



CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Blaze a trail

You probably remember the excitement—and the anxiety—of taking the first steps toward building your successful career. Perhaps you came to BU knowing exactly what you wanted to do; perhaps you knew only that you wanted to explore your options.

Today's students are like that, too. Wherever we meet them on their career path, the Pardee School wants to help each one find the right career. You can help show the way.

Unlike most professional schools, Pardee doesn't yet have a full-fledged career development office. So the events, workshops, and trips we do provide are especially important, and they'll help us move toward creating a more robust program. Our current offerings include PardeeWorks and an annual trip to Washington, D.C., for graduate students.

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PardeeWorks features events and workshops specifically focused on international careers, both here and abroad. The program's annual Global Career Symposium includes panel discussions and networking opportunities, and a regular series of speaking events brings working professionals to campus to present on their chosen careers in more depth. Recent speakers have covered everything from national security to international education and the US Department of Commerce.

The Washington trip takes graduate students to the capital each year to explore careers in global affairs. Students and accompanying faculty visit think tanks, NGOs, and government departments, and meet with high-level policymakers and practitioners of international affairs. They also enjoy many opportunities to network with BU and Pardee alumni around D.C.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Many students just can't afford the Washington trip, and you can help. You can also help us expand and build PardeeWorks, with more frequent workshops and more international guests. All of these efforts help prepare our students to network and build careers once they leave campus. Here's how you can help:

- Contribute to the Michael Corgan Internship & Career Fund: any amount up to \$25,000
- Sponsor a career trip to Washington, D.C.: \$25,000
- Endow a named career development fund: \$100,000
- Endow a named career series: \$500,000

“ On the Washington trip, what we really focus on is giving them a chance to network. Not ‘Oh, can you give me a job,’ but how do you break in, how do you market yourself, what are some different avenues? You can study it, but there's something about talking to someone in person.”

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