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## Construction Careers Center students want to shadow you

Deadline to confirm tomorrow for Feb. 1 'Shadowing Day'

Fifty-five juniors at the Construction Careers Center are looking for construction industry and related field professionals who would be willing to let the students 'shadow' them for a day on the job.

Job Shadowing is an academically motivating activity designed to give students the unique opportunity to experience a normal day on the job. The program invites students to see first-hand how the skills they are learning at the Construction Careers Center relate directly to the work place.

Any professional office or company that is interested in giving the students from the Construction Careers Center an experience that will enrich their studies and offer them the opportunity to see first-hand how the real work world functions is welcome to volunteer.

The Construction Careers is the only charter high school devoted to training young people for careers in the construction industry.

Companies can sign up through January 25. Students will be responsible for their transportation to and from the job site or office on February 1, Shadowing Day

Companies interested in hosting a student for Job Shadowing Day must sign up with the Construction Careers Center Placement Coordinator Gwen Grimm. She can be reached at 314-588-9991.

Engineering scholarship program

The Schleyer Scholars Program at Drexel University in Philadelphia was developed from a \$2 million dollar pledge from alumnus William T. Schleyer and his wife, Mary Z. Zygala.

The program is set to assist students to strengthen their skills needed for college through a six-week summer immersion experience. The course would focus on English, math, and critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Drexel faculty as well as professors from Cal Tech, The University of California at Berkeley and Swarthmore will instruct the courses.

Drexel President Constantine Papadakis said, 'Candidates for the Schleyer Scholars Program will be evaluated by interviews that qualify their high school performance, potential for success in college and personal attributes such as resourcefulness, persistence, work ethic and communication skills.'

One male and one female will be chosen each year. Priority will be given to awarding one scholarship to a student pursuing a degree in engineering.

Dean of engineering Selcuk Gucer said the program will help students substantially.

'It pays for the majority of the expenses,' he said. 'It's wonderful because two students who would not have the means to afford it can attend.'

According to Papadakis, the program would financially support students throughout their years at Drexel.

'It will cover about 25 percent of students' annual cost, including tuition, fees, room and board, textbooks, computers and related expenses,' he said. 'Drexel's Urban Scholars Program and cooperative education program and financial aid will cover students' remaining expenses.'

Interested persons should reach the school at (215) 895-2000.

Zoo job fairs for summer jobs

The Saint Louis Zoo will hold job fairs from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, January 26 and noon-4 p.m. Friday, February 8 in the Living World building.

The zoo is recruiting 'energetic, responsible and service-oriented people' for part-time jobs including positions in distribution, food service, gift shops, grounds, and guest services.

Employees can be 15 (work permit required at time of hire) and up, and must be available to work flexible hours on weekdays as well



as weekends in the spring, summer and fall seasons.

Job fairs will include information on employment plus an opportunity for a screening interview. Flexible schedules, competitive hourly wages, free employee parking and 'an ideal working environment' are offered.

Visit [www.stlzoo.org/jobs](http://www.stlzoo.org/jobs) for more information.