#### WOMEN OF ISENBERG

## **NEWSLETTER**

Happy New Year everyone! The 2023 Women of Isenberg (WoI) Planning Committee is excited to share the January issue of our monthly newsletter.

#### This newsletter features:

- Registration & WFUM Ticket Waiver
- Keynote Announcement
- Speaker Update
- Meet the 2023 Student Ambassadors
- Meet the 2023 Community Council Members
- Club Collaboration Overview
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- Winter Break Activities
- Spring Semester Preparation
- 2023 Sponsorship





#### **WOI MISSION**

Since 2014 and in 2023, our conference mission will continue to be to connect current UMass Amherst students with alumni, faculty, and corporate sponsors in a full-day professional development event. The Wol Conference creates a welcoming community for attendees from diverse backgrounds and industries to share experiences, foster confidence, and discuss the challenges we face as students in the classroom and women in the workplace.

#### REGISTRATION

March 25th, 2023 is just around the corner! If you have not registered yet, click <u>here</u> to purchase your ticket. If you register for this year's conference before February 28, 2023, you will receive the early bird ticket price special of \$20. Any tickets purchased after February 28th, 2023 will be \$25. We recommend buying your ticket soon, as tickets sell out quickly.

Women for UMass is offering a limited number of ticket waivers for those who are interested in attending the Wol conference but may need financial assistance. The ticket waiver will cover the cost of admittance to the 2023 Wol Conference, click <u>here</u> to apply!



# 2023 KEY NOTE

We are thrilled to announce our keynote speaker for the 2023 Wol Conference: Amy Shecter!

Amy brings a distinguished record of enterprise leadership and business success in the beauty, fashion, and fitness industry to her CEO role at Ever/Body, a personalized aesthetic dermatology company.

As a 4x CEO and President, she has transformed industry-disruptive brands positioned at the intersection of technology and multichannel retail. Her experience spans consumer goods and services across beauty, fitness, and fashion industries. With a proven track record in creating scalable businesses and lifestyle brands.



Under Amy's leadership, Ever/Body grew the business by 123% YOY, and launched a first-of-its-kind enhanced education program to support the brand's mission of supporting each client on their personal beauty journey. Amy raised \$90 million dollars in back to back raises in less than a year which has only been accomplished by a handful of women in the venture capital fundraising world.

Prior to joining Ever/Body, Amy was the CEO of GLAMSQUAD, a technology-powered, consumer-focused company that provides on-demand, at-home beauty services. At GLAMSQUAD, she rapidly scaled the business, opened new markets, launched proprietary technology, forged strategic partnerships and launched branded products with QVC and CVS.

Prior to GLAMSQUAD, Amy was the CEO of CorePower Yoga, President of C. Wonder, and held several senior executive roles at Cole Haan, DKNY and Tory Burch. Amy began her career at Bloomingdale's.

Amy received a Bachelor of Science degree in Fashion Marketing from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1982.

# 2023 PANEL SPEAKERS UPDATE

Wol is thrilled to announce numerous confirmed speakers for the 2023 Women of Isenberg Conference! Scroll to read about some of these featured speakers, and view our speakers' biographies <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Stay tuned on our website and social media to find out what panels they will be speaking on!



CARLA JAMES

UMass '01

CEO of Solidus Technical
Solutions



UMass MBA '08

Vice President of Major
Event - Los Angeles
Sports & Entertainment
Commission

KARINA HEROLD



UMass MBA '13

Executive Director of Equality Federation

FRAN HUTCHINS



UMass '90
Independent Consultant

NINA CARRARA



SADE LUWOYE

UMass '15

Senior Specialist Systems
Engineer at L3Harris
Technologies



**MELISSA SPARR** 

UMass '79

Head of Benefits, Compensation, HRIS and Payroll at The NPD Group L.P.



**KAREN PETERS** 

**UMass '87** 

VP of Business Administration at New England Wire Products



XIOMARA ALBÁN DELOBATO

**UNH '10** 

Chief of Staff at Western Mass Economic Development Council



KOKUI ADESOKAN

UMass '09

Technical Project
Manager at Bridgewater
Associates



**JUDI VIGNA** 

UMass '89

**CEO of Specialized Career Guidance LLC** 



**ELIZA PESUIT** 

UMass '08

**Executive Director of Global Glimpse** 



MARGERY PIERCEY

UMass '84

CFO/ COO of Mass Insight Education & Research Institute, Inc.



