



**Washington University**

**Health Administration Program Alumni Association**

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Dear Alumni/ae:

I am pleased to announce the HAP Alumni Board has approved a proposal to formally affiliate with Olin Business School at Washington University. The overarching goal in this decision is to re-establish a relationship with our alma mater that is beneficial to HAP alumni. The action by the board asserts the best “alignment” is provided through Olin Business School.

A significant amount of the preparatory work leading to this affiliation was conducted by Mark Brostoff, HAP '82, Associate Dean and Director, Olin Business School, Weston Career Center and Ron Gribbins. I also met personally with Dean Gupta to get a sense of his commitment and perspective on the mutual gains to both parties. I came away from that meeting confident that our goals are very closely aligned. In addition, Dean Gupta recognized the ill feeling created by the closure of HAP and we are confident this affiliation will move us forward in a positive and collaborative manner.

Some things will remain the same. The HAP Alumni Association will maintain a 501(c)(3) legal status and will continue to utilize our website as the key platform for alumni communication and information exchange. The HAP Alumni Association Board of Directors remains in place with no change to its duties and responsibilities.

Some of the services Olin will provide include:

- Manage and provide technical support for the HAP alumni association website and database;
- Add a “job posting” section to the HAP website to post relevant position vacancies in healthcare;
- Provide virtual professional and career services to HAP alumni;
- Invite HAP alumni to relevant Olin Business School functions (i.e. Century Club and talent summits);
- Provide an initial “point of contact” to alumni, as requested, for services of Washington University.

HAP alumni are encouraged to contribute to this affiliation, as follows:

- Consider Olin Business School for appropriate internship and full-time job postings for advertisement to current Washington University students and alumni;
- Serve as mentors and participate as guest speakers on healthcare sector topics;

HAP Alumni Association members possess a wealth of information concerning the challenges the healthcare industry faces, and the goal of this partnership between HAP alumni and Olin is to provide the appropriate venue for HAP alumni to share with faculty a marketplace perspective in the development of curriculum.

This affiliation represents a new beginning for HAP at Washington University. The HAP Alumni Board is confident this is a positive step forward. We hope you feel equally positive and as we reestablish our relationship with the University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kimberly A. Russel'.

Kimberly A. Russel, HAP '83  
President, HAP Alumni Board

P.S. The HAP Alumni Association Board of Directors will be hosting a reception for all alums and their guests in conjunction with ACHE's Congress. The reception will be held on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 from 5 – 7 pm at the University Club of Chicago located at 76 East Monroe Street. Although there is no cost to attend the reception, advance reservations are required via email to [kim.russel@bryanlgh.org](mailto:kim.russel@bryanlgh.org)