Job Outlook for 2013 College Grads

By Lauren Walsh, Editorial Intern

After dedicating four plus years to earning a degree, many graduates are excited about the prospect of entering the workforce. Unfortunately, college diplomas don’t come with automatic employment; rather a degree makes a candidate more employable. In today’s job market, employers not only look for entry-level candidates with a great education, they’re looking for graduates with relevant experience as well. Now that companies are emerging from the economic downturn with new ideas and strategies, the outlook for graduates is improving. According to the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE), employers “anticipate hiring 13 percent more Class of 2013 college graduates than they hired from the Class of 2012.”

Although the statistics show a cautiously optimistic outlook, it doesn’t mean finding a job post-graduation will be a piece of cake. There are a few things graduates and soon-to-be graduates can do in order to become a competitive applicant so they can have their cake and eat it, too.

THE VALUE OF AN INTERNSHIP

Today’s job market for graduates is competitive, but with the right combination of skills and experiences you can stand out among the rest. The best way to add skills and experience to your resume is through interning. Internships.com surveyed over 300 employers and found that “53% of companies plan to hire more interns in 2013 than they did in 2012.”

Internships increase your employability, expand your network and, in some cases, can be a direct route to a full-time job offer. In fact, 60 percent of 2012 college graduates who took part in paid internships received at least one job offer (NACE). When it comes to kick starting your professional career, finding an internship is a valuable stepping stone.

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The Value of Internships

By Marcy Farrey, Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) Mentor

After six years of school, I have to admit that my favorite part wasn’t the basketball games, the dorm life, the classes, or the extracurricular activities: My favorite experiences were at my internships.

Combining undergrad and graduate school, I’ve had a total of seven internships. Some were paid, some were for class credit, and others were purely volunteer. Some even gave me a job title, and certainly did not require me to simply fetch coffee. I worked on real projects that had a real impact.

While not all internships will lead directly to a job, and some won’t even give you a paycheck, the experience you earn is the most valuable part. If there is any time in your life when you should work for free, it’s now. It will be challenging at times to work an internship into your schedule, but you won’t regret putting in the effort.

When you take on the intern role, here’s what you gain:

A STRONGER RESUME. This is the obvious one, the one I’m sure your parents and professors tell you. But in order to build a strong resume, don’t just leave with a name on paper -- create a sample for your portfolio or find a mentor in the industry.

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DON’T JUST SIT TIGHT
Waiting and wishing for an employer to find interest in your resume is not the most effective strategy when job hunting. According to Karyn McCoy, associate director of Employer Relations for DePaul’s Career Center, peak recruiting periods are very dependent on industry. For example, industries like finance and accounting may have peak recruitment in the fall, while jobs in the creative industry come up on an “as needed” basis. “Hopefully graduates are doing their interviewing in the fall before they graduate,” notes Karyn. If you missed “peak” recruiting season for your industry, though, it doesn’t mean you should be sitting around and waiting until next year. You’ve got to try a more proactive approach. Attend networking events, join groups on LinkedIn, and do informational interviews - you’ve got to put yourself out there to get noticed.

BUILD - AND ARTICULATE - YOUR SKILLS
Another way to become a competitive applicant is to work at developing key skills. For instance, if you are looking into an industry that is writing intensive, start a blog. “Look for ways outside of the classroom to really develop those skills,” advises McCoy. After you have developed your skills, you need to be able to communicate about those skills. “Something I hear from employers is ‘your students have great experience and great skills, but they are not always that great about communicating how it is relevant to the position they are applying for,” says Karyn. If you’re not sure how to explain how your skills and experiences are relevant to the jobs you’re applying for, practice interviewing with a career advisor or an ASK mentor.

The Value of Internships
These will become incredibly important as you approach senior year, and you’ll be way ahead of your peers who didn’t complete internships.

