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Alumni Spotlight: Kaitlyn Leininger '18

1. When were you a member of LLC and what positions did you hold?

I was a founding member of LLC when it began in the Spring of 2017. I joined during my Junior year at Penn State. During my time with the organization, I was a Portfolio Manager for the Real Estate/Gaming/Lodging sector.

2. How did LLC help prepare you for your career?

LLC was extremely helpful in preparing me to enter the professional world ahead. It gave me the skill set to approach an interview with confidence. LLC allowed me to stand out in a pile of resumes with something quite incredible to share. In addition, the networking connections I made through this organization have also been invaluable.

3. What advice would you give to the new members of LLC?

I would advise new members of the LLC to be a team player. Do more than is expected of you and assist others whenever possible. Great work ethic and a positive attitude will allow you to be remembered and help you to create these very valuable relationships with other LLC members. I would also

advise members to reach out to any connections they have in the career paths they are considering to learn as much as possible about the many different options ahead of them. For example, I choose to pursue a career path in wealth management. The Penn State Alumni community is a welcoming support system that should be utilized to the fullest. A simple message asking to learn about what exactly someone's role consists of could lead to great opportunities.

4. What advice would you give to current LLC members for their internships this summer?

My first piece of advice for LLC members going into internships for this upcoming summer is to gain a big picture perspective of how the company functions overall and how your role plays a part in that. This will help you to be more knowledgeable not only in your role but allow you to consider if this company has a path that would fit your goals and aspirations. Additionally, I would encourage interns to keep in mind it is okay to ask for help and be imperfect. I would advise members to remember this is a learning experience and there will be challenges along the way. Working hard and being a team player while keeping a professional and positive attitude are key in creating lasting connections at an internship.