

## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



## Alumni **Holiday** Reunion

Join us for the annual Murphy Alumni Holiday Reunion!!

Come catch up with old friends, meet new ones, and spread some holiday cheer. This year's reunion will take place at Latinicity (tacos and margaritas, anyone?)

Complimentary food and drink ticket.

Raffle tickets and Alumni swag will be available for purchase.

All Murphy Alumni are welcome!

Attire: Festive.

Wednesday, December 19

Latinicity | 108 N. State St. 3rd floor of Block 37

6-8PM

[\*\*RSVP Here\*\*](#)



## Gabriela Pedroza | St. Ignatius '08

Gabriela graduated from St. Ignatius College Prep with the Class of 2008. She then went on to receive her Bachelor's from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2012.

She worked at Oak Street Health as an analyst for 3 years before leaving to pursue a more creative career. Gabriela planned her own wedding 2 years ago and wanted to expand her talents for design and organization. In November, Gabriela started her own creative business called Pun Dulce Studio, specializing in event styling, stationery, & hand lettering. Initially, Pun Dulce started as a creative outlet but turned into a full-time endeavor and officially launched in November 2018.

Her advice to current scholars and young Alumni: 'Always be curious and never stop learning. With school, your own career, or your friendships - ask questions and keep learning. Also, read a lot. It helped me leave my job and start my own business!'

Check out Gabriela's new business [here](#).

## DMSF UPDATES



### Open the door of opportunity for future Murphy Scholars

Murphy Scholars like you continue to thrive and inspire the donors and families of DMSF. You should be proud of the foundation you have set for future scholarship recipients!

As the end of the calendar year approaches, please consider making a gift to DMSF. Even the smallest gift can impact the life of a fellow Murphy Scholar.

Click [HERE](#) to do so today.

Thank you for paying it forward!



## December Volunteers

December is a busy time for our Development team! We'd appreciate the help of our Alumni to call our donors and thank them for their donations. Scripts will be provided.

*Thursday, December 13 | 4:30 - 6:30PM*

*DMSF Office | 309 W Washington St. Suite 700*

If interested, please email Angela at [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org).



## DMSF is Hiring!

We're searching for 2 Education Coordinators to join the team and work closely with our Scholars. View the job description [here](#). Interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter to Executive Director, Jose Rodriguez, at [jose@dmsf.org](mailto:jose@dmsf.org).

# GET INVOLVED

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## Become a Mentor!

DMSF is looking for individuals to volunteer their time to help scholars achieve a positive scholastic journey throughout high school. With the help of a mentor, Murphy Scholars learn life skills and receive the guidance necessary to be successful in high school and beyond.

If you or someone you know would make a great mentor, we would love to have them join us. By becoming a mentor to a DMSF Scholar, you have a unique opportunity to help influence the life of one of tomorrow's leaders.

DMSF Scholars are remarkable young men and women, but many come from backgrounds where their parents did not have many educational opportunities, and many come from non-traditional households. The mentor's role is to provide guidance, support, reassurance, and feedback to their scholar.

Click [here](#) to read more about expectations/requirements and to apply.

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## Join the Alumni Committee

Join the members of the alumni committee at the next meeting to help plan events for 2019.

**Tuesday, January 29 | 6-7PM**

**DMSF Office | 309 W Washington St., Suite 700**

**RSVP [Here](#)**

For more information regarding goals, requirements, and benefits of joining the alumni committee, click [here](#).

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## Review your Résumé!

Want some edits before applying to a job or internship? Feel free to email your resumés and cover letters to Angela at [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org) for revisions.



## Reconnect with DMSF



Home for the holidays? Want to reconnect, tell us about what you've been up to, and get some alumni swag? Grab some coffee or lunch with Angela! You can set up a time to meet by emailing her at [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org).

## OPPORTUNITIES

### DMSF| Education Coordinators

We're hiring 2 Education Coordinators! View the job description [here](#).



