

## Alumni Profiles

1) Briefly tell us about your current job.

As Deputy Executive Director of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Indiana Chapter, I oversee all of our fundraising campaigns, including Team In Training, Light The Night, School & Youth, and Man & Woman of the Year. I work with our Campaign Directors to conduct annual strategic and operational planning, develop budgets to support these plans, and implement the campaigns to achieve the budgeted revenue for each campaign. Implementing our fundraising campaigns involves many responsibilities, including but not limited to: volunteer recruitment and management, solicitation of corporate support and sponsorship, promoting community awareness via grassroots marketing and mass media, and logistical event planning.

2) Briefly tell us about your career path.

When I graduated from DePauw I worked for four years at Starcom Worldwide in Chicago, a media strategy and buying firm. I decided to leave Starcom in pursuit of a nonprofit career, accepting a position with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in Indianapolis, where I have worked for three years.

3) What were some of your activities at DePauw?

Management Fellows

DePauw Community Service – Sports Night, Student Friend, After School Enrichment

New Student Mentor

Active volunteer with my sorority, Pi Beta Phi

Rush Counselor

4) How has DePauw influenced your success?

Throughout my DePauw curriculum, I learned how to think analytically, problem solve, and also learned the value of being an active participant in classroom discussions, group projects, etc. These skills are the same skills that lead to success and recognition in a work environment.

In addition to skill development, DePauw has provided a great networking outlet to assist in the job search process. DePauw alum are typically happy to assist other DePauw alum in their career pursuits, whether it's an informational interview, job shadowing for a day, or introduction to one of their peers who might also be a helpful contact in finding the right career opportunity.

5) What is the best career advice you would give students today?

Take initiative, ask questions, find a mentor who has achieved what you would like to achieve, be your own best advocate, build great relationships with those around you.

Take advantage of DePauw's winter term and summer opportunities to have a few internships while still in school – these internships not only look terrific on a resume, but also provide you with the real life experience to confirm whether a career is the right one for you.

6) What city and state do you call home?

Carmel, IN (Indianapolis)

7) What do you do in your free time?

Physical activity – training for triathlons and half marathons

Walk and play with my dog, Brinkley

Read

Cook

Spend time with family and friends

Volunteer

8) Where have you traveled in the past 5 years?

Michigan – South Haven, Petoskey

Florida – Bonita Springs/Naples

Oregon – Portland, Sun River, Bend, Crater Lake

California - Napa Valley, San Francisco, San Diego, L.A.

Colorado – Denver, Colorado Springs, Breckenridge

Washington, D.C.

Kauai, Hawaii

Cabo San Lucas, Mexico

Phoenix, AZ

Las Vegas, NV

Alaska