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Kansas Association of Colleges and Employers

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Linking Kansas Employers and Higher Education Career Services Personnel

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President's Corner

June Coleman

Emporia State University

CAPITALIZE on your KACE membership

How many times have you said "Boy, I wish I had taken advantage of that!?" I say it a lot. Whether it's a conference, webinar or simply a local symphony concert. Don't let KACE opportunities be on your list of things that pass YOU by this year. KACE provides a wide array of valuable benefits to help its members continue to grow professionally and enhance the mission of their organizations.

One of the main goals of the KACE board this year is to create ongoing opportunities for its members ALL YEAR LONG, and not just at conference time. Here are some YEAR-ROUND ways to CAPITALIZE on your membership and enhance your professional development:

- **BEST PRACTICES:** *Share best practices with colleagues. Tap into the experience of your colleagues by posting questions to the KACE list serve.*
- **RECRUITING CALENDAR:** *Market and coordinate recruiting events by posting them under the EVENTS tab.*
- **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOU:** *New this year! Apply for scholarships to fund professional development. Kudos to the Membership Committee for their hard work. This committee developed scholarships to promote your professional development. To review the scholarship, go to the MEMBERS tab.*
- **COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP:** *Join a committee (or 2 or 3) and build your professional network.*
- *Get involved with KACE; you won't regret it. Check out your committee choices under the MEMBERS tab.*
- **CONFERENCES:** *Attend the summer drive-in workshop and annual conference. Click on the EVENTS tab to preview upcoming events.*
- **RECRUIT CAREER/HR PROFESSIONALS:** *Market career/HR- related employment opportunities within your organization. What better way to recruit talent than sharing recruiting/career opportunities with folks whose qualifications match what you're seeking!*

Now is the time to CASH IN on your KACE benefits designed just for you! You won't regret it! And this year (ALL YEAR) you can say "Boy, am I glad I took advantage of that!" Have a great year and I look forward to working with you!

P.S. Be watching for new initiatives from the KACE Technology Committee regarding YEAR-ROUND ways to engage with KACE...stay tuned!



2014 KACE Leadership

Officers:

President

June Coleman, Emporia State University

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Kent McAnally, Washburn University

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Technology Officer

Erin Wolfram, University of Kansas

Committee Chairs:

Annual Conference Planning

Kent McAnally, Washburn University

Bylaws

Loretta Patterson, Butler Community College

Membership

Vacant chair position

Site Selection

Dena Smoot, Butler Community College

Special Events

Julie Anderson, Sprint

Technology and Communication

Erin Wolfram, University of Kansas
Melissa Scholten, University of Missouri-KC

Long Range Planning

Vacant chair position

It's never too late to join a committee and start getting to know your colleagues!

Do you want to stay connected with KACE members year round? Be sure to connect with us on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#). Share articles, announcements, and new discussion topics on any of these profiles!



NEW KACE MARKETING MATERIALS

To help you market KACE to prospective members, the Membership Committee has created new KACE brochures and business cards. Just contact June Coleman at jcoleman@emporia.edu to request them or attend the Summer Drive-in Workshop to pick them up!



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2014 KACE Annual Conference

Kent McAnally

Washburn University

When: December 3-5, 2014

Where: Kansas State University
Manhattan, KS

Take a Bite of the Little Apple!

Greetings from your 2014 KACE Conference Committee! Thank you for your confidence in electing me president-elect and chair of the conference committee. Other members of the committee are June Coleman, Dana Nordyke, LeAnn Cunningham, Kathie Harris, Robyn MacGregor, Ann Hartley, Amy Fisher, Lisa Parson, Keri Westland, James Barraclough, Katrina Zaremba, and Pat Hudgins.



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We have started planning for the December conference in Manhattan, which my K-State friends tell me I should call "Manhappenin'"! Dates for the conference are December 3-5, and we'll be meeting at the Kansas State University Alumni Center. The conference committee visited the center a couple of weeks ago and you are really going to love it. The conference spaces are beautiful and well-appointed, and the meeting rooms are very conveniently located. The conference hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn, and we'll be sending some information for making your hotel reservations soon.