A CHANCE TO OBSERVE THE EXPERTS.
The intern stereotype is the nervous kid fetching coffee. And while some internships do have you completing pretty basic work at times, the best part is being able to observe how people in your desired career field work. Is their office calm and relaxed or bustling with energy and excitement? Do they sit at their desks all day, or are they out meeting clients all morning?

A CAREER TEST DRIVE. As you observe, you’ll get a chance to find out if this is a place where you feel comfortable. Is the environment one that you enjoy being in? Are the daily tasks what you expected? Now is your chance to find out whether or not this is a job you like doing, and if this is the career path you want to take.

AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN YOUR STYLE. Even if you discover this particular company or industry isn’t the perfect fit, you begin to learn what your work style is like. Do you thrive on hard deadlines, or do you like working on bigger projects? You’ll have a chance to experiment and see where your strengths are.

A LESSON IN TIME MANAGEMENT. A lot of internships will require you to help many people in many different departments at once, or they’ll ask you to help on multiple projects. You’ll quickly learn how to juggle these tasks and do so with ease. An internship is a great way for you to get into the routine of managing multiple responsibilities.

These are just the basic ways an internship can help you -- there are many more benefits you’ll discover on your own. For example, my first internship was a rotational internship with WBBM Newsradio 780. I spent a few weeks in each department. I went in wanting to be a reporter, and by the end, I’d learned that I didn’t like sales, reporting was okay, but I loved news production. You’ll have realizations like this, too. All you need to do is go out there and give it a try. Never be afraid of gaining more experience -- the willingness to observe and learn is one of the best qualities you can have.

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The DePaul Career Center is ready and waiting to help you transition from college to career.

Stop by or schedule an appointment today.

**Prepare**
- Meet with a Career Advisor to discuss job search strategies and create a plan.
- Build effective job-finding tools. Translate your skills and achievements into a tailored resume, portfolio, and cover letter.
- Continue building experience through an internship, part-time job or volunteer activities. No previous experience? Find an internship at DePaul.Experience.com.
- If you are considering graduate school, check application dates, draft a personal statement, and take the necessary entrance exam.

**Practice**
- Refine your interviewing skills with pros. Participate in the Interviewing Skills workshops, practice online at depaul.interviewstream.com or schedule practice interviews with ASK mentors through ask.depaul.edu.
- Create your 30-second “elevator pitch,” a brief introduction including your core skills, interest areas and goals.

**Network**
- Create a list. Compile all of your networking contacts from academic, internship, volunteer and social connections.
- Connect with professionals and learn more about a particular path or organization through informational interviewing. Reach out to ASK mentors through ask.depaul.edu.
- Create/update your LinkedIn profile. Join the Career Center’s Virtual Career Networking Lounge. Connect to everyone you’ve met through your internship, summer job and or volunteer experiences.
- Attend Career Center, student organization and professional industry networking events.

**Search**
- Ask around! Reach out to contacts and find opportunities through informational interviews with DePaul alumni, employers, on-campus interviewing and networking leads.
- Begin your job search three to six months before you graduate! Attend job fairs, apply to positions on depaul.experience.com, and send inquiry cover letters and resumes to companies of interest.
resume & interview prep

WALK-IN ADVISING
No appointment necessary! Peer career advisors are available for walk-in appointments and can teach students and alumni about Career Center services, including DePaul’s web-based system DePaulExperience, On-Campus Interviewing (OCI), resume resources, career mentors, workshop and event registration and much more.

RESUME DRIVE THRU
Need resume help? Don’t have time to set an appointment? Cruise on over to SAC 192 or DPC 8th Floor for a Resume Drive Thru! Career Center staff will be standing by every Wednesday at both campuses between 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. to help you create or revise your resume. Stop by for a resume tune-up!

