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**Carolina Baez ('06):** Carolina is a multifaceted executive who is driven by her strong values. She has over 15 years of experience leading global business operations, as well as developing and executing corporate strategies. She excels at crafting roadmaps that result in business growth and higher performance through technology.

**Desired Industry:**

**Desired Function:** Director of Operations

**Desired Location:** New Jersey, New York City

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**Kevin Berger ('15):** Kevin is technically trained as an engineer with project, people and organizational management experience. His extreme curiosity on how things work and why systems perform or fail is infectious and makes his organizations better regardless of business focus.

**Desired Industry:** Transportation, Aviation, Engineering, Program Management, Operational Improvement

**Desired Function:** Business Unit Leader, General Manager, Director

**Desired Location:** Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Atlanta Metro

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**Adam Branham ('17):** Bain & Company consultant, people manager and engineer with extensive experience in corporate strategy, operational improvement and business transformation. Focused on driving top and bottom line results for clients in utilities/energy, industrial, retail and financial services sectors. Substantial experience in private equity due diligence and post-acquisition strategy.

**Desired Industry:** Energy, Industrials, Retail/CPG, Financial Services

**Desired Function:** Strategy, Operations

**Desired Location:** Washington, DC, Atlanta, New York

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**Venus Li ('16):** Corporate strategy and finance professional with four years of post-MBA experience in tech. Looking for opportunities in San Francisco Bay area and open to industries.

**Desired Industry:** Tech or others

**Desired Function:** Strategy, Finance, Business Planning, Operations

**Desired Location:** San Francisco Bay Area

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**Kirk Tashjian ('06):** Experienced professional who has succeeded in revenue-producing roles and been requested by the highest levels of senior management as “go-to” person to take on communication, leadership, transformation and cultural initiatives.

**Desired Industry:** Corporate

**Desired Function:** Strategy/COO/Chief of Staff

**Desired Location:** New York

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**Victoria Pung ('20):** MBA and Master in Education professional with a B.S. in Biology. Expertise in project management, human-centered design thinking, learning and development. Demonstrated ability to identify key opportunities and implement high-value solutions. Passionate to explore the intersection of people and strategy.

**Desired Industry:**

**Desired Function:** Learning & Development

**Desired Location:** D.C., Maryland, New York City, New York, San Francisco

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**Lucia Dempsey ('16):** Four years of energy/utility investment banking experience and 10+ years of finance experience. Very balanced between right/left brain skillsets - detailed and creative, good at analysis and communication. Looking for a management-level role with senior/client exposure and some autonomy over process, product and/or people.

**Desired Industry:** Energy, Open to Others

**Desired Function:** Investor Relations, Operations, Chief of Staff, Strategy

**Desired Location:** New York City, California, Austin, or International

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**Leigh Anna Sodac ('12):** Growth marketing and category management professional with 15 years experience in retail, technology and CPG. Bias for action and ability to drive results in a fast-paced, dynamic environment. Strengths in pro forma ownership, marketing strategy, customer insights, digital marketing management, forecasting and modeling, project management and analytics.

**Desired Industry:** Retail, Technology

**Desired Function:** Marketing

**Desired Location:** St. Louis, MO or Remote

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**C. Aaron Flynn ('17):** An enterprise-focused strategist with financial and organizational experience in the higher education and non-profit sectors. At a biopharma startup, Aaron built, scaled and strengthened internal controls and processes for federal compliance. Working for Boston University, Aaron engages all levels of the organization to navigate Federal financial and regulatory requirements.

**Desired Industry:** Higher Education

**Desired Function:** Consulting

**Desired Location:** Boston, MA

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