A Note from the Chair

In a year marked with political upheaval, global tension and challenges among all aspects of higher education your Business Department has emerged as the Nicolais School of Business with an exciting agenda of new programs and curriculum development to better prepare our students for their professional lives. We are in the process of streamlining our Traditional MBA program to match expectations and needs of our important stakeholders groups, including current students, alumni and employers now and in the future. We have pioneered the usage of Professors of Practice who bring a wealth of real world knowledge to our course offerings. Having established a new initiative known as “SELECTS” we are taking our very best students to a new level, more of this from our Undergraduate Director Dr. Cathy Tully. The very successful Master of Science program in Accounting has been expanded to become an MS/MBA program as well as a stand-alone MBA in Accounting for non-Accounting undergraduate majors. We have added a Leadership Certificate to our TMBA, EMBA and AccMBA programs as well as a White Belt workshop in Lean Six Sigma to all MBA programs. Your School of Business faculty is heavily and continuously involved in scholarly research to maintain a cutting edge advantage in research to pass along to our students. All in all we are very excited on THE Hill and look forward to a prosperous and rewarding future.

Respectfully,

Dr. Donald L. Crooks
Chair, Director AccMBA/EMBA, Black Belt Lean/Six Sigma
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We are proud of our collective—alumni, student, staff and faculty—accomplishments and would like to share and honor them. You are encouraged to be part of our business community by contacting us and letting us know of your news and achievements!

Please contact us at Nicolais.School.of.Business@wagner.edu
Special News

As the semester concludes we bid farewell to a colleague and friend who has been a staple in the college and our department in his untiring dedication to our students. Dr. John Moran, after 33 years at Wagner has decided to retire to spend more time with his son and mom. John has been an especially good friend and my proofreader throughout my 15 years at Wagner and travel partner for 10 years with our EMBA/AccMBA overseas trips. An accomplished author as well as an extremely popular professor Dr. Moran’s presence will be sorely missed. We look forward to John’s return in a year as a super adjunct. Thank you John, for your service, guidance and friendship. ----Dr. Donald Crooks

John Jude Moran was born in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn. After graduating from Xaverian High School at 16 years of age and St. John's University in 2 years at 18 years of age, he studied law at New York Law School. John received his doctorate of law when he was 21 years of age and became a member of the New York Bar. He received his MBA from St. John's University, graduating at the top of his class. While working for a law firm in the World Trade Center, John began working on a college text in business law. He received a contract from Prentice Hall, now an integral component of Pearson Publishing.

In 1982, John moved to Cameron Lake, Staten Island. He began teaching at Wagner College in 1984. His first book, Practical Business Law was published in 1985. The three editions have been used at over 90 colleges throughout the United States including Harvard University and 6 foreign countries. In 1995, John's second book, Employment Law, was published by Prentice Hall. Six editions of this text have been used in over 120 colleges including Stanford University and a dozen state universities as well as numerous foreign countries. Together, the law texts have sold over 60,000 copies.

During his tenure at Wagner College, John served as department chairman on two occasions and received the title of full professor. John originated the Hawaii Business, Culture and Ethics class. He made 24 trips to the Big Island taking almost 400 students to such unique businesses involving: papayas, macadamia nuts, anthuriums, orchids, cacao, jabongs and rambutans. Wonderful company managers: Kenn Harada, John Katada and Chang gave informative tours and presented the students with papayas and anthurium flowers. John and his students hiked down Pololu Valley and Waipio Valley and raced back up to the top. Famous Hawaiian educator Nona Beamer played the ukulele and invited John and his students to a Hawaiian school where the Hawaiian students presented Wagner students with ceremonial tea leaf leis and invited them into the school to observe their classes. Historian Roy Wilson invited the students to his
home where he talked story, pounded poi, cut sugar cane and made a Hawaiian lunch for the students. They visited the snow cap peak of 13,796 foot Mauna Kea and entered into the largest telescope built on its summit. They even saw the planet, Saturn, and its rings. John and his students performed the hula at the Hilton Waikoloa Village luau in front of 300 people. But, most of all, they met wonderful Hawaiians and learned about the culture.

John was also fortunate to accompany 200 plus Executive and Accelerated MBA students on a dozen trips to Europe. Some of the countries visited were Iceland, Russia, Sweden, Finland, Turkey, Greece, Slovakia, Czech, Hungary, France, Italy, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Austria, Estonia, Germany, Denmark, Netherlands, Belgium, Spain, Ireland and the French speaking Tahiti. Interesting businesses involving robots, steel making, beer brewing, geothermal, salt mining and race horses were among the sites visited.