**DEBRA WEIN** 

**Columbia University MS** 

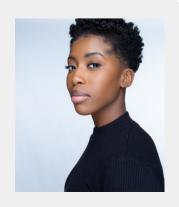
**CEO & Founder of Wellness Workdays** 



**TANYA NESLUSAN** 

UMass '96

**Executive Director of MassEquality** 



**SABRINA VICTOR** 

UMass '18

Sabrina Victor - Actor, Speaker, Graduate Student

## **2023 STUDENT AMBASSADORS**

The Wol Student Ambassadors are a group of UMass students who are involved with the planning and execution of the 2023 Wol Conference. Pre-conference responsibilities include creating Wol's content questions and panel introductions, as well as communicating with diverse groups at UMass to promote the conference and share our mission. Student ambassadors provide exceptional day-of conference operational support; including panel and workshop moderation, assistance with registration, technological support, as well as offer overall content advice in the areas of DEI.

#### **Senior Ambassadors**



GEORGIA DAVIS

Hospitality & Tourism

Management '25

Technology Ambassadors



Finance & Math Double
Major '23



Computer Science & Operations and Information Management Double Major



MARIANNA MELAMUD
Finance & Managerial Economics
Double Major '25



ALITA WANASLIP
Operations & Information
Management '24

#### **DEI Ambassadors**



CHELSEA OKEME
Management & Economics

**Double Major '25** 



JASMINE NGUYEN
Operations & Information

Management '25





ADITI KUDVA

Management and Political
Science Double Major '26

#### **Moderators**



HIMANI KASHYAP

Masters in Business
Analytics



MEREDITH GREAYER
Mathematics- Data Science
Concentration '25



**NIKOLETTA TAVITIAN** 

Operations and Information
Management '25



SIYA GUNDA Marketing '26

**OLIVIA NISENBAUM** 

Finance '25



STEPHANIE BELL

Finance '25



**KATIE CASTILLO** 

Sports Management & Legal Studies Double Major '25



**BROOKE LEIFER** 

**Business '26** 



JENNY MCNAUGHTON

Marketing '24



KAT KELLEY

Operations and Information Managment '26



**SOPHIA GERVASI** 

**Managerial Economics '26** 



**AMRITHA CHIVIKULA** 

Operations and Information
Management & Geography Double
Major '25



SABRINA TERSONI

**Management '25** 



ANTHONELLA TAVAREZ
HERNANDEZ

**Business '26** 

## 2023 COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Wol Student Ambassadors are a group of UMass Undergraduate students who are involved with the planning and execution of the 2023 Wol Conference. Community Council members are responsible for brainstorming innovative ideas, revising content, enhancing community outreach, and have exclusive access to community networking events. This year, the Community Council members have a focus in one of three Wol sub-groups: Marketing Communications, Day of Operations, the Integration of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for the conference - all centered around Wol's branding and content. Marcomm, Operations & DEI.

#### Marcomm



KAYLIN FIGUEROA Marketing '24



OLIVIA CAMMALLERI Marketing '26



CARLY TAVANO Marketing '24



LAUREN HEYE Marketing '26



GRACE BUEHLER
Marketing & Hospitality and
Tourism Management '24



NATALIA VOLOSHCHAK
Marketing '26



CARRIE CORDER
Communications '25



SYDNEY LAUER
Marketing '25



Finance '26
Operations



EDEN WILLIAMS BERGEN

Marketing '25



ABBEY O'NEIL
Finance '25



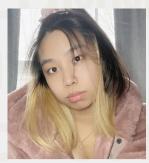
JILLIAN WHITE
Operations and Information
Management '23



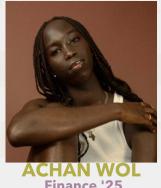
OLIVIA VADNAIS Marketing '25



THAMAR L. PIERRE-LOUIS
Finance '25



**HAILEY CHAU Business '26** 



Finance '25



**OLIVIA LEWIS** Marketing '26



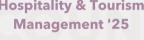
SHAKILA SIVARAJAN
Managerial Economics '25



