



STUDENT CONNECTION NEWSLETTER

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Capstone Course Registration

Capstone courses is typically taken during the last semester of the program and can only be taken after completion of all common core courses on the student's study plan. An application and approval is required before a student may register for ACCT8965, ECON4900, MGMT4900, MGMT8900, MIS8979, MIS8989, and MIS8999. Download the form in the myGSU portal or contact your advisor if you have questions.

Welcome Spring 2022 and COB's 2 new Academic Advisors!

Lauren Lewis is originally from the southwest suburbs of Chicago and, after moving around the Midwest for many years, she is thrilled to be back in the area. Lauren received a BA in Political Science from the University of Iowa, an MA in Political Science from the University of Memphis, and a PhD in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Before coming to Governors State, she was an advisor and instructor at Indiana State University in the Applied Health Science department. Lauren has a passion for ensuring that all students have access to high-quality, equitable educational opportunities, and she looks forward to utilizing her skills and knowledge to support students at GSU. She encourages her students to make appointments with her each semester. Lauren is the undergraduate advisor for Business Administration (last names A-L), as well as Nursing and Health Informatics.

Selena Musleh completed her M.A. in Higher Education Leadership at North Central College in 2020. She is also an Alumni to Governors State University as she received her Bachelors in Psychology here at GSU in 2019. While studying at GSU, she did work on campus as a Student Transition Assistant. Being so involved on campus and with the students led Selena to find her passion for Higher Education. After completing her Master's degree, Selena worked for Chamberlain University as a Student Support Advisor. Within that position, she was able to get hands on experience assisting students in overcoming challenges to succeed in their education. Selena's primary objective is for all students to succeed. She plans to work towards the objective by establishing strong relationships with her students and providing them with support. As a first generation student herself, Selena understands the obstacles students are faced to conquer and how support systems through these obstacles contribute to success. Selena is the undergraduate advisor for Economics, Manufacturing Management, Business and Applied Science, and Business Administration (last names M-Z).

REGISTRATION for SUMMER AND FALL classes starts on Monday March 14th. Register early for a good schedule and the classes you prefer!

Internships for Academic Credit!

The value of a solid internship offers many benefits: work experience, on-the-job training, networking, professional contacts, a plus on your resume, and maybe even a job offer. Internships are career-based learning experiences that involve a “real world” work environment and standard workplace expectations.

The Career and Internships webpage (<http://www.govst.edu/cob-internships/>) provides the information and tools you need to start the process. You will find the COB Internship Guide, a “how to” locate an internship, tips on interviewing, appropriate dress, networking, resume examples, and student success stories.

To apply for an internship, follow the steps on the Career and Internships page. The Internship Form is located in the COB Student Handbook or download the form: <http://www.govst.edu/COB-Intern-Form/>

COB Student Organizations

Students are encouraged to take advantage of the many clubs and organizations that exist at Governors State University. These clubs provide students with the opportunity to meet others with the same majors or special interests.

Accounting/Finance/Economics:

Dr. Chevonne Alston, calston@govst.edu
Dr. Muchait Kochan, mkochan@govst.edu

Supply Chain, APICS-The Association for Operations Management:

Dr. Tricia Kerns, tkerns@govst.edu
Dr. John Simon, jsimon@govst.edu

Beta Gamma Sigma (by invitation, see your myGSU portal for information):

Dr. Karen Janko, kjanko@govst.edu

Human Resources:

Dr. Chelsea Vanderpool, cvanderpool@govst.edu
Dr. Stephen Wagner, swagner2@govst.edu

Management Info Systems:

Jeffrey Alfano, jalfanog@govst.edu
Dr. Katherine Carl, kcarl@govst.edu

International Business:

Dwight Floyd, dfloyd@govst.edu

The majority of organizations are related to academic programs, while others support a variety of social and special interests however, new clubs and organizations may be formed by any group of seven or more students. For information or assistance, contact Jaguar Connection at [student clubs and organizations](#).

Assurance of Learning

The College of Business at GSU maintains an ongoing systematic assessment process of continuous improvement in which student work, in both undergraduate and graduate programs, is evaluated to determine the extent to which student-learning outcomes have been met in each program. Students play an important role in this well-documented process that is focused on improving the academic experience of our students. Dr. John Simon’s Assessment results of COB’s Assurance of Learning (AOL) process can be found on our webpage at www.govst.edu/AOL/

SPRING 2022 Career Events/Workshops

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

Meet & Greet

Hall of Governors

Career Services Team

10 a.m. / 12 p.m. / 2 p.m.

The career services team will be hosting a meet and greet providing coffee & cookies to students to introduce the new team, promote all the spring events and have students follow the team on new social media platforms/Handshake.

Thursday, January 20, 2022

Diversity in the Workplace?

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m96695d3c5ecb3feeaf4a0fb13dfbe168>

Understanding the importance of diversity is important in today’s world. This workshop will help students understand the topic and how to ensure that diversity is being promoted in the workplace.

