DINE & DIALOGUES/COMMUNITY NETWORKING EVENTS

Transformative Direction 4: One DU
Strategic Initiative 4: Engaging Alumni & Friends

OVERVIEW
Creating a space to enable alumni-student interactions is an important aspect of DU IMPACT 2025. These interactions help students explore career possibilities after graduation and teach them the valuable skill of networking which will be critical to reaching their professional goals. Bringing students together with alumni for career development also provides a meaningful pathway for alumni to stay engaged with DU while helping the Advancement staff across campus expand their reach to support more students.

DINE & DIALOGUES
• Focused, small group discussions with industry professionals
• Brings together 1 – 3 alumni from one industry or field per event to enjoy a conversational lunch with approximately 15 students interested in that field
• Students come prepared with questions and enjoy gaining insight from friendly and engaged alums offering their advice and expertise.
• 250 students have participated
• 55 alumni have participated as experts

TOPICS HAVE INCLUDED
• Event Planning
• Careers in Brewing & Beer
• Careers for AHSS Majors
• Social Media Careers
• Gaming & Game Design
• And more!

“Hearing the alumnae speak about their experiences about young professionals was very humbling and insightful.”

“The sharing of experiences... made me feel very confident about engaging in internship or work search and how to do it.”

UPCOMING PROGRAMS
• Sustainability Careers
• Global Careers & Working Abroad
• Health & Wellness Careers
• Careers in Education Beyond Teaching
• Biotech
• STEM

COMMUNITY NETWORKING EVENTS
• Speed networking sessions pair students with professional alumni.
• Meet a new professional and learn about a new profession every 10 minutes.
• Great way to learn about a lot of career paths in a short period of time.