

Only Boring People Get Bored

Greetings Broncos,

It is my pleasure to announce that I will serve as Editor-in-Chief for the 2010-2011 year. With the brand new Department of Communication and three fresh faces in the faculty line-up, *The Voice* is set to grow exponentially in the next few years. Mr. Kevin Dilley, *The Voice's* new advisor, brings more than 20 years of expertise in journalism, photography, layout design, infographic art and a multitude of other skills needed to facilitate *The Voice's* growth.

Indeed it's an exciting time for Fayetteville State University, not only with the addition of communication's new department, but with five additional departments including the Department of Chemistry and Physics and the Department of World Languages and Cultures. We're in the midst of historical changes. Have you noticed? From my observation, many students haven't.

From the instant we were able to communicate with our parents or guardians, we were always told to "stay aware of our environment" to be safe, productive citizens. As we age, graduate from high school and begin our quest for higher education, we should continue to stay aware of our environment not just physically, but socially and academically.

Each week FSU organizations host events designed to improve social skills, build character, and diversify students. There are programs that allow you to improve your health, engage in career building activities, and meet students with similar goals and interests. Yet on any given day one can simply log onto

Facebook or Twitter and see a status or tweet about being bored. Surely those bored students are not aware of their academic and social environments. From student affairs, SAC, and SGA to Career Services, Marketing Club and the various sororities and fraternities on campus, there are too many reasons not to sit at your dorm twiddling your thumbs.

We've been back to school for a measly month, yet there's been

a national pan-hellenic council week, several sorority/fraternity-themed weeks, SGA week, resume clinics, AUTOS events, modeling club tryouts, a bestselling author signing & presentation, volunteer fair, a Shakespearean play, "The Tempest", volleyball & football games, Science Night and the Global Scholars welcome

ceremony. Tomorrow there is a career fair open to students and alumni with Bronco ID, and a Board of Trustees meeting open to the public. There are absolutely no excuses for boredom.

Dances and club nights are undeniably a big part of college life, but unless you aspire to become a popular DJ or skilled bartender they won't do much for you in the corporate world. The ability to engage in professional communication will.

If you're wondering where to find information on these events, look no further than your email inboxes. Daily "TrevaMail" contains lots of valuable information on events, scholarships, clubs and programs that may be of use to you if you've been bitten by the boredom-bug.

Stay aware of your environment or you'll end up getting robbed of your own future by none other than yourself.



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FROM THE EDITOR



Your career is at hand

Get your resume ready and your best clothes pressed for the 2010 Career Fair

By Cortney Slaughter
Voice Staff Writer

Believe it or not, many students do not know what a career fair is. Don't fret, it's not the end of the world.

A career fair is an event where businesses and employers are eager to profile their companies, job vacancies and opportunities for students to apply for internships and obtain jobs.

Tomorrow, the Office of Career Services will host the annual fall semester career fair, which will feature employers from government agencies such as USASOC (United States of America Special Operations Command), the Social Security Administration, and the Durham and Raleigh Police Departments to private companies Verizon, Family Dollar and Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

In fact, according to www.collegegrad.com, Verizon and Enterprise Rent-A-Car ranks 1st and 2nd respectively, in most employees hired through career fairs.

"The fair is open to all FSU students and alumni with Bronco ID cards. It's a grand opportunity to network, explore various career paths, and gain employment," said to Ms. Latosha Williams, a Career Services representative.

Before going to the fair, Ms. Williams suggests that students have their resumes critiqued.

"This will greatly increase a job seeker's chance to gain employment," she says.

"The benefits of having your resume critiqued include having the

confidence that you are delivering a product detailing your skills and experiences, which is great enough to entice an employer to call you the next day," Ms. Williams said.

She also added, "a resume is the best representation of your skills and experience and we can provide the tips and techniques, adopted from other employers and companies that will help FSU students be competitive in the job market."

Still, one could have a critiqued resume loaded with the favorable qualities of a great employee and not get their desired job simply due to their attire.

"Gentlemen should wear suits, or slacks that are held up with a belt, preferably slacks with a matching blazer, dress shoes and dress socks that are a conservative color; dark blue, grey, or black," advises Ms. Williams.

"Females, should wear blouses, skirts or lady blazers that are not too tight or short, which are also conservative colors". Dressing in business clothing demonstrates a job-seeker's ability to transition from student to professional, and employers value this quality.

Before attending the career fair, remember to get your resume critiqued. You can visit the Office of Career Services in the SBE building, room 230 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They can be reached at 910-672-1098

If you can't attend the fall semester career fair don't worry! The Office of Career Services is always hosting career-related events. For more info, visit www.uncfsu.edu/careerserv. Your career is at hand!



Going to the fair?

What: Fall 2010 Career and Cooperative Education Fair

When: Thursday

Time: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: Capel Arena

Don't forget

- Bring your Bronco ID.
- FSU students and alumni only.
- Bring multiple copies of your critiqued resume.
- Visit the Office of Career Services if you need business attire or assistance in assessing your attire.

Need more help?

The Office of Career Services has counselors available for all students and alumni.

Freshman: Ms. Devin Sturdavant: (910) 672-1100

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