

## TRANSITIONING INTO THE MARKETPLACE

Do you have a life objective? If not, may I suggest one:

"To know Jesus Christ in my own life in ever increasing depth and to make Disciples and develop Laborers at all times under any condition in every place I go." Philippians 3:10; John 15:8,16; Matthew 9:36-38; Colossians 1:28:29 (JB Phillips)

### I SEASONS OF LIFE:

- A. SPRING - Preparation; training; tutoring; life's boot camp; school; apprenticeship; establishing patterns and habits that will set the direction of your life.
- B. SUMMER - Major interests chosen; further development; cultivation.
- C. AUTUMN - Secure our holdings; harvest; life beginning to close in; preserve fruits of what has been accomplished.
- D. WINTER - Stage of realizing the fruits of a life already lived; much enjoyment in helping others succeed.

### II COMMUNITY VS. UNIVERSITY MINISTRY

- A. Slower but deeper.
- B. Compare three to four year college track with community.
  - 1. Family, work, neighbors, world!
- C. Joseph's Perspective - Genesis 45:5&7  
God's overriding call on our lives transcends circumstances.  
Psalm 75:6-7

D. Paul's example.

1. Be patient.
  - a. Ephesus - Acts 20:31 (3 years).
  - b. Corinth - Acts 18:11 (1  $\frac{1}{2}$  years).
2. Work/job/profession adds credibility to ministry.
  - a. How you do your job matters.
  - b. Platform for ministry.

D. Take the principles you have learned and seek to apply them in your new context:

1. Word - study, scripture memory.
2. Quiet Time
3. Evangelism, i.e., door ministry to church visitation.
4. M2M - individual personal attention.

E. Look for people who are ministering effectively and come along side them.

1. People being saved? (1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9).
2. Lives being changed? (Romans 8:29)
3. Spiritual Multiplication?

## Questions to Help You Prepare Your Resume:

### Did you work while completing your degree?

- ✓ Managed full-time employment in customer service while carrying 15-18 hours per semester.
- ✓ Self-financed 90% of college expenses through concurrent employment.
- ✓ Completed degree while working 2-3 concurrent part-time positions.

### Did you complete your program in less time than normal?

- ✓ Completed program in 3 ½ years while maintaining above-average grades.

### Is your GPA worth writing home about?

Note: This number can be easily compared to other candidates' GPAs, so be careful not to sabotage yourself by listing a GPA that may not be as impressive as you think. A good rule of thumb for mentioning GPA is 3.5 or higher for liberal arts and business-related majors and 3.2 or higher for engineering and science-related majors.

- ✓ Earned a 3.7 GPA and was listed on the President's Honor Roll for six consecutive semesters.

### Did you complete a dual degree?

- ✓ Completed two baccalaureate degrees in just four years.

### Did you take tough electives?

- ✓ Focused on graduate series courses for electives, including Quantitative Analysis III, Statistical Analysis III, Integrating Databases, Operations Research, and Artificial Intelligence & Expert Systems.
- ✓ Challenged my self with graduate-level finance electives that would provide a strong foundation in banking systems, security markets, and international business.

### Did you hold leadership responsibilities in cocurricular activities?

- ✓ Elected by peers to hold leadership roles (President, Vice President, Treasurer) in college organizations and business fraternity.

### Were you involved in career-related cocurricular activities?

- ✓ Involved in cocurricular activities that complemented finance studies and expanded interaction with international student.

### Did you organize field trips or travel related to your career interests?

- ✓ Initiated and organized trips to the Pacific Stock Exchange and Charles Schwab in San Francisco, the corporate offices of Wells Fargo in Los Angeles, and the Port of Seattle in Washington.

### Did you study abroad?

- ✓ Gained fluency in French language and culture during semester abroad at University of France, Aix-en-Provence (in connection with California State University International Exchange Program).

### Did you attend a military academy (high school or college)?

- ✓ Attended Wentworth Military Academy in Lexington, Missouri, a well-respected institution with a 120-year reputation for equipping young men with stringent scholastic and military training.