TAKING THE NEXT STEP
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classes of 2011 & 2012
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Welcome

Welcome to the thirteenth annual Taking the Next Step! The College cares about your success and we hope that you use the information you gather today as a tool to help you begin to boldly go.

All of our panelists are volunteering their time to the College to speak candidly with you about their career paths. Be sure to ask questions and take notes. Read this program carefully, as it provides valuable information about people who are willing to answer questions and serve as mentors throughout your career exploration process. Feel free to use the contact information provided to ask questions as you research your fields of interest now and in the future. We encourage you to stay in touch with the people who help you and let them know of your successes.

More than 300 alumni volunteers from around the country will participate in today’s event. By virtue of being a student at the University of Chicago, you are part of a community of more than 300,000 alumni, students, faculty, staff, parents, and friends around the world who enrich your education every day. Today is just an example of the vast resources that will continue to be available to you for the rest of your life as part of our vibrant community. We hope you will tap into this community as you explore career options and navigate your post-graduation path. One great way to do so is by using the Alumni Careers Network (ACN) — an online database of more than 15,000 alumni from 40 countries who have volunteered to provide informational interviews to University of Chicago students and alumni. Visit http://alumniandfriends.uchicago.edu and find the ACN by clicking on "Connect and Learn" and then "Career Resources." Once you graduate, you’ll receive a variety of invitations to connect with alumni and students through programs that will help you advance professionally as well as socially and intellectually. And, of course, we hope you’ll volunteer one day to speak with students at programs like Taking the Next Step as the College works with alumni to continue to make resources available for future University of Chicago students.

Please make sure to complete the online evaluation form at http://takingthenextstep.uchicago.edu. These evaluations will help us to develop and improve the quality of Taking the Next Step.

We hope you enjoy your day talking with alumni,

The Taking the Next Step Student Planning Committee

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Salon II & III, 7th Floor

Student Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30 - 10:00 AM
Salon II & III, 7th Floor

Welcome and Keynote Address
Welcome: J. Timothy Child, AM ’85, MBA ’05
Associate Vice President, Alumni and Constituent Relations
Introduction: Agnes Bugaj, Class of 2010, Taking the Next Step Co-Chair
Keynote: David Medina, AB ’91
Director of Public Engagement, US Peace Corps

10:15 - 11:30 AM
Kane/McHenry, 3rd Floor
Avenue, 4th Floor
Los Angeles/Miami/Scottsdale, 5th Floor
Denver/Houston/Kansas City, 5th Floor
Salon I, 7th Floor
Addison, 4th Floor
Clark, 4th Floor

Panel Session A
Advertising, Marketing, and Public Relations
Banking and Financial Services
Business
Humanities and Social Sciences
Law
Math and Science
Non-Governmental Organizations and Public Policy

Panel Session B
Community Organizing and Social Service
Consulting
Education, Teaching, and Policy
Entertainment and Creative Arts
Government
Healthcare
Journalism and Publishing

12:00 - 1:15 PM
Denver/Houston/Kansas City, 5th Floor
Salon I, 7th Floor
Kane/McHenry, 3rd Floor
Addison, 4th Floor
Clark, 4th Floor
Avenue, 4th Floor
Los Angeles/Miami/Scottsdale, 5th Floor

Lunch Roundtables
Welcome: John W. Boyer, AM ’68, PhD ’75
Dean of the College

Salon II & III, 7th Floor
Chicago Ballroom, 5th Floor

Class of 2011
Welcome: Marc-André Allen, Class of 2011, Taking the Next Step Co-Chair

Class of 2012
Welcome: Chen Feng, Class of 2012, Taking the Next Step Co-Chair

Bus Schedule

Buses will depart from the Marriott at the following times:

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Maps of the Marriott

3rd Floor

4th Floor

5th Floor

7th Floor
Making the Most of Your TNS Experience

When you Arrive:

• Review panelist biographies and determine with whom you are most interested in speaking.
• Use your new padfolio to jot down questions appropriate for each panelist.
• Check the hotel map to make sure you know where you are going throughout the day.

During the Panel:

Here are some questions to consider asking panelists:

• What was your first job out of college, and how did it affect your career path?
• How did your experience at the University of Chicago help prepare you for your current position?
• What kinds of skills and abilities are required for this type of work?
• If you were starting out now, how would you get into this field? What strategies would you use to get your foot in the door? What advice would you give to someone in my position?
• How does your field compare to others in terms of individual work vs. teamwork, competition, deadlines, workload, etc.?
• What makes an applicant or potential new hire stand out?
• What can I do during college to learn more about this field and start building experience?
• How do you stay informed, up-to-date and stimulated about changes in your industry?
• What is a related field, or a different job within your field, that I might not know about?
• What other fields intersect with yours? Which other types of professionals do you encounter?

If time runs out before your questions get answered, approach the panelists at the end of the session or reach out to them after the event to continue the discussion. Use your new padfolio to note the questions you didn’t get a chance to ask and send him or her an email later. Most of the panelists’ email addresses are listed in the program.

During Lunch:

• Sit at your assigned lunch table and try to sit next to a panelist, not another student.
• Introduce yourself to everyone at the table.
• Be sure to allow the panelists the opportunity to eat their lunches.
• Your entire conversation does not need to be centered on your career. Engage the panelists in general small talk. Consider using the following conversation starters: local or national news, appropriate professional journals, University of Chicago memories or sports. Small talk is important - it leads to big talk, big business and wonderful opportunities.
• Allow other students into the conversation and don’t be afraid to chime in if a student is dominating the conversation.
• Use this time to address any questions you may not have been able to ask during the panel and to get different perspectives on questions you may have asked other panelists.
Keynote Speaker

9:30 AM
Salon II & III, 7th Floor

David Medina, AB '91
Director of Public Engagement, Peace Corps

David Medina currently serves as the Peace Corps' Director of Public Engagement. In this role, he manages several national Peace Corps initiatives which promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans. Mr. Medina is also responsible for building and maintaining strategic partnerships between the Peace Corps and non-profit organizations in the United States.

Prior to joining the Peace Corps, Mr. Medina served as deputy chief of staff to first lady of the United States Michelle Obama.

Over the last 16 years, Mr. Medina has also served as the US Global Leadership Campaign’s government relations director, Senator John Edwards’ national political director, the 2004 Democratic National Convention Committee’s deputy CEO, the AFL-CIO’s legislative representative, the Democratic National Committee’s policy director, and US Senator Carol Moseley-Braun’s legislative assistant.

Mr. Medina has served on the University of Chicago’s Alumni Visiting Committee and the national boards of the Human Rights Campaign and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute.

Mr. Medina received his AB from the University of Chicago in political science and his MPP from Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government.
Panel Session A

10:15 - 11:30 AM
Advertising, Marketing, and PR: Creating a Buzz

Kane/McHenry, 3rd Floor

So you’ve watched a couple episodes of Mad Men, and you think the Nike ads are pretty cool but what does someone in advertising, marketing, and public relations really do? Is it a world of witty taglines and pretty pictures? This year’s “Creating a Buzz” is designed to help you explore a career in advertising, marketing, and public relations, and discover what options are available after college. Panelists will be discussing their field, current work, and what trends they see developing for media in the future. Time will also be set aside to answer your questions about advertising, marketing, and public relations.

Sandra Dainora, AB '99
Product Manager, Oprah.com

Ms. Dainora is a senior project manager at Harpo Productions, where she is responsible for the development of new products and site features for Oprah.com, as well as the company’s mobile strategies. Prior to joining Harpo Productions, Ms. Dainora was a product manager at Metromix, a local entertainment guide dedicated to restaurants, bars, events, music, and more. As part of her efforts there, she helped lead the expansion of Metromix to over 35 markets. Ms. Dainora’s experience also includes work as a project manager at Discover Financial Services, an operations specialist at A&E Television Networks, and a project manager for beMany.com. Ms. Dainora graduated from the College with a degree in anthropology. While an undergraduate, she was the station manager of WHPK and traveled abroad to study paleolithic cave art and Romanesque architecture.

Jesse Friedman, AB '05
Associate Product Marketing Manager, Google

Jesse Friedman (AB '05, linguistics) is an associate product marketing manager at Google. As the media outreach lead for consumer products, he focuses on helping folks in media, entertainment, and related fields around the world make beautiful and compelling uses of Google products like Earth, Maps, Search, Chrome, and YouTube. Mr. Friedman ended up at Google in his native Bay Area after 11 days at a reverse head-hunting firm and then one year at a newspaper marketing consultant in Chicago. Now in his fourth year at Google, Mr. Friedman spends his time away from work cooking for his wife Laura, comparing neighborhoods of their new home in Brooklyn to those of Chicago, and jealously watching his cats sleep.

Janet Isabelli, AB '99
Vice President, Midwest, Wagstaff Worldwide, Inc.

