

Dear Professionals,

We would like to invite you to participate in our 8th ANNUAL UAM CAREER DAY on Friday, March 20th, 2020 from 9am to 12pm. This event is structured for high school students to investigate various career paths and learn about key skills and educational requirements for success in a particular field. The event will take place in the Martin Luther King Campus at 122 Amsterdam Avenue (between 65th and 66th streets) NY, NY 10023.

Participants will be in groups of 3-5 professionals and asked to share their experiences in two 55-minute panel discussions with approximately 20 students or less. All sessions are held in a small and informal setting, so there is no need to prepare a speech or practice a presentation.



You will be asked to:

- Describe your experience and development as a professional in your career field
- Share your educational background, critically used skills and journey into your field
- Discuss resources that assist young people in accessing opportunities in your field
- Provide insight, advice, or words of wisdom to this generation of rising professionals regarding decisions about college and career after high school graduation

Although it is **NOT** required, we encourage you to bring an **artifact** to share with the students that could prompt or facilitate a discussion. Some examples of artifacts professionals have brought in the past are:

- Published work (Graphic Novels, Books, Magazines, etc.)
- A picture of an office space
- Business Cards and/or Pamphlets (Website, Instagram, Twitter Information, etc.)
- Uniforms/Gear (Firefighters, Officers, etc.)
- Picture or plans for a project (Sketch, Architectural Blueprint, Headshot)

Professionals will get confirmation of their community outreach participation and photos of the event will be available via Dropbox upon request.

Please <u>REGISTER WITH THIS LINK</u>.

(You will receive a confirmation email with event details.)



Who are we?

UAM is a school that is focused on bringing out the best in all students' thinking so that they are able to achieve at high levels. UAM graduates are able to respond to the world by making choices that maximize positive outcomes for themselves and others. UAM is focused on students becoming better critical thinkers, not just acquiring

more knowledge. As a result, our students are able to respond productively in novel

situations. UAM students are able to: solve problems; access, analyze and evaluate information and messages from a range of media; make decisions; and express their thinking verbally and in writing. As a result, UAM students are prepared to perform well in college, career and life and to be proactive members of their communities.



Here is a draft schedule of the event:

Professional Schedule 8:45 – 9:00 Arrival 9:00 – 9:45 Breakfast & Information Session 9:45 – 10:40 Session 1 10:40 – 10:50 Break 10:50 – 11:45 Session 2 11:45 – 12:00 Surveys, Gifts, Goodbye

YOUR IMPACT

Your participation in Career Day has a deep impact on our student body. Being able to hear about your choices, mistakes, and successes inspires and gives our students the confidence they need to begin thinking and planning for their future. Below are some quotes from student reflections of past Career Days.

"The highlight of my day was meeting a girl in Design named Ana who wanted a career in fashion and no one thought she'd be able to do it but she did it." – Samantha Paulino, 12th Grader

"I heard that you should always know your value and your worth, so people don't take advantage of your talents." – Jeda White, Alumna (Class of 2019)

"I need to start using my planner again!" – Azizah Om, 12th Grader

"Today I am going to write a short story. Because I can." Bryant Jiminian, 12th Grader

"I used to think you didn't need others to be successful. Now I realize that making connections is important and so is working with others. You need to know people in order to be successful and to get a job. I also learned that you have to work your way up and have experience in order to make progress, as well as learn to take criticism." – Matthew Panchure, 10th Grader

If you have any questions, please email us at <u>careerday@uamhighschool.org</u> We look forward to seeing you at Career Day!

Best, UAM Career Day Team

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