Activities & Accomplishments Spring/Summer 2007

University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair
- The largest collegiate fair in Minnesota; held annually at the Minneapolis Convention Center and planned in conjunction with the coordinate campuses, over 200 employers and 2,000 students attended in spring 2007.

Professional Development Committee programming topics/speakers spring/summer 2007
- January CDN Retreat: Capella University and U of M career services representatives: Distance Counseling - The impact of technology on career services
- February 1: Peter Vogt: Networking for Introverts
- March 1: Michael Duenes, Multicultural Center for Academic Excellence (MCAE)
- April 5: Career Services Best Practices (topics were determined by CDN members)
- May 3: Kirsten Jamsen and Katie Levin: The Center For Writing
- June CDN Retreat: Understanding Your Interaction Style: Finding the Professional Advisor in You

GoldPASS online – on-line job and resume posting system
- A centralized website for employers to post jobs and for students to apply for jobs, phase two of GoldPASS is launching in summer of 2007.
- Currently 5,527 (3,482) employers and 14,745 (9,748) students have registered; 10,929 (5,685) jobs have been posted; 9,234 (5,227) resumes have been uploaded; and 19,297 (7,784) jobs have been applied for via internal GoldPASS application (note – numbers italicized in parenthesis are GoldPASS numbers from January 2007).

Central Coordinator for Career Development position filled
- Becky Hall was named central coordinator for career development, housed out of the Provost’s Office, in response to increased need for coordination of U-wide activities and service to U-wide constituents.

Exploring Interests and Majors Event
- Forum for undecided undergraduates from all colleges to take an interest survey, consult with an advisor and then explore degrees, coordinated in conjunction with the Academic Advising Network (AAN).
- 360 students attended the event, 140 students responded to the online feedback survey, feedback was positive.
- Over 80 advisors/counselors staffed the event and represented a wide diversity of U offices.

Graduate and Professional Student Fair
- Attendance included a total of 236 students from Twin Cities and Duluth campuses and 48 organizations.
- Plan for 2008 is to integrate the fair into the main University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair.

Big 10 Committee
- Improve connections and collaborations with the Big 10 Consortium including professional development events and events hosted for students.
- Increased marketing for the Big 10 Career Conference in April.
- Begun planning for the Big 10 Diversity events in 2007-2008.
- Participation at the Big 10 Career Conference has grown to 6 U of M career professionals representing 4 offices.

Employer Communications Committee
- Cross-campus committee met regularly to discuss employer communications at the student services level.
- Shared information, lessons learned, and best practices with employer relations colleagues.

Upcoming CDN Events
- Etiquette Dinner – October 9, 2007
- Government Job and Internship Fair – October 22, 2007
- University of Minnesota Job and Internship Fair – February 25, 2008
- Exploring Interests and Majors – March 5, 2008

On-Going CDN Activities/Events
- Monthly professional development sessions for career staff with an average of 23 people regularly attending
- Undergraduate Portal & Business Portal collaboration
- Transfer Student Parent & Campus Preview Day Presentations
- www.career.umn.edu maintenance and career services undergraduate student brochure
- Outreach to grad students to get them involved in CDN, and “Grad Guide” to graduate career services