



# Mortar Board

*Scholars...Chosen for Leadership...United to Serve*

## COLLEGIATE NEWS

### **Mortar Board provides great benefits to its members**

Mortar Board makes every effort to provide beneficial opportunities and services to members. Some of these benefits include:

- Academic recognition by your college or university
- Thousands of dollars in **fellowships** available only to Mortar Board members
- Alumni networking to connect with alumni in your area or across the world
- Federal government employment entrance at the GS-7 ranking for members, which can mean an instant pay increase for certain jobs
- Access to a **career search engine** provided by JobTarget
- Subscription to Mortar Board publications including the Mortar Board Forum magazine
- Career and graduate school **networking** and assistance
- Access to the **Mortar Board Scholarship-Assistant**, a search engine with more than one million scholarships representing \$3 billion in awards
- Training and leadership opportunities, including an invitation to the annual national conference of Mortar Board

Members can also take advantage of some special offers on products and services from Mortar Board partners:

GEICO

Bank of America



Student Health Insurance

Merchant Discount Program



Kaplan Test Prep

Washington D.C. Experiences



- The Fund for American Studies
- Washington Internship Institute
- The Washington Center for Internships & Academic Seminars

### **Are partnerships really necessary?**

Corporate partnerships allow Mortar Board to build stronger chapters through their national presence and financial support to:

- Increase the amount of fellowships distributed to members pursuing post-graduate degrees
- Assist with funding to keep the annual conference affordable for chapters
- Provide enhanced services to members through discounted programs and services

### **Find your job with Mortar Board**

In conjunction with JobTarget, Mortar Board has launched the Mortar Board Career Center, a search engine for all members, both collegiate and alumni. Mortar Board members are able to search for a variety of jobs, both nationally and locally. National employers will have the ability to post positions and exclusively recruit Mortar Board members. Anonymous resumes can be posted and easily searched and seen by potential employers. Start searching today at [www.mortarboard.org](http://www.mortarboard.org).



**Are you a new member? Help us to learn about you.**

New members are encouraged to visit [mortarboard.org/newmember](http://mortarboard.org/newmember) and complete a brief form to help us learn about you and your future interests with Mortar Board. This brief form should only take a few moments to complete, so feel free to visit it now.

- Help raise the national profile of the Society, by allowing partners to share their commitment to Mortar Board with their peers, customers and investors

The Mortar Board National Foundation carefully selects corporate partners that are committed to the ideals of the Society and offer a lasting, quality product for Mortar Board members.

The Mortar Board National Foundation would like to thank the following partners who have provided important fellowships that exclusively benefit Mortar Board members:

- GEICO - \$5,000
- UnitedHealthcare - \$2,500
- College Loan Market - \$1,000

## **Registration is now open for the Big 10+ Graduate School Expo!**

At the **Big 10+ Graduate School Expo** on September 28-29, 2008 held at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., students will:

- Get an inside look at graduate school and the application process
- Receive advice about funding opportunities from National Science Foundation representatives and other experts
- Network with representatives from more than 50 of the nation's top graduate institutions
- Attend a premier graduate school fair, including representatives from Cornell, Duke, Illinois, Purdue, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Texas A&M, Vanderbilt and many more!

This two day mini-conference is especially designed for students interested in graduate education in:

- Science
- Technology
- Engineering
- Mathematics
- Agriculture
- Pharmaceutical sciences
- Other science-related disciplines

The **Big 10+ Graduate School Expo** awarded more than **\$30,000 in travel scholarships last year**. Women and members of underrepresented groups are encouraged to attend.

**Visit [www.gradschool.purdue.edu/gradexpo](http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/gradexpo) for more information and to join the event's mailing list!**



## **Collegiate News to become bi-monthly publication**

Since last September, Collegiate News has been a monthly newsletter for collegiate members of Mortar Board. This month marks the newsletter's transition to a bulletin that will be delivered every other month.

Mortar Board strives to serve you with publications such as Collegiate News, so please feel free to submit any feedback to [enews@mortarboard.org](mailto:enews@mortarboard.org).