Approximately 3.5 million students in the United States graduate from college each year, with around 5,000 of them coming from Fresno State. More than a million of these students fail to find a job that pays well and has career potential.

Are there clear and specific reasons why so many college seniors and recent graduates can’t find a good job? Yes, Rita Bocchinfuso-Cohen, director of Fresno State’s career services, said. “The downturn in the economy affected the new college graduate market about two years ago,” Bocchinfuso-Cohen said.

The economy was in a downturn before that, Bocchinfuso-Cohen said, but it typically affects the general job market before it hits the new college graduate market.

Students are often focused on their studies and graduation, not on what happens after graduation, she said. “You have to put together a plan,” business major Megan Sullivan said. “Your degree alone won’t get you on the payroll.”

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Wo-man up, give him your number

I told myself he had a girlfriend. Truth is, he probably didn’t think I was cut out to be a groupie.

What Daddy Don’t Know

Allie Norton

First encounters — at work, in class, at a party, through mutual friends, on Facebook — are endless.

But when somebody catches your eye and you have the balls to strike, what is the next move? Play the flirtatious smiling game? Tell your friends to go out in a good word? Send over a drink? Or the ballsiest of them all — go talk to him my number.

I am a confident person. I know the things that I want in life. I have no problem with trying to obtain those goals. And this includes men. When it comes to a man, if I like what I see, I will walk straight up to him and give him my number.

Real life story — I was working a concert at the San Diego County Fair this past summer. I fell in lust with the drummer. He had big muscles, a lip ring and a ripped T-shirt; quite frankly, this upsets me.

The Greek houses.

You could always ask him to pet it. It would be cool, be all to touch you. Simple as that. I just don’t want to pet it. It would be cool, be all domesticated, yah know what I mean? They’re all about people food.

Jose Alvarez

Freshton Major Undecided

“How could I get as many nuts as you in the flirting game? Tell your eye and you can’t help but endless.”

Kevin Aschbrenner

Junior

Major: Criminology

“How are your nuts? Bigger than yours. Why, because squakers are jerks.”

Clarification

• A story that ran on page 8 of the Feb. 7 edition of The Collegian said that Dusty Robinson served less than a week in jail. He spent less than a day in jail.

Correction

• An infographic on page 1 of the Feb. 4 edition of The Collegian incorrectly said that an event called “Obama revisited” would be on Feb. 8. The correct date is Feb. 9, tonight.

The right of way

Ty-ing It All Together

Janessa Tyler

Parking on campus is always a hot topic among students, faculty and staff. But there’s one thing that irks me more than the hard-to-find parking discoutnous pedestrians.

Yes, I’ve heard the saying “pedestrians have the right of way” but what happened to the rights of automobile drivers?

I’ve been a student at Fresno State for more than four years. I drive to campus five days a week, including weekends, and disrespectful pedestrians always seem to cross my path.

Once I approach a stop sign on campus, I’ve halied anywhere from 30 seconds to several minutes to allow pedestrians to cross. And we all know that every second counts when you’re running late to class. Drivers have three times the right of way to be, too. I’m usually sitting in the driver’s seat, in search, waiting for a group of people to cross the street.

If you’re driving on campus during class breaks, the time between one class and the next, then remember to sit tight and watch people aimlessly talk on their phones and listen to their iPods as they cross. Some pedestrians don’t even wait for me to completely stop before leaping off the curb, in front of my car. Some pedestrians will start walking across as I’m driving through an intersection.

My favorite scenario is when someone darts in front of my car and then 15 people follow, one by one. I say if we all had somewhere to be. Whether it’s to class, to work or to go home after an exhausting day — time is precious.

Also, use the crosswalks when you’re walking from point A to point B. After all, isn’t that what they’re there for? I can’t tell you how many students I see running across Shaw Avenue, not using the crosswalks, to get to the apartments and the Greek houses.

Another thing that ruffles my feathers is how people give me a scolding, dirty and snick eye stare when I don’t let them cross after already letting 15 people cross. Wait your turn, just like I did for the past three minutes.

It’s upsetting that I don’t receive the same courtesy just because I’m on four wheels and not on two feet.

According to California Vehicle Code 21950, “No pedestrian may suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle so that is so close as to constitute an immediate hazard. No pedestrian may unnecessarily stop or delay traffic while in a marked or unmarked crosswalk.”

I rest my case.

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BLOOD: Center aims for at least 700 donors

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Stone said that even people who are diabetic or are taking medication for high blood pressure can donate as well.

“We consider all our donors heroes.”
—Lynn Stone
Donor Recruiter

People who are most commonly turned away are those who have received tattoos or piercings in the last year.

Donating can take anywhere from 45 minutes to an hour, but most of the time is spent simply filling out paperwork.

“Nobody likes to have a needle stuck in their arm, but you’re saving lives, and you can’t put a price on that,” she said. “We consider all our donors heroes.”

Julio Lopez, a freshman majoring in kinesiology, donated blood for the first time last night.