Now after teaching for 33 years in over 400 courses with 7,000 plus students, John has decided to retire at the age of 60 to spend more time with his son, Johnny, his mom, Rita and their dog, Shadow.

As his hero, Elvis used to say when he closed his concerts, "Thank you, thank you very much."
In commemoration and appreciation, The Bay Ridge St. Patrick’s Day Parade Committee honored the Horan Family -The 2017 Irish Family of the Year for their invaluable dedication to Irish traditions and to the community of Bay Ridge. Dyker Golf Course Catering Dinner Dance: March 4, 2017 and on March 26, 2017 at the Bay Ridge Parade.
Curriculum News: Undergraduate

As an Alum you recall commencement – a wonderful event at Wagner. For me, it is bittersweet as I watch my Freshman Learning Community students walk across the stage to receive their diplomas. The culmination of four formative years in their lives. I know they have grown academically, personally and professionally!

Commencement was extra special this year as Nicolais School of Business graduated the first class of SELECTS. Thanks to the efforts of Ms. Mary Carracappa, Wagner Alum and member of the Board of Directors and Dr. Crooks, Business Administration chairperson. With generous support from alum and friends, the SELECT program offered our top business students a personal mentoring experience coupled with job skills training.

At the School of Business we are moving toward AACSB accreditation. We have made significant curriculum changes. An example is the required pairing of Accounting 101 with Excel for Business Professionals. Our courses emphasize content as well as professional skill building. This year special attention to technology skill building across the business curriculum has proven to benefit our student internship opportunities. Host employers are pleased with the Nicolais School of Business skill set, often offering our students permanent employment after graduation, which a testament to their undergraduate training at Wagner College.

This year the Business Administration Award was granted to Megan Fritz as the senior achieving the highest GPA in the Nicolais School of Business. Megan is a finance concentration with 3.92 GPA. Megan is a member of the Economics Honor Society, Business Honor Society, and chosen to be a SELECT in the first class of students to participate in this competitive program whereby students explore career opportunities under the direction of a Wagner Alum who serves as their mentor. Megan is a member of the Women’s Professional Network, a 2015 Northeast Conference Women’s Soccer Scholar Athlete of the Year and the Captain of the Women’s Soccer team. She also serves as Vice president of Student Professional Organization, Editor in Chief of the Wagnerian, member of the finance club and Nicolais School of Business Student Advisory Board. Megan presently interns at NBC Universal, and has interned at the Partnership for Drug Free Kids.

We applaud the many accomplishments of our 94 graduates of the Nicolais School of Business. As they move into corporate and government positions, graduate school and law school, their foundation has been set at Wagner College.

Thank you to the many Alumni who help our students succeed. Your contributions are invaluable. If you have not volunteered, but would like to share your time and talent, please reach out to me at cathyann.tully@wagner.edu. We welcome your input.

Respectfully,

Cathyann D. Tully, DPS, MBA
Director, Undergraduate Business Program
Nicolais School of Business
Curriculum News: Graduate

Constant Relentless Pursuit of Excellence

This semester saw our continued drive toward AACSB Accreditation as we streamlined out Traditional Program to concentrate on our core competencies which resulted in a reduction of credits from 45 to 39 credits with input from consultants, stakeholders, employers and competitors. Within our MBA program we embedded an MS component for those not seeking an MBA or as a stepping stone to the MBA. The other big news was our proposed 5 year, BS/ Dual MBA in Finance and Management, as we go to press this initiative has been approved by the college and is in Albany for State approval. We hope to launch this in the fall. We also have parted ways with our HealthCare and Media Management majors to more fully concentrate on our Management, Finance, Accounting and Marketing programs.

Professor Michael Mahoney
Director of Traditional MBA Program

“MBA Means Business and our only business is our students”
… Dr. Crooks
Students News & Accolades: Undergraduate

Four Undergraduate Wagner College Business Foundation Simulation Teams Achieve “Top Decile Ranking” out of 1687 and Two Capstone Teams out of 2765 Internationally Competing Teams!

Congratulations to our outstanding undergraduate Capsim Foundation® business simulation teams! Research shows people learn best by doing and our students experienced the inevitable compromises and trade-offs inherent in the decisions that real-world managers make every day in finance, operations, R&D, marketing, HR, and other areas. Wagner business students built a product portfolio, managed costs, analyzed the market, and developed forecasts, all with an eye on cash flow and balance sheet management.

