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# The Class of 2004

# Nick Holland

#### Ranmali Abeyasinghe

Ranmali, from Kandy, Sri Lanka, majors in economics and minored in political science. She fondly recalls many amusing moments and incidents during Senior Seminar with Dr. Seeborg. After graduation, Ranmali plans on entering the workforce and pursuing her JD and MBA.

#### Syed Iftekhar Ahmed

From Dhaka, Bangladesh, Iftekhar majors in both economics and public accounting. After he graduates, he will work at PricewaterhouseCoopers as an associate auditor in Peoria, Illinois.

#### Ajeet Bajaj

Ajeet, from Saharanpur, India, majors in economics and computer science. Ajeet is searching for employment related to software engineering. He is also in the process of earning his programming certificates. Ajeet plans on moving to Chicago soon.

#### Jack Benson

Jack majors in economics with a minor in business administration from Hoffman Estates, Illinois. He plans on obtaining a full-time position as a business analyst or a financial representative after graduation.

#### Sarah Bland

Sarah, of Rockford, Illinois, is currently seeking employment pertaining to urban development, environmental management, or economic analysis. She hopes to attend graduate school in economics in a few years.

#### George Thomas Coontz, Jr.

George, from Springfield, Illinois, is a double major in economics and business administration with a concentration in Finance. Some of his favorite experiences as a student of economics include: being inspired by Dr. Margaret Chapman to major in economics his first year, as well as political and economic debates with Dr. Diego Mendez-Carbajo. George thanks Dr. Chapman, Dr. Leekley, Dr. Mendez-Carbajo, Dr. Durbal, Dr. Kumazawa, and last but certainly not least, Dr. Seeborg. George will continue his education at Loyola University of Chicago to earn an MBA with specializations in economics and finance. He will then pursue a degree in law.

#### Piotr Dabrowski

Pete is from Elmwood Park, Illinois. His most memorable moment as a student of economics is the celebration at Mugsy's, a local bar, marking the end of Senior Project. After graduation, Pete will make the transition from a student of the University to an employee of the University, working in the admissions office. He is also considering a career as a firefighter.

#### **Robbie Gallagher**

From Darien, Illinois, Robbie is an economics major and a business administration major. After graduation, Robbie will attend law school at Chicago-Kent.

#### Mahi Garg

Mahi is from Calcutta, India. In addition to majoring in economics, she also majors in art. She recalls with amusement trying to convince Dr. Michael Seeborg "that it's Adobe GoLive, not JustRight!" Mahi also remembers spending hours preoccupied about her 0.00001 sig values associated with her senior seminar results before she happily realized that low sig values are good, not bad. After graduation, Mahi plans on working in an economics-based or residential life position.

#### **Connor Howard**

Connor is a double major in economics and accounting from Lincoln, Nebraska. After graduation, he plans on getting a job in public accounting.

#### William R. Irwin

Will is a double major in economics and biology from Belleville, Illinois. He alleges that his proudest moment as a student of economics occurred when he received notification that *The Park Place Economist* would publish his paper. Will plans on continuing his education at law school after graduation at either Duke, Vanderbilt, or Washington University in St. Louis.

#### **Patrick Kinsella**

Pat is from Bolingbrook, Illinois and has a double major in economics and business with a concentration in finance. After graduation he plans on finding a job. In the long term he hopes to start a new youth baseball league in his hometown with the help of his friends. His favorite experience as an economics student occurred during May Term his first year. During a field trip in Chicago for Dr. Seeborg's Economics of Race and Gender class, a classmate twisted his ankle. Pat recalls with amusement when a classmate (who shall remain anonymous, though he/she is a member of the class of 2004) "was convinced that we should run and get Dr. Seeborg because he is a doctor, and he could give us medical advice on the situation."

#### Satish Lohani

Satish hails from Katmandu, Nepal, and he majors in both economics and mathematics. He plans to attend graduate program in economics at Washington University in St. Louis. Satish's long term goal involves the pursuit of a career in biostatistics or econometrics.

#### **Alexis Manning**

Alexis, a resident of Lake Forest, Illinois, has a double major in economics and Hispanic Studies in addition to a minor in environmental studies. She has many fond memories of studying economics. She recalls her Research Honors trials and tribulations, an unrelenting battle with Robbie for the red Starburst candies in the candy dish, and her first economics class ever, Introduction to Economics, with Dr. Margaret Chapman. After graduation, she will to teach environmental education in Nicaragua as a Peace Corps Volunteer.

#### Nii Amaah Ofosu-Amaah

Nii Ammah is from Accra, Ghana. He is glad to be an economics major, and he reminds us that economics rocks! He expects to find a job soon.

#### BeiBei Que

Beibei, from Westmont, Illinois, will attend law school.

#### Amit Sane

Amit comes from Olympia Fields, Illinois, and he is seeking employment after graduation.

#### **Svetlin Vulov**

Svetlin, a double major in economics and international business, is from Plovdiv, Bulgaria. He is currently seeking employment.

#### Weston W. Walter

Weston, a double major in economics and political science, hails from Barrington, Illinois. Weston views the semester he spent studying abroad in Germany as his most memorable experience. He had the opportunity to visit the European Central Bank, the World Bank, and the OECD. After graduation Weston plans to attend law school.

#### Melinda Wick

Lindy is from Highland, Illinois. In addition to her major in economics, she has a minor in business administration. She remembers her Dr. Seeborg's Introduction to Economics with Grapefruitola as her most interesting economics course. After graduation, Lindy has a diverse set of options. She has interviewed with Cardionet, and she is also applying to FOCUS (a youth ministries service), the Secret Service, and State Farm's Catastrophe Response Team.