“I hear you save a life — actually, more than just one,” he said. “So why not? It’s only a few minutes of my day.”

Katherine Bendall, a sophomore majoring in anatomy, has donated at least five times already.

“I donate every time they are here,” she said.

To donate, students, staff and faculty must weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. Stone recommends eating a good meal, drinking plenty of water and avoiding caffeine before donating.

Donors receive coupons from local and on-campus vendors and a T-shirt.

CAREERS: Lack of planning leaves many without a job after graduation

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period of time, they risk being disappointed and frustrated.

“Everybody is out there,” Bocchinfuso-Cohen said, but those with experience and knowledge often aren’t using the right sources to find these jobs. “They may be looking in the newspaper.”

Michael A. Fletcher of the Washington Post agrees.

“Even as [Fresno] has one of the nation’s highest unemployment rates, it has thousands of job openings.”

Lyday said.

“Your best resources are contacts you and then get training,” Bocchinfuso-Cohen said.

A Santa Clara County Superior Court judge on Feb. 1 ordered 31-year-old Pradeep Manukonda of Milpitas to stay away from Zuckerberg’s girlfriend and stop contacting him.

Zuckerberg has obtained a temporary restraining order against a California man accused of stalking him, his girlfriend and his sister.

A low, quiet sound reminded him of the BRUTE inside his body. He had been told to drink plenty of water and fatigue set in.

The restraining order was later confirmed in a court document.

Sheets was out of the courtroom when the ruling was confirmed.

Zuckerberg tried to contact man about his car and was later spotted outside his house, Sheets said.

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“Out of all the options I had when I graduated, law school felt like my future.”
—Karen Sidhu
BA, Psychology, CSU, Fresno
Class of 2008

You’re invited to an Informational Law Forum on Wed., Feb. 16 from 7-9PM

In the first hour we will introduce you to law school, from courses offered to admission requirements. Then you will have the opportunity to ask questions to a panel of other currently enrolled students.

 Superior court judge orders man to stay away from Facebook founder

By Terry Collins
Associated Press
SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg obtained a temporary restraining order against a California man accused of stalking him, his girlfriend and his sister.

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Sheets stopped Manukonda just as he was about to walk up the front stairs to Zuckerberg’s Palo Alto residence, where Zuckerberg’s girlfriend was inside, according to court documents.

Sheets said he contacted Zuckerberg for a few minutes of his time. Though his requests are vague, he appears to be seeking money to pay for medical treatment for his mother.


Later in the same letter he writes: “I am waiting outside your house.”

The order also requires Manukonda to stay away from Zuckerberg’s girlfriend.

The restraining order was first reported by TMZ.com.

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Students utilize University Student Union

By Blair Smittcamp
The Collegian

The University Student Union offers a variety of facilities, services, programs and other opportunities to get involved.

The USU is commonly known for its comfortable and spacious lounge used for students to study and relax in between classes. The USU offers more than just a few comfy couches and available laptop computer for student use — it’s the information hub on campus.

USU Information Center

The USU Information Center, located on the main level in the USU, serves as the know-all of Fresno State. If students have any questions regarding the campus or are in need of help with anything, the Information Center can point you in the right direction. The Information Center also offers discounted tickets for Fresno State events and outside attractions including Disneyland, Six Flags Magic Mountain, SeaWorld and Universal Studios.

Along with the Information Center, the USU also has the Student Involvement Center upstairs. Here, students can learn about how to get involved in various organizations and be a part of the student involvement at Fresno State.

USU Productions

One organization that is in the Student Involvement Leadership Program is USU Productions. USU Productions is a student-based programming entity that provides diverse educational activities, entertainment and social interaction and leadership opportunities. USU Productions is one of the most active groups on campus, consisting of 10 committees that strive to develop entertaining and enriching programs throughout the year.

"Being a part of the USU Productions team has given me the opportunity to showcase my unique skills to help better the student involvement activities here on campus," Nathan Ramos, public relations and marketing coordinator for USU Production, said.

Students can get involved with USU Productions by filling out the necessary application online and stopping USU 306, the Student Involvement Center.

Vintage Days

Vintage Days is another organization that resides in the USU Student Involvement Leadership Program. Vintage Days is Fresno State’s largest annual event that takes place the third weekend of April and attracts more than 50,000 people to the campus.

Vintage Days 2011 will be the official birthday bash for Fresno State’s centennial year. The committee of 12 is planning and organizing all of the festivities, which include: crafts, concerts, food, an area for children and more.

“Vintage Days offer a wonderful opportunity for students to get involved with the development and executing of one of the valley’s biggest celebrations,” Kelly Carlsen, co-coordinator for Vintage Days concerts, said. The USU host many of the day-to-day services students can utilize to help make their college experience more productive. Stop by the USU, get involved in one of the Student Involvement Leadership Programs, ask questions at the Information Center, or just relax on the couches in main Lounge.

“It’s your place, your space, your home away from home,” said Sally Ramage, Director of student involvement.