PRACTICE INTERVIEWS
The Alumni Sharing Knowledge (AsK) Volunteer Network gives you the opportunity to enhance your interviewing skills by meeting with an AsK Volunteer. During the one-on-one session, you will participate in a mock interview and receive helpful tips and feedback. Visit ask.depaul.edu to view the schedule. Contact AsK at (312) 362-8281 or ask@depaul.edu with questions or scheduling concerns.

on-campus interviewing

On-Campus Interviews
Ongoing
Interview for full-time post-graduate positions and full-time internships right on-campus! To view employers and positions, log-in to depaul.experience.com and click on Jobs & Internships > Job & Internship Search in the top navigation bar. From there, select ‘Jobs with Interview Schedules’ under 1-click searches.

special events

NATIONAL STUDENT EMPLOYMENT WEEK
APRIL 8-12, 2013
DePaul celebrates its student employees. All current student employees are eligible to enter to win one of the Student Employment Appreciation Week FREE RAFFLE packages. For more information, plus a schedule of events, visit studentemployment.depaul.edu.

MAJOR MINOR FAIR
Wednesday, April 24, 12:00 - 3:00pm
DePaul Center, Concourse Level, Loop Campus
Find out how your interests and goals relate to majors and minors. Talk with faculty and staff from different departments. Learn how to officially declare or switch your major/minor. Discuss career opportunities relates to specific majors and minors.

job & internship fairs

Job & Internship Fairs are free. Unless otherwise noted, the Job & Internship Fairs are not open to the general public. You must be a DePaul student or alumnus to attend.

SPRING QUARTER
GOVERNMENT AND NONPROFIT CAREER INFORMATION FAIR
Tuesday, April 9, 11:00am - 3:00pm
Student Center, Room 120, Lincoln Park Campus
DePaul University is partnering with several area universities to sponsor the 2013 Government and Nonprofit Career Information Fair. Students and alumni of all experience levels are encouraged to attend to learn about careers in government agencies and non-profit organizations. DePaul students and alumni should register via DePaul.Experience at depaul.experience.com. All other attendees should register via Eventbrite at governmentnonprofitfair.eventbrite.com.

JUST IN TIME JOB FAIR
Tuesday, June 18, 2013 | 10:00am - 2:00pm
Lincoln Park Campus, Student Center 120
This annual event, held the week after graduation, aims to help recent grads find immediate opportunities. Employers will be recruiting for part time, full time, temporary, and/or internship level opportunities. Staffing firms and post-graduation volunteer organizations will also be in attendance at this event.

career networking events

Networking Events often consist of a panel discussion followed by an informal reception where you can speak with panelists in small groups or one-on-one. Professionals share information about career paths, industry trends, specific companies and professional development.

SPRING QUARTER
LIBERAL ARTS WEEK • APRIL 8-12
Lincoln Park Campus
Find your path. Love your job. Explore your possibilities during Liberal Arts Week. Join us for a week of workshops, networking events, and a job fair specifically for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences majors. Check out the schedule at careercenter.depaul.edu/liberalartsweek

⇒ Register for events at depaul.experience.com
ASK NETWORKING BREAKFAST: 
GETTING THINGS DONE
Tuesday, April 16, 8:00 - 9:00am
DePaul Center, 11th Floor, DePaul Club, Loop Campus
“What if I make a bad decision?” “What if I fail?” “I’m better under pressure.” There are all sorts of reasons people procrastinate. What are yours? Contrary to conventional wisdom, chronic procrastination is NOT about poor time management, but about self-sabotaging tendencies that can prevent you from reaching your full potential. At this event, we will better understand the hidden causes of procrastination. Leading the discussion will be Dr. Joe Ferrari, Professor of Psychology at DePaul University and author of “Still Procrastinating? The No Regrets Guide to Getting it Done.” Register via ask.depaul.edu

THE TEACHER’S LOUNGE: BEYOND CLASSROOMS AND CHALKBOARDS
Friday, April 26, 1:00 - 3:30pm
Location - TBA
Have you ever thought about ways you could combine giving back, making an impact to students and immersing yourself in another culture? If so, this event is right up your alley! Alumni of Peace Corps, World Teach, and Greenheart Travel will discuss their unique teaching and outreach experiences overseas. They will share their stories, what they learned, and how they applied their experiences to their current professions. You will be able to participate in roundtable discussions, learn the qualities these organizations look for in candidates, and the benefits and challenges of these teaching/outreach experiences.