Ms. Isabelli, AB ’99, joined Wagstaff Worldwide in 2002 with several years of public-relations, branding and event-planning experience at renowned institutions such as the University of Chicago and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. During her tenure, she has spearheaded publicity campaigns for nationally recognized clients in the hospitality industry, most recently consulting for the Trump Organization in the introduction of Trump International Hotel & Tower Chicago. She has also led the expansion of Wagstaff’s presence in the Eastern and Southern markets. In November 2007, Crain’s Chicago Business named her one of “40 Under 40’ emerging professionals to watch. Her interest in the community spans a number of areas, including the Greater Chicago Food Depository and the Ferrer Foundation among others. At Chicago, Ms. Isabelli double majored in law, letters and society and Spanish language and literature.

Ken Kabira, AB '85, MBA '92
Managing Principal, TrueWorks

Ken Kabira graduated from the University of Chicago with a degree in behavioral sciences in 1985 and an MBA in 1992. Born to a Japanese father and an American mother, he spent the first nineteen years of his life in Japan. Mr. Kabira’s first work experience was as a nurse’s aid at a psychiatric hospital in Kansas. After spending his initial years in business at Inland Steel in Chicago, he became a brand manager at the Kellogg Company in 1987. He is one of the few marketers who has served as a CMO in the for-profit (McDonald’s Japan), nonprofit (NLU), and the public sectors (CTA). He currently is managing principal of TrueWorks, a marketing consultancy. He and his family reside in Naperville. He is passionate about bicycle racing and soccer and is a member of the Lombard Mennonite Church.
Ben Wiener, AB '94
Chief Executive Officer, WONGDOODY  ben.wiener@wongdoody.com

Mr. Wiener began his career at WONGDOODY as an unpaid intern shortly after the agency’s founding and spent his days moving furniture and organizing office supplies. Displaying no aptitude for those functions, Mr. Wiener’s responsibilities were expanded to include managing the agency’s key accounts and founding the agency’s Los Angeles office. He also leads the agency’s expansion into new areas, including interactive marketing, brand strategy, and graphic design.

Sara Wolfson, AB '98
Production Business Manager, DDB Worldwide Communications Group  sara.wolfson@chi.ddb.com

Ms. Wolfson graduated in 1998 and began her illustrious career as a cocktail waitress. After she got sick of that (two months), she added to her resume as she worked at a small real estate appraisal company, then at Navy Pier doing short form improv and later at a small ad agency working on new business, which she left to work at the University’s College Programming Office. When she moved on from the CPO, she began working at DDB Chicago, first as a secretary, then as a creative assistant, then was promoted to production business manager, where her clients include Johnson & Johnson, AT&T and Cars.com. In addition to her day job, Ms. Wolfson also does improvisational comedy. Ms. Wolfson enjoys referring to herself in the third person.
Banking and Financial Services: Hedging Your Future

Avenue, 4th Floor

This panel will focus on the financial services industry over the next decade as we emerge from the crisis of the past two years. It will address the inevitable change that will occur, and respond to questions regarding compliance and regulations, government restrictions, markets, and careers. It will also look to discuss how lessons learned from the past will shape the industry going forward.

**Paul Ellenbogen, AB '86**
*Director, Board Consulting Services, Morningstar Associates, LLC  paul.ellenbogen@morningstar.com*

Mr. Ellenbogen rejoined Morningstar in November 2005 as a consultant for Morningstar Associates. He now serves as the director of board consulting services. Prior to rejoining Morningstar, Mr. Ellenbogen was in charge of retail marketing - mutual funds and separately managed accounts - at Calamos Investments. Before joining Calamos, he worked at Deutsche Bank/Scudder Investments, holding positions in the mutual fund and retirement plan areas. He also was a mutual fund analyst with Morningstar, Inc. Mr. Ellenbogen received his AB from the University of Chicago and his Ph.D. from Duke University, both in political science. In his current position, he addresses mutual fund boards that employ Morningstar Associates as a consultant on the advisory contract renewal 15(c) process and related performance and expense evaluations. He is one of the lead consultants overseeing Morningstar Associates’ retirement plan management services, and works on the group’s model portfolios, select lists, and funds of funds.

**Jennifer Fortner, AB '98**
*Vice President, Goldman Sachs, Investment Management  jennifer.fortner@gs.com*

Ms. Fortner joined Goldman Sachs in 1998 and is currently vice president in the Private Wealth Management Division of their Chicago office. She and her team work with high net worth families and foundations in the Midwest advising them on asset allocation and portfolio strategy. Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Fortner traded futures, options, and commodities. She graduated with an AB in economics and with Phi Beta Kappa honors from the University of Chicago. In the community, Ms. Fortner is a board member of Special Olympics Illinois, a board member of the Big Shoulders Fund, a member of the Visiting Committee for the University of Chicago, and a member of the University of Chicago’s Women’s Board.

**Jacob Haar, AB '02, AM '04**
*Managing Director, Minlam Asset Management jhaar@minlam.com*

Jacob Haar is a managing director and co-founder of Minlam Asset Management, a New York based investment management firm providing sustainable financial solutions for institutions serving low-income communities, micro, small and medium enterprises in emerging markets. Previously, Mr. Haar worked in Azerbaijan with Save the Children USA and their microfinance institution, Azeri Star Microfinance. Mr. Harr received his AB in history and Near Eastern languages and civilizations in 2002 and received his AM from the University's Center for Middle Eastern Studies in 2004.

**Scott Morris, AB '86, MBA '92**
*President, Morris Consulting, LLC rscottmorris@aol.com*

Mr. Morris graduated from the University of Chicago in 1986 with a degree in economics and joined the Research Department of GNP Commodities. In 1990, he moved to the Financial Engineering Department of Hull Trading company, a Chicago-based option and stock trading firm. In 1992, he completed his MBA in finance and statistics from the evening program at Chicago Booth. Mr. Morris became a partner with the firm in 1996. In 1999, Hull Trading “merged” with Goldman Sachs. Mr. Morris became a managing director with Goldman in 2000. In 2006, he joined the Boston Options Exchange (BOX) as its chief executive officer. In 2008, he left BOX and formed his own consulting company focused on improving the execution, trading algorithms, and organizational structure of automated trading firms and exchanges (www.rscottmorrisconsulting.com). Mr. Morris is currently writing a book geared toward college students on resume writing and interviewing skills.
Business Ventures: Moving Your Enterprise Forward

Los Angeles/Miami/Scottsdale, 5th Floor

This session will focus on a big picture view of business and business strategy from a wide range of experiences.

Steven Barnhart, AB '84, MBA '88
Former CEO and President, Orbitz Worldwide  stevenbarnhart@me.com

Mr. Barnhart graduated in 1984 with a degree in economics and then entered a bank-training program. He returned to the University of Chicago to complete his MBA in finance at the Booth School, after which he spent two years at an international chemical company. He then joined PepsiCo, where he spent twelve years working primarily for the Pepsi-Cola and Frito-Lay businesses in a variety of finance roles in New York, Atlanta, and Orlando. In 2003, he returned to Chicago as VP of planning for Orbitz, an on-line travel company. He became CFO in 2005, president in 2006, and CEO in 2007. In July 2007 he led the IPO of Orbitz Worldwide on the New York Stock Exchange. He continued to lead Orbitz until he transitioned roles in early 2009.

Larry Berlin, AB '89, MBA '94
Research Analyst, First Analysis  lberlin@fana.com

Mr. Berlin traded options on the CBOE from high school through completion of his MBA in 1994. In the interim, he finished his AB at the University of Chicago in European history. After completing his MBA from the Booth School of Business in 1994, Mr. Berlin worked in investment banking for UBS in New York City. From there he moved back to Chicago and worked in internet and consulting start-ups as a relationship manager and acting-CFO. He also designed an options trading game for Ameritrade. He has been with First Analysis for ten years, where he works as a sell-side equity analyst and covers private equity investments for financial-information providers and mobile-telephony services. Outside work, he devotes time to sailing, curling, and collecting books.

Linda Diamond-Shapiro, AB '77, AM '78, MBA '88
Vice President for Strategy, Planning, and External Affairs, Access Community Health Network  Linda.Shapiro@accesscommunityhealth.net

With 30 years experience in public policy and community health roles, Ms. Shapiro has shaped strategies for government affairs, fundraising, marketing, and business development for several Chicago area nonprofit health organizations. Ms. Shapiro is the vice president for strategy, planning, and external affairs at Access Community Health Network, the nation’s largest federally qualified health center organization serving over 215,000 patients in the greater Chicago area. She previously served in the president’s office at the University of Chicago Medical Center, and as executive director of Health and Medicine Policy Research Group. She has also held policy and government affairs positions at the American Medical Association in Chicago and Washington DC. A long time Hyde Park resident, Linda Diamond Shapiro is a graduate of the University of Chicago where she received her bachelors degree as well as masters degrees from the School of Social Service Administration and from the Booth School of Business.