**LAUREN SCHULZ Hospitality & Tourism Management '25** 



Marketing '25



DEI



**ELANA SADOK Finance & Nutrition Double** Major '23



**PASANT ABDELMESIH Operation and Information Management** 126



**BRIANNA CASTELLO Operation and Information Management '26** 



**HARNEET KAUR** Marketing '24



**MAGGIE O'BRIEN** Finance '25



**JING CHEN Operation and Information Management** '25



**ABBY REDDIVARI** Management and Legal **Studies Double Major** 126



**SIYAN LIN Computer Science '24** 

## CLUB COLLABORATION RECAP

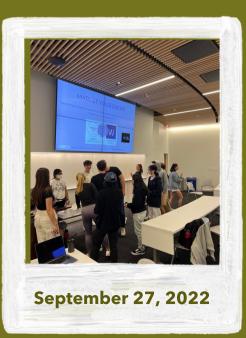
Over the course of the fall semester the Women of Isenberg Planning Committee collaborated with three Isenberg clubs on campus.

First, Wol and the Isenberg Marketing Club hosted a collaborative evening that emphasized innovation and teamwork by challenging all attendees to create a go-to-market plan for an event. In a larger group setting, we brainstormed/defined the facts and tactics that lead towards a successful marketing campaign and then we tasked everyone to create their own marketing campaigns and go to market strategies in smaller teams. We encouraged teams to consider: how to outreach to possible registrants and secure their buy-in. The event showcased the various groups' ideas and creativity and concluded with presentations made to a group of judges who then determined which event was the best, they were more likely to attend/frequent..

Later on in the semester, the Women of Isenberg Planning Committee and Pi Rho chapter of Delta Sigma Pi put on a collaboration event in order to facilitate conversations about diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). The goal of the evening was to bring light to the more difficult conversations pertaining to DEI. We encouraged everyone to internalize what DEI means to them and how they can actively work to be an ally and keep DEI in the forefront of their minds. We hope to increase awareness on some overlooked ideas of diversity and what it means, as well as create a safe space for everyone to learn and ask questions without judgment. Diversity, equity, and inclusion is more than just a conversation and with this event we educated others on being inclusive and

Our final collaboration, on Thursday, December 1st, the Women of Isenberg Planning Committee hosted a meditation night in collaboration with Women in Business. The purpose of this event was to prepare students for the demands of final exams--to consider the importance of: relieving stress, taking time for themselves and relaxation. In the likely chaos of end of the semester activities, it was our mission to encourage everyone to take some deep breaths, be self-aware of the demands placed upon them and to slow down - if just a bit. Wol is so appreciative of our collaboration with these 3 clubs. Shoutout to our passionate and intelligent Director of Community Outreach: Megha Parikh, on her leadership in the creation of these club collaborations.

understanding what that means on an individual and community level.







## **2023 PANEL PREVIEW**

#### **Passion to Purpose**

"Follow your passions." Although this phrase appears simple, it can feel difficult to align your passions with your career goals. However, earning income and finding a job that drives you to success do not have to be mutually exclusive. There are so many different ways you can imbed your passions into your career. This panel features professionals who have found an intersection between their passions and a stable career. Speakers will offer suggestions on navigating professional industries to fit your interests and weighing the pros and cons of following a passion. Additionally, panelists will discuss the ways in which they have consistently stayed true to themselves by incorporating what they love into their professional lives.

#### **SPRING SEMESTER PREPARATION**

Winter break is a great time for reflecting on your fall semester, organizing your academic and personal goals, and prioritizing your self-care. It is important to get a head-start on your responsibilities for the spring semester. So, the Wol Planning Committee has put together a list of activities that will help prepare you for the spring.

- Read all of the syllabi for your classes as soon as they get posted
- Prepare calendars with all your classes, extracurriculars, and events to prioritize
- Organize your room and create an organized space where you will complete your work
- Purchase or create a planner that will help you organize your personal and school schedules
- Start getting into your routine before the first day so your mentally and physically prepared come the first day of classes
- Make a list of your personal goals for the semester
- Revise your resume
- Register for the 10th Annual Women of Isenberg Conference

## WINTER BREAK ACTIVITES

We hope you have been enjoying your winter break just as much as we are! With the extended break, it can be fun to try new activities and implement new habits to be the best version of yourself. Therefore, the Wol Planning Committee has put together a list of activities you can consider participating in over winter break.

- Go skiing with friends or family
- 2 Read a new book
- 3 Start an artistic hobby (photography, drawing, crochet)
- 4 Cook a new meal
- 5 Watch a movie with family
- 6 Visit a new local food spot
- 7 Join a fitness group (yoga, lifting, pilates, cycling)
- Go through your wardrobe and donate anything you want to get rid of









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