GOING PRO: CAREERS IN SPORTS MANAGEMENT & MARKETING
Wednesday, May 8, 5:30-7:30pm
DePaul Center, 11th Floor, North Café and DePaul Club, Loop Campus
Get coached for a career in the Sports Industry. Listen to and chat with professionals within Sports Management, Marketing and HR. Panel discussions regarding career paths, internships and interviewing strategies are followed by informal networking.

SCIENCE NETWORKING EVENT
Friday, May 10, 1:00 - 3:00pm
Room TBD, Lincoln Park Campus • Details forthcoming.

EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SUMMIT
Thursday, June 27, 10:00am - 2:00pm
DePaul Center, 11th Floor, North Café, Loop Campus
In partnership with the College of Education, the DePaul Career Center is proud to introduce the fourth offering of The Education Leadership Summit. The Education Leadership Summit is a networking and professional development event for College of Education advanced students and alumni who are interested in strengthening their resources and understanding of leadership opportunities beyond their classroom experience. View the full summit schedule at careercenter.depaul.edu/educationsummit

Liberal Arts Week
April 8-12, 2013
Lincoln Park Campus
Find your path. Love your job. Explore your possibilities during Liberal Arts Week. Join us for a week of workshops, networking events, and a job fair specifically for Liberal Arts and Social Sciences majors. Whether you plan on the 9-5 or beyond, Liberal Arts Week will help you explore your career options and give you confidence you need to enter the workforce and pursue a job or career path you’re passionate about.

Featured Events:

Is Graduate School Right for You?
Wednesday, April 10, 10:00-11:00am, Student Center 324
Many LAS students are considering graduate school, but is this the right choice, is this the right time? Deciding whether to attend graduate school is a big decision and requires careful consideration and planning. In this session we will discuss graduate school readiness, how to decide on a program of study, researching what schools are the best fit, and consider how you will finance your education.

Beyond 9-5: Do What You Love
Wednesday, April 10, 1:00-2:00pm, Student Center 324
Does the idea of sitting behind a desk all day repulse you? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to have a unique career that utilizes your passions and interests? Learn from a panel of professionals who took the road less traveled as they convey stories and ideas on how they got started and successfully navigated challenges to become successful in their innovative careers.

Macy’s Presents: ‘What Not To Wear: Interviewing Basics and Workplace Essentials’
Thursday, April 11, 12:00-1:00pm, Student Center 120
Can I wear this to an interview? What does business casual really mean? Does dressing professional mean giving up my style? How can I dress professionally on a budget? Find out the answers to all of these questions and more as Macy’s helps you discover “What Not To Wear” in this fashion show style event.

Check out the full schedule at careercenter.depaul.edu/liberalartsweek.
Navigating Your Career Change
Experienced professionals who are considering or already involved in the process of changing careers will benefit from this workshop. Learn how to develop a career change plan by identifying the career development components you most need to work on. This workshop will help you identify the type of transition you are attempting and assess its level of difficulty.

Wednesday, June 5
5:30–7:00pm  DPC 9500

Polish Your Professional Interviewing Skills
Refresh your interviewing skills and learn how to prepare for advanced interviewing techniques including critical behavioral, panel and case interviews. Review the dos and don’ts for interview situations and learn how to address the most difficult questions.

Tuesday, May 21
5:30–7:00pm  DPC 9500

Strengthen Your Resume and Cover Letter
Learn about different resume formats and how to best market your accomplishments for specific audiences. This workshop is ideal for someone who has already written a resume and is looking to enhance or change the content or structure.