Businesses and the markets in which we operate constantly evolve. Whether you manufacture the latest wearable electronics or sell tickets to upcoming events, the essential building blocks of business—marketing, finance, R&D, and operations management remain the same. Through Capsim® interactive business simulation, Wagner business students get a chance to develop a holistic understanding of basic business principles from the very beginning in an engaging and challenging learning experience. Each business discipline has its broad body of knowledge and can be mastered in theory, but experiencing how business works in practice, competing with similar teams world-wide, can be the ideal foundation for deep and ongoing learning.

The Nicolais School of Business at Wagner College has been a leader in the metropolitan area in implementing the Capsim business simulations to students at all levels. Foundations® is the undergraduate simulation for our 200 level sophomore and junior business students. Capstone® Undergraduate is required by all our 400-level senior business students and the Capstone® Graduate simulation, which is the most challenging, is required for our 600-level graduate students.

Capsim Simulations, an internationally recognized leader in interactive business simulations for over 37 years, provides the courseware and assurance of learning testing. Our students compete with between 1200 - 3000 international teams, at the same skill level, and teams who rank in the top 10% worldwide are acknowledged with the “Top Decile” Certificate of Achievement, to commemorate their team’s achievement.

Again we had 40% of our MG201 lab Capsim Foundation Simulation Teams in the Capsim Top Decile out of 1687 international teams, with scores from 90-96%. We are maintaining our position as the competition is getting more challenging and a larger number of strong competitors from other outstanding schools are now competing. We also had 8 Foundation single competitors and 2 Capstone competitors in the optional Capsim Challenge. James Wise came in 33rd with a 91.97 curved ranking! This was our best semester to date on the Capsim Challenge participation! Wagner is certainly making a name for itself in management simulation development!
Coming in #1 at 96% for the Nicholais School of Business at Wagner College this spring was Capsim Foundation Team MG201-L2 Team Baldwin whose members were: Christopher Gomez, Samantha Hodges, Grant Ludgar, Dorian McMenery and Emily O'Regan.

Neck-to-neck at 94% was MG201-L2 Team Chester whose members were: Jaime Doty, Kelsey Fee, Alexis Ferro, Maggie Jent, and Andrew Streilein.

Finishing next at 95% was 201-L1 Team Chester whose members included: Ilya Kneppelhout, Abdullah Alsubyani, Jaclyn Sceusa, Juan Alanis, and Anatoliy Lashkul.

MG201-L2 Team Andrews rounded out the top decile ratings at 90% with team members: Jack Blatchford, Ryan Cottone, Joseph Crowley, Vincent DiMare, Alex Thompson, and Addison Williams.
These rankings were based on a cumulative score of eight years (rounds) of balanced score card points competing against 1687 international teams from highly rated business schools, colleges, universities and other institutions.

Capstone Winners included 401-1 Team Chester and 402-2 Team Baldwin.

Competition was even tougher this spring as more top schools competed in the undergraduate Capstone simulation. Wagner’s Team Baldwin, 401-2, maintained a 95% ranking among 2765 Capstone teams and Team Chester, 401-1 (not shown), also finished in the Top Decile! Shown above are Baldwin members: Alex Sharoykin, Amanda Mazzarino, Sean Walrath, and Patrick Marchione. Absent from the photo is Caleb Scepaniak.

Submitted by Prof. Bill Dubovsky
On May 18th 2017, Dr. Peg Horan (pictured on right) presented Hamza Ahmed with the Janice Buddensick Award for accounting at the Senior Awards Dinner.

Finance and professional speaking intermediate learning community taught by Professor Susan Fenley (theater/ speech dept.) and Dr. Cathyann Tully, Finance Professor, Nicolais School of Business. Students make their final presentation in the Grasso Boardroom. Presentations center on financial analysis of Fortune 500 companies.
On April 28, 2017, students from Wagner College attended an annual trip to the office of one of the “Big Four” Accounting Firms, Deloitte & Touche LLP, at their Rockefeller Plaza office. Adjunct Professor Frank DeCandido chaperoned the following students: Patricia Zappone, Elias Aljunidi, Gianna Drago, Jessica Rimdzius, Siddarth Anand, Matthew Bruno, Aliyya Noor, Samantha Lavrich, Graham Schmelzer, Allan Wang, Jennelly Burgos, Nicole Bianco, Madison McNichol, and Florina Jajaga. Joining the students from Deloitte & Touche LLP was retired former partner Joseph Delaney as well as audit staff members Stephanie Carapezza, Joe Cullina, and Matt Butler.

