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# UToledo Star Alumni Column



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"Success is where opportunity meets preparation." As a student at The University of Toledo, I was afforded several opportunities and the tools to prepare for those opportunities.

**Opportunity #1:** Through my UT graduate assistant position in the university's marketing and communications office, I was able to practice my undergrad studies in sales and marketing. This gave me the foundation I needed to start my career and connected me to several key businesspeople.

**Opportunity #2:** After graduating with my MBA, I had the unique privilege to teach sales and marketing at UT. This allowed me to apply my skill set and degree in a different way. It quickly helped me discover that I have a great passion for teaching and want to stay connected to students and faculty at UT.

**Opportunity #3:** The networking capabilities in the business college and ties between the university and business community exposed me to my dream company, Root Inc., a leadership and change management organization and allowed me to eventually land a sales and marketing role at Root Inc. Today, I stay connected with the university through mentors, peers, and teaching as an adjunct instructor. I'm grateful to be a Rocket graduate!

#### Alexandra's advice to others:

- Consider each experience an opportunity to learn and grow
- Do something each day that makes you feel empowered
- Don't be afraid to leave your comfort zone and go after what you want
- Value mentors and people who have helped you along your journey



## **Office of Graduate Programs**

Monday - Friday

8:30 am - 5:00 pm Appointments are encouraged to be by phone or through WebEx; please leave a message to set your appointment: **419.530.5680** 

### **Dates to Remember:**

08/14: Fall Tuition payment due 08/17: First Day of Fall classes 08/19: Late fees assessed 08/21: Last day to web-register for Fall 08/31: Last Day to Add/Drop classes 09/07: Labor Day (campus closed) 09/11: Deadline to apply for Graduation 10/22: Spring 2021 Registration opens 10/23: Last Day to Withdraw 11/19: Drop (SP21) for non-payment 11/11: Veterans Day (campus closed) 11/25-27: Thanksgiving Break (no classes) 11/30-12/04: Finals Week (remote) 12/08: Fall grades due

## **Events:**

Fall 2020 New COBI GA Orientation (online) Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>

J.C. Penney Suit Up Event Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

**Resume Critiques** Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>

**COBI Virtual Job Fair** Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

University Commencement Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

## FUELING TOMORROWS

## **RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS**

## 1. Student Food Pantry



The UToledo Student Food Pantry is located on the second floor of Student Union next to Commuter Lounge with the sole purpose of helping students and providing groceries free of cost. Every current UToledo student is eligible to get food from the Food Pantry.

You will need your Rocket Card and your current class schedule on your first visit. The Food Pantry is here to provide temporary aid to students in need!

### 2. Open Computer Labs & Laptop check-out



UToledo Students taking COBI courses can gain access to computer labs using key card locks located outside of the doors. The IT Department is responsible for the Open Labs on Main Campus and many are staffed to assist students with their computer needs.

COBI Locations\*: Stranahan Hall; Rooms 125, 1019, 120, 127

- ST125 Laptop Checkout and Printing services Only
- ST1019 Computer Lab (Restricted Hours)
- ST120 Reserved as a Teaching Lab with restricted access
- ST127 Reserved as a Teaching Lab with restricted access

\*Fall semester hours may vary due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Contact: utoledo.edu/business/InfoTech



### **Get Involved!**

**The Graduate Student Association** (GSA) is an organization that strives to voice the concerns of all 4,924 graduate students at The University of Toledo, while also providing funding to subsidize travel to

conferences and symposiums.

Together, we maintain UToledo as a first-rate institution for graduate education across all fields of study, working to improve the human condition.

For complete information, please visit: graduatestudentassociationblog. wordpress.com/

## Minority Student Case Competition

One of the competitions in which MBA students can participate in during the course of their studies is the annual **KeyBank Case Competition**, sponsored by KeyBank and organized by the OSU Fisher College of Business. The Case Competition takes place over one weekend, usually in February (Spring semester) in Cleveland, at the Cleveland Marriott.

This is an opportunity to showcase the MBA program, the University, and the students. KeyBank uses the event for recruitment, including searches for permanent and internship positions.

#### **Questions?**

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