensive online Graduate & Professional School Advising resources which include the Graduate & Professional School Guide. If your student is interested in a legal or health profession, they will also find a breadth of resources from the Dean of the College website. Encourage your student to make the most of their summer!

For those of you who are the parents of seniors and juniors, it is important to remind them that the GRE general exam will be changing drastically as of August 1, 2011. Any students planning to take the current version should sign up for a testing appointment as soon as possible. Specific information about the changes can be found on the ETS website.

**Spring Dates to Remember**

March 28 - Moving On When Your Job Search is Stalled. Presenter: Whitney Wilkerson

March 30 - Developing Your Brand. Presenter: Susan Berg

April 6 - Finance Alumni Dinner Panel

April 8 - Internship stipend application deadline

April 14 - Philadelphia Non-Profit and Government Fair