Tuesday, February 1, 2022

Handshake 101

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m7c5f9c88dd56890a69966dadabb905a8>

Students will be guided through a workshop that goes over the essentials of using Handshake. We will cover how to apply for jobs, complete their profile and best practices for virtual career fairs.

Tuesday, February 3, 2022

Strategies on Interviewing in the

Virtual World & In person

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=ma9f6972dda1334c56f02e025a5b2fca7>

Interviewing can be overwhelming but don’t let it get the best of you. Come and learn how to create an environment for you to be successful in the interviewing process.

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Internships 101

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m591b4cc01cb1559670bc518db268df37>

Understand what internships are and how they can assist you in your professional journey.

Thursday, February 10, 2022

LinkedIn 101

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m81d030cf2d7fce0635b22a9a1a0faac0>

Looking to create a LinkedIn profile or just want some tips to enhance your current profile? Come learn some golden rules of LinkedIn profiles.

SPRING 2022 Career Events/Workshops, *continued*

Thursday, February 17, 2022

Kristy Mahal, *Career Counselor*

Maximizing your International Experience

2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m7d634a94264c1058847afbe2a2f8a289>

A workshop designed to help students market themselves, particularly their international experience, when looking for a job or applying to grad school.

Thursday, February 24, 2022

Joanne Rodriguez, *Employer Relations/Internship Specialist*

Internships 101

2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m0f64940a28cb3e6aba6ca768c0119b97>

Understanding what internships are and how they can assist you in your professional journey.

Thursday, March 3, 2022

Dartina Dunlap, *Career Counselor*

I am Graduating, Now What?

2 – 2:30 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m5b302b297c97584629032b7da1b00c05>

Now that your graduating here are a few steps that you should be taking to secure a position in your new career field.

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

Rosa Valdez-Mansilla, *AD of Career Services*

Spring 2022 Business Symposium

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=ma5b5489fdccb508e0ef129a9c9fa1de6>

College of Business students will learn about different career paths in the business fields such as Human Resources, Accounting/Finance, Marketing and Management. They will meet professionals and have the opportunity to connect with.

Thursday, March 17, 2022

Kristy Mahal, *Career Counselor*

Resumes and Cover Letters

2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m709f9a98cf44ed094e255be7be08294b>

Come learn the basics of a resume and cover letter to get you started on your job search.

Thursday, April 7, 2022

Rosa Valdez-Mansilla, *AD of Career Services*

Enhance Your Resume/Dress to Impress

2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m4bcd32e887893ee424d9cbbf4bafbb5e>

You have a resume already? Great! Let's make it presentable and ready for a Career Fair! Importance of updating, consistency, and presentation. Time to Dress to Impress. Learn and hear from the experts as what you should wear and how to impress the employers. It's all about the impression you make.

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

Career Services Team

Resume Rush!!

10 – 11:30 a.m. / 12 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. / 3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Computer Lab Room Pending

Drop in to have a second set of eyes review your resume. We will be hosting three sessions of resume reviews on the spot. Students do not need an appointment. Let's create, polish, or enhance your resume and make it stand out to catch the recruiters' attention. We will have all hands-on deck during these sessions.

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Rosa Valdez-Mansilla, *AD of Career Services*

How to Work a Career Fair

2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m6a827d496351da3a1f799fb97f145d90>

Learn to work a career fair, prepare strategies to engage with employers, create/enhance your Elevator Pitch! Now how to work the room and increase your chances to land that internship/career opportunity.

SPRING 2022 Career Events/Workshops, *continued*

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Spring 2022 Career Fair
Hall of Governors

Career Services Team
2 – 4:30 p.m.

Employers will be present on-campus providing information for internship/career opportunities for our students/alumni.

Thursday, April 26, 2022

Follow Up After a Career Fair/Job Interview

Rosa Valdez-Mansilla, *AD of Career Services*
2 – 3 p.m.

Virtual: <https://govst.webex.com/govst/j.php?MTID=m9e09f44001fb34b1c53df3f65f64840b>

Attended a Career Fair? now what? How and what should I say? Learn to how to follow up with a recruiter after a career fair, networking event and a job interview. We will provide you with the resources and tools needed to move through the interviewing process

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES FOR 2022

Spring 2022 Term Begins

Tuesday, January 18

Martin Luther King, University **Closed**

Monday, January 17

Spring & Summer 2022 Graduation Applications Due

Friday, February 4

President's Day, University **Closed**

Tuesday, February 22

Spring Break (no classes)

Monday, March 14 – Sunday March 20

Registration starts for Summer and Fall 2022

Monday, March 14

Spring 2022 Term Ends

Monday, May 9

Summer 2022 Term Begins

Monday, May 16

Memorial Day, University **Closed**

Monday, May 30

Independence Day, University **Closed**

Monday, July 4

Fall 2022 Term Begins

Monday, August 29

