# FRONT RUNNER

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# THE MONTH IN REVIEW

As we return from the holiday weekend, lets take a quick look back at a couple of the amazing things we did in October.

Women in STEM | MSU Denver held its annual Women in STEM conference this past October with an inspiring group of professional panelists and amazing keynote speaker, Marlene Price. The event focused on advocating for yourself and others in the fields of STEM including two interactive workshops, Accessibility in STEM and Challenging Imposter Syndrome. If you or your organization have an interest in participating in future Women in STEM events, please reach out to Jadee Sen at <a href="mailto:issen@msudenver.edu">issen@msudenver.edu</a> or Jada Szympruch at <a href="mailto:issen@msudenver.edu">issympru@msudenver.edu</a>.

Career Carnival | In its second year, the Career Carnival stepped up its game and saw 450+ students stop by to play games, grab a snack, and learn about what their next steps might be in their career development. Unlike most career fairs aimed at making external connections, this career event showcased campus resources focused on career exploration and development, and supporting

students' professional journey. Though there is no active recruiting at this event, mentorship and sponsorship opportunities are available to partners looking to support this foundational work. If your team is interested in learning more, please reach out to Ally Veneris at <a href="mailto:aveneris@msudenver.edu">aveneris@msudenver.edu</a>

Be sure to check out the December edition of the Front Runner to learn about some recordbreaking work we've been doing in November.

#### TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Over the past few months, we've introduced you to the staff of the Industry Partnerships Team so you can get to know us a bit more. While we are among your primary points of contact here on campus, we are only one of the pillars that hold up the Classroom to Career Hub and the important work we do at MSU Denver to support workforce development here in the Denver and greater Colorado region.

Just as career development interdisciplinary, the C2 Hub is organized to serve key groups involved in that multifaceted process. We are many things to many folks:

For our learners and student body, the C2
 Hub translates the academic experience into
 tangible and actionable career development
 skills; it provides general and industry
 specific resources for professional
 development and growth for students who

are still in school so they can be positioned onto an accelerated professional track, as well as for professional learners looking for upskilling and reskilling opportunities. We support their preparation to build their careers with you.

- For our esteemed faculty, the C2 Hub strives to collaborate holistically with faculty partners in co-creation and/or promotion of experiential learning opportunities, graduate studies support and career readiness initiatives focusing on equitable access for all students. We support employer partners, like you, in connecting into the classroom learning experience and we serve our faculty in being additional arms of support in preparing students for their future engagement in their chosen career pathway.
- And for you, our business community
  partners and Roadrunner employers, the C2
  Hub helps you make thoughtful and warm
  connections with your talent pipeline
  through resources such as a job posting
  platform connected to the talent-rich MSU
  Denver student network, brand building
  opportunities on campus, mentorship
  opportunities in and out of the classroom,
  DEI program development, and re/upskilling
  resources to support and amplify your
  diverse recruiting and growth goals.

In the new year, we will begin spotlighting our counterparts the C2 Hub and across campus to give you a bigger picture of how the pieces and relationships dovetail. And of course, be sure to keep an eye out for new engagement opportunities along the way.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Our Spring semester events will be going live soon, so be sure to keep an eye out for:

- Meet the Firms | February 2024 (date TBD)
- Workplace Equity Summit | February 8, 2024
- Hospitality Career Fair | February 27, 2024
- Navigate Your Health Career | February 23, 2023
- Spring Job & Internship Fair 2024 | March 6, 2024
- Public Service & Social Impact Career Event | April 11, 2024

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