

GLOBAL CAREER MANAGEMENT

Reorganization to Strengthen Alumni Career Development

In May, dean **Edward Snyder** announced that Chicago GSB would consolidate all career support programs and services for the Chicago GSB community under **Julie Morton**, associate dean of MBA Career Services for the Full-Time MBA Program.

“This reorganization will build on a recognized strength of the school and allow us to better serve all of our alumni and students,” Snyder said. “We look forward to building a yet stronger team throughout the world whose mission is to build relationships with a diverse set of corporate partners, develop job opportunities, and support our students and alumni.”

Snyder said the unified approach is intended to help the school:

- coordinate interactions with corporate partners on a school-wide basis to capture career opportunities at multiple levels of their organizations and throughout the world, and
- leverage the programming successes and best practices of MBA Career Services and the Career Development Office across all MBA programs and for all students and alumni.

Morton joined the GSB in 2000 to run career-related educational programming for full-time students and assumed the responsibili-

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ties of associate dean in 2002. She has led corporate outreach and educational efforts with outstanding results for Chicago GSB students and corporate partners, Snyder said. Morton noted, “Already, it’s been great to start to get to know more alumni and these populations of students. I look forward to working more closely with these audiences to support their career needs.”



Matthew Gilson

Career Support: The GSB is consolidating all career support programs and services under **Julie Morton**, associate dean of MBA Career Services for the Full-Time MBA Program.

Robert Wilcox, associate dean for the Career Development Office, assisted with the transition and retired over the summer. His retirement will include finishing his doctor of education in counseling psychology at Argosy University.

Starting in 1996, Wilcox was the first staff member and later the first associate dean in what is now the Career Development Office.

“Under his visionary leadership, Chicago GSB organized its global career management programs for part-time MBA students and alumni throughout the world, establishing career development offices with permanent staff in both Europe and Asia. Over his tenure, Bob gave sage career advice and guidance to

countless numbers of our students and alumni,” Snyder said. “We want to sincerely thank Bob for his exemplary service and offer our best wishes in his academic pursuits. And we look forward to continuing our successes in providing superior career support for our students and alumni.”—**M.M.B.**

Alumni Affairs Update **New Peer Dinners in Chicago**



Matthew Gilson

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How often did you socialize with a faculty member when you were a GSB student? Ever wish you could continue the dialogue? Now alumni can chat about everything from wine to real estate with professors at peer dinners, a program the GSB launched this past fall in the Chicago area.

Robert Nagel, '63, and his wife, Nancy, hosted the first dinner at their home on the North Shore. **Scott Keating**, clinical professor of accounting, talked about wine and wine marketing. About a dozen guests—alumni and their spouses—attended. Most lived within 15 miles. “The idea was to host something that would bring you back to your GSB experience,” Nagel said. “This party confirmed that people will come for the evening if the topic is interesting, if it’s close to home, and if they think it might be an interesting group of people to talk with. These are people who value ideas, debate, and challenge of thought. Staying current is appealing to GSB alumni.”

The evening provided an interesting déjà vu moment for **Ken Merlau, '70**, and **Jon Ender, '70**, who met 38 years ago when they sat together on the first day of classes. Although they have been friends and business associates for all these years, the event provided an opportunity to reconnect to their GSB roots as well as enjoy intellectual interchange with GSB faculty.

In March, **Vern Broders, '94**, and his wife, Francee Harrington, hosted a dinner at the

Women’s Athletic Club of Chicago for two dozen alumni and friends. **Erik Hurst**, professor of economics and Neubauer Family Faculty Fellow, predicted what will happen with the real estate bubble. “I thought it was pretty interesting, and it was a smaller gathering,” said **Philip Kepler, '95**. It began with a cocktail reception; the dinner that followed prompted a lot of informal discussion between Hurst and alumni. “There were a good deal of very insightful questions,” he said. Hurst added, “I really had fun. It’s wonderful to interact with the alumni and talk about real-world economic issues.”

Broders said he was pleased to see the GSB highlight an up-and-coming young faculty member. “He’ll be a rising star, I’m sure,” he said. “The evening gave alumni a chance to catch up with those they know and to make new friends who live in the area,” he said. Hosting the event at a public space allowed Broders and Harrington to expand their guest list. “We worked hard to have some ice breakers to introduce people,” Broders said. “It was a very interesting evening. It was a way to find out what’s new at the school and to meet people who share an interest in the GSB.”

Designed to provide meaningful networking opportunities for alumni, the peer dinner series highlights the value of a Chicago MBA both professionally and personally. To learn more, contact me at annica.hultfeldt@ChicagoGSB.edu.



DE LA COSTA

Alumni & Student LPT

November 10, 2006
5:30–7:30 p.m.

De La Costa
465 East Illinois Street
(River East Arts Center)

This November, Chicago GSB is taking over one of the hottest new restaurants in Chicago.

De La Costa is the alluring new restaurant and lounge from celebrity chef Douglas Rodriguez.

Come enjoy beverages and a sampling of the restaurant’s unique and inspired coastal Latin cuisine compliments of the Office of Alumni Affairs and Development.

Visit ChicagoGSB.edu/alumni/events for more information.



