

# WE'RE HERE FOR YOU, SENIORS.



**You know we're here for you, right?** (Check out the really big header above.) To that end, the Center for Purposeful Work staff wants to hear from you so we can tailor our events, resources, and communications to your needs. Help us help you (cue Jerry Maguire reference - do we date ourselves?) by completing this [4-question survey](#) if you haven't already done so.

We promise -- just a few minutes of your time will give us the information to better support you over the summer and in the months to come. As always, your voice is important to our work. To say thanks, join us for a bit of [Purposeful Work From Home on Spotify!](#)

The theme of last week's message was: **STAY FOCUSED AND MOTIVATED.**  
The theme of this week's message is: **STAY INFORMED AND UPDATED.**

To that end, here are a few resources and opportunities we want to make sure you know about:

1. **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** A few cool upcoming events:

## INTERESTED IN CAREERS IN ENTERTAINMENT?

Join Steven Brookman P'21, Co-Head of Motion Picture Business Affairs at leading entertainment agency Creative Artists Agency (CAA) as he details the landscape of the entertainment industry and how to break in.



• thurs, may 14 @ 8:00-9:30 pm ET • go to Handshake for zoom link •

2. Purposeful Work is collaborating with [Alumni Engagement](#) and [Alumni Council](#) to bring you a very special panel of alums to share their experiences navigating challenges upon graduation and building resilience in the process. Don't miss this special event taking

place during the last week of May on **Wednesday, May 27 at 8PM**. We'll have more details and an RSVP page soon, but we thought we'd pique your interest early!

3. **Life Architecture:** With short term slimmed down due to COVID-19, our beloved Rebecca Fraser-Thill was unable to offer her Life Architecture class this year. However, she's highlighted a number of resources that she wants to make sure we share with all seniors --
  - a. **From Class to Class** - The last time Professor Fraser-Thill taught Life Architecture in 2018, her class put together a collection of helpful resources in four broad areas: What Really Matters, Plant Yourself, Practical Financial Information, and Networking. Interested in what these areas are all about? Check out the [helpful resources](#) from this class as you start your planning.
  - b. **How to Adult** - If you're looking for additional resources on the practical aspects of life after graduation, scroll down [this page](#) to find slides and videos from past workshops, many that past Life Architecture students attended and several that feature guest speakers which were originally lined up for this year.
  - c. **From the Presses** - Here are the books that would've been discussed in class. Give them a read or a listen!
    - i. Burnett, B., & Evans, D. (2016). [Designing your life: How to build a well-lived, joyful life](#). New York: Knopf.
    - ii. Frankl, V. E. (1959). [Man's search for meaning](#). Boston: Beacon Press.
    - iii. Jay, M. (2012). [The defining decade: Why your twenties matter - and how to make the most of them now](#). New York: Hachette.
    - iv. Newport, C. (2012). [So good they can't ignore you: Why skills trump passion in the quest for work you love](#). New York: Grand Central Publishing.
4. **Purposeful Work workshops:** Thanks to early survey responders, we know that many of you are specifically interested in job search and networking advice. Are there more of you out there with such interests? (If so, let us know by accessing the survey link up top!) For now, check out our recent workshops on these and related topics on our snazzy new [Purposeful Work YouTube Playlist](#) thanks to help from our colleagues at the [Bates Communications Office](#):
  - a. Job Search: [Help Me! I Need a Job!](#)
  - b. Networking: [Bates Bridge Overview](#)
  - c. Networking: [How to be a Networking Superstar with LinkedIn](#)
  - d. Grad School: [To Go or Not to Go?!](#) (Register now for Wednesday at 6PM!)
5. **Jobs, jobs, and more jobs:** For many of you, the biggest question is: WHERE ARE THE JOBS? We want to make sure you stay informed about and updated on the industries and companies that are hiring, especially during the current pandemic. To that end, we've pulled together several key articles and sites for you to review and follow:

- a. Forbes: Always a good resource! Check out their latest piece: [These Companies Are Still Hiring—Here’s Their Top Advice For Getting Hired](#).
  - b. LinkedIn: #NowHiring will connect you with posts that reference hiring opportunities. Their editors keep this page regularly updated: [Here's who's hiring right now](#).
  - c. The Muse: “The go-to destination for the next gen workforce to research companies and careers.” Check out their latest piece: [Companies Are Still Hiring During COVID-19—Here Are 89 That Want Your Applications Now](#).
  - d. CNN: Pay attention to news sites, as they’re often the first ones to receive press releases for public consumption. Here’s a recent article: [These companies are hiring rapidly during the crisis](#).
  - e. Candor: For user-generated updates from companies across the country, check out this live spreadsheet: [List of companies freezing hiring \(and those that are still hiring\)](#).
6. **Purposeful Work virtual internships and competitive funding:** If you’re still searching for opportunities on Handshake, don’t forget to plug in “PW 2020” and explore Purposeful Work virtual internships open to seniors. Note that Purposeful Work competitive funding is also open to seniors -- check out [this Handshake posting](#) for details and instructions. The third and final funding deadline is MAY 26. NOTE: If you’re an international student, remember to check in with Shelley Palmer to make sure you’re eligible before applying.

Should you need help with anything related to Purposeful Work, our counselors are available to connect via phone, Zoom, Google Hangout, or email. You can make an appointment for M-F 8am-4pm ET through Handshake (login, go to the upper tab “Career Center” and then click “Appointments”). If you have any trouble making an appointment, please email us!

If you’d like to submit your resume and/or cover letter for review, we’ll have at least two advisors available every Monday-Friday 1-3PM at [purposefulwork@bates.edu](mailto:purposefulwork@bates.edu). If you’d like to reach out with a quick question or for a quick consult, we’ll have an advisor \*LIVE\* on Zoom every Monday-Wednesday 8-9PM through the end of May. Find us at this Zoom link: <https://bates.zoom.us/j/98081221776>. You’ll enter a waiting room and the on-call advisor will be with you as soon as possible.

NOTE: If you’ve missed any of the senior class messages since March 23, please check them out [here on the Purposeful Work COVID-19 page](#).

As always, we’re here for you.

The Team at the Center for Purposeful Work