### Chicago Scholars| Managing Director of College Success

Chicago Scholars is searching for a College Success leader and a college counselor.

View their career page [here](#).



### William Blair| Open Positions

There are multiple positions available at William Blair including administrative and executive Assistants, analyst positions, and marketing and events positions. View their career page [here](#).



### Dimensional Fund Advisors| Internships

Dimensional is searching for undergrad and grad students interested in investing, relationship building, understanding systems. This is a paid internship in Austin, Texas or Charlotte, North Carolina - interns will have to find their own accommodations. Interns who are successful in their program are considered for their full-time, 3-year LEAD program. View more about this internship [here](#). If you are interested, please contact Vice President of Consultant Relations, Matt Pawlak at [matt.pawlak@dimensional.com](mailto:matt.pawlak@dimensional.com). Let them know you are a Daniel Murphy Scholar!

### Facebook| Latinos in Tech Event

Are you LatinX and work in the Tech field? Facebook is hosting an event that features a panel of Latino leaders in tech and networking drinks and light bites. The event will take place at Facebook Chicago Offices on Tuesday, December 18 from 6-8:30PM. Click [here](#) for more info.



### The Recovery Village| Health Care Scholarship

The Recovery Village offers \$1,000 scholarships to students pursuing a medical-related field of study. Applicants must write a 500-word essay describing why they



are passionate about substance use disorder and mental health treatment. Read more about this scholarship [here](#).

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### Facebook | Open Positions

Facebook has various open positions in Chicago! View all positions [here](#). If you're interested/serious about a certain position, reach out to Angela at [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org) before applying!



### America Needs You| Fellow

Class of 2018 - If you stayed in/near Chicago for college, apply to be an ANY fellow! For more information, click [here](#). Please let Angela know if you're applying!



### Year Up | Student

Young adults aged 18-24 who have not completed a bachelor's degree can apply for this one-year program that includes 6 months of professional training in IT, Financial Operations, Sales & Customer Support, Business Operations, or Software Development and a 6 month internship with one of their corporate partners. They provide a weekly stipend throughout the program. Apply [here](#) (Please email [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org) to let Angela know you are applying!).



### Biomedical Research Opportunities

Click [here](#) to view a list of research internships/opportunities for those interested in science and STEM programs. This list includes programs such as the Graeme Carnegie Fellowship at UIC, the Pritzker School of Medicine Research experience at the University of Chicago, and others around Illinois and the U.S.

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### What fields are you interested in?

If you would like to see more internship and job opportunities in your field, click [here](#) to share your interests with DMSF.

If your company is hiring or know of jobs that would be good for Murphy Alumni, please share them with Angela at [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org).

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Don't forget to join the [DMSF LinkedIn group page](#) to connect with fellow Murphy Alumni and hear about job and internship opportunities! Ask to join [here](#)!

If you know of an opportunity that you would like to share with Murphy Alumni, email [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



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## STAY CONNECTED

**Forward** this newsletter to fellow alumni!

**Update** your contact information [here!](#)

**Engage** with us and fellow alumni on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn!](#)

**Stay tuned** to our [Alumni page](#) for upcoming events and job opportunities!

**Any updates? Graduated? New job? Got married? Finished an internship?** We would love to hear about what you have been up to recently. Send an update and photos to [angela@dmsf.org](mailto:angela@dmsf.org)!

### Murphy Scholars are coming full circle to give back.

Whether it's by attending events, joining the Alumni Committee or the Associate Board, volunteering to interview, read, or translate for current applicants, or signing up to mentor a current Scholar -- we need your help.

DMSF's Full Circle Society is another way to give back. Our monthly giving program is a simple and secure way to have an ongoing impact on Murphy Scholars. Just \$25 a month will provide an 8-week ACT prep class for two Murphy Scholars.

Please [click here](#) or use the button below to sign up for monthly donations today.

It starts small. It starts today. It starts with you.

[Donate Here](#)

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Be sure to add our email address to your address book or safe senders list so our emails get to your inbox.



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