Joseph Delaney led a panel discussion for the students regarding what accounting firms are looking for in recruiting candidates and what students should be doing to make them better candidates for employment. For example one presentation slide discussed joining and being active in campus clubs and business organizations as well as becoming active in their community through organizations such as Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA), National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), and The International Honor Organization for Financial Information (Beta Alpha Psi).

In addition, the panel discussed making education a priority and the importance of keeping up a good grade point average. Other topics included networking, building relationships, staying connected, the CPA exam and its requirements, and the importance of being smart with social media. The main
message was “Post only items you would be comfortable seeing on the front page of the New York Times.”

Overall, the students had a great time and this was a terrific learning experience as well as getting first-hand knowledge of getting hired and working for a full-service CPA firm.

Accounting Society Faculty Leader
Dr. Peg Horan
Management Club

On April 7th, 2017, five undergraduate Business majors (Tim Jackson, Danielle Gaglia, Chelsea Carbajal, Dominic Zmarlicki, and Milot Muca) and Dr. Shani Carter visited the United Nations headquarters in Manhattan. The students participated in a guided tour of the headquarters, and viewed a portion of the U.N. Security Council meeting held that day. The students are studying international business, and found the tour to be eye-opening and to inspire them to increase involvement in global trade issues.
Conference on current Business Issues in African Countries

The Nicolais School of Business and the Management club, led by Shani Carter, hosted the conference on April 19-21, 2017. More than 20 presentations were made by visitors from African countries, Wagner faculty, and students. Presenters from African countries included: Lahoussine Aboudrar (Morocco); Jamal Diwany (Morocco); Justus Lavi Mwololo (Kenya); Cynthia Onyangore (Kenya); Philip Munyao Mutisya (Kenya); Scholastica Udegbe (Nigeria); Tinuke Fapohunda (Nigeria); Omar El amili (Morocco). Wagner faculty members who presented research included: Abe Unger; Donald Crooks; Edward Strafaci; Frank DeSimone; Ian Wise; Richard LaRocca; Shani Carter; Steve Thomas; and William Dubovsky.

In addition, more than 110 faculty and students attended some of the presentations, along with Dr. Richard Guarasci, President of Wagner College and Dr. Lily D. McNair, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Topics included: United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, UNCTAD14; commodities trading; investment; entrepreneurship; small-scale farming; infrastructure investment; culture; Business Improvement Districts; Monetary Policy; Brand Credibility; Organization Culture; and the Film Industry. Plans are underway to implement the research into practice in developing nations.

Management Club Faculty Leader
Dr. Shani Carter
Finance Club

Distinguished Seahawk Selects, who were members of the Finance Club, were chosen to represent Wagner College at the Quinnipiac G.A.M.E. International Finance Forum in Manhattan this past March. The students were given the opportunity to sit in on panel discussions from representatives of Blackrock, the Federal Reserve and Bloomberg and to participate in breakout discussions during the two day conference.

Bloomberg Trading Challenge:

Faculty Advisor – Edward Strafaci
Team Leader - Spencer Beyer
Members - Avika Sagwal, Brandon Hutchinson, Emily Riddle, Amanda Rey

The group met a week or two before the trading challenge and started to compile research on volatile equities that showed potential for short-term growth. The challenge would only last 2 months, so a traditional buy and hold strategy would not be applicable. After sifting through many options in different sectors, they came up with a $10 million, 15 stock portfolios with holdings such as Amazon, Goldman Sachs, Amgen and others. The group would trade in and out of positions on a weekly basis based on news and technical changes in the market. The team unfortunately did not place in the challenge. However, a great deal was learned about the nature of trading and the markets. To quote the team: “*We learned a tremendous amount, mainly that you never know what is going to happen in the market or in the world. We learned about the nature of volatility in class, however it comes to life when you are actually in a trading environment, it was eye opening.*"
Information on the Bloomberg Trading Challenge can be found at:


Finance Club Faculty Leader
Dr. Richard LaRocca

Marketing club is being re-established Fall 2017
Delta Mu Delta National Business Honor Society Induction Ceremony

