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“Career Q&A w/ PDC”

1. What, where, when and how was this professional development seminar about? 5-6 sentences

The Career Question and Answer seminar was an opportunity for students to ask questions that pertain to anything career related. Faculty then provided students with all the knowledge and were very detailed with their responses. This seminar took place via Zoom on March 23, 2023 at 1:00pm to 2:00pm. The seminar was advertised on the Handshake app where students were able to register and join via the zoom link.

2. What did you learn by attending this seminar in detail? 5-6 sentences

When attending this online seminar, faculty, Nelly Lliguichscha, Andrea Baker, and Christopher Millington provided very important information that other students and I would need for the near future, also as I am getting ready to graduate. They provided attachments like “How to Create An Elevator Pitch?” which strictly focuses on making sure that one is able to create a short introduction that highlights one’s experiences and skills in order to spark the interest of a recruiter and to get the conversation started to move on to the next step, which would be an interview or a connection. The Professional Development Center also went over their appointment schedules and informed individuals that they are available to work one on one by appointment. They help with exploring majors, interests, values, creating LinkedIn profiles, resumes, cover letters, interview preparations, mock interviews, and graduate school advising. The resources provided will definitely be a tool in which I will be using after graduating!

3. How did this professional development seminar enhance your career moving forward? (5-6 sentences)

This seminar enhanced my career because it showed me that in order to perfect things, it will take some time. Students asked questions that even I didn’t think of asking, which was helpful. Also, it mainly taught me to ask questions. I was very hesitant in asking questions before, but I have been stepping out of the bubble and becoming more comfortable in asking questions in order to really understand whatever it is I am trying to know. Additionally, this taught me that I will have access to the Handshake app after graduation as well, which would really come in handy just in case if I am looking for other opportunities.

4. What would you tell other students about this seminar and why should they attend? (5-6 Sentences)

I would highly encourage students to engage in these types of seminars because it provides amazing resources for them. Not only this, but it can inform them on things that they didn’t know and can look more into. Those who asked questions got a brief and informative answer. Additionally, I would highly encourage students to ask all the questions they have. It is important to ask because assuming is never the answer