Navigating Uncertainty: Resources & Support for the SIS Community

For Those Seeking Help

- The SIS Office of Career Development is creating a comprehensive list of alumni and students who have been directly impacted by these directives who would like support by way of job opportunities or personalized support.
 - O If you've been affected, please email us with your name, graduation year, company, and job status. One of our team members will be able to share a list of open jobs from members of our community who quickly answered the call and are hiring or know of opportunities.
 - You can also browse a <u>curated list of opportunities within the development</u>
 <u>sector</u> from eager-to-help individuals across the globe (sourced from LinkedIn
 members).
- The career team offers <u>daily drop-in career advising sessions</u> both in-person and online as a lifeline for those navigating unexpected career challenges or clarity.
- You can also check the SIS LinkedIn group for daily job opportunity posts.
- Browse our website for a <u>suite of career-focused events</u>.
- Your academic advisor is standing by to work with those affected to understand your full
 enrollment options and ways you can continue your degree with minimal disruption.
- The <u>SIS Emergency Fund</u> stands ready to assist students experiencing immediate hardship.
- The <u>Van Kirk Book Fund</u> helps alleviate additional financial pressures by assisting with the costs of books for class.
- For those considering continued education, federal loans remain available for Spring 2025, with <u>financial aid advisors</u> prepared to explore additional funding options like the Grad PLUS loan.

For Those Who Want to Help

- <u>Share job opportunities</u> for talented professionals unexpectedly seeking new roles within your own organization or at others.
- <u>Contribute to crucial support funds</u> that provide:
 - o Emergency financial assistance
 - Scholarships for students pursuing international service
 - Funding for transformative experiences like study abroad and internships
 - Research and innovation support that continues critical global conversations

Other Paths Forward

The School of International Service offers flexible graduate degree options, including:

- Part-time to full-time study paths
- Customizable degree tracks aligned with individual passions
- Tuition savings of 30 percent for AU undergraduate alumni looking to pursue a master's degree via a <u>Double Eagle Graduate Scholarship</u>

For employees affected by the current federal hiring changes, our admissions team is extending the application deadline to March 15 for those considering pursuing a graduate degree for fall 2025. We are also able to offer an application fee waiver for fall 2025 and dedicated Zoom sessions unpacking career-focused degree options. If you're interested in either of these options, please <u>email us</u> to learn more.