Dr. Peg Horan has been the moderator of Delta Mu Delta (DMD) national business honor society since 2005. President of DMD is Nicole Bianco and VP is Madison McNichol. Induction ceremony was held on Sunday April 23rd, 2017. Twenty two students were inducted. Keynote speaker- Professor Ian Wise.
Students News & Accolades: Graduate

On May 9th, 2017, Dr. Tully and Dr. Horan traveled to London, England and Edinburgh, Scotland as part of the course requirement for Competitive Global Business with their students to future their study of the BREXIT agreement, its projected effect on the economy, business relations and the political atmosphere. Several business trips were scheduled including one to the London Exchange for a private informative presentation, one to the Chilton Investment group also in London, and a walking tour of the London district area including Lloyds of London and the Scottish Parliament. This afforded the students the opportunity to initiate their own discussions regarding business in the UK, during these times affected by BREXIT and President Trump - how this affects the trading and investing environment, and the security industry in general.
Faculty & Staff: News and Accolades

Congratulations to the following faculty members for their promotions and appointments:

Dr. Shani Carter—promoted to Full Professor, granted Tenure and appointed Director of Accreditation, Nicolais School of Business
Dr. Donald L. Crooks—promoted to Full Professor
Dr. Joseph Ferrantelli—appointed Director of Assessment

Faculty & Staff: Research

Publications:


Lectures/Presentations:


Honoring Ceremony from the 2nd Annual AAR17 Conference held at Wagner College for Panel Session I. Featured in photo from left to right are: Dr. Elango Rengasamy, Conference Director & Visiting Professor, Sogang Business School, South Korea; and Wagner College Nicolais School of Business Professors: Frank DeSimone, Ian Wise, Mary L. LoRe and Richard LaRocca. Dr. Donald Crooks (in photo below), was the keynote speaker for the talk “Hazard of Morality”.

Attended Conferences/Seminars/Symposia/Webinars:


Miscellaneous

Accreditation/Assessment

Remarks from Director of Accreditation and Assessment

Nicolais School of Business faculty are committed to ensuring high quality learning experiences for all students. To this end, we continually monitor student learning outcomes and adjust curriculum to ensure students are given the most cutting-edge knowledge available. For example, we recently added an Excel requirement to all department courses. Assessment results demonstrate continuous improvement in student learning. Our annual assessment reports and rubrics used to assess student knowledge may be viewed at the following URL’s:

http://wagner.edu/business-admin/academic-productivity/
http://wagner.edu/business-admin/resources/tools/

Regards,

Dr. Shani Carter
Professor of Management & Chair of Accreditation Task Force
Wagner Select

Mentoring Wagner’s Elite Students

With a network of more than 25,000 alumni, Wagner College students have a tremendous opportunity built into their college experience at the outset. Similarly, Wagner alumni seeking to hire bright, civic-minded students with strong academic backgrounds need only to look within their own alma mater to find the right candidates. At Wagner, these connections have primarily developed organically, as outcomes of alumni on-campus involvement or direct contact through departments and the Center for Academic & Career Engagement.

The Wagner Select mentoring program takes this opportunity one step further by building on the existing informal process with a competitive one that ensures: 1. the top 5-10% of our highest performing students are rewarded with first preference access to successful alumni in their chosen industry, and 2. alumni mentors can focus their influence and develop deeper, more profound relationships with students.

The Business Administration Department, led by chair Dr. Donald L. Crooks, is piloting this program in the fall of 2016, in partnership with alumna, Trustee and Morgan Stanley Managing Director, Mary Caracappa-Hurtado ‘82. Their effort is staffed and supported internally by Dr. Geoff Hempill, Director of the Center for Academic & Career Engagement, and Divine Tabios, Senior College Relations Officer in the Office of Institutional Advancement.

Wagner Select is unique in that the selected student will be connected to a “mentor team”, a pair of alumni in their chosen industry who have varying levels of experience: one who is closer to the student’s age group with 3-7 years of experience and one who is a seasoned professional. This allows for a team approach to mentoring and multi-layered connections between alumni and students.

Benefits for Alumni Mentors

- As part of a “mentor team,” alumni mentors also inevitably connect with other alumni in their field;
- The competitive process for applying to be a Wagner Select student ensures that the alumni mentor is connected with elite students at Wagner;
- Alumni mentors are staffed and supported by the Office of Institutional Advancement and College Relations;
- Alumni mentors have the opportunity to directly impact a student’s career trajectory, helping them navigate early in their career and, thus, shaping their future.