William Florida, AB '87, AM '87
Vice President, Advisory Research, Inc.  wflorida@advisoryresearch.com

Mr. Florida, CFA, is an equity analyst at Advisory Research, Inc., a Chicago-based investment manager. Prior to entering investment management, Mr. Florida spent 13 years in Japan and Europe as an executive in pharmaceutical manufacturing firm. Previous to that, he served for three years as a Japanese commercial banker. Mr. Florida holds an AB in public policy and an AM in social science from the University of Chicago and an MPP from the Harvard Kennedy School. Mr. Florida is fluent in Japanese and German.
Logan McDougal, MBA '00
Vice President for Customer Marketing and Operations, Wrigley Company
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Mr. McDougal manages Wrigley's internal sales and operations functions, including customer marketing, category management, customer support, demand planning, and logistics. He is also responsible for several aspects of the integration of Wrigley into Mars Inc., and works directly with Wrigley's US and global executive teams across the commercial, marketing, and supply chain organizations. He most recently served as Wrigley’s vice president - global Wal-Mart, where he was directly responsible for Wrigley’s relationship globally with the largest retailer in the world, including Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, and McLane.

Anne Wheat, AB '96
Director of Guest Services, New Meadowlands Stadium Company, LLC
awheat@nmstudco.com

Ms. Wheat has an AB in economics from the University of Chicago and an MA in arts management from Columbia. After two years of working in theater, she joined the Chicago White Sox in 1999. While there, Ms. Wheat oversaw the Guest Relations Department for all the regular-season games, the 2003 All Star events, the 2005 World Championship run and two sold-out concerts. In July 2009, she accepted the role of director of guest services at the New Meadowlands Stadium where she will take on the challenge of opening the new stadium, a $1.6-billion, 83,000-seat facility. The building will be the home to the New York Giants and Jets, as well as concerts and sporting events. Additionally, Ms. Wheat is a master trainer for the TEAM Coalition where she travels around the country, training employees of other venues. She is currently completing her MBA at the Booth School of Business.
Panel Session A

Graduate Study (and careers after) in the Humanities and Social Sciences: Exploring Beyond the BA

Denver/Houston/Kansas City, 5th Floor

If you are interested in pursuing graduate study in the humanities or social sciences this is the panel for you. Distinguished faculty and alumni will discuss graduate education; what you need to do in order to get there, what to expect while there, and what you can do afterward.

John W. Boyer, AM '68, PhD '75
Dean of the College, The University of Chicago
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John W. Boyer is the Martin A. Ryerson distinguished service professor of modern history and dean of the College at the University of Chicago. He became dean of the College in 1992 and was recently reappointed to a fourth term as dean. Dean Boyer received his BA from Loyola University Chicago. He received a PhD from the University of Chicago in 1975 and joined the faculty the same year. He has served as chairman of the Council on Advanced Studies in the Humanities and Social Sciences since 1986 and as co-editor of the Journal of Modern History since 1980. In 1992 and 1993 he was acting dean of the Division of Social Sciences. Dean Boyer has written two books, Political Radicalism in Late Imperial Vienna: Origins of the Christian Social Movement, 1848-1897 and Culture and Political Crisis in Vienna: Christian Socialism in Power, 1897-1918.

Peter Burgi, PhD '93
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Mr. Burgi received a PhD in anthropology in 1993 and has been in the business consulting and research world ever since. He has held project director positions with International Survey Research, a globally-active employee opinion survey firm, and International Orientation Resources, an intercultural consulting and training firm. He was also a research fellow at Imagination Lab Foundation for three years, conducting research on the imaginative dimensions of strategy-development as a team sense-making activity. In 2007 he joined Research International (now TNS) as a senior account executive for qualitative market research, and later also took on the role of innovation workshop facilitator. He was promoted a year ago to vice president, qualitative and early stage innovation. Since 1992, he has worked with organizations in the automotive, pharmaceutical, financial services, high tech, and consumer packaged goods industries, in the USA, the UK, Switzerland, Germany, Mexico, Argentina, China, Thailand, and Indonesia.

Patricia Chu, AM '90 Phd '97
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Ms. Chu is currently a member of the English Department faculty at the University at Albany-State University of New York. She previously taught at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, East-West University and Brandeis University. She is the author of Race, Nationalism and the State in British and American Modernism (Cambridge University Press, 2006). After completing her undergraduate work in biology and English at the University of Pennsylvania, she worked as a paralegal at the law firm Sidley Austin in Washington, DC. She received her PhD from the University of Chicago in 1997. Ms. Chu is on the national advisory board for Teen Voices, a journalism and mentoring program for teen girls.
Mr. Sanderson is a senior lecturer in economics. In addition to his popular sequence in introductory economics, Economics 198 and 199, he teaches a course and does research on the economics of sports. In 1998 he was a recipient of the Quaintrell Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. Mr. Sanderson is an oft-cited authority on sports economics issues, a contributor to op-ed pages on sports and non-sports topics in newspapers around the country, a frequent guest on national and Chicago-area television and radio programs, and a speaker at University alumni club events. His most recent professional journal article is on the economic impact of colleges and universities on their communities.
Law: Legally Bold, Staking Your Career

Salon I, 7th Floor

Even if we can’t all be Elle Woods, the legal world can be exciting and fast-paced. Opportunities for legal careers are endless, but the world of law can be daunting. How hard is law school? What does it actually mean to be a lawyer? How can you use the law to impact your community, world, and universe? Join a panel of Chicago alumni in the legal profession to discover various answers. Gain key insights as you pursue your own bold path.

Dennis Hutchinson
Professor, The University of Chicago
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Mr. Hutchinson teaches Constitutional Law and Legal History in the College and at the Law School at the University of Chicago. After earning law degrees from Oxford University and the University of Texas at Austin, he worked for the federal courts, including clerkships with Justices Byron R. White and William O. Douglas. He began his teaching career at Georgetown University's Law Center in 1977 and moved to the University of Chicago in 1981. He has published two books and edits the Supreme Court Review.

Neil Kawashima, AB '93
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Mr. Kawashima is a partner in the law firm of McDermott Will & Emery LLP. As a member of the Private Client Department, he advises clients regarding estate planning, trust administration, wealth transfer techniques, and business succession matters. His clients include wealthy individuals, families, fiduciaries, and family-controlled businesses. Mr. Kawashima also specializes in philanthropic issues affecting wealthy individuals and families, as well as private foundations, supporting organizations, public charities, and religious groups. Mr. Kawashima has been included in Best Lawyers in America.

Diane Kelleher, AB '93
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Ms. Kelleher attended Stanford Law School after graduating from the University of Chicago. She then clerked for a US District Court judge, Nancy Gertner, in Boston, MA, before moving to New York to work as an associate at Davis Polk, a law firm, for three years. Since the fall of 2000, she has worked in the Federal Programs Branch of the Civil Division of the Department of Justice.

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Mr. Rothal graduated in 1986 with an AB in political science and then attended DePaul University College of Law. He has practiced law with the Illinois Appellate Court as a judicial clerk and currently works for the Illinois Department of Human Rights in the areas of employment and housing discrimination. Mr. Rothal assists the chief legal counsel in drafting orders, reviewing recommended findings of investigators, litigating housing cases, monitoring appeals, and drafting regulations. The housing cases for which Mr. Rothal litigates include issues of discrimination based on disability, race, and familial status. The cases also address issues as to the interpretation of State statutes and constitutional law, including free speech and religious freedom. In work outside of his current position, Mr. Rothal has also participated in post-conviction proceedings of a death row inmate.

Melanie Sloan, AB '87, JD '91
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Ms. Sloan received both an AB in English and a law degree from Chicago. From 1992 through 1998, she worked in Congress, serving as counsel to both the Senate and House Judiciary Committees. Ms. Sloan then joined the US Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, where she prosecuted criminal cases. In 2003, Ms. Sloan founded Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW), a nonprofit government watchdog organization, of which she serves as executive director.
Careers and Grad Schools in the Math and Sciences: Exploring a Universe of Opportunities
Addison, 4th Floor

Majoring in science or math at the University of Chicago keeps a person so busy with long hours in the library or lab, it’s hard to find time to think about the present, let alone the future. You may be wondering how to choose from among the many opportunities out there. Will it be academia or industry? Laboratory, classroom, or office? This panel gives you an opportunity to speak to people who have boldly carved a path for themselves. Find out how these alumni started their careers and learn the steps they took to get where they are today.

AJ Allen, SB’80, SM’80
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Dr. Allen is the senior medical director globally for ADHD and related disorders at Lilly Research Labs, Eli Lilly & Co., Indianapolis. A native of Iowa, he received an SB in chemistry and an SM in biochemistry from the University of Chicago in 1980, and received his MD and PhD (in pharmacology) from the University of Iowa in 1988. He completed residencies in general psychiatry and child and adolescent psychiatry at the University of Iowa Hospitals and at the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH). In 1995 Dr. Allen left NIMH to become an assistant professor of child and adolescent psychiatry at the Institute for Juvenile Research at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In 2000 he joined Lilly as a clinical research physician working on atomoxetine and in 2003 he became a global medical director.

