

Business Alumni Network (BAN)

What is BAN?

The **Business Alumni Network** is for all alumni who are part of the significant experience. We are made up of good, dedicated people who are proud of our careers, education and the University of St. Francis community.

Why Join?

group assists alumni looking for jobs, changing careers, hiring

How Else Can You Help?

Consider hiring fellow USF alumni at your place of business or tuition discount.

Editor:

Upcoming BAN Meetings

September 10, 2022

September 9, 2022

To register for meetings and events, please visit our [events page](#).

For more information or to join, call (857) 644-ALUM or by email at

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New COBHA Offerings

can apply for the Values-Based Management (BBA) degree. The Values-Based Management major will weave LIFE

management major curriculum at the-values-based-management-degreemanagement

INTERESTING TOPICS

SAM Program 2021-2022


successful year with meaningful alumni mentor and student
mentor relationships building on the programs successes. Like
every year, the program begins in November and will run through
April. This year's program matched 56 students with alumni based

on induction reception, which gave the mentors and mentees the

centered around important workplace topics such as social media

another as the student could be better prepared for the workforce

2022-2027 SAM program, please apply at stfrancis.edu/sam.



The COBHA Spring 2022 Business Symposium was student-featured speaker was Tom Grotovsky, owner of Great American Dental in Joliet, who shared his experiences being a

of their time, talent, and treasure to local charities or people in need.

Grotovsky emphasized that he feels his business is a vocation where he accepts all customers into his business no matter their

business is difficult.



experience with USF students!

The article "Great Expectations" in the SHRM Magazine states that as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, company recruiters are emphasizing that

for HR, recruiters, and talent acquisition specialists. Also, various industries—like the airline industry—

hire HR professionals who are able to create unique ways for employees to

sign—
short-term fix to various types of workers ultimately not being paid enough at their jobs. Per Maurer (2021), companies are planning on increasing employee pay—specifically, 27% of them—in order to entice candidates for job titles that are becoming harder to fill. This situation has become difficult unless employees jump from job to job just to earn multiple signing bonuses—

reward programs.

Success of Vietnam Business Program

The University of St. Francis' College of Business & Health Administration (COBHA) formed a relationship with Dong Technical

currently on cohort #11 with 101 students taking classes under the BBA program.

English and use APA style for business assignments. COBHA is

universities where they can share their business acumen and knowledge with others.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Name: Tom Jeffries

Favorite Quote: "Don't let the fear of failure
kick you out of the game."

baseball team as a pitcher. I earned a BBA in Finance and also a MBA in Finance from USF.
My mother [Jennifer (Glovack) Jeffries '90, '13] is also a USF graduate.

What was your most memorable experience during your time at USF?

I am currently employed at Freddie Mac working as an associate in the multifamily loan

group. I have been with Freddie Mac since 2013 and have been a resident

resident?

program for a number of years.

How did attending USF change your life?

It was a great experience and I met many great people.

Who was your favorite professor and why?

What is your lasting impression of USF?

My lasting impression of USF is that it was a great experience and I met many great people.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Name: Nicole Kulon

When researching schools, USF's College of Business & Health Administration (COBHA) accreditation impressed me. I'

What did you pick your major?

All my life I have always been interested in business management. I love to lead teams and know what's going on behind the scenes. My first job in high school helped me understand how to manage a business. From there, I discovered that I love working with people, networking, and creating success in business.

Who was/is your favorite professor?

This might be cheesy, but I've appreciated every single one that I'm fortunate to have such intelligent, proactive, and organized professors. As students, I hope we all recognize this and to apply everything I've learned in these 4 years in my classes, conversations, and career ventures. Listen to the details our professors mention in classes...those are the hidden secrets to success.

What are some organizations you are involved with?

I love being involved at USF; it ties into my passion for management. Being involved helped me practice the involved in that helped me gain experience in business: Chair - Servant Leader Organization in the College of Relations Student Worker (2.5 years), Distinguished Leader - Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow (2 years), Vice - Delta Mu Delta Honors Society (1 year), Student Representative - Liturgical / Music Peer Minister - Fellowship of Christian Athletes (2 years), - Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce and Industry

What will your lasting impression of USF be and what are your plans after graduation?

- a family community. All faculty, staff, USF members, and peers that I graduation! Hopefully pursuing my master'

How has your experience been with Servant Leaders?

Incredible. The organization has truly become a passion of mine. I appreciate all the past and present Servant Leaders I'

into this organization when it was created, it's inspiring to be a part of something that will be making a difference for decades. The servant leadership concept is a great representation of what our business world could look like. I've discovered what my work is as a vocation - a mission to help others succeed. I'm grateful to Bob and Pat Wheeler for wanting to instill this organization into the College of Business and Health Administration.

CONTINUE YOUR ACADEMIC JOURNEY WITH A LIFE-CHANGING GRADUATE BUSINESS DEGREE!

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Concentrations in:

Master of Science Management (MSM)

The Master of Science in Management is appropriate for professionals who want to

research and development, engineering,

managerial role or enhance their leadership abilities.

Concentrations in:

Logistics

Master of Science Health

The Master of Science in Health

areas of health care and are seeking a broader understanding of the field.

UPDATES AND HIGHLIGHTS

's or master's degrees

Certifications are available in:

Accounting

Data Analytics

Data Science in Healthcare

Health Administration

Human Resources Management

Management of Long-Term Care

Population Health

Performance Improvement

Supply Chain Management

Good news! USF's master's degree programs are building international influence. Recently, the Higher Education Council (HEC) of Vietnam approved the Master of Business Administration degree at two universities in Vietnam. The scheduled degree start date was fall 2021!

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