



# Upsilon Pi Epsilon

International Honor Society for the Computing and Information Disciplines

## Greetings from President

Hello All! I hope everyone's Fall quarter starts off as awesome as my first week in fantasy football....which was epic. My name is Andrew Green and I am honored to be your Epsilon Pi Epsilon Honor Society's President. We had a stellar year last year, and I intend to keep up the great work that we have provided to all of you.

This year, our returning members Alexander Kazenko , Ryan Haley, and Wei Lin Chen will be serving us as our Vice President, Treasurer, and Alumni Representative, respectively. Because our President's performance from the 2012-2013 year exceeded standards, like all other presidents in the past, she has been given the title "President Emerita"

Our new board members are Phillip Luk, who will be our Events and Advertising Chair, and Temuulen Erdenekhuu, who will be the Executive Assistant to the President.

In conclusion, our lineup has been set for this year; I hope you all have a chance to participate in our UPE events throughout the year.

Hope you have a great academic year!....Daaaa Bearrrsss!

## Announcements

- All active UPE members are welcome to join us for weekly board meetings. Meetings from 12 - 1 p.m. Mondays in CDM 723. You can also send any questions and ideas you have for UPE to [deltaupe@cdm.depaul.edu](mailto:deltaupe@cdm.depaul.edu).

## Upcoming Events

- Funding Opportunities for Students *Date: October 10th, 2013 Time: 4:30-5:30*
  - Dr. Daniela Raicu will be providing an overview of funding resources and programs that provide support to CDM students in Computer Science. The final part of the presentation provide basic training to use a variety of free resources that students may access to independently identify external sources of support for a variety of activities ranging from summer travel, international research.

## UPE Board Member Profile: Ryan Haley

### *Treasurer*

Ryan is currently an undergraduate studying Information Assurance & Security Engineering along with minors in Computer Science and Finance. Ryan is also the President of the Security Daemons and has competed in various competitions such as the Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition and National Cyber League. He has certifications from CompTIA, Microsoft, and Cisco. In his spare time, he enjoys rock climbing and cooking.



## **Alumni Profile: Jayne Spottswood (President Emerita) '13**

### **1. What was your favorite memory of UPE?**

My favorite memories of UPE always surrounded events, and particularly the annual Initiation Ceremony. I would always be reminded how dedicated the board is to make each event memorable and fun, sometimes putting hours upon hours of their free time into coordinating events. But the payoff was always worth it. Every time, we learned helpful information, met new UPE members, connected with existing UPE members, strengthened bonds with the DePaul and Chicago tech organizations, and helped people blossom from students to members to up-and-coming technology professionals.



### **2. What have you been doing after graduation?**

I transitioned from my job as a Customer Experience Associate at Kemper Direct to a User Experience Architect at Sears Holdings Corporation. Making the transition from being a sole UX practitioner in an organization to working on a UX team was challenging at first, but even going in, I was excited for the opportunities I was going to have and to be challenged every day by driven, talented colleagues. Needless to say, Sears hasn't disappointed!

### **3. Has your term in UPE helped you after graduation?**

Definitely. Taking on more responsibilities meant developing leadership skills, which are always useful, and working positively with my peers helped me learn how to collaborate on team projects at the office. (Side note: EVERY project I have at the office is a team project.) It helped me a lot before graduation also, as including UPE on my resume helped me show my dedication when switching careers, and get my foot in the door to start networking with people in my new field.

### **4. Any interesting stories you would like to share about your term as an UPE officer?**

I'd have to say my entire TERM as a UPE officer was interesting! Every time things would seem to be too much, the group had an amazing way of pulling together and everything would work out. And we'd have a lot of laughs during and after--and sometimes, some refreshing beverages after—each challenging moment.

### **5. What advice do you have for UPE student members?**

In today's competitive market, anything you can do to show leadership, network and start working in your desired field will help you stand out during job applications. UPE helped me do all of that, but it wouldn't have happened unless I joined the board. So if you are interested, I strongly recommend you join and get involved. It's useful for your career AND a lot of fun—what more could you ask for?

## **Spring Quarter Recap**

We have had the great opportunity to host some very exciting events in the spring quarter.

### **UX Presentation:**

*Date: April 30th, 2013*

Sears Art Director, Michael Propp, and Associate Creative Director, Jason Ruud presented, "Tackling Design Problems & Your UX Career".

### **UPE Initiation**

*Date: May 20th, 2013*

The 11th initiation ceremony of the Delta Chapter of UPE was held on May 20th, 2013, at St. Vincent's Church. 114 new members were inducted. We were honored to have Dr. Orlando Madrigal, Executive Director of UPE. Pictures and video of the initiation are posted [online](#).

**Reminders:**

- Remain active in UPE! Send your \$25 annual membership fee by check (made out to UPE) before October 20th to: College of Computing and Digital Media, CDM; ATTN: UPE; DePaul University; 243 South Wabash Avenue; Chicago, IL 60604
- All UPE members are entitled to free ACM access during their first year of UPE membership; If you are a new UPE member, you need to send an email to [orders@acm.org](mailto:orders@acm.org) with the following information: your UPE/ACM 15-character code # (no spaces), full name, phone number, email address, gender & age and information on your status as a student (name of college/university, current semester/year, expected date of graduation, type of degree). Finally, indicate if you are an ACM student member. If you do not have your UPE/ACM 15-character code #, contact [deltaUPE@cdm.depaul.edu](mailto:deltaUPE@cdm.depaul.edu).

**Please join us for our Board Meetings:  
Monday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (CDM 7<sup>th</sup> Floor - Millennia Boardroom - #723)  
Email UPE: [deltaUPE@cdm.depaul.edu](mailto:deltaUPE@cdm.depaul.edu)  
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