Albert Green, AB ’87
Chief Executive Officer, Kent Displays, Inc. AGreen@kentdisplays.com

Mr. Green is the CEO of Kent Displays, Inc (KDI) and has held this position since joining the company in June, 2007. Kent Displays manufacturers displays on glass and flexible plastic substrates for a variety of applications. Prior to joining KDI, Mr. Green was vice president and division manager at Science Applications International Corporation. Mr. Green spent 13 years at SAIC and worked in a variety of capacities including senior scientist, program manager, and business unit chief scientist. He also holds over 25 patents in the areas of photonic systems, displays, and advanced materials. Mr. Green holds an AB in physics from the University of Chicago and a PhD in physics from Stanford University. He has also attended the Executive Training Summer School at MIT’s Sloan School of Business Administration.

Ruth Martin, AB ’85
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Ms. Martin graduated from Chicago with a degree in chemistry and then continued her education with a BS in biology from UIC and a PhD in pharmacology from Northwestern University with research focused on the electrical activity of the heart. While doing post-doctoral work at Chicago, she taught at the graduate level at Northwestern and at the medical school at the University of Illinois in Rockford. In 2000 she joined Abbott Laboratories. There, she is responsible for determining cardiovascular risk of potential drug candidates by conducting and interpreting pre-clinical safety assays. She lives in Lake Forest with her husband, Ron (a Chicago alumnus and Abbott employee) and their nine year old son.

Leah Welty, SB ’95, PhD ’03
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Leah Welty graduated from the University of Chicago twice. She received her first degree, then left to teach high school mathematics at The Lawrenceville School in New Jersey. After two years, she reverted to being a student, this time in the math PhD program at Washington University. Soon deciding that statistics was more her style, she transferred to the University of Chicago Statistics Department, the math department’s small but powerful neighbor. She earned her PhD in 2003, developing statistical models for Lake Michigan phytoplankton. She then completed a postdoc in the Department of Biostatistics at Johns Hopkins University, modeling the health effects of air pollution. She is now an assistant professor at Northwestern University, where she works on the statistical components of medical studies and continues her air pollution and public health research. Somewhere in the mix, she married a fellow University of Chicago math major.
Mr. Viktora graduated in 1969 with a degree in mathematics. He taught in Ghana for the next five years as a member of the Peace Corps before returning to the University of Chicago to earn his MAT. He then taught at Kenwood Academy in Hyde Park from 1975 until 1991 when he became the Math Department chair at New Trier High School in Winnetka. He has co-authored four high school mathematics textbooks with the University of Chicago’s School Mathematics Project.
NGOs, Policy, and International Relations: Boldly Go Beyond Borders

Clark, 4th Floor

Students will hear from alumni who are doing work, both domestically and abroad, that relates to international relations, non-governmental organizations, and policy. Interested students will hear about how these alumni’s University of Chicago experiences influenced and informed their interests in the issues that have shaped their careers.

Mary Bunn, AM ’05
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Ms. Bunn is a licensed clinical social worker (LCSW) and has an AM in social work from the University of Chicago. She serves as the associate director of the Heartland Alliance Marjorie Kovler Center, a treatment center for survivors of torture, where her responsibilities are split between providing clinical services and management and administrative duties. She formerly served as associate director of Heartland Alliance International Programs. Her work was focused on developing mental health services within the primary healthcare system in the northern Kurdish region and southern region of Iraq. Ms. Bunn has specific expertise developing trauma-focused mental health services for Southeast Asian communities. Among other activities, she has provided training for local mental health workers, conducted research, and developed models of residential care for young women who were formerly sex trafficked.

Kyle Gracey
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Mr. Gracey is a Harris Fellow and dual-degree master's candidate in the sciences studying public policy and geophysical sciences. For two years, he has been the chair for SustainUS, a national, youth-run, sustainable development policy nonprofit. He provides overall management and media representation, and thrice served as the head of delegation to SustainUS in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, focusing on forest policy. He previously worked for the US Secretary of Transportation, the US Department of the Treasury’s Western Hemisphere Affairs office, and Carnegie Mellon University. He is the first and only Truman Scholar at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he received BS degrees in economics/science, technology, & society and biochemistry/biophysics. He studied sustainable development policy in Brazil, Israel, the United Arab Emirates, and Iceland. He serves on the board of directors for Student Pugwash USA and the Society for Conservation Biology’s Ecological Economics and Sustainability Science Working Group.

Rohini Jonnalagadda Haar, AB '01, MD '05
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Dr. Rohini Jonnalagadda Haar received her AB in political science and biology from the University of Chicago in 2001, her MD from the University of Chicago's Pritzker School of Medicine in 2005, and completed residency in 2009 at NYU/Bellevue Hospitals in Emergency Medicine. She completed human rights internships during college, where she worked for the International Rescue Committee in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, and during medical school where she worked for the Moroccan Association for Human Rights in Rabat, Morocco. In addition to working with the Earth Institute at Columbia University in their health sector on assessing the current health capabilities and establishing EMS systems in the millennium villages, she is working on several international health programs to develop emergency medicine globally. She is an attending at St. Vincents Medical Center Department of Emergency Medicine.
David Medina, AB '91
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Mr. Medina currently serves as the Peace Corps’ Director of Public Engagement. In this role, he manages several national Peace Corps initiatives, which promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans. Mr. Medina is also responsible for building and maintaining strategic partnerships between the Peace Corps and non-profit organizations in the United States. Prior to joining the Peace Corps, Mr. Medina served as deputy chief of staff to first lady of the United States Michelle Obama. Over the last 16 years, Mr. Medina has also served as the US Global Leadership Campaign’s government relations director, Senator John Edwards’ national political director, the 2004 Democratic National Convention Committee’s deputy CEO, the AFL-CIO’s legislative representative, the Democratic National Committee’s policy director, and US Senator Carol Moseley-Braun’s legislative assistant. Mr. Medina has served on the University of Chicago’s Alumni Visiting Committee and the national boards of the Human Rights Campaign and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute. Mr. Medina received his AB from the University of Chicago in political science and his MPP from Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government.

Benjamin R. Naimark-Rowse, AB '03
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Mr. Naimark-Rowse graduated with honors in 2003 with a degree in international studies. While at the University, he studied abroad in Cuba and interned in the Office of the Under-Secretary of Human Rights and Democracy of the Mexican Foreign Ministry. After graduation and until July 2006, he managed human rights-based criminal justice reform programs for the Open Society Justice Initiative. Since then he advised the Open Society Institute on United Nations reform, designed Darfur and Burma advocacy campaigns for Avaaz.org and for the past two years has co-directed a research and advocacy NGO called 24 Hours for Darfur. This summer he spent three months living in refugee camps in Chad and leading the only systematic survey of Darfurians’ opinions about peace, justice, and reconciliation. He has participated in human rights delegations to Colombia, Cuba, Guatemala, South Africa, and Uganda and served as an election observer with the Carter Center.
Panel Session B

12:00 - 1:15 PM
Panel Session B

Community Organizing and Social Service: For the Benefit of All

Denver/Houston/Kansas City, 5th Floor

In this session, alumni share their experiences working for social change. Learn how these alumni shift passion into action "for the benefit of all" (NASA's motto) here on earth. Ask the panel how their commitment to service and a better society has shaped - and been shaped by - their careers.

Grace Chan, AB '90, AM '90
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Ms. Chan is currently director of administration at the Chinese American Service League (CASL), a comprehensive social service agency serving recent immigrants from China. She directs CASL's business operations in information technology, facilities services, and human resources and leads special projects and government relations and advocacy efforts. A true product of the University of Chicago's core curriculum, she also previously held senior level positions at the University of Chicago, State of Illinois, and LaSalle Bank. She co-owns a consulting firm focusing on research and data analysis, and is a writer, editor, musician, community activist, and wife and mother.

Gail Luxenberg-Gruen, AB '79, MBA '00
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Ms. Gruen joined the Jewish Vocational Service staff in 2008 as the executive director. She has extensive experience in board development, management, marketing, programming, and development. Previously, she served as executive director for the Midwest regional office of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, where she raised the organization’s fundraising and visibility to new levels. Her highly diversified career portfolio includes executive positions at the American Medical Association, National Textbook Company and Rand McNally. She holds an AB in Middle Eastern studies and an MBA in marketing and organizational behavior, both from the University of Chicago. Ms. Gruen's work experience gives her unique qualities to meet the challenges of running a $13 million agency with today’s flat funding and increased demands for service. Her strengths in increasing revenues and creating new opportunities have made her an excellent choice to guide JVS in this new millennium.