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Changes at GSB Clubs Worldwide

Launched last spring and based in Europe, Chicago GSB's newest alumni club is the European GSB Investment Banking and Private Equity Roundtable, which gathers and shares information on trends and facts in the PE/IB industries and provides direct access to key industry players for alumni and students. The roundtable will partner with alumni clubs in other countries as well as local institutions; organize the "fireside chat" speaker series; and host high-profile annual events addressing challenges and opportunities in the industry.

Its inaugural event at the GSB's Europe campus in London this past April featured speaker Steve Schlenker, managing partner and chief investment officer from DN Capital. In May, the roundtable convened in Milan and featured a panel discussion in Italian with Alessandro Penati, AM '79, PhD '94 (social sciences), professor of finance at Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore; John Singer, manager at Advent; and Roberto Italia of Cinven. For upcoming events, contact **Paolo Guida, '06 (EXP-11)**, at pguida@ChicagoGSB.edu.—A.H.

Changes in Leadership

DETROIT: President Robert Traurig, '04	NEW YORK: President Cyrus Claffey, '96 Outgoing president Michael Lenahan, '00
FRANCE: President Francois Brown de Colstoun, '03 (AXP-2) Outgoing president Francois Carliz, '66	PHOENIX: President Molly Ann Haney, '00 Outgoing president Barry Lutz, '02
HONG KONG: Co-Presidents Alfred Leung, '05 (AXP-4), & William Liu, '03 (AXP-2) Outgoing president Christine Yu, AB '00	RUSSIA: President Alina Gutkina, '98 (EXP-3) Outgoing president Viatcheslav Davidenko, '03 (EXP-8)
INDONESIA: President Ilham Habibie, '03 (AXP-2) Outgoing president David Waworuntu, '05 (AXP-4)	SINGAPORE: President Lito Vicencio, '05 (AXP-4) Outgoing president Greg Eckstein, '03 (AXP-2)
JAPAN: President Kazuhiko Tahara, '89 Outgoing president Michimasa Soga, '96	TAIWAN: President Corey Lien, '06 (AXP-5) Outgoing president Jeson Liu, '03 (AXP-2)

GSB On Demand



The school recently launched the Chicago GSB Podcast Series, which lets subscribers receive audio files of prominent speakers who visit the GSB. By visiting ChicagoGSB.edu/podcast, alumni can access thought-provoking alumni roundtable discussions and distinguished speaker presentations at their convenience.

This fall, the GSB will launch Webcasts and on-demand video, where alumni can watch coverage of select GSB speakers and events online. On-demand video will be available after an event for convenient viewing, and select events will also be available via live Webcast. Announcements of upcoming Webcasts and recently-posted on-demand videos will be available at ChicagoGSB.edu/alumni and announced in the e-newsletters sent monthly to alumni.

"Alumni know they will hear world-changing ideas from the GSB," said **Chris Iannuccilli**, executive director of marketing. "The GSB Podcast Series and on-demand style delivery vehicles give them both the access and the flexibility to reconnect with the GSB whenever it works best for them."—T.A.P.

ON THE WEB To download podcasts, visit ChicagoGSB.edu/podcast.

Record Gift and Spring Launch Mark Year End for Class of 2006

Members of the class of 2006 not only made a record-breaking donation to the GSB, they also received a boost from the school via the Spring Launch. To prepare the newest alumni, the Office of Alumni Affairs and Development hosted the 10-day event for graduates of the Full-Time MBA Program. Dean **Edward Snyder** welcomed them to the alumni community during the kickoff event at Rockefeller Memorial Chapel. "One of the true gifts of being part of the Chicago GSB global community is the opportunity to get to know so many extraordinary people on both a professional and personal level," he said. "I know that I speak for you in expressing my sense of gratitude and the sense of wonderful privilege in being part of this group."

In the week that followed, students participated in seminars aimed at preparing them to be successful their first 100 days in the workforce. They also reflected on their experience at the GSB and discovered how the school can help them. "Spring Launch was a great way for me to see how the GSB and our network can help me post-MBA," said **Suzy Davidkhanian, '06**. "The weeklong programming also gave me the chance to apply some of the concepts from my academic experience to real-world scenarios. And the kickoff speeches gave me the opportunity to reflect on my two years here."



Beth Rooney

Giving and Getting: Before convocation, the class of 2006 raised more than \$290,000 for the GSB and attended the Spring Launch, a new program that gave them a boost for their first 100 days on the job.

Before they officially joined the ranks of alumni, students indicated strong support of the GSB. With 90 percent participating, the class of 2006 donated more than \$290,000, the most money ever generated by any class in any program—C.G.

The Global Leadership Series

Furthering the dialogue worldwide

GLS events are an opportunity for members of the international business community to gather, learn, and share valuable insights into career issues they face daily. These presentations aim to spark topical, challenging, and enlightening discussions.

Please join us at one of these upcoming events:

November 16, 2006: London
Business speaker: Sanjiv Ahuja, CEO, Orange

November 28, 2006: Dubai
November 29, 2006: London
November 30, 2006: Paris

Faculty speaker: Harry Davis, Roger L. and Rachel M. Goetz Distinguished Service Professor of Creative Management, Chicago GSB

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