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Super Bowl sets record with 111 million viewers in US

By David Bauder
Associated Press

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for final approval.

NEW YORK (AP) — Elton John recently made an album with his long-time pal, Leon Russell. Now he’ll do the induction honors when Russell is ushered into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame next month.
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awards and will be aired on 
the Fuse network.
LOS ANGELES (AP) — A judge says he will approve TV coverage of the involuntary manslaughter trial of Michael Jackson’s doctor if the camera is unobtrusive.

Dr. Mary Husain was nominated by her students within the Cineculture Club. Below are some of the comments they made about Dr. Husain as part of their nomination:

“Dr. Husain lives and breathes Cineculture.”
“Dr. Husain is mentally, physically, and financially committed to the Cineculture Club.”
“Through her hard work and tireless efforts she has created an invaluable service to the officers, the class, and Fresno State’s campus.”

In receiving this award Dr. Husain will receive an automatic nomination for the Club & Organization Advisor of the Year Award, which will be announced at the Leadership Recognition Ceremony taking place Thursday, April 28th. In addition, Dr. Husain will receive a $25 gift card to the Kennel Bookstore.
LAX: Team play crucial

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"play," midfielder Amanda Cross said. "I think now we're starting to become more level and equal."

Standout defensive player Krisdina Gehring believes that playing as a team will be essential to winning. "It's a fast-paced game and it's very difficult," Gehring said. "It's not an individual effort, the team really has to come together to be successful."

Last season Gehring garnered all-conference honors by being named second-team All-Mountain Pacific Sports Federation and has been a key player since the program started. Entering into her last season as a Bulldog, the senior continues to remain focused on playing hard each game and is looking forward to the first of many wins this season. "I'm looking forward to winning and proving to everyone that they're wrong and that the team isn't a waste," said Gehring. "We're not a waste of funds, time or facility space. We're going to show them we can win and we belong on the field."

Team leading goal-scorer Cross echoes her teammates sentiments, and despite the changes and concerns in the off-season, is ready to show people what this new team can do. "I do feel some of the same pressure from last year heading into this season," Cross said, "but that pressure is offset by teammates. We have a lot of good players and a lot of our freshman players have a lot of their own unique abilities to offer. This year I think we all have the mindset that we're going out there to win and do well. It's a definite change in attitude."

The women's team will open its season Saturday, Feb. 12, with an exhibition match against the Fresno men's club lacrosse team. Buck said the match will give students, faculty, fans and the Fresno community a chance to see the two teams in action, learn more about the sport and see how it's grown over the past few seasons. It will also allow spectators to see a preview of each team and while there are several outstanding athletes on the team, Buck said she expects solid contributions from everyone this year. "We're expecting big things from Dina, [Krisdina] and our entire defense," Buck said, "and we're expecting our freshmen players to make immediate contributions to the team."

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The WAC rivalry heating up

By Ben Ingersoll

For the third straight year, regular season matchups between Fresno State and Louisiana Tech have gone on to decide who wears the Western Athletic Conference crown. But the 2007-08 and 2008-09 seasons saw the Bulldogs run away from the Lady Techsters, winning three of four regular-season matchups. The wins have given Fresno State back-to-back WAC titles in the regular season.

However, the last four matchups have been decided by a total of 13 points (3.25 points per game), have gone into five total overtimes and have had the winner score an average of 83 points per game. Louisiana Tech is 3-1 over Fresno State with an average of 83 points per game.

The game went into overtime for the third time in four games momentarily receded to what followed after the final buzzer. Following the game the Bulldogs met on the court to huddle in customary fashion, a regular occurrence in victory or defeat. But a skirmish involving both benches broke out after a Louisiana Tech player allegedly tried to break into the huddle. The scuffle, in which head coach Adrian Wiggins broke up, resulted in the suspension of Fresno State guard Marnique Arnold and Louisiana Tech guard Brietta Thomas. Both are seniors.

WAC rivalry ready to change opinions, record

By Brandy Flores

Entering their third year as a varsity program, the women’s lacrosse team is still anxious to break into the win column and see their struggles come to fruition. After going 0-14 last season, the Bulldogs are ready to leave the past behind and focus on a winning season as interim coach Carlee Buck and assistant coach Adrienne Johnson lead the program.

The Bulldogs defeated Mississippi State 15-13 to open the season. In Ruston, La., exemplified exactly why this matchup is quickly emerging as arguably the most heated rivalry in the WAC today.

The game went into overtime. Bulldog leader Jalisa Ross had 30 points and WAC leading scorer, Louisiana Tech’s Adrienne Johnson, had 28. Yet the high scoring and the fact that the matchup went into overtime for the third time in four games momentarily receded to what followed after the final buzzer.

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Wiggins issued a statement Monday regarding the WAC’s decision to suspend the two players.

"We stress sportsmanship here at Fresno State. It was an unfortunate incident, but we respect the WAC’s decision to suspend the two players.

"What is the WAC’s decision to suspend the two players. We are looking forward to playing Louisiana Tech on March 12."