Benefits for Wagner Select Students

- Wagner Select students graduate with deep connections in their chosen industry;
- Wagner Select students gain a lasting professional resource in their mentor teams & individuals who are invested in their career success;
- Wagner Select students are positioned to succeed early in their careers and can become alumni with distinction.
Expectations

Mentors

Participation

Wagner recognizes that alumni mentors may have varying levels of availability and willingness to participate. All alumni mentors will be assigned a Wagner College Relations Officer, Divine Tabios, to ensure that their experience in the Wagner Select program continues to be mutually beneficial.

We ask all alumni mentors to commit to participate for one full academic year (Aug-May) before assessing their involvement. At the end of the academic year, their assigned College Relations Officer will connect with them and discuss their mentoring experience. We promise that the mentoring opportunity is on a one-to-one basis, meaning you will be assigned one mentee at a time.

Communication

In the spirit of the organic nature of connections that have existed at Wagner, the Wagner Select program does not have a rigid communications requirement. Rather, we encourage each mentor team to create their own agreed-upon mode and frequency of contact with each other and their student.

We suggest: monthly check-ins via phone, email, Facetime/Skype & quarterly or semi-annual (at least 1x per semester) in-person lunches or coffee.

During the year, Wagner will invite all Wagner Select students and mentor teams to an event either on-campus or in Manhattan to reinforce connections.

Influence

We ask our alumni mentors to give their Wagner Select students first preference in available internships or positions at their respective companies, providing that our students are ideal candidates for those positions. In some cases, guidance regarding academic program will be part of the discussions, in particular about maintaining GPA and the academic program mentees should strive to enroll in to ensure they have the background to succeed in their chosen focus areas. We also ask our alumni mentors to assist and advise our students on the non-academic skillsets required to succeed professionally.

Wagner Select Students

Wagner Select students are required to sign a contract once selected agreeing to maintain academic excellence throughout the duration of their college careers. They understand that the onus is on them to maintain a communication flow with their mentor teams, including semester updates on their academic performance and/or challenges they are facing.

Wagner Select students also understand that participating in the program is a privilege and a tremendous, potentially life-changing, opportunity.
The Selection Process

*Wagner Select* students undergo two rounds of selection beginning with an application process implemented through the Center for Academic & Career Engagement. The group selected via application also come in for a personal interview with Dr. Hempill to discuss their career plans. In the pilot program, the best students in the Business Department were selected via applications by CACE and then further vetted through the Business Department Wagner Select Committee. Committee members include Dr. Cathyann Tully, Director of Undergraduate Studies, Professor Edward Strafaci, Director of Experiential Learning, and Dr. Donald L. Crooks, Chair.

**Wagner Select Students:**

**Alhagiko, Omar**
- Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
- Minor: Mathematics
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2019, Sophomore
- Career/Industry Aspiration: Wealth Management; Risk Technology
- Internships Held: Gold Key Academics Tutor
- Campus Activities: Lacrosse, SAAC, Finance Club, Investment Club

**Andersson, John**
- Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
- Minor: Mathematics
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
- Career/Industry Aspiration: private equity or as a venture capitalist. I'm an outgoing person, so working with analytics and directly with client would suit me well.
- Internships Held: Avondale Partners LLC and EAB AB
- Campus Activities: Hockey and Tennis for Wagner, VP of the Finance club, a member of the SPA (Student Professional Association), a member if ICC (Intercultural Connection Club), ODK and the Math honor society.

**Blatchford, John**
- Minor:
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
- Career/Industry Aspiration: Work in the finance industry and incorporate my passion for the environment with my interest in finance.
- Internships Held: Albemarle Acres, Acres in the Falls, Vocational Consulting and Evaluations
• Campus Activities: Finance Club, Omicron Delta Epsilon (Economics Honor Society), Peer Tutor, for Economics and Finance, President/Founder of Students of Wagner Are Going Green, Sigma Alpha Pi (National Society of Leadership and Success), Student Advisory Council- business department, Student Alumni Association, Wagner College Division I Football, NEC Co-champions 2014.