Gabrielle Lyon, AB '94, AM '94
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Ms. Lyon is co-founder and executive director of Project Exploration, an organization championing the belief that science can and should be accessible to everyone. Ms. Lyon co-founded Project Exploration with her husband, paleontologist Paul Sereno, to ensure underserved communities have access to state-of-the-art science education. She developed Project Exploration’s youth, teacher, and online programs and continues to spearhead strategic initiatives. She previously served as director of the School Change Institute at Small Schools Workshop at UIC and was a fellow with the Southern Poverty Law Center's Teaching Tolerance project. Ms. Lyon represented the International Association of Educators for World Peace at the United Nations and addressed the UN Subcommittee on Human Rights. In 2009 Ms. Lyon was named a Chicago Community Trust Leadership Fellow; Project Exploration received a Presidential Award for Excellence in science mentoring. Ms. Lyon has participated in seven international paleontology expeditions and discovered the African dinosaur Deltadromeus.
Daniel Peiser, AB '84  
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Mr. Peiser has spent 20+ years working at non-profits in Canada and the US. He graduated from Chicago, AB '84 in English (with honors and Phi Beta Kappa in '83), and did graduate work in Paris at the Sorbonne. He has served as staff, consultant, or board member with dozens of organizations, in social services environment/conservation, health, higher education, and international development. Currently, he is a consultant in not-for-profit management and development. Previously, he was director of conservation advancement, WWF-Canada; vice president, external relations, Vancouver Aquarium; and executive director, Vancouver Friends For Life Society. In 1993, Mr. Peiser became the national fundraising director for CUSO (Canada’s counterpart to the Peace Corps); with CUSO, he volunteered in Vanuatu in 2007. In addition to Taking the Next Step, he interviews prospective Chicago undergraduates for the Alumni Schools Committee.

Yasmeen Shariff, AB '05  
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Ms. Shariff graduated from the College with high honors in sociology and continued to pursue a career in nonprofit management. She has worked for several non-profits in Chicago, including Imagine Chicago, The Field Museum, Women Alive!, and Youth Guidance. She previously served as an intern, focusing on marketing and special events through the Metcalf Fellowship Program. In 2006, she became the development department chair for the annual gala and managed the agency’s high-profile board of directors. She now focuses on individual giving and recently launched Youth Guidance’s volunteer program. This spring will mark her sixth year at Youth Guidance.
Careers in Consulting: Beyond the Buzz Words

Salon I, 7th Floor

Consultant: from the Latin word consultare, meaning "to discuss." Consultants are problem solvers. They work in the most exciting industries, encounter the most interesting business problems, and use their expertise in management, technology, marketing, communication, strategy, and growth to address the needs of clients. They come in to cut costs, to improve performance, or to pick up the pieces post-corporate disasters, just to name a few examples. When companies want to improve themselves, who're they going to call? Consultants. Want to learn how to blow big problems out of the water? Learn about consulting!

Josh Ackerman, AB '07
Associate, McKinsey & Company

Mr. Ackerman graduated from the University of Chicago in 2007 with a degree in history and English. He joined McKinsey & Company in the Chicago office as a business analyst, and is now an associate in the Minneapolis office. Mr. Ackerman works with clients in the healthcare industry.

Zak Alvarez, AB '07
Associate, Diamond Management & Technology Consultants

Mr. Alvarez graduated from the University of Chicago with honors with a degree in economics. He then joined the enterprise practice of Diamond Management & Technology Consultants in their Chicago office. Since starting at Diamond, he has consulted for clients in the consumer package goods industries in Chicago. He has been staffed on several projects for a large manufacturing client. In his spare time Mr. Alvarez enjoys traveling, spending time with friends and family, and having a nice glass of scotch.

Willie Jackson, AB '06
Associate, Diamond Management & Technology Consultants

Mr. Jackson graduated from the University of Chicago with a degree in philosophy and economics and joined Diamond Consultants’ strategy practice as an associate in their Chicago office. During his time at Diamond, he has consulted to the insurance, travel and transportation, consumer goods, and financial services industries in Chicago and New York City.

Greg Kamstra, AB '08
Associate Consultant, Bain & Company

Mr. Kamstra graduated in 2008 with an AB in political science. On campus, he was involved in Model UN and the Prospective Students Advisory Committee. After graduation, he went to work for Bain & Company, a management consulting firm. He is based out of Bain’s Chicago office, but has worked in 10 states, primarily New York, Tennessee, and Texas. Mr. Kamstra has worked for clients in the financial services and home services industries, and his project work has covered distribution strategy, change management, and process improvement. Mr. Kamstra is originally from Minnesota, and enjoys scuba diving, chess, and weird foods.

Oren Lieberman, AB '02
Associate, McKinsey & Company

Mr. Lieberman is currently a second-year associate with McKinsey & Company, serving financial services, pharmaceutical, and non-profit clients to-date. He graduated from the College with a degree in economics and started his career at Deloitte Consulting as a systems analyst in the technology practice. Following his time at Deloitte, he worked as a project manager at Hewitt Associates and completed his MBA at Carnegie Mellon University’s Tepper School of Business.
Evan Trent, AB '02, MBA '06
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Mr. Trent is a project manager at Galt & Company where his work focuses on shareholder value growth and value-based management. His client base falls primarily in health care and he has worked across a wide spectrum of the value chain, including pharma-biotech, devices, diagnostics, nutrition, managed care, and packaging-delivery technology. Currently, Mr. Trent is working with a leading pharmaceutical company to develop strategies tailored to the changing macroeconomics surrounding both the recession and expected changes to the healthcare system as a result of the Obama administration’s new policies. Prior to joining Galt, he was a consultant with Marakon Associates. Mr. Trent received both his AB and MBA from the University of Chicago. Prior to business school, he was involved in a series of startups in the technology industry.
Education, Teaching, and Policy:  
In Front of the Class 

Kane/McHenry, 3rd Floor

Do you have a passion for helping and inspiring others? Do you want to make a difference in the lives of young people? In this panel, alumni will share their diverse experiences and paths in the field of education, from teaching in the classroom to shaping educational policy.

Mike Kennedy, SB '96

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Mr. Kennedy graduated from Chicago with a degree in mathematics and also completed the requirements for a degree in physics. For the next four years, he taught physics and mathematics at Marist High School in Chicago. During this time, he earned his MA in mathematics education from St. Xavier University. In 2000, he moved to Neuqua Valley High School in Naperville, Illinois, where he teaches physics and also holds the Science Department assistant chair position. He has won several awards for his teaching, including the 2004-2005 Physics Teacher of the Year from the Illinois Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers and the Ellis Steinberg Award for Pre-College Science Teaching from the Argonne National Laboratory. He has received several grants to pursue educational projects, including one from the Department of Energy to study radioactivity in the classroom. Recently, he became a National Board certified teacher in physics.

William Olsen, AB '95

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Mr. Olsen grew up in Montana. While at the University, he lived in Woodward Court, then above Powell's Bookstore on 57th Street, and was also an RA at Mathews House in Burton-Judson. He graduated in 1995 and then taught for 10 years in Chicago high schools. He is currently in his fifth year as a principal at Noble Street Charter School. He believes strongly that graduates should get involved in teaching, urban-education reform, and closing the achievement gap.

Alexandra Squitieri, AB '07

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Ms. Squitieri grew up in Miami, and graduated in 2007 with a degree in English language and literature. Upon graduation, she received a Fulbright grant to teach English for a year in Madrid, Spain. She is currently a program officer for the Europe region at the Institute of International Education in Washington, DC. She administers a portfolio of countries for the Fulbright Scholar Program, in conjunction with the US Department of State.

Sara Ray Stoelinga, AB '95, AM '01, PhD '04

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Ms. Stoelinga pursued all of her education at the University of Chicago, receiving her AB in sociology in 1995, an AM in sociology in 2001 and her PhD in sociology in 2004. She is the director of planning and program development at the Urban Education Institute at the University of Chicago, a role that entails working as an education researcher at the Consortium on Chicago School Research, teaching aspiring teachers in the Urban Teacher Education Program and assisting in the design of the new principal leadership program in Social Services Administration. Ms. Stoelinga also teaches courses to undergraduates in the Human Development Department. Previously, she was an assistant research professor at University of Illinois-Chicago and an education evaluator for the Chicago Public Schools.
Sonia Wang, AB '06, MAT '07
Teacher, Clara Barton Elementary School, Chicago Public Schools

Ms. Wang grew up in the west suburbs of Illinois in Bloomingdale. She completed her undergraduate degree in comparative human development before receiving her MAT through UTEP. She received the Rockefeller Brothers Fund Fellowship, a fellowship for minority students pursuing a profession in teaching. She is currently a middle school reading and social justice and writing teacher at Clara Barton Elementary School, a Chicago Public School in the Auburn-Gresham/West Englewood area.
Panel Session B

Entertainment and Creative Arts: Close Encounters of the Creative Mind
Addison, 4th Floor

“You’ll never make a living in that…” But hey, people do. Maybe you could! Ever wondered how you become a TV show writer, movie production company executive, designer for Apple, or an artist who makes money without needing a “day job?” This panel will explore jobs that let you use your creative side and give you some advice for how to prepare yourself right now for jobs in the entertainment and creative arts fields. Learn how to make a career out of your passion.

