

August Meeting

- Career Based Event - October (meet as a team again towards the middle to end of September to confirm program). Plan to host it after Fall Break.
- Study abroad event - Spring classes start 1/25
 - Will host the event the first week of February
 - Point is to celebrate those who went abroad and are now back
 - Opportunity to highlight the success of their time away and market Study Abroad to other class years
 - Suggested co-sponsor with Class of 2026 and Class of 2027 APAs & Study abroad liaisons
- Major/minor certification video (passive program) or drop-in hours or both

September Meeting 9/26

- Drop in hours for major certification
 - Major semester planning
 - Help people with spreading out courses for major
 - Early-mid Spring semester
- Career Event
 - Second week of november 6
 - 4:30pm-6pm
 - Email peer career advisors
 - GCC
 - Peer Career Advisor <pca@wesleyan.edu>
 - Rachel Munafo <rmunafo@wesleyan.edu>
 - LOR emails to profs
 - Etson presenting on resumes, LOR, emails, etc
 - Peer advisors there
 - Time management, organization, emails

Meeting with PCAs 10/12

- Different Topics for collaboration
 - Internship Opportunities
 - Internships outside of campus
 - Academics on campus
 - Note-taking skills + time management
 - When you applied, when you should hear by, etc.
 - Connecting your major to a job that is outside of major
 - Time management for Academics and Job Search/Internships
 - Internships with academics?
 - Networking
 - How do you take notes on networking
 - Organize yourself career-wise
 - Academic credit for internships
 - Summer grant

- Has to be related to major, think creatively about what they can do
 - “Late in the process” dealing with imposter syndrome
 - Involving the freshman and sophomore
- Event Details:
 - Style of event
 - Presentation? Panel? Mix of events?
 - Location - GCC Olson Commons
 - Date - November 13th Monday
 - Next meeting - October 26th
 - Actions items: outline for presentation

Meeting 10/25

- Event prep
 - Make a google sheets template for organizing internship materials/deadlines
 - Email template, freq used phrases
 - Helping with emails (etiquette, follow up emails, responding to rejection emails)
 - Reaching out to profs for LOR
 - Time management
 - Balancing assignments and applications
 - Connecting to other campus resources
- 10/26 Meeting Points
 - Where the overlap is and how we navigate
 - Decide meeting format
 - Drop-in hours? Panel?
 - Determining who speaks when
 - Potential time markers for separate sections of event

PCA Meeting 10/26

- Work on making digital flier of digital resources we would have
 - Could use already made PTS and APA digital fliers
- Make template for spreadsheets/emails
- Filling out slides
- By next meeting
 - Finish slideshow
 - Review slideshow
 - Make comments on PCA slideshow

January Retreat 1/24

- Study abroad event
 - Aiming for second week of February
 - Follow-up meeting with Dean Dunn: next week (last week of Jan)
 - Tentative date: Tuesday, February 20th 4:30-6pm
 - Hold in Fries Center for Global Studies

- Panel with juniors who went abroad (circle seating environment makes it feel less formal) 4-5 people that did different programs
 - Celebrating class of '25 students returning from abroad
 - Sharing experiences & anecdotes
 - Collab w/ class of '26 & study abroad liaison groups
 - Prep some general framing questions
 - Ex: what do you wish you would have known before going abroad?
 - Order take out (ask about budget)
 - Coordinate with study abroad office (Miko)
- Major certification video?
 - Can we have a (fake) example student we can use to make the video?
 - If not, should we do drop-in hours instead?
- What I wish I knew before senior year
 - Thesis
 - Asking to be an advisor, staying on track, etc
 - Spreadsheet for time management
 - Major requirements
 - Make sure all courses you need to graduate are/will be fulfilled
 - Dealing with senioritis

Hi Dean Dunn,

We hope you had a great winter break!

Today, we discussed some more details about the study abroad event. We were thinking about having it around the third week of February to give us some time to appropriately prepare for the event. We envision having an informal panel/sharing circle in the Fries Center for Global Studies where the students can share their stories and experiences abroad. This event could serve as an opportunity to celebrate the student's time abroad while also promoting study abroad in general for the younger classes.

As for the other events, we discussed the possibility of making a major certification video or host drop-in hours for students with questions. We also had an idea of having a "What I wish I knew before senior year" workshop that could help juniors transition into their final year at Wes.

Here are the notes that we took in case you would like to take a look:

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 - Have them share their favorite picture
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 - Prep some general framing questions
 - Ex: what do you wish you would have known before going abroad?
 - Order take out (ask about budget)
 - Coordinate with study abroad office (Miko)
 - Create a flier for the event!
- Major certification video?
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 - Dealing with senioritis
 - Motivation, work ethic, self care
 - Work with WesWell

We were wondering if it was possible to meet sometime next week to talk about these events. Please let us know when you are available!

We're so excited to continue working with you this semester!

Best,
Daniel, Natalia, and Miko

Meeting 2/18

What I wish I knew before senior year

- Interviewing seniors about each of the topics
- Each topic has its own video
 - Aiming for 2-3 videos
 - About 30-45 seconds
- Topics
 - General Advice
 - Thesis
 - Major Requirements
 - Dealing with senioritis

- Post-grad planning
 - Grad school
 - Job search
 - Gap years
- Rope in senior APAs and their friends
 - Student athletes
 - Students doing a thesis
 - students applying to grad school
 - students applying to jobs
 - students who applied to fellowships
 - Students taking gap years
- Reach out to Cate to see about Wes_alum tiktok
- Reach out to at least 3 seniors
 - Daniel: reach out to senior APAs
- Videos
 - 1. General advice/Senioritis (doesn't have to be very academic)
 - Collab with Wes_alum tiktok and Cate
 - 2. Thesis
 - 3. Post-grad

Video Series Meeting 3/31

- General advice (Cate) - video 1
- Reach out to Cate about video details (when, where, etc.)
 - Q&A: what I wish I knew before senior year
- Thesis advice - video 2
 - Main question: Do you have any advice for people starting a thesis?
 - Advisor?
 - Timelines?
 - Resources?
- Talking to your freshman year self - video 3
 - What academic/general advice would you give to your freshman self
- Potential seniors
 - APAs
- Ideal to ask different group of seniors for each vid
- Natalia buy mini mic
- Have videos filmed by 4/13