In the meantime, we're currently in negotiations with a conference speaker that I think will be quite a highlight for all of us, but I can't tell you who it is just yet. Very soon, we will be sending out a call for programs in hopes that some of you, our colleagues, will be willing to share your new ideas, best practices, and research findings for both employers and career services professionals. Be thinking about what you will share with the rest of us. We have some ideas about employer tours, but if you have some places in mind, please share with the conference committee members. We're also currently exploring some Thursday evening alternatives, and I can promise it will be fun. And food. We can't have a KACE conference without food.

More will be coming soon. And when December 3 rolls around, "I'll take Manhattan...", as the old song goes. I hope you will, too.



Kaceweb.org Updates and New Features!

Erin Wolfram

The University of Kansas

The KACE Technology and Communications Committee is excited to introduce a few website updates and new features! We hope these updates and additions will help you better utilize our online resources and further connect with other members.

New Features:

Employer Member Spotlights

We will be featuring one of our employer members each month on the front page of our website and will also house an employer spotlight page on our [website](#) so you can learn more about our valued employer members and encourage more employers to join and get involved! If you are an employer and haven't submitted a spotlight yet, we would love to feature you. Email your spotlight information or send any questions to Erin Wolfram, ewolfram@ku.edu.

KACE Blog

Starting in April, members of the Technology and Communications Committee will be blogging to provide you information about our members, fun and useful technology tools, innovative ideas, fun facts about the upcoming conference location, and much more! You can read/follow the blog at <http://kaceweb.org/blog> and/or comment on the posts. All posts will also be included on our social media sites so make sure to like our [Facebook](#) page and/or follow us on [Twitter](#). To receive an email notification for new posts, please edit your profile on the KACE website and select "Accept to receive post or page notification emails."

Welcome To The KACE Blog!

20 | Mar 2014

Posted By : kacewp-admin

2 Comment



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Categories : Uncategorized

Welcome to the KACE blog! The KACE Technology and Communications Committee is dedicated to helping KACE members network and engage with each other, learn new skills and technologies, exchange ideas, and so much more! Through this blog, we hope to provide you with information to help you...

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Kaceweb.org Updates and New Features! (Con't)

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New Features:

Career Services/Human Resources Positions Job Board

Coming soon, we will have a career services and human resources job board on our website to help new professionals from the area learn about openings we have available within our various organizations. Any member who has a career services or HR position open in his/her office will be able to complete a form with the position information, and it will be posted on the KACE website for free. We hope this will help you advertise your opportunities and connect with quality candidates! Look for this resource soon at <http://kaceweb.org/jobs>.

Updates:

Auto-Event Submission

Make sure to submit your 2014-2015 events for the KACE event board. We now have a new event submission form that will automatically add your event to the list at <http://kaceweb.org/calendar/>. Currently, there is a glitch that is not allowing members with "Editor" access to add a title when submitting. Please add the event title in the description, and your title will be added shortly.

CALENDAR

Add an event hosted at or sponsored by your organization.

Agenda ▾ Tags ▾

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APR 15 Tue	2014 Spring Etiquette Dinner @ Adams Alumni Association, The University of Kansas Apr 15 @ 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm	+
NOV 5 Wed	Education Interview Day @ Kansas Union Ballroom Nov 5 @ 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm	+

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Visual Enhancements

The member dashboard and member registration pages now have a new look. We also added more visually appealing social media icons to the website homepage. We hope you will connect with KACE!

Connect With Us!





Resource Review

Ann Van Zee

Harvesters– The Community Food Network

Reflection Toolkit created by Northwest Service Academy, Metro Center, Portland, OR

A free, 12-page, downloadable document accessed at:

<https://www.nationalservicerresources.gov/files/legacy/filemanager/download/615/nwtoolkit.pdf>

Based on feedback from our 2012-13 AmeriCorps Members, we added a session on service reflection to our 2014 orientation training. This year we also include a formal reflection activity as part of our monthly service projects which take place at other non-profit or civic organizations. Members work in pairs to coordinate these projects, including creating and facilitating the reflection, so they use this resource throughout the program year. Although *reflection* is a term we associate with a volunteer activity, it could certainly apply to internships as it is “the use of creative and critical thinking skills to help prepare for, succeed in, and learn from the [service] experience.”

This toolkit is a great no-cost resource that defines what reflection is and why it’s important, as well as providing specific activities for different timeframes and environments. We have particularly enjoyed using some of the more creative activities instead of a typical written assignment, since this is more inclusive of various learning and communication styles. The kit also includes tips for designing and facilitating activities, quotes, and a list of internet resources for further learning.