Aaron Ackermann, AB ’98
Senior Marketing Producer, iPhone, Apple Computer, Inc. aackermann@apple.com

Mr. Ackermann graduated from the University of Chicago in 1998 with a degree in fundamentals: issues and texts. He then joined the strategy consulting group at Ernst & Young in New York. After three years at E&Y, Mr. Ackermann worked in the Business Development Group at Plumb Design, a web-design company, and then at Frog Design, a product, brand, and interactive design firm. Mr. Ackermann then entered the MBA program at UC-Berkeley, and upon graduation, joined the Marketing Communications Group at Apple. He worked on all iPod and iTunes launches from 2005 to 2007. In January 2007, Apple announced the iPhone, and he has been working on that product ever since.

Yolanda Cursach
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Ms. Cursach is associate director of performance programs at the Museum of Contemporary Art, where she programs and commissions dance, music, and theater performances. She also directs local and national partnerships for copresentations and tours, and the Artists Up Close series of artist-centered talks, workshops, and residencies. Ms. Cursach serves on the Board of Directors and is the former Midwest regional desk for National Performance Network (NPN), is curator for Performing Americas, serves Rotary International as the Chicago coordinator for group study exchange, and is a Paul Harris Fellow, RI’s highest award for humanitarian work. She also is a panelist for Creative Capital and USArtists International, board member for Links Hall, and member of the Mayor’s Office Celtic Festival Committee, The University of Chicago Service League, and the Hyde Park Alliance for Arts and Culture.

Hal Lieberman, AM ’76
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Mr. Lieberman is an American film producer, and former president of production for Universal Pictures. Joining Universal in 1987, he moved up the ranks in seven years to president, where he developed and oversaw production on such movies as Apollo 13, The Nutty Professor, Liar Liar, Fried Green Tomatoes, and also initiated Adam Sandler into film with Billy Madison and Happy Gilmore. Lieberman also oversaw Ben Stiller’s directorial debut Reality Bites. In 1996 Mr. Lieberman moved into a production deal at Universal, and went on to produce Bridge to Terabithia for Walt Disney Pictures; Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines for SPE and Warner Brothers Studios; Vacancy and Vacancy 2 for Sony Screen Gems; Around the World in Eighty Days, for Walt Disney Pictures; Mr. Lieberman also executive produced two thrillers for Universal Pictures: U-571 starring Matthew McConaughey, and The Jackal, which starred Bruce Willis and Richard Gere.
Dorothee Royal-Hedinger, AB '07
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Dorothee Royal-Hedinger is the creator, co-producer, and host of OrganicNation.tv, an online video series exploring America’s sustainable food landscape. She was a NAU Grant for Change finalist in September 2009, won a DoSomething American Express Grant for youth activism in June 2009, and received an honorary mention in the Earth Journalism Awards in November 2009. Passionate about the power of media to challenge the status quo, she founded video production company Fresh Cut Media in 2007 with a commitment to producing content for nonprofits, social causes, and sustainable brands. Her video work has appeared on Current TV, in GOOD magazine, on the Huffington Post, Treehugger.com and YouTube's homepage, among others. Ms. Royal-Hedinger was previously new media strategist at See3 Communications where she specialized in web video and online outreach for nonprofits. She graduated with a degree in political science in 2007.

Scott Sherman, AB '04
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Scott Sherman is a television writer and author based out of New York. Currently he is writing a pilot for MTV, serving as a consulting producer for an upcoming Fox special on the 20th anniversary of The Simpsons, and a feature documentary directed by Morgan Spurlock (Super Size Me, FX’s 30 Days), and is in development on two pilots. In addition, he contributes to Saturday Night Live’s Weekend Update. Previously, he was staff writer on Comedy Central’s Important Things With Demetri Martin, a contributing writer for The Onion, and a staff writer for the Onion News Network web videos. As an author, he has published three books through Random House: The Dangerous Book for Dogs (subsequently published in ten languages), its inevitable sequel, The Devious Book for Cats, and most recently, The New Vampire’s Handbook. They are all silly. He is currently working on two additional books.

Lonnie Stonitsch, AB '81
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Ms. Stonitsch graduated with a degree in general studies in the humanities, with concentrations in aesthetics, linguistics and Greek philosophy. She has been a fine arts painter and clothing designer since 1984, and a writer, editor, and cultural analyst since 1982. She runs a non-profit group that produces lecture events featuring public intellectuals speaking on topics of interest to parents and educators. She is collaborating with her 9-year-old son Eno on a documentary about his 300+ stuffed animals.
Government: Stimulus for Your Career

Clark, 4th Floor

We will have five representatives from various aspects of the government serve as panelists to discuss their career paths and how their University of Chicago education translated into a career in government service. We’ll also have them offer tips and suggestions for second- and third-year undergraduates interested in government opportunities.

Erin Roosa Cohen, SB '04
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Erin Roosa Cohen graduated from the University of Chicago in 2004 with an SB in geophysical sciences. She worked for several small environmental consulting firms as a geologist for two years before attending the Master's in Urban Planning and Policy program at the University of Illinois. During graduate school, Ms. Cohen continued to work full-time as a geologist and a research assistant on transportation issues for the university. During the summer between her years of graduate school, she accepted an internship with the US Government Accountability Office in Washington, DC. Ms. Cohen graduated with a MUPP in 2008 and began work as a full time policy analyst for the US GAO.

David McCluskey, AB '84
State Representative, State of Connecticut  ddmccl@aol.com

David McCluskey (D-West Hartford) was elected to the Connecticut House of Representative from the 20th Assembly District in 1998. Mr. McCluskey received his bachelors of arts degree with honors in political science from the University of Chicago. He received his masters degree in industrial and labor relations from Cornell University. From 1986-1988, he was the district office manager for New York State Senator Martin Connor. Mr. McCluskey was the director of public & political affairs for the Connecticut State Police Union from 1989-1997. He was the staff representative for the University Health Professionals, representing the nurses at UCONN Health Center from 1997-2001. Currently, he is the education coordinator for the Connecticut State Employees Association. Among his community service activities, he is a vice president of the Greater Hartford Labor Council; a member of the Capitol Community College Foundation and a member of the Cornell Club of Greater Hartford.

Carina Sanchez, AB '01
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Ms. Sanchez graduated from the University of Chicago with an AB in political science and Latin American studies and began working for State Representative Susana Mendoza. Ms. Sanchez began her career with the legislature as an issues specialist for House Speaker Madigan. She oversaw media relations, constituent services, and legislative work for various representatives. Currently, Ms. Sanchez works as the manager of external affairs for State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias. She has worked for the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) and the Office of the Governor as a house liaison. She also spearheads the political organization for Representative Susana Mendoza and works on different campaigns during election time.

Peter Smith, AB '79
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Mr. Smith graduated in 1979 with an AB in history. He worked in journalism in San Diego until late 1981 when he joined the Navy through the Aviation Officer Candidate School. Originally intending to stay for four years, he is now in his 28th as a naval intelligence officer. His afloat tours, all on aircraft carriers, have included deployments to most major theaters with his most recent having been as Strike Group Intelligence Officer (N2) for the USS Abraham Lincoln Battle Group for Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM. His shore duty has included tours in Panama, El Salvador, Egypt, Bahrain, Croatia, and Hawaii as well as assignments throughout the continental US. He is now a captain and the Intelligence Director (J2) at US Strategic Command (“USSTRATCOM”) in Nebraska. He met his wife, Ritva, a Finn, in Panama. They have three children.
Erin Sweeney, AB ’05

Foreign Service Officer, US Department of State

Erin Patricia Sweeney is a foreign service officer with the US Department of State. She graduated from the College in 2005 having studied public policy. She graduated from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in 2007 with a masters in public policy/urban planning, concentrating in leadership and public advocacy. She joined the State Department through the Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship and has interned/completed TDY assignments at Embassy Berlin, Germany, Embassy Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and at the Africa Bureau in Washington, DC. She just completed a two-year consular officer tour at Consulate General Lagos, Nigeria where she earned the Secretary of State Award for Overseas Volunteerism from Secretary Hillary Clinton. She is now learning Spanish in Virginia before starting her next two year tour as a political officer at Embassy La Paz, Bolivia in August this year.
Healthcare (M D s and non-M D s): A Healthy Dose of Success, Finding a Career in Health Professions

Avenue, 4th Floor

There has never been a better time to get involved in the healthcare field than there is today. It is full of diverse and rewarding careers that go well-beyond physician care. From obtaining an MD to becoming a public health administrator, this panel is designed to provide students with a wealth of information on how to apply their undergraduate education to this growing industry and how to become a part of it. Hear from professional alumni of the College and become inspired by learning about their routes to success.

