Finding & Networking with Foster Alumni Online

LinkedIn

**USE THE ‘FIND ALUMNI’ SECTION OF LINKEDIN UNDER THE CONNECTIONS MENU**

Select ‘UW Foster’ as your school, then use the filters to refine search.

- Undergrads are included unless you type ‘MBA’ in the keyword box.
- Use the location, function, company &/or other categories for further filtering.
- Snapshot views of each result further down same page, click through for full profiles
- Be sure to ‘curate’ the results by checking to be sure they are a Foster MBA.
- To request a connection, send a customized add request explaining why you want to connect with them, and provide your contact information.

This (relatively new) section of LinkedIn is **excellent** and well-worth using regularly.

**Foster MBA Jobs Alumni Database**

**A PRIVATE ALUMNI DATABASE WITH INFORMATION YOU WON’T FIND ELSEWHERE**

(If you don’t have access to Foster MBA Jobs, email mbacm@uw.edu)

Click the **Networking** tab, then search through the database using the **detailed search** page.

Listings for alums and current students who appear in this database contain current email, company, job title and more.

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*Use Foster Jobs and LinkedIn interactively to maximize reach and results:*

In general: LinkedIn is more up-to-date, but the Foster Jobs Alumni Database provides better contact information if you want to reach out to an alum
More networking resources:

Current Student Directory

Online student directory includes company and job indexes that allow you to find out where your classmates and students in other programs have interned, worked, or currently work. These fellow classmates are your strongest connections to many companies.
https://laps.bschool.washington.edu/mbadirectory/#/ (Log-in required)

LinkedIn (continued)

JOIN THE OFFICIAL UW FOSTER MBA GROUP – YOUR BEST SOURCE FOR CONNECTING WITH FOSTER ALUMS
http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=44631&trk=hb_side_g (Be sure you are a member)
Joining groups gives you an instant ‘2nd degree’ connection with all members. That equals more access.)

JOIN OTHER GROUPS ON LINKED IN TO BUILD YOUR NETWORK.

- University of Washington Foster School of Business Alumni Group: http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=108310&trk=group-name
  (This group includes both Foster undergraduate and graduate alums)
- Linked: Seattle: http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Linked-Seattle-37871?gid=37871&trk=group-name
  (Large group, good for gaining initial access to local business community)
- Specialty groups centered on your functional and industry interests.

Husky Career Network

Database of Husky alums – not specific to MBAs:
http://www.washington.edu/alumni/career-development/husky-career-network/
(Current students and UWAA members have access)

Regional Alumni Groups

Connect with regional alumni and advocates for events and networking:
• Foster Regional Reps: http://foster.uw.edu/foster-alumni/stay-connected/regional-representatives/

• UW Regional Alumni Groups: http://www.washington.edu/alumni/events/

Other resources

Many more links available at the Foster website for alums:
http://www.foster.washington.edu/alumni/Pages/StayConnected.aspx