



# DELAWARE VALLEY UNIVERSITY

## The DeVal Alumni Winter Newsletter

### Delaware Valley University Alumni Association: Connecting Aggies for a Lifetime

The DeVal Alumni Association, led by the dedicated members of the Alumni Council, serves more than 18,000 graduates by fostering lifelong, meaningful connections.

The Alumni Association offers a variety of rewarding volunteer opportunities for graduates who want to give back and make a positive impact on the lives of current and future Aggies.

#### Here are some ways you can get involved:

- **Student Engagement Committee** - Serve as a representative of DeVal by mentoring current students and engaging with prospective students. Share your professional experiences and offer real-world advice to students preparing for their careers.
- **Admission** - Partner with the Office of Admission to connect with newly admitted students. Offer encouragement and insights to help them feel welcome as they join the DeVal family.
- **Events and Reunions** - Volunteer at one of various events throughout the year, including the PA Farm Show, the Philadelphia Flower Show, A-Day Weekend, Homecoming, and class reunions.

For more information on volunteering or to get involved, please [click here!](#)



DeVal Ag Ambassadors, with Director of Agricultural Operations Chris Becker, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture Russell Redding, and Alumni Council members Tiffany Lenhart '22, MBA '23 and Lauren Rizzitano '16, volunteering at this year's PA Farm Show

## Alumni Benefits

The Alumni Association also offers resources and opportunities to assist in your personal, professional, and academic journeys, including:

- Career development and advising, résumé reviews, interview preparation, and access to job search tools like [ExperienceLink](#).
- Lectures offered by the School of Business, Arts and Sciences, and the One Health program, to encourage continued learning.
- Business support and consulting from the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Center, networking opportunities, and an [upcoming Business Directory](#).
- Educational discounts, including a 10% tuition reduction for select graduate programs and Continuing and Professional Studies courses.
- Discounts on DeVal merchandise at the [campus bookstore](#).
- Discounted rentals for event space on campus.
- Up to 10 percent off for Kids U! camp or Inspire U! teen programs.

**For more information on alumni benefits**, please contact Rachel Mauer, Director of Alumni Engagement and Annual Giving, at 215.489.2977 or [rachel.mauer@delval.edu](mailto:rachel.mauer@delval.edu).

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## 2025 A-Day Weekend – Save the Date and Alumni Opportunities



Join us for pig races, animal education, interactive demonstrations, inflatables, hayrides, music, food trucks and more!

- [Please click here](#) for vendor and crafter tables information.
- To enter baked goods, sewing, plants, or flower arrangements, [please click here](#).
- To participate in the tractor parade, truck show, or if you have general questions, please email

Steven Edwards at [edwardssj4672@delval.edu](mailto:edwardssj4672@delval.edu).

**Planning to attend A-Day?** Join us for our [A-Day Alumni Family Picnic](#) on Saturday, April 26, from 11:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. [Click here for more information or to register](#).

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## News from the Center for Student Professional Development (CSPD)

Join us on campus for the Spring Job and Internship Fair on Thursday, March 20 from



2:00–5:00 p.m. Registration fees start at \$35 and include lunch and table space. Last year, nearly 60 organizations connected with 250+ students. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register as an employer.

Alumni seeking new professional opportunities are also welcome to attend. [Click here](#) to sign into ExperienceLink. Need help accessing ExperienceLink? Please contact [cspd@delval.edu](mailto:cspd@delval.edu).

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## Alumni Volunteer Opportunity - Help Students Build Professional Communication Skills!



DelVal faculty members are seeking alumni volunteers to assist students in developing their professional communication skills. Students will schedule a 45-minute interview (in person or via Zoom) with alumni to practice conversational techniques. Topics include career paths, DelVal experiences, and real-world insights; this is not a career

coaching session. Interviews will take place April 1–22, and alumni will be asked to provide feedback on the interview via a short email afterwards. Interested? Please email Rachel Mauer at [rachel.mauer@delval.edu](mailto:rachel.mauer@delval.edu) by **February 11**.

