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Beyond Wheaton

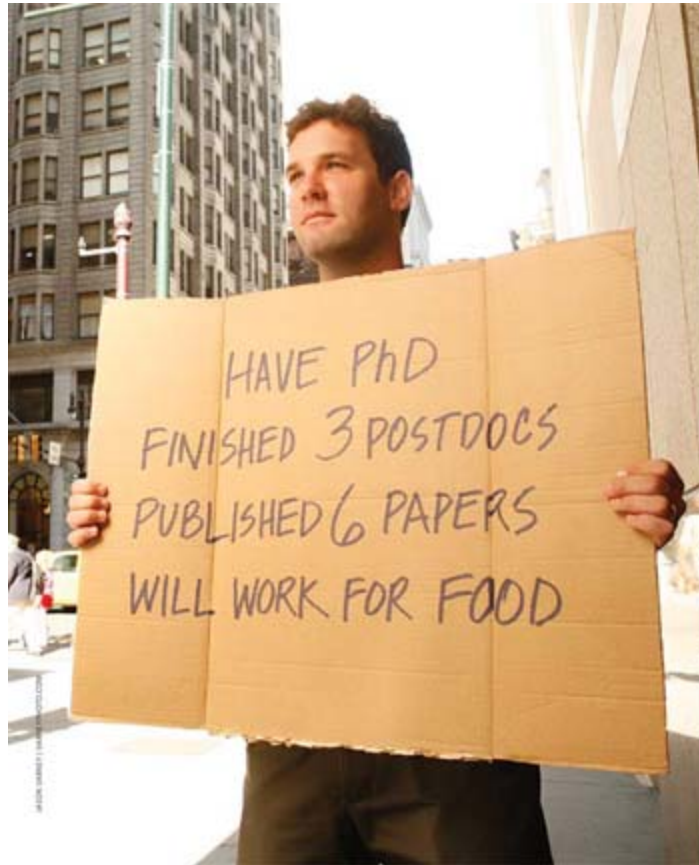
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Parent Partnerships

Your worst nightmare...



Or this...





- What kind of job can my child expect to get after graduation?
 - Can a person get a job with a liberal arts major?
- What kind of salary can they expect to make?
 - Can they get into a good grad program?

The Short Answers

- What kind of job can my child expect to get after graduation?

- Any entry level job in any field.

- What kind of salary can they expect to make?

- As much as the market will pay them.

- Can a person get a job with a liberal arts major?

- Absolutely. Employers don't really look at major when hiring. They look at a person's ability learn, think, communicate.

- Can they get into a good Grad Program?

- About 40% of our graduates go on to Grad School within 5 years of graduation.
- 55% overall.





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Source: US Bureau of Labor



More Statistics

- Upon Graduation, between 25-33% of Wheaton Students will have a job.
- After 6 months of graduation, there is only a reported 2% unemployment.
- After 5 years, there is less than 1% unemployment.
- After 10 years, there is less than 1% unemployment

Source: Annual Alumni Surveys 1997-2008



The Value of Liberal Arts

- Liberal Arts is Learning & Thinking
 - Communications, Research, Analysis
 - Critique, Synthesis, Creativity
- Liberal Arts are transferable
 - No need to retool for the next change.
 - Skills are important. But skills can be shifted off-shore.
 - The ability to learn and communicate is what is going to keep a person employable.
- Personal Experience
 - My Bachelors is in English Lit
 - Successfully took it to 6 Careers

Transferable Qualities

1. Communication skills
2. Work ethic/Character
3. Teamwork skills
(works well with others)
4. Initiative
5. Interpersonal skills
(relates well to others)
6. Problem Solving skills
7. Analytical skills
8. Flexibility
9. Computer skills
10. Technical skills
11. Detail-oriented
12. Organizational skills
13. Leadership skills
14. Self-confidence
15. Friendly/outgoing personality
16. Tactfulness
17. Creativity
18. Strategic planning
19. Entrepreneurial skills/risk-taker
20. Sense of humor

**National Assoc. of Colleges & Employers



Wheaton's got Jobs!

More often than not, I don't have students who want to apply for them!

Companies Recruiting



Networking Reception





Upon Graduating from
Wheaton College your
son or daughter will be
equipped to do anything
that God has
called them to do.



The Question is:
“What is God Calling
them to do?”

Change Gears

- Understanding Calling

- Understanding this Generation



Calling & Success

- Christians are not called upon to be Successful.

- Christians are called upon to be **FAITHFUL.**



Aspects of Calling

- God's Call is often not linear!
 - Need to go from A-M
- Entails listening and obeying
 - Hitting their Knees as they are hitting books!
 - Shutting off the technology in order to hear the still small voice
- Revealed over time
 - Not Instantly
 - We are formed by the Potter
- Purpose is determined by Calling
 - Chalk Board or Boardroom?
 - Mission Field or Soccer Field?





I tell you, open
your eyes and
look at the fields!
They are ripe for
harvest.

-- Jesus Christ

Introducing

The Millennials aka Generation Y



<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1018089,00.html>

This Generation: Profile

■ Generation Y or Millennial

- Raised in a Child Focused Family
 - Play Dates - lots of structured time
 - Ultra Affirmed
- Optimistic, confident, entitled
 - motivated by “purpose” and “authenticity”
 - Many Choices
- Techno-Savvy
 - Connected 24/7
 - Expects Instant Results/Feedback



This Generation: Values

- Family and Friends First
- Work is only for funding lifestyle
- Strong self identity
- Craves recognition
- Expects only to work 40 hours
 - High Entitlement
 - Requires Challenge & Change
 - Looks for schedule flexibility



Career Challenges

- Hard time committing
 - Fear to start the job search because it equates with commitment
- Expectation that the workplace needs to adapt to them
- May feel inadequately supported without constant feedback

= under employment/job switching





Parent Partnership

- Allow them to make mistakes
 - After all, you did! How did you learn?
 - What was your first job after college?
- The Value of Failure
 - Romans 5:8
- Point them in the right direction
 - Let them blunder
 - From there they will learn to soar!
- Trust in your own upbringing
- Entrust them to the Lord's care
 - Pray. Pray. Pray

Career Tool Shed

We're here to equip your student.



