STRENGTHEN YOUR HARVARD NETWORK USING THE ONLINE ALUMNI COMMUNITY!

The online alumni community, the only verified network of Harvard alumni, is available to Harvard alumni and now, current students. Create your profile, build your Harvard alumni network, and include key words if you'd like students to be able to find you for mentoring purposes.

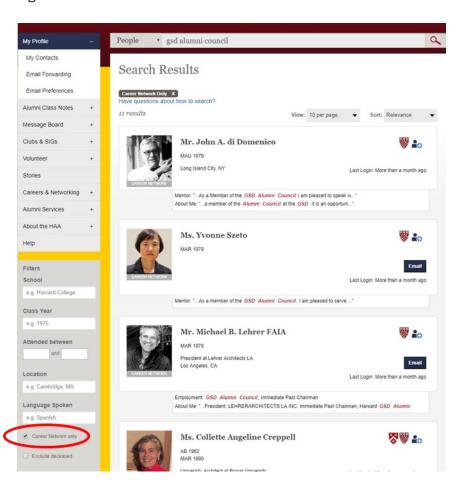
HOW DO I GET STARTED?

- Visit community.alumni.harvard.edu.
- If you haven't claimed your HarvardKey, you need to do that first at key.harvard.edu.
- For technical support, contact the Harvard Alumni Association Help Desk at haa_alumnihelp@harvard.edu.

WHY SHOULD I CREATE ANOTHER ONLINE PROFILE?

- The online alumni community is open to GSD alumni and alumni from all other Harvard Schools. Find alumni in your area for projects with expertise in different areas using the search function.
- Your privacy is maintained by sending messages through the community.
- Students can also join the community, start to build their connections and find alumni for advice and mentoring.

A search in the online alumni community for "GSD Alumni Council Networking," filtered for by school for the 'Graduate School of Design.'



HOW DO I USE THE HARVARD ALUMNI DIRECTORY?

- Visit <u>community.alumni.harvard.edu</u> and log in with your HarvardKey.
- Build a robust profile so fellow alumni and students can find you.
 - Include a photo and descriptive narrative in the "about me" field.
 - Join Career Networking in the "Career" area. You can select to network with students, alumni, or both.
- Participate in Discussion Forums.

HOW CAN I CONNECT WITH HARVARD AND GSD ALUMNI AND STUDENTS?

- To find fellow alumni, search the directory by industry, specialty, company, Harvard School, class year, and more. You can also use filters and search by keywords.
- Use the email button in each profile to reach out to alumni and fellow students. Be sure to use a short and professional message, and be aware that solicitation of any type is prohibited.
- If you include any of the following terms on your profile somewhere, GSD students will be able to find you for specific purposes:
 - Career mentor
 - o IDP mentor
 - Academics/thesis advice
 - Admitted student advice

WHAT IS A MENTOR TO GSD STUDENTS?

- Occasional Meetings-organized over coffee, lunch, office meeting, dinner, etc to provide informal advice for career planning on an "as needed" basis,
- Regular Meetings-willingness to meet on a defined basis with interested student(s) to assist them define and reach certain professional goals. Goals and meeting schedule would be discussed and defined between student and mentoring alum.

BELOW: Sample alumni profile from GSD Alumni Council Chair Peter Coombe MArch '88

