



Spring Networking Event

The Rio Grande Alumni Chapter sponsored a Spring Networking Get-together on Wednesday, April 7th. Alumni as well as several guests attended. The event was hosted at Black Angus. Another event will be scheduled for the fall.



Alumni: Julianna Sutherland, Melissa Garner, Maria Applezola, Jack Bishop, Ellen Taylor, Bob Rider, Trudy Mueller
Susan Switzer, Caroline Lwali and Jennifer Sullo.

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Monday–Thursday 9:00am–6:00pm Friday 9:00am–Noon

Metro Computer Lab
(Office staff must be present)
Monday–Thursday 9:00am- 10:00pm Friday 9:00am - Noon

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Webster Calendar

- Registration Open -Summer Term ... Apr 12
- Webster Night @ Isotopes Apr 16
- Graduation Dinner May 7
- Spring II Term Ends May 14
- Commencement May 15
- Summer Term Begins..... May 31
- Closed - Memorial Day May 31
- Closed - Independence Day July 5
- Summer Term Ends July 30



Condolences
Our deepest sympathies go to Ellen Driber-Hassall and her family on the death of her mother-in-law.



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A NEWSLETTER FOR THE COMMUNITY OF WEBSTER UNIVERSITY-ALBUQUERQUE

Job Search: Using Headhunters as a Strategy

It's a wonderful thought: that someone might just call you up and end your job-search woes forever. Let's face it, landing a job today takes a lot of creativity and it is a full time engagement. How well are you leveraging your network? Have you used any of your contacts to approach a headhunter?

There is no doubt that headhunters play an important role in getting your foot in the door for an interview. However, to grab their attention, unsolicited calls or resumes are not the way to approach them. According to industry experts, getting a recommendation is one sure way for a headhunter to pay attention to you. Recommendations show that others trust your work and they have confidence in your abilities. LinkedIn, an online business oriented social network, is pretty much the central marketplace these days. A lot of recruiters are addicted to it, and the recruiting industry is evolving around it.

Professionally speaking, a LinkedIn profile is an essential tool in your career kit. Once you have set up your profile, go through your comprehensive contact list, carefully deciding who you want to join your network. Ask yourself who you can trust to help you achieve your career goals. This network creates a pool of people who can make vital recommendations. Do not be shy to ask if they know any recruiters and to pass your name along to them for consideration. Additionally, ask your network to recommend you for consulting work. This type of work will keep you engaged, and widen the circle of people who are familiar with your work and hey, it may lead to other opportunities you had not previously considered. The bottom line - stay creatively engaged!

WANTED BOOK DONATIONS



Spring cleaning? Wondering what to do with all those novels using up space around the house? The Rio Grande Alumni Chapter is collecting used books (no textbooks) from now through September 1. The books will be sold at a book fair later this year. Proceeds will benefit the chapter and Albuquerque Reads. You may drop off your donated books at either Webster site. For more details contact:

Caroline Lwali: 292-6988 or carolinelwali92@webster.edu



Congratulations Graduates!

2010 Commencement Ceremony

Saturday, May 15th
KiMo Theatre
Keynote address by
Mr. Marvis J. Aragon, Jr.
Deputy Secretary
New Mexico Department
of Indian Affairs.



Students, faculty, alumni, staff and friends welcome.

University News

A Message from the Director



Commencement is upon us once again. This time of year brings about a mixed bag of emotions, but overwhelmingly the one that stands out the most is a great sense of pride in our graduates.

As I grapple with some parting words of wisdom, an important thought comes to mind—After all the celebrating is over, take time to do some life planning.

Your life plan should cover what you would like to do and accomplish, your career desires, your spiritual goals, your family/social plans, and how you plan to support your life dreams.

By support I mean are you surrounding yourself with people who care about you, are you sharing your ideas with others, are you putting your plans into actions?

Life planning is a powerful process in thinking about your ideal future and for motivating yourself to turn this vision of your future into reality.

It has been an honor for Webster to be a part of your journey in obtaining your graduate degree.

I congratulate all our 80 eligible graduates on your achievement. Know that you are now a member of Webster University's family no matter where life takes you. Best of luck.

*Ellen Driber-Hassall
Senior Director*

FINANCIAL AID UPDATE

Students who wish to receive financial aid in the 2010-2011 academic year need to renew their FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov and submit a Webster Financial Aid Form to Adrienne. This form can be found online at <http://admissions.webster.edu/admissions/finaid/graduate.asp> or in Adrienne's office.

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Mon 10am - 12pm

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Fri 9am - 11am

**SUMMER
Registration
Now Open**

News from HQ

Mobile Phone Plan Discounts

Through a University agreement, the following discounts are available on cell phone plans.

AT&T

Students can receive a 7% discount on services. Staff & Faculty can receive a 15% discount on services. To receive the discount you can either shop online, on the phone or in an AT&T store. Your discount will automatically be applied when equipment is ordered through this online site. <http://www.att.com/wireless/websterfaculty>
Phone # 866-499-8008
For telephone and in-store purchases, you will need proof of your Webster affiliation (Webster email, ID Card or Check Stub) and the Webster Account Number: Faculty/Staff: 70059 Students: 2572547

Notes for AT&T:

- If you are currently an AT&T customer please call the telephone number listed above or go to www.wireless.att.com/discounts to receive the discount on your monthly bill.
- You MUST use your Webster email as the primary email address on the account.
- A one-time \$36 fee will be charged to new customers and customers changing their service.
- Percentage discount is on PRIMARY voice line and all data packages for the Webster user's account.
- Percentage discount is on monthly service charge ONLY, however special discounts and offers are available on the Webster AT&T wireless site listed above.
- Discounts may not apply on all plans.

Sprint

Faculty, Staff & Students can receive a 15% discount on services. To receive the discount you can either shop online, on the phone or in a Sprint store. <http://www.sprint.com/websteruniversity>
Phone # 866-866-7509
For telephone and in-store purchases, you will need proof of your Webster affiliation (Webster email, ID Card or Check Stub) and the Webster Discount Code: GAUNV_WEB_ZZZ

Notes for Sprint:

- If shopping in-store or by phone a \$35 activation/change fee will be charged.
- Discount is to Voice & Data plans on ALL lines associated with the Webster users' account.
- Free activation & shipping included when shopping via the website link above.
- You MUST use your Webster email as the primary email address on the account.
- Discounts may not apply on all plans.

T-Mobile

Faculty, Staff & Students can receive a 6% discount on services. To receive the discount you can either shop on the phone or in a T-Mobile store. Phone #: 1-800-866-2453
To receive the discount when shopping by phone you will need to use your @webster.edu email address Store Purchases
When shopping in a T-Mobile store you will need to show proof that you are a Webster University faculty, staff or student. Valid forms of ID are Webster ID cards and pay stubs.

Notes for T-Mobile:

- If shopping in-store or by phone the activation fee will be waived for new T-Mobile Customers
- Discount is to Voice & Data plans on ALL lines associated with the Webster users' account.

News You Could Use

Online Registration

Registration is accessible through the *Connections* portal at webster.edu.

To register you will need your *Connections* user name and a password. If you do not have this information contact the **Help Desk at 866-435-7270**. They will mail it to your home address.

FINANCIAL AID

Contact Adrienne Bertrand for information. 292-6988

FAFSA School Code

002521

GRADE LETTERS

Students who **NEED** a letter confirming their grades for their employers, **must** request a grade letter by signing up. Sign up lists are at both sites beginning week 7.