

# MBA WEEKLY

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## Announcements

**Attention Graduate Assistants** – Training will be Friday, August 22 from 9:30am – 2:30pm (we'll probably finish early) in Biltmore Park classroom 342.

**Call for a roommate** – My name is Romain Gohar, I'm a 24 year male student at WCU doing MBA . I am looking for roommate to search for a place ( move in by September 1 ). I would like to move into a 2BR apartment somewhere around south Asheville, Arden area, close to WCU Biltmore campus. If anyone interested please contact me via my cell number 919-803-9792 or by email [rgohar1@catamount.wcu.edu](mailto:rgohar1@catamount.wcu.edu)

**Biltmore Park August hours** – Biltmore Park will return to normal school hours on the first day of class (Monday, August 18). We will be open 8am-9pm Monday-Thursdays, and 8am-5pm Fridays. **PLEASE NOTE:** *The administrative office has moved to suite 102 on the ground floor. Entrance is near the elevators. Kelly McIntyre's office is 102A. Student Affairs (counseling, health services) will be available in suite 355.*

**Please join us! College of Business Golf Classic.** Saturday, August 23rd at Rock Barn Golf and Spa in Hickory. Friday night reception at 6pm included with registration. For more information or to register, contact Ken Flynt at 828-227-3009 or [keflynt@wcu.edu](mailto:keflynt@wcu.edu).

## Fall semester updates:

**Please register** if you have not already done so! **A couple of classes are filling up and cannot be overfilled due to the size of the classroom!!**

**Bills for fall** should now be generated upon registration. Watch your Catamount email for updates.

**Books are now available** at <http://books.wcu.edu>. (Click "bookstore" – Student Textbook Ordering – Enter course information via the drop down boxes)

**Pre-MBA Boot Camp** – Free introductory/refresher courses in Accounting, Finance in Excel, and Economics. Mandatory for new students; open to spring 2014 admits (must sign up by emailing [kumcintyre@wcu.edu](mailto:kumcintyre@wcu.edu)).

## MBA Summer Boot Camp 2014 Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Week 1 (Aug 4-7)	Accounting	Finance through Excel	Accounting	Economics
	6-9pm	6-9pm	6-9pm	6-9pm
Week 2 (Aug 11-14)	Accounting	Finance through Excel	Economics	New Student Orientation
	6-8pm	6-9pm	6-9pm	5-7:30pm

## GBSA Activities

**Thank you all for an excellent academic year!** If you are interested in getting involved with GBSA next year, or have some fresh ideas for new activities or events, please contact Ellie Shown at [ecshown1@catamount.wcu.edu](mailto:ecshown1@catamount.wcu.edu).

## Calendar of Events

Pre-MBA Boot Camp – Monday-Thursday, August 4-7 and August 11-13, 6-9pm

Biltmore Park New Student Orientation – Thursday, August 14, 5:30-8pm

New and Continuing Graduate Assistant Training – Friday, August 22, 9:30am - 2:30pm

## Opportunities

### **YPA August Social & Membership Drive // W xyz Bar at Aloft Hotel // Thursday, August 21st 5:30-7:30 PM // 51 Biltmore Avenue, Downtown**

From YPA: “Join us for our August Social and Membership Drive, hosted at Aloft Hotel! Step out on 'The Ledge' with fellow YPA members and watch the downtown activity that Biltmore Avenue has to offer. Linger a full story above street level, this vivacious veranda gives you a clear view of the bustling boulevard below. Breathe in fresh mountain air while networking, and enjoy some small bites and cold beverages from Wxyz Bar, located just inside. Be sure to renew your YPA membership! All active members will be receiving a free drink ticket! \*YPA membership is valid July - June, so it's time for everyone to renew!\*