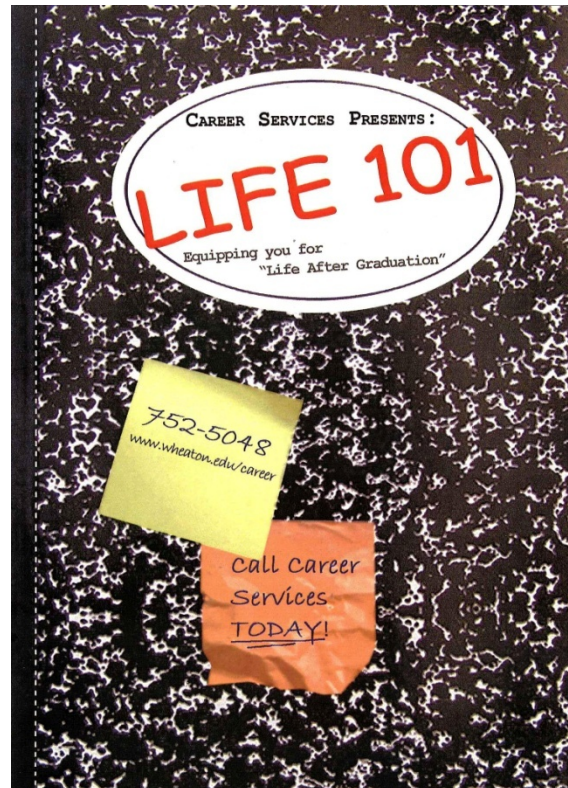
But we can't make them pick up the tools.



Tools and Resources

- Fully revamped website
www.wheaton.edu/career
- Mentoring & Networking
www.alumni.wheaton.edu
- Skills & Interests Assessment
- Counseling
- Career Events: Career Conversations
- Video Taped Mock Interviews
- Resume & Cover Letter Workshops
- Internships
- Job Postings
- On Campus Recruiting
- Life 101
- Study Abroad

Life 101 Curriculum



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Career Center

Participate in the Career Center to share business-related information with fellow Community members.

Mentoring

To participate in career mentoring online, first **enable your Mentor Profile**. If you are looking for a mentor you can **search** by occupation, location, or any number of other criteria. If you have questions or comments, please **contact us**. We hope to make this process more intuitive in the future, and apologize for any inconvenience in the meantime. Thank you.

[Search for Mentors](#)

Job Postings

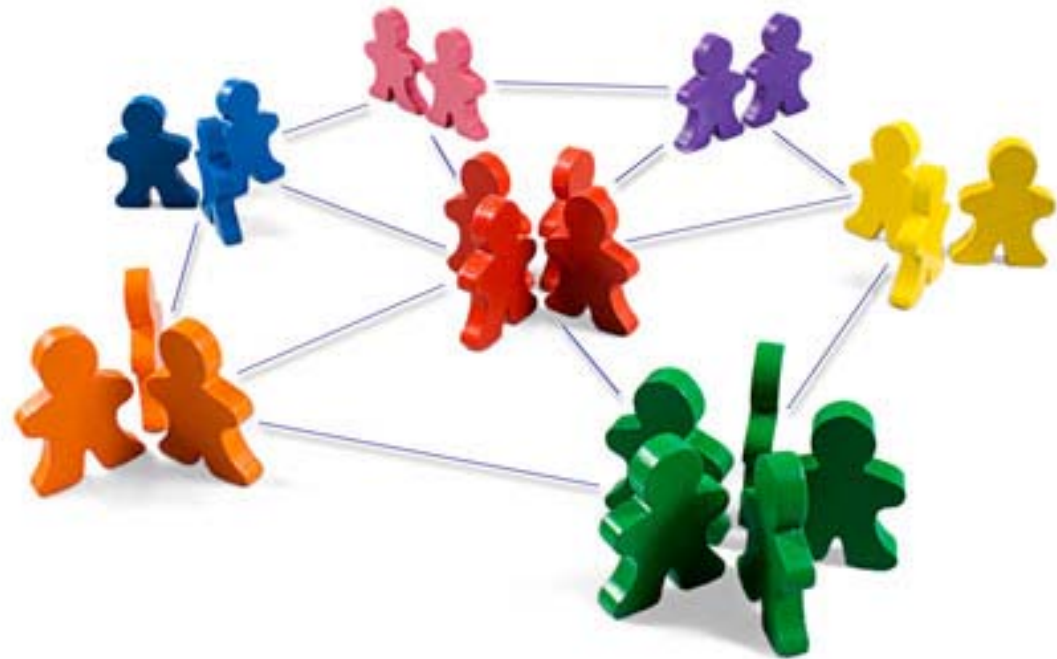
For job postings, please visit the Career Services website, and click on the ThunderLink button at the bottom of the page.

[Go to Career Services](#)

Career Services
Equipping you to

Done

Vision for Wheaton



Being a Parent is HARD





"For I know the plans
I have for you,"
declares the LORD,
"plans to prosper you and
not to harm you, plans
to give you hope
and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11