



# Recruit-A-Duke

JMU Career & Academic Planning

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### Graduate's to do list

HEY Class of 2009! before you trade in your backpacks for a new and well deserved diploma there are a few things you may want to take into account before you walk across the stage and into the office. To make life a little easier here is your very own To do list to help you prepare for the world that awaits you beyond undergrad.

It is important to **Calculate your cost of living**. This includes of your expenses- even the cell phone bill that mom or dad help you with. You have to be aware of how much you are likely to spend a month on necessities, and don't forget about emergencies. When it comes to your health be sure to **Take advantage of your parents' health insurance**; note what your health care plan provides, so that while searching for your individual health care plan you know what to look for. And for the emergencies parents can't cover it is a good idea to **Get a credit card**. Not only will a credit card help to build the credit you may need for larger purchases in the future (a house or maybe a car), sometimes emergencies happen and its important to be prepared. **Conquering student loans** is essential to becoming prepare for future responsibilities; doing this will save you from incurring future, and extensive debt. If you find you need help with this brief list don't hesitate to **Visit the Career and Academic Planning**, for more information and resources on how to prepare.



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#### Tips from Quint-Careers.com:

- If you are planning to commute be sure to map out transportation- carpool, bus, or metro pass.
- Know the dress code of your work environment.
- Be prepared - know what materials you must provide.

### How to Up Your Chances...

Watch *Highlights from 'How to Up Your Chances in a Down Economy' - Tips 1 to 5*, and learn how to successfully find a job and internship.

[Watch this clip and hear what Lindsey had to say.](#)





## Have you ever interned with the Federal Government?

It's not just making a living, it's  
**making the difference.**

So... you one day hope to find a job and establish a career of service with the Federal government? Well Partnership for Public Service wants to help.

Federal Student Services Ambassadors program is available for any students who are interning in Washington D.C. during the summer of 2009. Students who participate will receive training on how to inform their

peers about Federal jobs and internships. Not only will this experience provide great training, students will receive a stipend of \$2200 dollars, and learn how to plan and execute programs across their campus.

[To find out more details regarding deadlines and internships click here.](#)



Educational Housing Services  
It's How You Want to Live!

## Taking classes, or interning in New York this Summer?... Need a place to live?

The Educational Housing Services (EHS) wants to offer you housing as low as **\$2,100, for the entire summer semester.** For the application and more information on housing locations visit:

[www.studenthousing.org/what-we-offer/students](http://www.studenthousing.org/what-we-offer/students)



## Job Search Spotlight: Katy Johnson

**Graduation Date:** May 2009

**Major:** Psychology

**CAP Services Used:**

Mock Interviews, Resume Review Appointments, Recruit-a-Duke's Job Postings



**Where did you land your job?**

I received an offer from Dominion Day Services (DDS), as an intensive in-home counselor. My role with DDS would be to strive to help children and adolescence with mental disorders to achieve their goal of receiving services to work towards independence.

**What will you be doing as an intensive in-home counselor?**

I will be working with families who have children with serious emotional and behavioral disorders implementing different types of treatment or certain skills to improve family functioning.

**How did you go about conducting your job search?**

I began looking for job opportunities on Recruit-a-Duke, CareerBuilder, and other websites. After applying to several positions, I returned to look at the Recruit-a-Duke job posting section to see if any new job postings had been listed. I discovered the intensive in-home counselor position and applied. This goes to show that Recruit-a-Duke can be a viable tool for just about any major (I'm a Psychology major)!

**Any advice to students beginning their job search process?**

Keep your eyes open and stay persistent and proactive during your job hunt. Your hard work will pay off, and a job opportunity will arise for you eventually!

Congratulations



Spring '09 Graduates !!