KACE Twitter

Melissa Scholten

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Are you following KACE on Twitter? Is your office following KACE on Twitter? If not, please follow us @KACEweb! Send me (scholtenm@umkc.edu) your office handle and I’ll be sure to follow your office!

We currently share articles, university career events (from kaceweb.org), but we’re adding more content and want to hear from you. What would you like to know about KACE, higher education, recruiting, etc.? Tweet your ideas to us!





KACE Scholarships– Updated Deadlines

June Coleman

Emporia State University

At the Annual Summer Drive-In Workshop, the KACE Board announced new scholarships for Members and Non-members. Applications are available [here](#).

Current KACE President

KACE is proud to offer \$600 for the current KACE president to attend a regional or national ACE conference (NACE, MwACE, SoACE). This scholarship serves to provide KACE leadership with broader regional perspective, assist the leadership with further professional growth, and enhance KACE by providing insight to be shared with the KACE membership. The scholarship recipient agrees to share his or her experience with the KACE membership via the subsequent KACE meeting or conference and/or submit an article for the KACE newsletter regarding his or her experience at the conference attended.

Application process:

- Please complete the application and submit it electronically to the Membership Development Committee Chair by **May 1, 2014**
- The application will be reviewed by the Membership Development Committee, and their decision will be communicated to the applicant by **June 1, 2014**

Current KACE Member

KACE is proud to offer \$400 to assist a current KACE member in attending a career development conference of his/her choosing. This scholarship serves to assist the membership with further professional growth and enhance KACE by providing a regional perspective to be shared with the KACE membership. The scholarship recipient agrees to submit an article for the KACE newsletter within four (4) months after the conference that reports and reflects on a session or new "best practice" that was introduced at the conference attended.

Application process:

- Please complete the application and submit it electronically to the Membership Development Committee Chair by **May 1, 2014**
- The application will be reviewed by the Membership Development Committee, and their decision will be communicated to the applicant by **June 1, 2014**

KACE Conference for Non-Member (will be new for the 2014 KACE Annual Conference)

A scholarship of one free KACE Annual Conference registration and one year of KACE membership is offered to a potential new member of KACE. This is offered to build professional development in the area of Career Development or Services and/or Employer Recruiting for an individual in one of the following positions:

1. Full-time employee in higher education career services/development
2. Full-time employee in a business related position (recruiting and/or human resources)
3. Upper level college student (college senior or graduate student) pursuing a related degree

Application process:

- Please complete the application and submit it electronically to the Membership Development Committee Chair by **October 1, 2014**
- The application will be reviewed by the Membership Development Committee, and their decision will be communicated to the applicant by **October 15, 2014**



Summer is almost here...

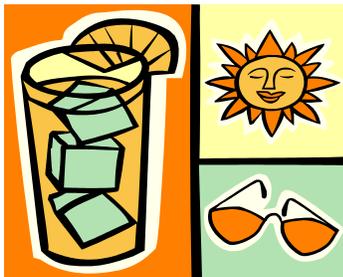
Save the Date for the KACE Summer Workshop!

When: Friday, July 25

Where: K-State Olathe

Check-in: 8:30am-9:00am

Meeting: 9:00am-2:00pm



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KANSASWORKS Department of Commerce

Employers:

Please take advantage of **KANSASWORKS.com** for posting job opportunities at no cost. Create an employer account at **KANSASWORKS.com** and enter your job openings to easily find qualified and skilled candidates matching your job specifications. Once you have established an account, you can also search for resumes and candidates by experience, keyword, and other search criteria.



Post-Secondary Schools (Information for Students):

Kansas offers careers in cutting-edge industries like bioscience, advanced manufacturing and healthcare, as well as conventional and renewable energy. These industries have incredible potential and need talented employees for **full-time, part-time** and **intern** positions. All you have to do is click on www.kansasworks.com and set-up your account, then begin your job search. You can also upload your resume so that it is available to employers who are searching for qualified job candidates. **KANSASWORKS** pulls in job opportunities from hundreds of job boards and company websites...it's like one-stop job searching.

For more information, please call (877) 509-6757 for your closest workforce center or email Phyllis LaShell at plashell@kansasworks.com.

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