



Dear UCSB Parents,  
Spring quarter has begun! For many of you, this will be your student's final quarter at UCSB! Do they have an action plan for after graduation? Has your student secured employment or received admission to a graduate or professional program? Will your student be taking a year off to travel or volunteer abroad? Spring quarter can be a difficult time for students who are nearing graduation yet have not yet taken steps towards preparing for their future after UCSB. Each year around this time, students walk through our doors and say, "I'm graduating soon and I don't know what I'm going to do! Help!" My heart goes out to each student in this situation. Despite our pleas for them to visit Career Services early and often, unfortunately, many students postpone being proactive in planning for life after college. And while it might be too late for obtaining an internship, participating in student organizations, or volunteering in the community, there is still time to get a crash course in career and professional development in order to develop an emergency career action plan.

As always, Career is here to help and we'll be offering several opportunities for your student to get career-ready in time for graduation. However, they need to take action today! Please encourage your student to take advantage of our full schedule of events and workshops offering a variety of opportunities to develop the professional skills they'll need to be successful after college.

Warmest regards,  
Ignacio Gallardo  
Director, Career Services

## Internship Scholarship Program

Career Services recognizes that while internship experience supports career exploration and improves job prospects after graduation, unpaid internships may also lead to financial barriers for some students. The Internship Scholarship Program offers awards in recognition of students who have excelled in landing internships, research, and related pre-professional experience that demonstrates career motivation and professional ambition. Eligible students are pursuing unpaid career-related experiences during the summer term within non-profits, government, education, arts, public service, and other industries that traditionally do not pay interns.

The purpose of the Internship Scholarship Program is to make it easier for students to participate in experiential learning and career exploration, supporting preparation for

I'd like to highlight a few events:

### Spring Career Fair

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

10:00am-2:00pm

#### Event Center

UCSB's largest recruiting event of the year, with over 120 employers coming to campus, is moving to the Thunderdome! You heard right, this year's event will be held in the Event Center in order to accommodate the increased demand by employers looking to recruit Gauchos. This will be fantastic chance for your students to connect with employers in a variety of industries including finance, banking, communication, media/publishing fields, the sciences, education, computer/information technology, government, environmental, business management, sales, marketing, engineering, and more. Employers already registered for this event include: 20th Century Fox, Apple, AT&T Government Solutions, Bureau of Safety & Environmental Enforcement, Hyatt, MassMutual, Oracle, Organic Certifiers, Peace Corps, Social Security Administration, Los Angeles Unified School District, U.S. Department of State, Verizon Wireless and many more. For a full list of participating employers, please visit: [goo.gl/sbiJsD](http://goo.gl/sbiJsD). This event is open to ALL students and ALL majors.

### Senior Tuesday

Every Tuesday this quarter we'll be hosting special workshops to help your graduating student get career-ready! We'll be helping seniors understand the fine points of conducting a strategic job search, writing dynamic professional documents, developing effective interview skills, exploring gap year options, utilizing LinkedIn for networking, and offering panels of recent graduates discussing their career paths.

For a list of all spring quarter workshops and events, please visit [our calendar](#). Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. We're here to help!

the job market and helping offset potential financial hardships associated with unpaid internships.

This year we are proud to offer five scholarships in the amount of \$1500 each. For more information, including general eligibility requirements, please visit: <http://career.sa.ucsb.edu/internships/scholarship>.

**(NOTE: Applications being accepted now through April 21).**

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when your internship doesn't pay...  
THERE ARE OPTIONS!

**Make Experience Happen**



## Special Career Events



### **Out in the NFL: An Evening with Michael Sam** Tuesday, April 7 8:00pm The Hub

In collaboration with Resource Center for Gender & Sexual Diversity, students are invited for an intimate conversation with the first openly gay contender for the NFL, as he shares his story of self-authorship, career challenges, bravery, and how to create welcoming environments for LGBTQ people on and off the field.

## Measuring Impact

Last year, the Student Affairs Assessment Initiative was established to develop a comprehensive assessment effort and communication plan for the division. Career Services has long been engaged in assessment and evaluation efforts which are critical in documenting the success of our department. Specifically, the Career Assessment Team was formed to develop and implement assessment and evaluation efforts for our programs and services in line with our strategic plan. Closing the loop is an important step in the assessment cycle as well as for understanding and sharing the impact of department and division efforts. As a result, the Division of Student Affairs released their first-ever Annual

## The Power of the Alumni Network: It's All About Relationships

Alumni Advisor Network, proudly offered by the Alumni Association, is an exciting new free online service to help current students connect with UCSB alumni to gain information and insight in making career decisions. The database of alumni advisors is searchable by location, job function, industry, and employer. Students have the option to connect with alumni advisors for career conversations, resume critiques, or mock interviews. This is a powerful tool to help students gather information to help with career decisions making and serves as an excellent way to network with professionals in their field of choice.

### **You're In Our Good Graces**

As graduation approaches, many students are going to reach the harsh realization that they just didn't use us enough. Well, fear not. Career Services offers a 3-month grace period that allows recent graduates to access our services and resources for FREE\*. Whether they want to research careers in the Career Resource Room or meet with a career counselor to discuss interview strategies, students can still benefit from our office for three months from their last registered quarter.

\*Excludes the Campus Interview Program

### **Dream Scholars Alumni Career Panel**

Friday, April 17

6:00 – 8:00pm

Multipurpose Room, Student Resource Building

In collaboration with the Dream Scholars Resource Team, students are invited to hear about the experience of dream scholar alumni from a variety of industries including engineering, social justice, law and education. For more information please visit [Dream Scholars](#)

### **Graduate Student Success Series**

All Quarter

A series of workshops focusing on pertinent areas of graduate student career development, with an emphasis on non-academic issues. With topics including graduate student specific job-search, resume and cover letter, interviewing, and networking, the series offers tailored information in a group setting.



Report highlighting areas which include the impact of services on student learning, engagement and development, as well as the efficiency of operational and IT services to support student and campus needs. The inaugural 2013/2014 edition includes: mission statement, services, service utilization and points of pride. Each subsequent issue will highlight one program area and show quantitative and/or qualitative evidence of impact on operations and efficiency and/or student success and learning. To view the 2013/2014 Annual Report, including Career Service's contribution, please visit: [goo.gl/5F7LUY](http://goo.gl/5F7LUY)



To register as a student or as an Alumni Advisor, visit: <https://ucsb.evisors.com/>

### **Director's Tip**

Not sure what to get your student for graduation? Consider purchasing an Alumni Association membership. Membership allows you to better connect and network with alumni professionals in a wide range of industries. For more information, visit: <http://www.ucsbalum.com/membership/>

Career Service's premier resource, the Career Manual, is now online! Click the cover to check it out:

