As always, please remember to check your Catamount email regularly.

If you would like to contribute information, an event, or an announcement (personal or professional!) to MBA Weekly, please submit to the MBA office by Mondays at noon.

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**MBA Program Announcements**

- **MBA Program in Asheville** – The MBA director will be available at UNCA tomorrow, March 9 & on Fri, Mar 18 by appointment. If you would like to make an appointment, please email kumcintyre@wcu.edu.

- **Graduating and New student advising** – If you are graduating in May, or if you just started the program in January, please make an appointment to meet with Dr. Ha as soon as possible by emailing kumcintyre@wcu.edu.

- **MBA Program on Facebook and Twitter!** Help us cut down on emails and still get up-to-date information and reminders from our office.  
  Facebook: Western Carolina University MBA Program [http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/pages/Western-Carolina-University-MBA-Program/10713338999770](http://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/pages/Western-Carolina-University-MBA-Program/10713338999770)  
  Twitter: @wcuMBA [http://twitter.com/#!/wcuMBA](http://twitter.com/#!/wcuMBA)

- **MBA 610 book.** If you will be taking MBA 610 in the Fall and need financial assistance, please contact kumcintyre@gmail.com. We have one free book available – first come, first serve (but you must demonstrate financial need).

**Jobs & Internships**

- **Summer Internship – Mission Hospital.** The pet therapy program in the Integrative Healthcare department at Mission Hospital will have an opening to host a summer intern from May – August, 2011. The intern will work unpaid, 10 hours per week, during business hours (M-F 8am-5pm). Applications will be accepted through Mission Hospital’s Human Resources department and are due by April 15th. Interested students should contact Lauren Abe, Workforce Development Specialist in Human Resources by phone at 828-213-4222 or via e-mail at lauren.abe@msj.org.

- **Internship – Blueprints for Business.** Flexible internship hours in business consulting, with Ron Sanga, MBA alum. More information: [http://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/WordDocs/MBA_blueprints_intern.docx](http://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/WordDocs/MBA_blueprints_intern.docx)


- **Bank of America –** Financial Advisor Trainee.  


• **Image Solutions** - Finance/Ops Manager

• **Pardee Hospital** - Patient Financial Services

• **Haywood Regional Medical Center** - Director of Financial Operations

• **Manna Food Bank** - Director of Operations
  [http://mannafoodbank.org/job-opportunities/](http://mannafoodbank.org/job-opportunities/)

Please let us know if you find any job opportunities you think other students or alum would be interested in.

**Opportunities**

• **Robert Shaye, Movie Producer & Founder of New Line Cinemas, Monday, April 4th at 7:30pm.** Talk and Q&A in the FPAC at WCU. Cost $5, open admission. For more information about Bob Shaye, see attachment.

• **TWO WEEK summer MBA Study Abroad to Madrid, Spain.** Earn 3 credits while studying in Spain for 2 weeks! Course – European Business Strategy: Building and Sustaining Competitive Advantage in the EU. Dates – Mon, May 23 to Fri, June 3. Get all the info and application materials at:
  [http://www.slu.edu/x31757.xml](http://www.slu.edu/x31757.xml)

• **Get involved! Young Professionals of Asheville.** YPA - [http://ypasheville.org/](http://ypasheville.org/)

**Student Resources**

• **UNCA Writing Center.** Ramsey Library 136. 828.251.6596, writingcenter@unca.edu. Mon-Thurs 10am – 7pm and Friday: 10am – 4pm.

• **Library Resources - Betsy Clementson, MLIS**
  Contact Betsy at clement@wcu.edu or 828.227.3413.

• **Career Services**

  **Career Success Workshops (WCU)** - Mondays at 3PM in McKee, open to all students. See attachment.
  **Resume Walk-in Clinics (UNCA)** – March 17, 22, 23 from 11-2pm. Contact the UNCA office for location.
  **Career Panel: Women and Writing Careers (UNCA)** – March 23 from 4-6pm. Contact the UNCA office for location.

*WCU Career Services* - [http://career.wcu.edu](http://career.wcu.edu)
*UNCA Career Center* - [http://www.unca.edu/career](http://www.unca.edu/career)

**GBSA Activities**

• **March First Friday** – this Friday, March 11 from 5-7pm at Neo Cantina in Biltmore Village.

• **Speaker Series** – Doug West, Successful Entrepreneur & Business Owner. Tuesday, March 15 at 4:45, UNC Asheville campus. Room TBA. Dinner will be provided.

Doug retired at age 41, after selling the company he started when he was 27. His initial investment was $6,000. He sold it for many millions, nudging him to the top 5% US income bracket. As one business associate put it: You can't help but be impressed by Doug. He knows what it takes to be successful. His startup changed an entire industry. Yet, he remains self-effacing, helpful and kind.” Doug is a full time dad, he now owns and operates three business’s and he’s having the time of his life racing 1960’s era sports cars.

With a wry sense of humor, he will share how he and his employees admitted made many, many mistakes and at one point felt like they were herding cats; to a point where they were able to continue on a path of wealth, pleasure, relationships, notoriety, purpose and contentment. Imagine what your organization would look like if your team could creatively live up to 30-50 to 100% of their ability! Doug’s team did it and they were able to buy his company and years later position the company to sell it again for many millions.