Deborah Anderson, AM ’95
Public Health Informatics Officer, City of Chicago

Ms. Anderson graduated from the University of Chicago with a master’s degree in social service administration. She then worked as a consultant with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Legal Counsel’s Office while attending law school in the evenings. She joined the City of Chicago in 1998 working for the Police Department. She now works in the Department of Public Health in the Project Management Office and is the project manager for the department’s electronic medical records and billing and registration system implementation. Ms. Anderson also manages the Communicable Disease Program’s Chicago Health Alert Network.

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Mr. Levey, AB ’66, is a prizewinning journalist who has not only served on the staff of The Washington Post for more than thirty years, but has also contributed to multiple radio and television stations as a commentator and talk-show host. His Post column, “Bob Levey’s Washington,” appeared daily for 23 years, receiving numerous accolades along the way. As a philanthropist, Mr. Levey has also raised an unprecedented amount for charity through his column, for which he was named a Washingtonian of the Year in 1999 by Washingtonian magazine. He continues to speak all over the country on journalism and current events while presently serving as a columnist for Bethesda Magazine, the Chronicle of Philanthropy, and Senior Beacon Newspapers. In his spare time, Mr. Levey enjoys folk music and bridge playing, of which he is a 14-time regional champion.
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Lunch Roundtables

1:30 PM
Class of 2011, Salon II & III, 7th Floor
Class of 2012, Chicago Ballroom, 5th Floor
Please refer to your nametag for your table assignment.

In addition to those listed under Sessions A and B, the following alumni will be joining us for lunch.
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After graduating with a degree in Near Eastern languages and civilizations, Mr. Anderson, very interested in pre-literate communication, continued his studies at the Institute of Design at IIT. His first major job was at the Field Museum, where he was part of the original King Tut team. After leaving the museum, he was a partner in the Chicago-based graphic design firm, Weingart/Anderson. They were the first design office in Chicago to embrace computer-based graphics technology. He later joined LaSalle Bank (now Bank of America), where he became their first internal graphic designer and later part of the Brand Management Group. He has recently formed a new company, OscarPlus, and is providing communication design to corporations and nonprofit organizations. He is also a board member of the University of Chicago Alumni Club, Chicago and the Society of Typographic Arts.

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Ms. Ilagan Yoder’s career-ly pursuits began as a finance intern for The Walt Disney Company and upon graduation, as a strategic consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers. Not afraid of joining companies undergoing mergers, in 2001 she followed the edges of the internet bubble to work for AOL Time Warner as an investor-relations analyst. After seeing how a large company functions from the 40,000-foot level (and seeing the stock price drop 44%), Ms. Ilagan Yoder moved to the entertainment division of AOL and developed an in-depth knowledge of consumer-facing experiences around online games, video, music, and social communities. Six years later, she leveraged her experience in developing new businesses and negotiation partnerships to join Google’s media sales team to create bleeding-edge advertising programs for top-tier clients.
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Ms. Lales graduated with a degree in human development; she currently works in client services at pharmaceutical ad agency AbelsonTaylor, Inc. In her 6+ years at AT, Ms. Lales has worked on a variety of US and global therapeutic categories, including oncology, hormone replacement, and antihistamine. Her clients have included Eli Lilly, Aventis, Genentech, and Amgen. In July, she successfully launched a new cardiovascular therapy that she hopes you don't have to take for many years. Once described in the University of Chicago Magazine as personifying a sorority-girl and library-dork hybrid, Ms. Lales is a pop-culture enthusiast and television junkie. In her spare time she plans weddings with Blush and Bashful Events, sings a capella with "Invoxication" and consults for Delta Gamma.
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Ms. Lepka graduated from the University of Chicago with an AB in psychology. She started her marketing career with AbelsonTaylor, a healthcare advertising agency, in Chicago. In her first role as a traffic coordinator, and soon after as an account coordinator, she focused on the internal management of deadlines, mastering internal processes, and supporting team synergies on multiple accounts. Upon proving her skills she was promoted to assistant account executive on an account within the Type II Diabetes therapeutic category. In this role she began taking on new responsibilities involving management of tactics, finances, and development of timelines. She now is an account executive on a new product that will soon launch both domestically and internationally. In this role she is becoming more involved with the strategic development and recommendations for the account. In her spare time she coaches a sixth grade basketball team and actively participates in volunteer activities.

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After graduating Chicago with a degree in English, Ms. Sopocy pursued a career in film and television in New York City. While in New York, she worked several jobs: production assistant, assistant editor, transcriptionist, and finally, copywriter. Freelancing for large production companies like Paramount, Fox, and Lion's Gate, she developed a portfolio of print and on-air copy, which laid the foundation for her career in the advertising industry. Ms. Sopocy is currently the interactive engagement copywriter on Leo Burnett/ Arc Worldwide Chicago's Philip Morris International team, bringing concepts to life in over 160 international markets. She is involved in the conception and execution of web/mobile concepts, out-of-home communication, engagement tactics, and print work. As the copywriter responsible for PMI's global human resources recruitment campaign, she has traveled to Switzerland twice in the past six months, interviewing, and profiling employees from all over the world.

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Ms. Gravier is a research associate at the Field Museum of Natural History, where she is continuing the research that she began as a doctoral student on the influence of symbiotic soil organisms on plant community diversity and structure in tropical forests (La Selva, Costa Rica). This work has been conducted in conjunction with the Organization for Tropical Studies, Argonne National Laboratory, Field Museum of Natural History, MINAE and the Costa Rican Institute for Biodiversity (INBIO). Ms. Gravier recently received her doctorate in evolutionary biology from the University of Chicago. Her dissertation was focused on how plant community diversity, composition, and structure are influenced by the assemblage of symbiotic mycorrhizal fungi (Glomeromycota) with which it associates. Her work was incredibly labor intensive and would not have been possible without the cooperation of independent experts and assistance of many volunteers, for which she is very grateful.

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Phillip Hall was born on the island of Jamaica and became a naturalized American Citizen before entering the College in 1981 in pursuit of a degree in public policy. Finding the realities involved with policy making more harrowing than he’d imagined, he put his focus into logic, mathematics, and computer programming and graduated from the College early in 1985 with an AB in economics. Mr. Hall received an MBA from Harvard University then worked for several years in business administration before returning to public service as comptroller for the LaSalle Foundation. From there, Mr. Hall served as treasurer and Revenue director for the Chicago Park District where he managed their bond sales and investment portfolio where he generated new revenues for the District. Eventually Mr. Hall returned to his comfort zone in the not-for-profit world as director of finance for Esperanza, a social services agency that focuses on people with developmental disabilities. Mr. Hall now works for the Institute for Latino Progress as their chief operating officer, a role recently created by the Institute to better manage their skyrocketing growth. The Institute for Latino Progress helps Latino immigrants to enter the mainstream of Chicago’s economy while maintain their cultural integrity.

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Mr. Chyr graduated with degrees in physics and economics. As a second-year, My Chyr joined Le Vorris & Vox Circus and learned how to twist balloons. During his last year of college, he installed two balloon sculptures in the Biological Sciences Learning Center. Soon after graduation, Mr. Chyr was commissioned by Science Chicago to install a sculpture in Millennium Park for the science festival LabFest! In December, he was a visiting artist at the Chicago Children's Museum. From late January to March, he will be an artist-in-residence at the Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts in Omaha.
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Ms. Delheimer graduated in 1999 with an undergraduate degree in environmental studies and a master’s degree in general studies in the humanities (concentration in theater and Spanish). She is a director, choreographer, writer, and educator, and since completing her degree, she has lived in Chicago, Los Angeles, Mexico and Washington DC, and worked with the Steppenwolf, the Court, the Next, Pegasus Players, Red Moon, Collaboration, Teatro Vista, and Strawdog, among others. She currently serves as the artistic director of 2nd Story, a hybrid performance series that she helped create. She is also an artistic associate with Collaboration and Adventure Stage Chicago (ASC), where she is currently directing an adaptation of Treasure Island that features a pirate rock band. During the summer, she runs the Goodman’s General Theatre Studies program, and she works as a teaching artist year round with the Goodman, Pegasus Players, and ASC.

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Mr. Engelen is currently in rehearsals for Twelve Angry Men with Raven Theatre. He has recently been seen in The Little Foxes with Shattered Globe and worked with them as Jimmy in Shattered Globe’s A Taste of Honey. Other recent roles include Paul in Signal Ensemble’s Six Degrees of Separation, Kitchin in the side project’s Faster, Damon in Theater Wit’s Men of Steel and Mel Coleman in Lifeline’s Crossing California while simultaneously working in Blindfaith’s Toys in the Attic. Also at Lifeline, he appeared as George Emerson in A Room With A View and Rab in Johnny Tremain. He has worked with several other theaters around Chicago including Chicago Dramatists, Stage Left, About Face, Eclipse, Oracle, Collaboration, Strawdog, Piven, and the Free Associates. Mr. Engelen has also done commercials, print, trade shows, and industrials.

