Hello, Mentors,

Happy Valentine's Day! By now, you should have received an emailed invitation to the March 8 Holmes Leadership Symposium. To attend our signature event, register at ou.edu/coe/symposium. Register a guest and share the invitation with friends and colleagues. Scroll down for more details on sessions and speakers, including some JHLP mentors!

Professional BEST

Last week, the Holmes Leadership Associates honed their interviewing and job-search skills at our first-ever Professional BEST event. Organized by JHLP Student Advisory Board members Brad Osborn, Thuli Seetsa, and Kandro Brown, the event featured mock interviews, resumed reviews, and professional dress tips. Rick Dubler of OU’s Career Services Office shared strategies for navigating a career fair. Mentors Mary Gravette, Matt Jones, Pedro Claudio, Jarrod Calhoun, JoAnn Meyer, David Ruyle, Trace Harmon Smith, and Meseawaya (BuLu) Telfer, along with Dr. Antone Kusmanoff, conducted the mock interviews. Trace and Meseawaya participated via Skype, giving HLAs a chance to practice an increasingly common method of long-distance interviewing. Visit our Facebook page for photos of mentors and HLAs in action.

Lunch with an Engineer

Our popular Lunch with an Engineer series continued on February 6. JoAnn Meyer, JHLP mentor and principal of Previse Consulting, talked with a small group of HLAs about their views on workplace diversity and inclusion. We always have room for more Lunch with an Engineer dates. If you'd like to share your experiences with HLAs in a small-group setting, email us.

Holmes Leadership Symposium: Pursuing Excellence through Innovation

Thursday, March 8, 2018, Oklahoma Memorial Union

Register and see the details at ou.edu/coe/symposium.

10:00 AM, Opening Remarks, Dean Tom Landers & Gen. Jerry Holmes

10:30 AM, Morning Breakout Sessions
- Student Workshop: Innovating Innovation, Sheree Havlik, Raytheon
- The Man Who Invented Hard Hats: Energy, Innovation, and the Golden Gate Bridge, Dave Bert, Chesapeake
- Panel: Leading Innovation. Moderated by Tom Wavering, OU Innovation Hub
  - Panelists: Pam Tucker, Utility Composites; Mike Wolfinbarger, Weather Decision Technologies; Martin Kempf, Allianz

12:00 PM, Lunch & Keynote Address, Go Baby Go: Collaboration for Radical Reality
Dr. Cole Galloway, Professor, University of Delaware

Effective mobility at home, work and play is a human right, yet assistive and rehabilitative technologies (A/RT) are often unavailable to the people who need them most. "Blue-collar futurist" Cole Galloway will discuss his vision for creating a radical yet feasible reality, where A/RT is user-designed, community-based and supports social mobility of every type, by everyone, everywhere, all the time. The first generation of such technology is available right now.

1:30 PM, Afternoon Breakout Sessions
- Student Workshop: Team Leadership, Kaz Karwowski, Rice Center for Engineering Leadership
- Innovation that Matters: For You and for the World, Michael Hollinger, IBM
- Panel: Young Engineering Alumni, moderated by Drew Harnish, ISE, Lockheed Martin
  - Panelists: Yaaminey Kunderu, ISE, Amazon; Lynn Ghose Cabrera, ChE, Excalibre Consulting; Ryan East, AME, NASA

3:00 PM, Closing Remarks & Reception
Join us after the symposium as we honor JHLP mentors and friends.

More Spring Events

April Holmes Leadership Associates Meeting
Tuesday, April 3, 6:30-8:30 PM, REPF 200
Topic: Invest for Your Future (Dr. Scott Moses)

HLA Senior Send-Off
Thursday, April 12, 6:00–8:00 PM, REPF 200
Mentors of graduating seniors are especially encouraged to attend.

See you at the Symposium!

Kim Wolfinbarger

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