Monday, May 6
12:00–1:30pm  SAC 151

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workshops

30 in 30: Perfecting your Pitch
One of the most important elements in networking and building your personal brand is your elevator pitch. Get ready for upcoming job fairs and networking opportunities. Join us for a 30-minute workshop to perfect your 30-second pitch. Learn the components in developing a strong and effective pitch and have an opportunity to practice.

Monday, April 22
12:00–12:30pm  SAC 151
Wednesday, May 8
5:30–6:00pm  DPC 9500

Ace Professionalism and Beating Your Competition
Learn professionalism strategies, including how to stand out above your competition and perform with great precision and success. This workshop focuses on audiences working in internships, on-campus, and part/full time jobs. Give yourself an advantage in interviewing, accepting and declining job offers, and becoming a pro on the job.

Tuesday, June 18
11:00am–12:00pm  LPC Student Center TBD

Ace Your First Professional Interview
Preparing for interviews can give you the confidence you need to highlight your strengths. This workshop teaches you how to prepare for the interviewing and post-interview follow-up process. You will be introduced to the various types of interviews, including behavioral interviewing.

Tuesday, April 16
1:00–2:30pm  DPC 9500

Handling Job Offers
Determine the best techniques and practices to negotiate your compensation package. This workshop will include a discussion on salary, benefits negotiation, and offer advice on how to handle salary requests and multiple offers.

Monday, April 29
3:30–5:00pm  DPC 9500

Creating Your Career Plan B
Expand your career options. Learn how to assess your strengths and transferable skills to explore careers paths that might be a good match. Gain a better understanding of the job market and identify hot jobs and growing industries. Get an overview of various job search tactics, resources available at DePaul to optimize your job search, and more.

Tuesday, June 18
11:00am–12:00pm  LPC Student Center TBD

Identify Your Skills and Accomplishments
Skills are the currency of the job market; you get a paycheck in exchange for the skills you use in your job. Through this workshop, you’ll assess your skills, determine which ones you want to acquire or further develop, and identify ways to do so. Also, you’ll learn how to clearly articulate your skill set and provide solid examples of those skills in practice.

Thursday, May 2
1:00–2:30pm  SAC 151

How Can Alumni Help Me Plan My Career?
What are your plans after getting your degree? Do you know what kinds of jobs you can get with your major? DePaul alumni can help! Learn about the different resources available to you as you think about classes to take and skills to build while you’re a student. We’ll talk about where to find alumni who can help you and how to approach them. It’s easier than you think!

Monday, April 22
4:30–6:00pm  DPC 9500
Wednesday, May 15
3:30–5:00pm  LPC TBD
Friday, June 7
12:00–1:30pm  Webinar

How to Build a Career Portfolio
A professional career portfolio provides you with a tremendous resource for showcasing your work skills and experiences to an employer. In this workshop, you’ll learn how to conceptualize and compile an effective portfolio.

Wednesday, April 17
12:00–1:30pm  DPC 9500

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Job Search Strategies in a Challenging Job Market
Learn how to identify effective job search strategies in a challenging job market. Get an overview of a multitude of job search tactics and begin the process of selecting the strategies that make the most sense for you. Learn how to match your interests and help you work toward career satisfaction.

Monday, June 3
2:00-3:30pm
SAC 151

Making the Grade – ePortfolio Workshop
Note: This workshop is open only to students and alumni in DePaul’s College of Education. This workshop will introduce strategies to help you develop your ePortfolio as well as highlight your strengths as a candidate in the education field. We will share an overview of the Digitation platform and critically examine how to reflect on skills and values from your resume and philosophy statement.

Friday, May 10
9:30-11:30am
LPC TBD

Maximize Your Job & Internship Fair Experience
First impressions count! Learn how to approach employers and make a lasting first impression. DePaul’s Career Center hosts multiple Job & Internship Fairs throughout the academic year with hundreds of employers looking for candidates like you. This workshop helps you maximize the Job & Internship Fair as an opportunity to showcase your skills and abilities in an active job searching forum.

