NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

It’s been thrilling to see how the spring semester is shaping up and the final push towards graduation is upon us. As we set sail into the home stretch of the academic year, many students are already graduating and others are gearing up to do so. Spring quarter marks a difficult period for many students as they are nearing graduation phase, but not yet taking that leap. We are all anxious to see how the spring quarter will play out, but I’m looking forward to the graduation ceremonies and the start of the summer quarter.

If you’re a student who is finishing your college career and are yet to make a decision about what they want to do after graduation, I urge you to take the time to consider your options carefully. Whether you’re looking for employment, have already been offered a position, or have yet to make a decision, you are not alone. There are resources available to help you navigate your path post-graduation.

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Employment Reference

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Career Fair

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