







Life After Carleton

Graduation may feel like an eternity ago or like yesterday, but you can probably remember how you felt senior year (junior year, for the few of you who were on top of things!), as you contemplated the future. Don't you wish you knew then even a little of what you know now?

Well, you can't travel back in time, but current Carleton students and recent alums could use your insights, your advice, and even your couch. There are tons of ways to help. The <u>Alumni</u> page on the <u>Career Center</u> site is a great way to start. The website will pretty much blow you away; the <u>Pathways</u> site is particularly mesmerizing and informative. We'd like to highlight three specific things you can do to help.

Complete your Alumni Profile: A bit of your time goes a long way toward helping current students and young alums prepare for life after Carleton. You can start by simply filling out your Alumni Profile. You'll be saying, "Feel free to contact me with your career-related questions." Students may have specific questions about an internship at your organization, or they might just want to hear how you got to where you are now.

Give students a strategic edge: Partner with the Career Center to help Carls get their foot in the door at your organization or in your field. You aren't in charge of hiring? Your organization isn't even hiring? You can still help students by coaching them in your hiring process, reviewing their resumes, conducting an informal or mock interview, connecting them with hiring managers—however you see fit. You know better than anyone how much value Carls can bring to the workplace. This is a great way to help students and recent alums, and you could land a great hire for your organization.

Give a Carl a free place to sleep (for a night or two): Job searches, internships, and externships can be expensive propositions. Many organizations don't pay for airfare or hotel for interview trips, and many students cannot afford the costs. We don't want that to hold students back. By providing a couch or a bed for a night or two, you'll help make job hunting more accessible to all Carleton students regardless of financial means. Plus you can have a great time finding out about student life on campus. Check out Couches for Carls for more information. It's a simple way to give back. Additionally, Carleton provides ways for students to <u>fund internships</u> and <u>externships</u>; this is a great reason to make a stretch gift in honor of our 25th Reunion.

Today's students are curious, bright, funny, humble about their accomplishments and skills, and interested in many different paths just like us! Thank you for helping them prepare for Life After Carleton!

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