Thursday, June 13
12:00-1:30pm
SAC 151

Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI)
Looking for work that is intrinsically interesting and gratifying to you? The MBTI is used to assist individuals in identifying their personality strengths, preferred work environments, communication styles and career possibilities. While few occupations provide a “perfect” match between personality and work tasks, this indicator and workshop will assist you in making an informed decision.

Tuesday, May 28
1:00-3:30pm
SAC 151

Navigating Student Employment
During this information session, you will learn how to use the Campus Job Board to search/apply for on-campus jobs. Resume basics, interviewing tips and follow-up procedures will also be covered, so you are polished and well-prepared for the entire on-campus job search process.

Please visit http://studentemployment.depaul.edu or the Office of Student Employment front desk for specific times and locations. Walk-ins are welcome.

Love What You Do – DePaul Interest Finder (DIF)
This workshop is ideal for students who are exploring major and career options. Research has shown a strong correlation between incorporating interests into your career planning process and ultimate workplace satisfaction. Participants will take the DePaul Interest Finder (DIF), a tailored survey designed to specifically help DePaul students explore their interests and identify related majors, student organizations, and careers. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn how your time at DePaul can be shaped to match your interests and help you work toward career satisfaction.

Tuesday, May 14
12:00-1:30pm
DPC 9500

LinkedIn series
LinkedIn Basics for Job Searching
This is a hands-on workshop held in a computer lab and is the first in a two part LinkedIn workshop series. Learn the value of LinkedIn as an online networking tool and the basics of building a professional profile that represents your online brand. After building your profile, we will also discuss and demonstrate making connections to build your network, joining relevant groups, and cover some basic job searching tips on LinkedIn. Please be sure to create a LinkedIn account before the workshop so you have a starting point when you attend the workshop. Already have a profile that you are actively using and want to learn more about LinkedIn? Check out the other LinkedIn workshop, “Leveraging LinkedIn: Using Your Profile to Create Results.”

Wednesday, April 24
12:00-1:30pm
Loop TBD

Leveraging LinkedIn: Using Your Profile to Create Results
This is a hands-on workshop held in a computer lab and is the second in a two part LinkedIn workshop series. Do you already have a profile, made some connections, joined some groups, but still want to know how to use your profile to get results? This workshop is for people who are already comfortable with the basics of LinkedIn, but want to learn more about leveraging their network, utilizing 2nd and 3rd degree connections, advanced job searching techniques, and much more. Workshop participants should be active LinkedIn users as we will not cover the basics of building your LinkedIn profile in this workshop. Please come to the workshop ready to work live on your profile as we discuss these techniques. Still a LinkedIn beginner? Check out the first workshop in the LinkedIn workshop series, “LinkedIn Basics for Job Searching.”

Tuesday, June 4
12:00-1:30pm
Loop TBD

Tell Me About Yourself 101
This workshop will help you build confidence in approaching and talking to potential employers at job fairs. Specifically scheduled before and during the Just-In-Time Job Fair, attendees will work on perfecting their introduction to employers. With help from DePaul’s Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK) program, you will leave knowing exactly what to say when an employer says, “Tell me about yourself.” ASK is a network of DePaul alumni who volunteer as career mentors to help students prepare for a successful future. To learn more about ASK, visit http://ask.depaul.edu.

Tuesday, June 18
9:00-10:00am
LPC Student Center TBD
Tuesday, June 18
11:30am-12:30pm
LPC Student Center TBD

University Internship Program (UIP) Orientation
This is a prerequisite workshop for UIP and must be completed in order to enroll in an academic internship course to earn Experiential Learning credit. The UIP orientation is geared towards students who have already secured an internship. Note: For UIP Webinars, please pre-register 2-3 days in advance via depaul.experience.com to receive online participation instructions for the session. An internet connection is required to participate.

Tuesday, April 2
11:30-12:30pm
SAC 151

Tuesday, April 3
4:00-5:00pm
Webinar

Tuesday, April 23
4:00-5:00pm
Webinar

Thursday, May 9
11:30-12:30pm
DPC 9500

Monday, May 13
4:00-5:00pm
Webinar

Wednesday, May 22
5:00-6:00pm
Webinar

Thursday, May 30
10:30-11:30am
Webinar

Tuesday, June 4
4:00-5:00pm
Webinar

Thursday, June 6
5:00-6:00pm
Webinar

Friday, June 14
1:00-2:00pm
Webinar

Wednesday, June 19
4:00-5:00pm
Webinar

Still looking for an internship? Attend the iPrep: Find Your Dream Internship workshop, which also fulfills the prerequisite UIP orientation requirement. The UIP Orientation provides you with the information you need to complete the enrollment process, and register for a University Internship Program course. In this workshop, you’ll learn the meaning and purpose of the UIP 250, 251, 252, 254, and 350 courses, as well as how completing an internship contributes to attaining your career goals.
financial fitness workshops

5 Tips for Financing Graduate School
Are you considering graduate school but not quite sure how you will fund it? Topics will include calculating total costs, basics on various funding options including loans, grants and scholarships and a method to determine if you are borrowing wisely.

Wednesday, April 10
3:00-4:00pm  LPSC 312

Buying a Home
Purchasing a home can be complicated and scary. Attend this workshop to learn what is really involved in making this big purchase. Participants will receive step-by-step processes that will assist them in making a financially sound choice.

Wednesday, May 8
4:00-5:00pm  DPC 9500
Tuesday, June 4
12:00-1:00pm  DPC 9500

Debt 101: Demystifying Student Loans
You know they exist, but you don’t know exactly what they all mean. Attend this workshop to gain a deeper understanding of your student loans. This workshop will cover the different types of student loans, how to estimate your debt load upon graduation, and what some of your repayment options may be.

Thursday, May 16
12:00-1:00pm  Richardson 300

Wednesday, June 5
4:00-5:00pm  DPC 9500

How’s Your Credit History?
Do you know how your credit habits will affect your lifestyle? Learn important information about choosing credit cards, understanding credit reports and credit scores and managing existing credit card debt.

Thursday, May 2
12:00-1:00pm  DPC 9500
Wednesday, May 29
4:00-5:00pm  Richardson 300

Introduction to Investing
If you are interested in learning how to maintain and build wealth, this is the workshop series for you. Topics covered will include investing basics for stocks, bonds and mutual funds. This workshop will provide basic knowledge and resources for making wealth a reality for you!

Wednesday, May 1
5:30-7:00pm  Richardson 400
Thursday, May 16
5:30-7:00pm  DPC 9500

Managing College Costs
*NEW*
Paying for school can cost a fortune if you don’t plan correctly. Attend this workshop to get practical tips on how to save thousands of dollars. We will review tips on how to cut costs as well as how to secure scholarships.

Tuesday, April 30
4:00-5:00pm  Richardson 400
Thursday, May 30
12:00-1:00pm  DPC 9500

Savings and Spending Plans that Won’t Fail
We all want to save but know that it can be hard to stick to a savings plan and it’s easy for spending to get out of control. This workshop will help you to set reasonable and attainable goals that will help motivate you to keep your savings and keep your budget in check.

Tuesday, May 7
4:00-5:00pm  DPC 9500
Thursday, May 23
12:00-1:00pm  Richardson 400

The Graduate’s Guide to Financial Success
Graduating students: learn simple strategies to for becoming financially successful. Topics covered include repayment of school loans, how to create a realistic budget for a full-time job and credit strategies.

Tuesday, May 14
12:00-1:00pm  DPC 9500
Thursday, June 6
4:00-5:00pm  Richardson 400

Thrifty Travel Tips
If you are looking for tips on planning a getaway without going broke, this is the workshop for you. We will review insider tips, the best times to buy and some of the best sites to use.

Tuesday, May 21
4:00-5:00pm  DPC 9500