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The Alumni Association Gets Animated!

The Alumni Association is proud to serve more than 150,000 Drexel graduates around the world. Take the next 90 seconds and check out this brand new animated video, highlighting just some of the many ways we're here to support and celebrate our awesome alumni! We hope you enjoy what you see and proudly share it with your fellow Dragons!

Alumni Spotlight

Azfer Saeed, Business Administration '06

As an international student from Pakistan, Azfer Saeed needed to find an employer who would sponsor his work visa after graduation. It would take over a year, and a great deal of hard work, but Saeed finally got his visa sponsorship in late 2007 and was working.

There was just one problem. He found himself in an IT role that was, for him, boring and unfulfilling. "At that point, I had to figure out what I really wanted to do with my life," he says. "And life has a funny way of working out. There was something better in store for me that I didn't realize at the time."



Saeed eventually took a new job as a product specialist for a company called GlobalSubmit, where he marketed and sold pharmaceutical software to the life sciences industry and government agencies. While there, Saeed was part of a website redesign project which ignited in him an interest in analytics and digital marketing. >>

Save the Date for the 5th Annual Alumni Global Night of Networking!



Celebrate Drexel through the decades with the Alumni Association!

During May and June, flashback with us and experience Drexel as it was in the 1980s. Click here for a snapshot of music, fashion, and Drexel moments that helped to shape the decade



Download the Alumni Association App

The Drexel University Alumni Association is now available for your mobile device! Download the Drexel Alumni Association app by clicking one of the buttons below for the easiest way to



The Alumni Global Night of Networking will be held on Wednesday, October 7 2015. We hope you'll save the date and join us for this exciting alumni event, taking place in more than 30 cities around the world and online! Registration and more information will be available in the upcoming weeks, so stay tuned. In the meantime, please share with us your feedback from previous GNN's. What did you enjoy the most? What would you like to see changed? We want to know how we can make this year the best one yet! As well, we want to know what you'd like to see on the Virtual Site. What kinds of talks, tours, programs would be most

interesting to you? Share your feedback and ideas at alumni@drexel.edu.

Drexel is London Bound Next Week

Join Frank Linnehan, dean of the LeBow College of Business, and fellow alumni at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 25, for a festive gathering at Conrad London St. James. Hear updates from campus and get to know other members of the Drexel community who live and work near you. Enjoy complimentary fine wines and delicious canapés, hosted by Ravi Shankar, MBA '88.

For more information and to register, contact Fanny Chu-Fong, executive director Alumni Relations at fcf@drexel.edu.

In Case You Missed It: Senior Class Toast with President Fry





The Senior Class Toast, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and Student Affairs, was held on Monday, June 8, in the Great Court of Main Building. Nearly 500 graduating seniors came for the celebration, where Ira Taffer, chair of the Alumni Association, and President Fry raised a glass to the graduating class and shared a few words.

"As soon as you walk across that stage next week, you will automatically become members of the Drexel Alumni Association, which is here to support you and keep you connected to the University and your classmates. Having

been in your shoes, I just want to leave you with a bit of advice: stay involved in the University and take advantage of the many resources the Alumni Association has to offer! Today it is my honor and privilege to congratulate you and officially welcome you into the Alumni Association," said Taffer.

See the World with the Alumni Travel Program

access our social media networks, events, photos, videos and more!





#ShareADragon Summer Photo Contest

This summer, the Alumni Association is all about showing our Drexel pride – in pictures! As you're relaxing at home or traveling on vacation, we want you to share a Dragon when you see a Dragon!

Snap a photo when you see something that reminds you of Drexel, or makes you feel pride in your alma mater and post it to Facebook, Twitter or Instagram with the hashtag #ShareADragon.

Welcome a Baby Dragon into your family? #ShareADragon!

Attend a wedding with classmates from your Drexel days? #ShareADragon!

Bump into someone sporting their blue and gold best? #ShareADragon!

Winners will be selected and given a prize every month in June, July and August!

#50Days50Giveaways

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram to see the item of the week. Everyone who likes, comments, shares or retweets the item on social media will be entered into a drawing for the prize. Be sure to use the hashtag: #50Days50Giveaways to play along!

Be on the lookout for this week's item, a reusable Drexel University water bottle!



Congratulations to **Diane Gerstein Remmel**, **BS '66** on winning last week's prize — a Father's Day pack including a tie and socks for dad and a bib and socks for baby!