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Ms. Gragasin is the creative director and executive producer of NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, a multimedia production company she founded in Chicago in 2007 and incorporated in 2009. The company specializes in web design, live events, and original video production. Apart from her work with NHQ, she is also an interdisciplinary artist and curator, and has collaborated with local, national, and international artists and organizations on a wide variety of projects, including festivals, symposia, theater, and film. These projects include directing an International Performance Symposium in South Africa, studying Commedia dell’Arte with Teatro Punto in Italy, and serving as an artist- and curator-in-residence at Chicago’s Links Hall. She graduated in 2007 with an AB in interdisciplinary studies in the humanities.

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Ms. Honold graduated with a degree in anthropology and went to work for About Face Theatre in Chicago as their development associate, while also pursuing a career as a theater artist. After nearly a year, she left About Face to study acting for a summer at the School at Steppenwolf. In the fall of 2009, she started the MFA Arts Leadership Program at the Theatre School at DePaul University, which has her working full time at Chicago Shakespeare Theater and taking classes at DePaul. She will take a break from her program this winter to perform in Goodman Theatre's production of Long Red Road, directed by Philip Seymour Hoffman.
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After graduating from the University of Chicago in 2007, David Pickett worked part-time for The University of Chicago Media Initiatives Group (CMIG). He became a full-time producer in the fall of 2007 and stayed in that position for two years, working closely with students, faculty, and staff around the University. In the fall of 2009, Mr. Pickett was promoted to production manager for CMIG. His areas of expertise include video production, creative writing, and stop-motion animation. In his spare time Mr. Pickett writes, produces, animates, and edits a stop-animated webseries.

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Mr. Sabu graduated from the University of Chicago in 2006 with degrees in cinema and media studies, and religion and the humanities. His first job out of college was as a bike messenger, but soon after began teaching video to underprivileged youth in Chicago at Community TV Network. After an internship with Kartemquin Films, he now works there as media assistant, while developing his own documentaries and freelance filmmaking. An avid supporter of non-profits and youth media, Mr. Sabu serves on the board of directors at Community TV Network, as well as an advisory board for Cinema Chicago’s education outreach committee. He is currently working on a documentary telling the story of his parents' immigration experience to the United States.

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Ms. Thompson Saunders has been the general manager of Court Theatre since spring 2009. She graduated with a degree in political science in 2001 and spent time as a freelance stage manager and as University Theater’s managing director. In spring 2005, she received her MBA from the Booth School of Business with concentrations in general management and marketing. From 2005-2009 she was the executive director of the arts education company Barrel of Monkeys, leading the organization’s development, marketing, and management. Ms. Thompson Saunders is active in the Chicago theater community and has served on the board of the Illinois Theater Association. In August 2008 she was #16 on the *Chicago Sun Times*’ list of “50 People Making a Difference in Chicago.”

**Entrepreneurship**

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Mr. Chou graduated in 2003 with an AB in economics in and began a management-consulting career with Archstone Consulting. After two years consulting in operational strategy, he took a position with Prophet, a leading brand- and marketing-consulting firm. There he worked on a number of engagements, both domestically and internationally, and covered a myriad of industries, including media and entertainment, telecommunications, financial services, and consumer product goods. With his experience, Mr. Chou has recently started his own venture, looking to revolutionize the video game retail industry through an online platform that uses elements of e-commerce, auctioning, and social networking to make it easier for gamers to buy, sell, and trade their video games. He is also currently attending the University of Chicago Booth School of Business for his MBA.

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Mr. Truong is currently the head of the Consumer Sales Division at PrepMe (www.prepme.com), the #1 online test prep company which was started out of the University of Chicago. He joined PrepMe upon graduation as an early employee and has been fortunate enough to see the company grow tremendously over the last few years from a team of three to now a team of twenty (…and counting). At PrepMe, he helped to build and develop the Tutoring Division and the Operations Division. Recently, he transitioned to the Consumer Sales Team, where he is in charge of retail sales. Before PrepMe, he worked as a finance intern at a major Fortune 1000 company in the consumer electronics industry. While on campus, Mr. Truong was head of the International Leadership Council, which helps student entrepreneurs to network, receive guidance, and turn their business ideas into reality.
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Government

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Mr. Anscombe received a bachelor’s degree in English from Yale College in 1977. After six years of service in the Supply Corps of the US Navy, he obtained a master’s degree in public policy studies from the University of Chicago in 1989. He subsequently joined the US Environmental Protection Agency’s Chicago office. Mr. Anscombe was EPA’s liaison to the chlorine industry during its successful decade-long voluntary program to curb consumptive losses of mercury.

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Mr. Glockner graduated from the College in 1982 with an AB from the politics, economics, rhetoric, and law program. After attending Stanford Law School, he clerked for two years for the United States District Court in Chicago, and in 1987 joined the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois. Since 2000, he has been chief of the office’s criminal division and is responsible for overseeing the office’s criminal prosecutions. During his years as a prosecutor, he has specialized in financial fraud, public corruption, and computer crime matters. He also served as a deputy special counsel investigating the identity leak of CIA agent Valerie Plame and has led the development of computer-based automated document generation and knowledge-management systems for the US Attorney's Office.

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After a clerkship, Mr. Kole litigated intellectual property, antitrust, and unfair competition cases in Chicago, Washington, DC, and Rochester, NY. After becoming a partner at Nixon Peabody, Mr. Kole got an MBA in 2000 from the Simon Business School. Mr. Kole returned to Chicago when his wife, Stacey, became deputy dean at the Booth Business School in 2003. In 2007, Mr. Kole moved from private litigation practice at Sidley Austin to become chief of the Consumer Fraud Bureau in Illinois Attorney General, Lisa Madigan’s office. Supervising two dozen lawyers and 25 staff members, Mr. Kole has investigated, litigated, and settled dozens of consumer fraud cases, including a multi-state off-label marketing case against Eli Lilly that settled for $62 million. Mr. Kole also serves as vice president of the board for the Community Renewal Society, the publisher of *The Chicago Reporter* and *Catalyst* news magazines.

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Ms. Gera graduated from the University of Chicago with an AB in biology with a specialization in endocrinology. She then joined Dr. Joe Garcia’s laboratory as a research assistant in pulmonary and critical care at the University of Chicago for one year. During that time she also taught Bhangra, a traditional South Asian dance, to children. In 2009, she enrolled at the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Chicago to continue her education for a career in pediatrics. She currently serves as the disabilities chair of the American Medical Students Association at UIC as well as the M1 representative for Vision Mission, a community service student organization that holds free vision screenings for children in underprivileged neighborhoods. This summer, she hopes to work in Europe through a medical student exchange program.

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Dr. Hofer grew up in the northern suburbs, went to Latin for high school, and graduated from the University of Chicago in 2000. She majored in anthropology and did biochemistry research during college. After college she took two years off and worked for the Mexican Consulate in Chicago, and volunteered at The Association House teaching a GED class in Wicker Park. During this time out of school Dr. Hofer took the MCAT and applied to medical school. She started at Pritzker and chose Anesthesia for residency at the University of Chicago. In the coming year Dr. Hofer will be doing a critical care fellowship.
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Monica Khan began college at the University of Chicago without any concrete career plans. Keeping her science options open, she took general chemistry her first year and eventually declared a biological sciences major near the end of her second year. She gained valuable insight into the medical field as a research assistant at the University of Chicago Hospitals, which solidified her decision to be a premedical student. In the year following graduation, she worked in research full-time and applied to medical school. After dozens of essays, several interviews, and probably some good luck, she was accepted to four schools and wait-listed at two others. She is currently a first year student at Rush Medical College in Chicago. She looks forward to answering any questions that she can.

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Ms. Lin graduated from the University of Chicago with a degree in history and biology. Prior to attending pharmacy school, she worked for Epic Systems Corporation in the quality assurance division. Since then, she has interned with CVS Caremark and Joint Commission Resources and will be graduating this spring with a PharmD from Midwestern University Chicago College of Pharmacy.

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Ms. Patel graduated in 2008 from the University of Chicago with an AB in the biological sciences and a double specialization in neuroscience and endocrinology. At UChicago, she worked in a research lab studying the genetics of coronary vessel development and also did clinical research for the University of Chicago Hospitalist Project. Since graduating, Ms Patel has worked at two children’s hospitals, where she was a child life assistant in the ER. Ms. Patel currently works as a senior analyst at a healthcare consulting firm, Sg2. She performs research and data analysis for hospitals to support Sg2 consulting projects and the development of clinical intelligence for the Neurosciences and Cancer Team. Working alongside a team of MDs, PhDs, and RNs, her role is to provide latest technology reports, healthcare reform updates, and clinical advancement research to over 1,000 hospitals across the US. Ms. Patel will be attending medical school in fall 2010.

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If you're interested in getting out of the A-level and into the archives, this is the lunch roundtable for you! This lunch offers students the opportunity to network with alumni currently employed in libraries and museums.

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