



The Network

January General Body Meeting Issue

Welcome Back Wharton Women!

Dear Members,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back after what I hope was a restful and relaxing winter break. Last year, we saw many changes in both the political and business climates of our country. However, with these great challenges also comes new opportunities. But it will be more important than ever to hone your skills and differentiate yourselves as dedicated and intelligent young women. Let Wharton Women be the vehicle that helps you grow and develop in this ever changing world, and it will be my pledge to you, that I will work tirelessly to ensure that this organization provides you with all of the resources you need to succeed. Let me know if there is anything that I can do to make this the best year it can possibly be.



Sincerely,
Grace McGregor, President

The Secrets of OCR

For many juniors, OCR (On Campus Recruitment) is just around the corner! Here is some advice from current Wharton Women seniors.

1. Be a Know-It All

"Be prepared (for both technical and qualitative questions) - know the company you're interviewing for, know the position you're interviewing for, and know your resume."

-Jessica Leung, Recruited by Merrill Lynch

2. Put it in Perspective

"Do NOT let OCR become or determine your life. People have let [it] destroy...friendships, and their self-worth...A VERY small percentage of Penn students actually get jobs/ internships through OCR. Do not let your success in OCR...restrict your thoughts about what you can accomplish in the future. Stay positive, especially during this crazy economy."

-Rahima Dosani, Recruited by Diamond Management and Technology Consultants

3. Keep Your Options Open

"Extend your job search outside of companies recruiting through OCR. Taking the initiative to look for other internships is a good back-up and exposes you to other great companies. There are many out there that do not have the resources to visit many schools but would love to have a great intern from Penn."

-Megan Myers, Recruited by Kohl's Department Stores

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January and February Events



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18	19	20: General Body Meeting, Room 240, 6:30 PM	21 APT Case Workshop, JMHH G88, 5-6 PM	22	23	24
25	26 Blackrock Event, TBA, 4-6 PM	27	28	29	30 UBS Site Visit, 8:30 AM-5:30 PM	31
1	2	3: Freshman Ritz Carlton Chocolate Buffet, 7-9 PM	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11: Freshman Buddies Bowling, Strikes, 7 PM	12	13	14
15	16: Freshman Power Yoga-Works, 5:30-7 PM	17	18	19	20: WW Business Conference, Inn at Penn, 9-5 PM	21
22	23	24: Freshman City Food Tours, 5-7 PM	25	26	27	28

Member Spotlight: Elyse Sholk, W'11

Each issue one WW member will be interviewed to better create a community of talented female students!

By Alison Rapaport



Q:How have you been involved with Wharton Women?

A: I joined Wharton Women as an incoming freshman. In the past year and a half, I have attended so many events including Business 101, the Etiquette Dinner, Dressing for Success, and the Annual Dinner. During the Fall I volunteered at the DollarDiva Conference and served as a Freshman Buddies Mentor. Currently, I am one of the Logistics Chairs for the upcoming 2009 Wharton Women Business Conference, "Rising Above the Economic Crisis."

Q:What is your favorite Wharton Women event?

A: Although I believe that the Business Conference is one of the most valuable programs Wharton Women has to offer, I am a huge fan of Wharton Women's recent trip to Manhattan to meet Tory Burch at her studio and the President of Saks.com at Saks Fifth Avenue corporate headquarters. As someone with a love for fashion, but also a genuine interest in pursuing a career in retail, I found the day to be incredibly eye-opening and fun.

Q:What other activities do you do at Penn?

A: I am the Vice-President of my sorority Sigma Delta Tau, the co-chair of the University Honor Council, and a member of the International Affairs Association.

Q:What is your favorite memory at Penn?

A: I would definitely have to say that the 2008 primary season marked one of my favorite memories at Penn, especially the Clinton rally held at the Palestra. An ardent Clinton supporter (even to this day), I was so excited to hear Hillary, Bill, and Chelsea all speak in front of a huge roaring crowd.