Virtual Access2Alumni

Tuesday, April 6 ~ 5-6 PM
Wednesday, April 7 ~ 5-6 PM
Thursday, April 8 ~ 5-6 PM

Top 5 Tips

Access2Alumni (A2A) brings together ARHU students and ARHU alumni for an afternoon of career networking and mentoring. A2A starts with a Ted-style talk followed by small group breakout sessions with alumni from a variety of ARHU-related fields. You will meet alumni who were once in your shoes who are ready to help you think about your career goals and being resilient in the current job market during these unprecedented times. They will help you match your interests and strengths with a professional direction. While A2A is not a career fair, some students have connected with internships and jobs.

1. A little preparation goes a long way
   Schedule a Career Center appointment with Kate Juhl at www.careers.umd.edu. Visit the A2A website to see the alumni participants. Write down 3-4 questions you would like to ask.

2. Ask questions and share your career interests and uncertainties
   A2A is a friendly atmosphere to explore your career goals and discover interesting career directions. You don’t need all the answers - this is where you start finding them.

3. Turn on your camera and dress for success
   You will make better connections and feel more engaged with your camera on - understanding some may still wish to keep their camera off. Business casual is suggested, though attending is more important than attire.

4. Bring an open mind - alumni will share their well-earned insights and experience
   You never know who you will meet or where their network might take you. You may be surprised to find doors to career fields you never knew existed.

5. Follow-up with the alumni you meet as well as those you do not
   Alumni will enjoy hearing from you. Connect on LinkedIn or send an email to say thank you, ask further questions, request a resume review or inquire about a job or internship. Attendees will receive a contact list of all participating alumni, so you can reach out to those in your desired career field who you didn’t meet.

Bonus tips: Attend with a friend (even if it’s virtual) and attend more than one night
   Boost your confidence and comfort level by inviting a friend along. Spread the word about A2A to your fellow ARHU students. You can participate on more than one night if your career interests are varied or you want to explore your options.

Register now: go.umd.edu/A2A

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