A Note from Jeff

Welcome to The Employer Beat, formerly known as The Tartan Times!

First, I want to take a moment to introduce myself as the new Director of Employer Relations within the CPDC. In my first few months, I’ve had the opportunity to meet many new faces while witnessing the positive impact the CPDC has on our students, alumni and employers.

I was drawn to CMU because it is an extraordinary institution that continues to raise the bar. Our students and alumni are continuously transforming the world in ways never imagined.

I came at a busy and exciting time at CMU. This Fall we had several events to help transform the university to new levels such as the inauguration for Farnam Jahanian as CMU’s 10th President as well as the completion of the new Tepper School of Business building. CMU also launched the first Artificial Intelligence (A.I.) undergraduate degree in the United States. And of course, we held several successful CPDC career events such as the Student-Athlete Employer Networking Reception, EncompassCMU and Spark... just to name a few!

As I close my first semester at CMU and reflect on my experience, I can't help but be extremely excited for what the Spring semester holds. I look forward to meeting and working with you soon!

Jeff

Carnegie Mellon in the news

Farnum Jahanian installed as the 10th President of Carnegie Mellon University

With a nod to CMU’s impressive past and a bold, enthusiastic eye toward its limitless future, Farnam Jahanian was formally installed as Carnegie Mellon University’s 10th president.

Jahanian spoke about the university’s commitment to establish interdisciplinary groundbreaking programs to re-imagine higher education with the interests of students and the needs of society in mind. As examples, he noted CMU’s program in behavioral economics, its neuroscience initiative and the IDeATe network. He cited investments in supporting new ways for students to learn and collaborate, like the new Tepper Quad and Scott Hall.

Jahanian also highlighted CMU’s expertise in the science of learning to help each individual student learn in a way that is best for them, and programs to support holistic growth that will help nurture and develop tomorrow’s leaders.

Jahanian closed by asking the university community to work together to write the story of this century and to build and exhilarating future for Carnegie Mellon University.

"Each one of us has a role to play in bringing beauty and dignity to our mission, through the impact we make on society, the leaders we develop and the opportunities we create for others," he said. Read more
PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT:
Artificial Intelligence Major
Addresses Growing Demand

New Artificial Intelligence (AI) bachelor’s degree offered in Fall 2018 by the School of Computer Science.

This fall, the School of Computer Science offered a new bachelor’s degree in Artificial Intelligence. CMU is the first university in the United States to offer this degree, largely in response to extraordinary technical breakthroughs at CMU in AI. There is also a growing demand by students and employers for training that prepares graduates for careers in AI.

“Specialists in artificial intelligence have never been more important, in shorter supply or in greater demand by employers,” said Andrew Moore, dean of the School of Computer Science. “Carnegie Mellon has an unmatched depth of expertise in AI, making us uniquely qualified to address this need for graduates who understand how the power of AI can be leveraged to help people.”

Currently, the bachelor’s degree program in Computer Science teaches students to think broadly about methods that can accomplish a wide variety of tasks across many disciplines, noted Reid Simmons, research professor of robotics and computer science and director of the new AI degree program.

The bachelor’s degree in AI will focus more on how complex inputs, such as vision, language and huge databases, are used to make decisions or enhance human capabilities.

AI majors will receive the same solid grounding in computer science and math courses as other computer science students, plus additional course work in AI-related subjects such as statistics and probability, computational modeling, machine learning and symbolic computation.

Simmons says the program also would include a strong emphasis on ethics and social responsibility. This will include independent study opportunities in using AI for social good, such as improving transportation, health care or education.

U.S. News and World Report ranked SCS as the No. 1 graduate school for artificial intelligence. For more information about the School of Computer Science and the Artificial Intelligence Program, click here.

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This early engagement event is held the night before Spring EncompassCMU. Jumpstart helps employers familiarize Freshmen and Sophomores with their organizations while identifying and building future talent pipelines. Students benefit by learning about employers, internships, and desired professional skill sets for future career development.

The Creative Arts Career Fair is part of the Creative Arts Opportunities Conference (CAOC). The career fair connects employers with students interested in the creative industries from the College of Fine Arts and beyond. Other events hosted during the CAOC include Design Confluence, HCII Connect, and Architecture Interchange.

This exciting 2-day career fair will bring together arts, business, computer science, engineering, humanities, and science students in one location. Employers from all industries looking to fill numerous and varied roles are encouraged to attend encompassCMU. It is truly a career fair for everyone!

This event is in partnership with Carnegie Mellon University’s Energy Week, the Energy Science Technology & Policy program, and the University of Pittsburgh. This career fair is tailored to employers in the energy sector who are interested in recruiting students for internships or full-time opportunities.

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OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS
University-wide Happenings

May 8, 2019
Meeting of the Minds - Undergraduate Research Symposium

This event is an all-campus celebration of undergraduate research. All CMU undergraduates are able to present their research and creative projects.
FEATURED CPDC STAFF MEMBER:
Kristin Staunton,
Assistant Director & Career Consultant,
Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences

How long have you been with the CPDC?
1.5 years

Favorite part of working at the CPDC?
My colleagues of course! I am blessed to work with such a caring group of people. And I love when I am able to help a student discover their passions, or land a job or internship.

Favorite Pittsburgh restaurant?
Apteka

Interesting fact about yourself?
On September 11, 2001, I was living in NYC and watched as my office building was destroyed due to it’s proximity to the WTC. I quit my job and became a certified Kundalini Yoga Instructor. While I no longer teach, I still practice whenever I can.

NEW STAFF UPDATE
Welcome to the newest members of the CPDC team, Amanda and Sarah!

Amanda Halula is the Assistant Director & Career Consultant for the College of Engineering. Amanda will be the consultant for first year CIT students fostering early engagement and career exploration within CIT majors of interest.

Also, Amanda will act as our student-athlete liaison which includes advising as well as special events and programming focusing on supporting student-athletes in marketing and leveraging their experience to potential employers.

Prior to joining Carnegie Mellon, Amanda held several roles at Chatham University where she also received her Master’s degree in Counseling Psychology. She attended Washington & Jefferson College where she was a student athlete on the golf team.

Sarah Kochin is the Senior Assistant Director & Career Consultant for the School of Computer Science. Sarah will be working with students and alumni in the college of computer science in areas of career exploration, professional development, internship and job search preparation and post graduate career planning.

Sarah has been with the university for 4 years and recently transitioned to the CPDC from our admissions office.

Prior to joining Carnegie Mellon University, Sarah was at admissions at the University of Pittsburgh where she earned her Master’s degree in Higher Education.