Job change is a certainty, but it can mean different things at different points in your career. Whether that change is initiated by you or your organization, you can make this transition work to your advantage. We have collected some articles that explore this phenomenon and the best ways to move through it. As always, you have access to individual career counseling to assist you through this process.

We have a webinar coming up at the end of the month and Career Network Nights (CNNs) coming in January. An alum in NY wanted you let you know about a Patriot League Sales Recruiting Event for Google. Details are listed under Programs/Events.

Our website has undergone some changes and one of them is the inclusion of an online survey. We want feedback - how are we doing? Take this quick survey and let us know!

Know someone who would like to receive this newsletter? Feel free to pass it on or have them subscribe. Requests to receive Alumni Career Notes or for personal career assistance can be made at acs@bucknell.edu, (570) 577-1238 or through IM at bualumnicareer (Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon-2pm and Wednesdays from 4-6pm). We look forward to hearing from you!

Note: To access the resources located in myBucknell, the university’s portal, use the username and password that all alums were given in January 2005. If you don’t remember or can’t find yours, don’t worry – just contact the Alumni Office (570) 577-ALUM (2586) or mybucknell@bucknell.edu for help.

Alumni Career Services Staff

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Career Tip:
The 10-Step Plan to Career Change
by Randall S. Hansen, Ph.D.

How does it happen? Perhaps you just begin to lose interest. Perhaps you find something that interests you more. Perhaps your company is downsizing. These are just some of the numerous reasons people find themselves on that precipitous cliff looking back on their career just as the dirt begins to crumble beneath them. Are you facing that career change plunge? Do you wish you were? Take it slowly and make sure what you really want to do is change careers. Then use this 10-step plan, and you will be on much more sure footing -- and on a path toward career change success. Finally, remember that career change is a natural life progression; most studies show that the average job-seeker will change careers (not jobs) several times over the course of his or her lifetime. Read More
Additional Resources:
www.careerjournal.com/jobhunting/huntingabroad/20060502-needleman.html - How to score a job transfer overseas.
www.miami.com/mlm/miamiherald/business/special_packages/business_monday/15587145.html - Navigating the job transfer to your best advantage.
http://www.net-temp.com/careerdev/index.htm?type=topics&topic=layoff&op=cd-list - Page of links to articles on how to handle layoffs/job changes
http://www.askmen.com/money/career/38_career.html - Article about what needs to be weighed when looking at changing jobs or careers. Website is devoted to men's issues, but this information applies to all. Links to other career articles as well.
http://coachmeg.typepad.com/career_chaos/ - This is from a career coach's blog.

What's Available on the Career Services tab on myBucknell:
CareerNet – Networking database of Bucknell alumni and parents.
Access to The Vault – referred to by Fortune as “The best place on the Web to prepare for a job search.”
PDF pamphlets - research a variety of career topics
Career Assessments – learn how to pair your skills, interest, and experience with career choice
Career Search – same tool available to students to research employers is also available to alumni
Bucknell Alumni Clubs – network informally!

Job Leads from the Bucknell Community:
The following are job leads that have been presented to alumni by members of the Bucknell community - alumni, parents and friends of Bucknell. New leads since the last issue of NOTES are in bold.
To view entire description, please log onto Beyond the BRIDGE. NOTE: For best search results, type (bucknell) in the keyword field. Contact us if you have any questions (acs@bucknell.edu).
The Phillips Brooks House Association (bucknell) – director of programs
WIRED Magazine (bucknell) – sales associate
Fascet LLC (bucknell) – software developer

Job Leads from Outside Bucknell:
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Corning-Painted Post School District - Assistant Principal - Middle and High School
Go2TeachEnglish - teachers
McCormick Taylor, Inc. - Environmental Planner/Field Monitor
Pencom Systems – technical assistant
The New Columbia Joist Company – structural engineer
The York Water Company - engineer
Tuscarora Organic Growers Cooperative – general manager

Alumni Career Services Can Help You:
• Think through a career change and making career decisions
• Network effectively
• Search for a job
• Effectively use the Internet in job and career exploration
• Transition into a new career
• Assist you in improving and targeting your resumes and cover letters
• Identify your interests, values, goals, and preferences
• Plan for graduate or professional school

Programs/Events:

For alums in the NY area...
Are you interested in learning more about Google sales positions in New York?

Google is pleased to extend a special invitation to Patriot League graduates. We are hosting a Patriot League Sales Recruiting Event in New York City on Wednesday, November 29th. It will be a good chance for Patriot League Alumni to learn more about Google and the opportunities available at our company. Not many people know that Google's New York City office is one of its largest, with hundreds of Manhattan-based employees.

In addition to meeting with NYC Googlers, we will give a brief product presentation, hold a Q&A session, and provide complimentary beer, wine and hors-d'oeuvres.

To register and learn more, please click here: http://services.google.com/events/patriotleague_rsvp
Note: Registration is limited so RSVP soon.

Webinar - Behavioral Interviewing Strategies
November 29th from 7- 8 pm
Past performance is a great predictor or what you will do in the future. Employers want examples of your abilities, not just pat answers. Learn to market yourself confidently:

• identify concrete examples to use in any type of interview
• become familiar with behavioral questions and what interviewers seek
• develop thoughtful questions to ask during your interview
Sign up at acs@bucknell.edu

Career Networking Nights (CNN)
Would you be interested in… an exciting opportunity to interact with Bucknell students? …sharing pearls of wisdom about your educational and career paths?

- Do you believe your liberal arts education has help get where you are now?
- Are you involved in something totally different from what you thought your major would allow you to pursue?
- Do you live in Boston, Philadelphia, Seattle, Chicago, San Francisco, or Los Angeles?
- If you answered yes to any of the above questions, you may want to consider participating in Bucknell’s Career Networking Nights 2007 (CNNs).

What are CNNs?
You many remember them from your student days - CNNs are annual series of networking events held over the semester break that offer students and alumni an environment to network with alumni and parent representatives from the greater Boston, Philadelphia, Seattle, Chicago, San Francisco and Los Angeles areas. Students and alumni will have the opportunity to talk with participants about their career paths, industry experience and their organizations. CNNs are closed events, available only to Bucknelliansi.

If you want more information, click on the link below for the specific event in which you’re interested. If you would like to register, please RSVP to Cathy McGinnis cmm033@bucknell.edu

- Seattle CNN: Tuesday, January 9, 2007  
  http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=2103

- Boston CNN: Wednesday, January 10, 2007  
  http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=2107

- Philadelphia CNN: Wednesday, January 10, 2007  
  http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=2105

- Los Angeles CNN: Wednesday, January 10, 2007  
  http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=2108

- Chicago CNN: Thursday, January 11, 2007  

- San Francisco CNN: Thursday, January 11, 2007  
  http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=2106