Camacho, Leahi

• Major: Business Admin., Management Concentration
• Minor: Psychology
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
• Career/Industry Aspiration: A career in either public relations or organizational psychology. On top of a successful career in a field I believe I would thrive in, I eventually want to open up my own storefront with the business I am currently trying to grow.
• Internships Held: The College Christian (Owner), Aflac, Salem Church, Love Your Melon, and M2 Fitness-Kailua-Kona
• Campus Activities: Member of the Swim team, Management Club, SAAC, and The Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Ferro, Alexis

• Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
• Minor:
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2019, Sophomore
• Career/Industry Aspiration: The field of finance. I am particularly interested in becoming a financial analyst. I would like to use my knowledge and strong critical thinking skills to improve a company's goals and financial standing
• Internships Held: Biltmore Beach Club and Port Richmond Partnership
• Campus Activities: Business Administration Student Advisory Committee, Finance Club, The Accounting Society

Gray, Kevin

• Major: Business Admin., Accounting Concentration
• Minor:
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2019, Sophomore
• Career/Industry Aspiration: I've really immersed myself in all aspects of the accounting world joining clubs and currently interning (Tax Accounting) at a wealth management firm. The aspirations that I have following the completion of my undergrad include striving for my MBA in accounting to prepare myself to sit for the CPA. Along with going to school following graduation I hope to have landed a job in the accounting field, ideally tax or audit to compliment what I'm learning and school and also help me in the CPA exam process.
- Internships Held: Bessemer Trust Company
- Campus Activities: Men’s Lacrosse, Student Athletic Advisory Committee, Student Professional Association, Accounting Society, Student Alumni Association.

Hodges, Samantha

- Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
- Minor:
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
- Career/Industry Aspiration: Financial advising or risk and wealth management.
- Internships Held: Law Offices of Sean F. Leslie and Law Offices of Sanders B. Patton.
- Campus Activities: Women’s Tennis Team, International Cultural Connections Club, Treasurer of ODK National Honors Leadership Society, Student Advisory Committee, and Delta Mu Delta Honor Society.

Knight, Denzel

- Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
- Minor: Economics
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
- Career/Industry Aspiration: Wealth management, financial analysis, risk management, auditing and financial planning.
- Internships Held: Alvarez & Marsal and Wells Fargo
- Campus Activities: Division I Football, Management Club, and Athletic Center Coordinator.

Ludgar, Grant

- Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration
- Minor:
- Expected Graduation: Class of 2019, Sophomore
- Career/Industry Aspiration: Be an investment banker, possibly in the energy sector. More specifically I would like to help make mergers and acquisitions happen, as well as help companies go public.
- Internships Held: Donald Trump Presidential Campaign, Benard Herald & Co., City of Plano Parks and Recreation Department.
- Campus Activities: SGA Senator, Admissions Ambassador, Tau kappa Epsilon, Interfraternity Council Treasurer, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Wagner College Republicans, Port Richmond partnership, and Cause for a Cure.

McNichol, Madison

- Major: Business Admin., Concentration in Accounting
- Minor: Italian
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
• Career/Industry Aspiration: Getting my CPA and working for an accounting firm, hopefully one of the big four
• Internships Held: Staten Island Community Job Center bank INC., Teacher to Student Accounting Internship, Roslyn Swim Club, and Love your melon.
• Campus Activities: Women’s Swimming and Diving Team, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Accounting Society Vice President, and Accounting Peer Tutor.

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Tego, Pascalle

• Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration and Economics
• Minor:
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2019, Sophomore
• Career/Industry Aspiration: My short-term aspiration is to work in the finance industry, more specifically in sales and trading. I aspire to work with foreign exchange and to someday use the knowledge acquired to work for a central bank and then politics.
• Internships Held: Broxel Fintech
• Campus Activities: Women’s Golf team, Finance Club, Investments Club, Student Alumni Association, and Student Athlete Advisory Committee.

Wredstroem, Kristian

• Major: Business Admin., Finance Concentration.
• Minor: Economics
• Expected Graduation: Class of 2018, Junior
• Career/Industry Aspiration: My future plans has always been to work for a corporation that deals with international transactions. In a world that is experiencing a growing sense of protectionism, it will be crucial to find common ground in business transactions for the continuation of flourishing economies. Controlling the finances for a corporation that conducts business worldwide will be the position of my dreams. Another consideration I have made is to become a financial advisor.
• Internships Held: AXA Advisors, A+PerfektService, and IntraProces Consulting
• Campus Activities: Division I Football, Delta Mu Delta national Honors Society, ODK President, Students of Wagner are Going Green Vice president and Co-Founders, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Center for Intercultural Advancement Student Mentor.
Alumni News

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