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February 9, 2002
Leadership Here & Beyond the Hill

9:30 – 10:00 AM  Registration & Breakfast
Marquis Lobby & Bergethon Room

10:00 – 10:40 AM  Keynote Address
Taking a Risk – Discover Yourself
Susan B. Tischler ’76 will take you on a journey of discovery as she travels from the safety of a career in secondary education, around the world as a Special Agent of the Drug Enforcement Administration. She will challenge you to take the road less traveled and to go beyond your expectations. As you discover that you are only limited by your imagination, the journey will bring you back to the Hill, where it all began.

10:45 – 11:40 AM  Block I Workshops

1. Keynote Follow-Up
An opportunity to dialogue with Susan Tischler.

2. Women as Leaders: Challenges and Opportunities
What can today’s women expect as they prepare for and enter the workplace? What are the keys to being successful, especially in fields that currently are or once were dominated by men? Do women’s leadership styles tend to be different from those of men? What are some strategies for balancing professional and personal concerns, including balancing workload with raising children? Come discuss these and related issues with women in the paid labor force.
Liz McMahon, Professor, Mathematics Department
Jakea Coon ’95, Research Assistant, NYU
Kara Peischl Zidek, Esquire ‘92, Attorney, Obermayer Rebman Maxwell & Hippel

3. Finding What is Right For You
As Lafayette College student leaders, you have already made important life decisions like selecting a college and an academic major. This workshop will help you succeed in the next part of your life – your career. In what type of work environment will you excel? What type of co-workers will help you achieve your career goals? An assessment exercise focused on individual values and interests will be administered, and the results will help you understand the type of person you are and the type of work environment for which you are best suited. Information on web-sites and research will also be provided.
Barbara Reuper-Baum, Career Counselor
Rachel Nelson Moeller ’88, Academic Advising Specialist, Northampton Community College

4. Decision-Making: Here and Beyond the Hill
Decisions shape our lives, yet so few people ever learn real decision-making skills. This workshop will elevate your awareness of the importance and complexity of decision-making today, here and beyond the Hill. Gain proven and easy-to-use tips to help you improve the way you think about and make the decisions which will help you achieve your goals.
Michael Menard, President, GenSight Group

5. Networking: Creating Opportunities for Success
Network, network, network...we have all heard this advice, but what does this really mean? Can networking benefit you both professionally and personally? This session will outline the fundamentals of effective networking and explore why successful people continue to network throughout their lives.
Peter T. Holton ’88, Deputy General Manager and Assistant to the Chairman, Wexler Group

6. Stress Management
Stress can be quite motivating and invigorating, or it can be quite overwhelming. Identify and access your current sources of stress and usual coping methods. Work with others in the group to learn practical ways to keep your personal stress level manageable and stay involved without feeling burned out.
Cindy Adams, Health Promotion Coordinator
Julie Damiano ’02

7. Don’t Blow the Interview
This session will provide young professionals with a comfort level for the interview experience through an awareness of what to expect, procedures, preparation, and etiquette. It will be presented within a pre-interview, interview, and post-interview format.
Ralph Ferrone, President, Interview Prep Associates, Inc.
David Seal ’65, Executive Vice President, Interview Prep Associates, Inc.

8. Public Speaking: Selling Yourself and Your Ideas
Whether seeking to explain an idea or motivate a group to action, a leader must communicate effectively. Good public speakers sell both themselves and their ideas. This session will deal with the five key steps to effective public speaking.
Gary Evans ’57, Vice President for Development and College Relations

In every field, there exists a broad range of differences among people: these differences include appearance, culture, income, organization, race, education, and more. Are you prepared to deal with these differences beyond the ‘Hill’? This interactive workshop will help prepare you to succeed in dealing with diversity at all levels, in graduate school and in corporate, service, and technical environments. You will learn strategies on how to make the most of “what you see or don’t see.”
Carmen Hernández, Intercultural Development Coordinator
Carrie Spell, Assistant Dean & Director of Intercultural Development