"Here's the Drexel group from our tour in Provence, on the Rhine River in early May," said Bill Chatman '52. "It was a great trip with good company." Photographed from left to right are: Anita Torello Greenfield, BS '64; Gary Greenfield, BS '64; Howard Howe, BS '63, Katherine Dugan Howe, BS '64; Helen Chatman, Bill Chatman, BS '52; Kathleen Mullen Hewitt, BS '64, Cullen Hewitt.

As part of our commitment to lifelong learning, the Alumni Association offers unique group travel opportunities to Drexel graduates. To join our travel mailing list and receive information on our upcoming trips, email the Alumni Office at alumni@drexel.edu, and please include your name, class year and address.

A Message for Fashion Design and Design & Merchandising Alumni

The Business of Fashion is a respected British fashion publication that is doing a survey of fashion design programs worldwide, resulting in rankings of the top schools. Drexel's Fashion and Design & Merchandising programs already enjoy top rankings from other organizations and we very much want to be appropriately recognized in this new survey – and you can help! Please take a couple of moments to participate in the survey. All responses will be anonymous and you'll be eligible for a 100 British pound gift certificate from Matches Fashion.

We'd greatly appreciate if you'd participate in order for us to receive the recognition we feel we deserve, recognition that serves both current students and alumni. The deadline is Thursday, June 25. >>

Time and Hyper Lapse Video of Campus

Have you seen student Kaichen Hu's incredible time lapse and hyper lapse video of Drexel's campus yet? Hu spent more than 2 months – 100+ hours on photography and 200+ hours in post-production – creating the video which is titled "Drexel in Motion." The finished product consists of more than 8,000 photos to show the full scope of Drexel's

campus

Press play and enjoy, just make sure your speakers are on! >>



Alumni Career Services

June Brazen Careerist Virtual Networking Hour Open to All Alumni

On Tuesday, June 30, a general networking hour will be held featuring the following industry clusters: arts, media, and communications; business and economics; education, training, and social services; health sciences, nursing, medicine, and public health; public policy, government, law, and international development and affairs; and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Log-in and network from your computer or mobile device!

Career Columns by Drexel Alumni

Productivity Zone by Penny Zenker, BS '92 "What's Keeping You Out of the Productivity Zone?"

These are the two P's that are most likely keeping you out of the productivity zone: procrastination and perfectionism.



Leadership Unlimited by Terry Wall, MBA '97 "Effective Leadership: Two Steps to Harnessing the Energy of Core Values"

Wall explains how, even though we might disagree with them, those who display an unwavering commitment to core principles are greatly admired leaders.



Are You Involved in the Real Estate Industry?

A shared interest alumni group centered around the real estate industry is currently being organized, and all Drexel alumni who are involved in the industry are invited to participate. An initial networking event is being planned for fall, with potential future meetings including guest speakers, topic discussions, and site tours. If you are interested in networking and professional development opportunities related to the industry, please email alumni@drexel.edu so we can keep you informed.

Philadelphia Metro

We are planning Philadelphia-area alumni events for the summer right now. Stay tuned for more information!

Around the World

Alumni Networking Reception in Mayfair

Thursday, June 25, 2015 Conrad London St. James, London, United Kingdom Email fcf@drexel.edu to register

June Virtual Networking Hour: An

Alumni Career Services Event Tuesday, June 30, 2015 Online

Drexel Alumni Evening at Pageant of the Masters

Saturday, July 18, 2015 Tivoli Too and The Festival of Arts, Laguna Beach, Calif.

Colleges & Schools

Drexel Cybersecurity Institute Symposium with David Whipple: **Innovating Securely**

Wednesday, June 24, 2015 3401 Market Street, Drexel University, Philadelphia

Leadership Matters with Mayor Michael Nutter and LeBow

Wednesday, July 29, 2015 Gerri C. LeBow Hall, Drexel University, Philadelphia

Campus & Community

Animal Grossology Exhibit

Now through Thursday, August 30, 2015

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia

Mega-Bad Movie Night: Deep Blue Sea

Thursday, July, 23, 2015 The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia

Drexel University Alumni and Friends Tour with Women's **Basketball Team**

Wednesday, Aug. 19 to Saturday, Aug. 29, 2015 Various European Cities

September Academy Explorers Camp

Monday, Sept. 21 through Thursday, Sept. 24, 2015 The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University, Philadelphia



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