**JOB! Buyer Analyst III – Purchasing; Pentair (Black Mountain, NC).** The successful candidate will be involved in the planning and purchasing of components in a manufacturing environment. Ensuring outstanding quality and on-time delivery. DUTIES include Planning, purchasing, and coordination of both domestic and global components; Coordinating internal resources for cost reduction initiatives and continuous business improvement processes; Building excellent supplier relationships with good knowledge of the market conditions; Being a member of the Product Development team ensuring optimum project introduction and execution of requirements; Coordinating purchase orders, inventory control and management of products and maintain up-to-date data in SAP; Continually adding value for the organization through Purchasing initiatives; Establish contingency strategies for our core products to ensure on time delivery and quality; Leading the implementation of Lean Principles throughout the Purchasing department; Oversee the introduction, continual update and use of the Plan For Every Part (PFEP); All other day-to-day, ad-hoc requirement as directed. QUALIFICATIONS include Bachelor's degree with a minimum of five years of purchasing experience in a manufacturing environment required. CPM a plus; International procurement experience required; Requires knowledge of fundamental concepts of production planning, scheduling, and lean principles as they apply to Purchasing; Must be a self-initiated and motivated team player; Must have good analytical and creative skills, including excellent communication skills both written and verbal; Knowledge and understanding of engineering design techniques a plus; Excellent interpersonal and computer skills (MS Office) required. (SAP a plus); Job requires sitting, walking, standing, and bending; This description is not intended to be all inclusive. Apply online at <http://pentair.com/en/about-us/careers>

**JOB! Buyer Analyst II – Purchasing; Pentair (Black Mountain, NC).** Incumbent will be responsible for preparing and placing purchase orders for a selected group of commodities, supplies, services, and materials where standard prices are usually quoted for most items. May seek out some suppliers and obtain price quotations and specifications. Requests samples where appropriate and present samples/substitutions to user or purchasing Manager for consideration. Works from requisitions on-line with established quality and quantity requirements. Applies knowledge of vendor sources and consider suitability of materials offered and delivery possibilities. Follows-up on outstanding orders. DUTIES: Will be required to develop and implement economical procurement plans for purchased

materials and services, according to plant and corporate objectives to insure continuous, uninterrupted production, including but not limited to negotiating with vendors to obtain the most favorable price and delivery needed. Must maintain inventory levels to meet market forecast and MRP requirements; Will have daily contact with vendors, plant personnel and corporate contacts; Must maintain required documentation, files and records; Will perform all duties using required safety guidelines including wearing appropriate, personal protective equipment i.e., safety glasses with side shields, steel toed safety shoes and hearing protection while in production facility as required; Performs other duties as assigned. **QUALIFICATIONS:** Business degree with minimum of two years' experience in manufacturing and or CPM with five plus years' experience in industrial buying preferred; Must have good analytical, creative and interpersonal skills, including excellent communication skills both written and verbal; Knowledge and understanding of engineering design techniques, cost analysis preferred; Must be a self-starter and possess excellent computer skills (Word, Excel, and SAP a plus); This description is not intended to be all inclusive. Apply online at <http://pentair.com/en/about-us/careers>

**JOB! Director of Project Management, Clinical Ink (Winston-Salem, NC).** Reports to VP, Operations;

**Role(s):** Project Management. **Responsibilities:** Lead the Project Management Team (PMT) to include managing direct reports, representing the PMT in weekly staff meetings, and determining, with the VP of Operations, the overall direction of the PMT; Manage change within the PMT and assist in overall company change management, to include introduction and implementation of updated processes, systems, forms and procedures; Establish PMT processes, forms and procedures; Support overall company operations by providing input into company operational systems, processes and procedures; Responsible for complete project development life cycle on all assigned projects by developing and managing the project plan including timelines, communication plan, training plan, data transfer plan and implementation plan; Ensure all functional leads understand their responsibility and the specific project requirements to ensure client expectations are met; Deliver Investigator meeting presentations that project solid comprehension of protocol and use of SureSource™ system; Assist in developing specific costing and identifying monthly invoicing based upon work performed, working closely with the head of Finance; Any other activities that are required to ensure overall project and company. **Qualifications:** Four-year college degree required, advanced degree preferred; 8 + years of relevant clinical trials experience within a Clinical Research Site, CRO or eClinical service provider in a project management role or other equivalent experience; Previous supervisory experience preferred; Experience working in data collection and management systems ; Excellent verbal/written communication and organizational skills; Experience working on global projects and managing cross-functional teams; Working knowledge of software delivery lifecycle and methodology; Working knowledge of GCP, ICH guidelines and relevant FDA regulations. Inquire with Kelly McIntyre at [kumcintyre@wcu.edu](mailto:kumcintyre@wcu.edu) regarding the instructions to apply.

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