

Mission

The Alumni Career Services Network (ACSN) supports and enhances the development of alumni career services practitioners by providing meaningful opportunities for professional growth and networking while demonstrating the value of alumni career services to key stakeholders.

Vision

ACSN will become the premiere global thought leader in our field by promoting best practices and the value proposition of alumni career services. ACSN will cultivate strong relationships with corporate partners, colleges and universities and other key influencers to advance our profession and the delivery of services to alumni.

Three Year Strategic Plan

Goal One

Grow membership by 25% over three (3) years while maintaining loyalty, providing value, and retaining 80% of active members.

- 1. Evaluate member benefits and revise to offer compelling, value-added benefits.
 - Create a list of what our current member benefits are.
 - Review recent survey of what members are looking for in terms of benefits.
 - Research other organizations to see what they are offering their members.
 - Create list of priorities in terms of what we will continue to offer, drop off and add to offerings.
 - Determine cost of implementing new benefits; future budgeting needs.
- 2. Create onboarding and renewal process for new and renewing members.
 - Create an onboarding/welcome package.
 - Evaluate current automatic renewal message and redesign as necessary.
 - Evaluate and develop strategies to increase new and retained members.
- 3. Market the organization and membership benefits to individuals and/or organizations globally.
 - Deploy/enlist trained brand ambassadors to promote ACSN.
 - Promote ACSN at global conferences by participating as a vendor, speaker or with promotional materials.

Goal Two

To evaluate, develop and implement administrative procedures and the current board of directors' structure.

- 1. Review and update By-laws as needed to reflect current strategic direction of organization.
 - Create sub-committee to review bylaws and make recommendations.
 - Draft edits and new content for full board review and approval.

- 3. Create a financial accountability system to ensure confidence in financial matters by the membership.
 - Create sub-committee to establish accounting procedures and policies for approval by full board.
 - Develop annual budgets for all areas of the organization.
 - Evaluate Board of Directors and subcommittee structure.
 - Review and implement a nomination process for new board members.
 - Develop and implement a recruitment process for vacated positions.
 - Revise board position job descriptions, accountability and expectations.

Goal Three

Develop the ACSN Corporate Partnership program to grow the number of new partnerships by 25% and retain 80% of current partnerships while creating new pathways to collaborate to achieve mutual objectives.

- 1. Identify the value proposition for the corporate partnership program.
 - Develop CP membership task force to review national models for other similar associations and make recommendation to the full board for sustainable growth model in the CP program.
 - Develop policies regarding endorsements and product referrals.
 - Develop new CP membership welcome package listing benefits and opportunities for member engagement.
 - Identify opportunities for collaboration between corporate partners, members and member institutions.
- 2. Create a stewardship plan for corporate partners.
 - Develop co-presentations models for webinars and during conferences.
 - Partner with Research arm of ACSN to gather research from corporate partners.
 - Hold client meetings during annual conferences or regional meetings.
 - Implement avenues for membership to learn about products.
 - Work with board governance committee to secure a seat on the board of directors for a CP.

Goal Four

Provide meaningful and timely data to our members on an annual basis to ensure they have accurate and current information to deliver quality career services to alumni globally.

- 1. Publish an annual report (snapshot) based on year-end numbers by February 1st for members and corporate partners based on the membership data already collected.
 - Establish timeline in sync with membership activity and conference communications: Oct. 2018 Feb. 1, 2019.
 - Create an outline of what we want to cover in the report based on existing data and annual report best practices from like organizations.
 - Delegate each component to the appropriate committee to pull data.
 - Design a promotional plan for the report including social media, text, infographic and recommend where it will be housed for access.
 - After first publication, survey members for input on what information they would like to see published.
- 2. Establish a sustainable program to provide best practices research and value-added, datadriven trend analysis for members and to further the knowledge base for the association.
 - Brainstorm what data points we are interested in collecting and publishing, including members' best practices, for example, alumni employment statistics.
 - Use multiple sources of information including our members, prospects, corporate partners, related professional associations (for example, PCUAD, NACE) and data providers (for example, CASE, EAB, Aluminate) to gather relevant data.
 - Identify and subscribe to an effective data collection tool if MemberClicks cannot support needs.
 - Establish reports for members, non-members and corporate partners to access.
 - Develop a cost-structure and distribution plan for accessing data by nonmembers, members and corporate partners.