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## 2nd Annual Internship Panel

By Dean Constantinou

Last October, PASA's Professional Development Committee put together its first Internship Panel. The event was such a success that we have decided to hold another.

This year's event is tentatively scheduled for October 9th and will involve your fellow classmates responding to your questions about Internships in Public Administration and the Non-Profit sector.

The purpose of this event is to share tricks, tips, and knowledge about finding internships, applying to internships, and trying to make that important step from intern to employee. This event is a great opportunity for students to learn from some of their more senior classmates about how to find a job after graduation. As graduate students, it is important to make our transition from graduation to employment as smooth as possible. Internships are an excellent way to achieve that goal.

The format of this event is fairly simple. Students that have had internships over the summer, or are currently enrolled in an internship, will be asked a series of questions by the moderator. These

questions will be provided to the students before the event. Once the students have completed these questions, the panel will open up into a Q&A session. This event has always been one of the more highly attended professional development events because students see the value in learning about landing internship positions. After the event, a few of us might go to Jack's Tap for some more "informal" networking.

So, whether you're looking to learn more about internships in public administration or the non-profit sector, interested in finding out where to find these internships and what goes on at them, or just want to have some fun with your fellow classmates, make sure you attend this year's Internship Panel Event.

Students that are interested in being on the panel should feel free to contact myself or any other PASA member and provide them with their name, contact info, the name of the organization that the internship was with, and the time period that the internship took place. I can be contacted via email at dconst3@uic.edu.

## October 2009

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6 10/6 PASA Meeting 5:00	7	8 10/8 ASPA Brownbag Lunch	9 10/9 Internship Panel 5:00	10
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## MPA Students, Chicago Cares and the White Sox, By Annie Ginzkey

September 11, 2009 marked the commemoration of the first National Day of Service and Remembrance. President Obama called Americans to serve in their communities on this day in honor of those who died on this date eight years ago. The Chicago White Sox Volunteer Corps responded to this call in partnership with Chicago Cares, a local nonprofit volunteer organization. On September 10th, a group of more than 450 volunteers were greeted at US Cellular Field bright and early by White Sox players, Secretary of State Jessie White and White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen, who all thanked the crowd for their volunteerism.

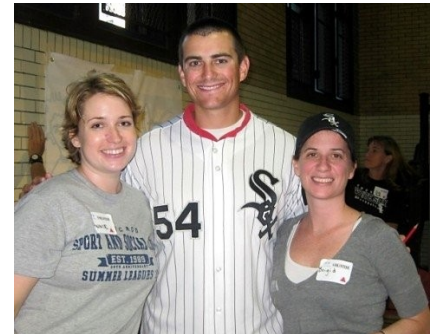
"I think the White Sox, since I was part of this organization, have always tried to bring a lot of good things to the

community," said Guillen. "I think we have one of the best cities in the United States. Why not be better?" (Mlb.com).

Volunteers were bused to Phillips High School in Bronzeville near US Cellular Field. Projects at the school included painting classrooms and murals, landscaping and building the school's first baseball diamond. Besides the happy, altruistic feeling they received, volunteers were provided with lunch, White Sox Volunteer Corps baseball hats and tickets to the September 20th White Sox Game, and not to mention the opportunity to work alongside with Minnie Monoso, Alexei Ramirez and Daniel Hudson.

To learn more about volunteering for events like the White Sox Service

Day, please visit [www.chicagocares.org](http://www.chicagocares.org) or email Annie Ginzkey at [ginzkey@uic.edu](mailto:ginzkey@uic.edu).



White Sox pitcher Daniel Hudson takes a break from mural painting for a picture with first year MPA students Annie Ginzkey and Brigid Brown.

## So Much to Do, So Little Time By Jessica Mitton

So we've pretty much figured out the work and class thing after a couple weeks into the semester but what about the fun part? I know we are all facing some financial restrictions so with that in mind I thought I would throw a few ideas your way:

Say it's a Tuesday night and you don't have class but you're trying to get all you can out of your weeknights since you're going to be tired anyway. The Map Room (1949 N Hoyne; Hoyne at Armitage; Western Blue Line) has international night that features a different regional food for FREE each Tuesday night with the purchase of three beers. I know what you're thinking: buying three beers does not make it free; however this is a purchase you are going to want to

make. The Map Room boasts an impressive beer selection which allows you to try not only a new cuisine, but also a new beer (or three!). It's a great place to meet up with friends but go early as the tables fill up fast! They also sell a mean cup of Intelligensia joe in the morning for a dollar or 2 for the unlimited cup just in case you stayed there a little too late the night before and need a little pick-me-up on your way to the Blue line!

So as to avoid being accused of neighborhood favoritism (although I would like to give a little shout out to my Logan Square-ers), I'll throw out a new find and potential repeat player in my repertoire. The Pasta Bowl (2434 N Clark; Clark north of Fullerton; Fullerton Red line) serves up a tasty and gen-

erously portioned pasta dish with most priced under the \$10 mark. They are also attached to a UW-Madison themed bar so if I had to guess I would say that they have some all star clientele on Badger game days rocking out the Big Red. But aside from the good fortune of being Buckingham Badger themed, this means they also sport some bar foods if that suits your fancy (just make sure you sit in the bar area since they will serve Pasta Bowl food in the bar but not vice versa, a mistake that left me sadly, buffalo wing-less).

Stay tuned for more adventures in the city and come out with PASA to discover more of Chicago's hidden (and not so hidden) gems.