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## Help Preserve Apiary Society History!



Apiary Society

The Apiary Society is updating its photo book but needs your help to fill in the years before 2018. If you have photos of the Society or the apiary from that time, please

reach out to Ash Hussain [hussainas7818@delval.edu](mailto:hussainas7818@delval.edu). Your contributions will help students celebrate and preserve the Apiary Society's legacy!

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## From the School of Business, Arts and Sciences

DelVal is pleased to host visiting professor Dr. Rafał Kus from Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland. Sponsored by the Copernicus Society of America, Dr. Kus' visit supports a partnership between DelVal's School of Business, Arts, and Sciences and Jagiellonian University.

Dr. Kus, an expert in media, political communication, and American rhetoric, will host two free lectures, as follows. All are welcome to join us!

- *Current Narratives of the Holocaust in Poland Post-2000* –**Thursday, January 23, 10:50 a.m.–12:05 p.m.** (Life Sciences Building, Room 204)
- *Anticipating the Polish Political Landscape in the Trump Era*

## DeVal Launches New Master of Public Health (M.P.H.) Program – Alumni Discount!



Starting in Fall 2025, Delaware Valley University's new M.P.H. program will prepare leaders to tackle public health challenges. [Click here](#) to read more about this program and [click here](#) to learn about our exclusive DVU alumni discount!

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## Alumni Achievement Awards



Do you know an alumnus/a who stand out in their field and deserves to be recognized? Nominate them for DeVal's Alumni Achievement Awards! To learn more about the awards or to submit a nomination, [please click here](#). The deadline for nominations is June 15.

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## Support Caesar's Cupboard: Help DeVal Students in Need



The mission of Caesar's Cupboard is to provide necessary personal care items and basic non-perishable food options to DeVal students experiencing food/hygiene insecurity. To learn more about Caesar's Cupboard, [please click here](#), or you can purchase items directly from our [Amazon Wish List](#). Thank you for supporting our students as we begin the new year!

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## Music on Campus



Alumni and their families are invited to join us for two free musical performances in the Life Sciences Building Auditorium:

- University Chorus Concert: Monday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.
- Instrumental Concert: Tuesday, February 25, 7:00 p.m.

Questions? Please contact Lauren Ryals, Ph.D., Music Department Director, at [lauren.ryals@delval.edu](mailto:lauren.ryals@delval.edu).

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## DeVal Dining seeks alumni partners



DeVal Dining seeks alumni partners to feature their products in three programs:

- **FarmSource:** Fresh produce, dairy, seafood, and meat suppliers.
- **Local Scene:** Chefs and restaurants within 100 miles.
- **Forged:** Artisan and family-owned makers.

For information on dining programs, contact [dining@delval.edu](mailto:dining@delval.edu) or connect on Instagram/Facebook: @DiningDeVal

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### 2025 DeVal Alumni Events

A-Day of Giving – April 24

A-Day Weekend – April 25-27

A-Day Alumni Family Picnic – April 26

Class of 1975 50th Reunion – October 24; for more information or to volunteer, [please click here](#).

Homecoming Weekend – October 24-25

And be on the lookout for alumni events near you throughout 2025!

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### To stay up-to-date on everything DeVal, be sure to follow us on social media:

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/delvalalum/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/delvalalumni>

TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@delawarevalleyu>

Want to share your news? [Please click here](#).

Need to update your contact info? [Please click here](#).

Want to get involved? Please email Rachel Mauer at [rachel.mauer@delval.edu](mailto:rachel.mauer@delval.edu)

### New way to stay connected!

Stay informed about the latest DeVal news, events, and updates by receiving periodic text messages and important alerts to your cell phone. You will not receive more than 3 messages per month, and standard messaging rates may apply. To receive these updates, no action is needed. If you prefer **not to receive** text messages, please [click here to opt out](#). Thank you for staying connected with DeVal!

To learn more about making an impact at DeVal, [click here](#).

To contact Development and Alumni Affairs,  
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or call 215.489.2397

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