Post Graduate Students

**Brenna (Undergrad Degree Psychology)**
Current Employment: NorWest Co-Op Community Development Manager

Previous Employment
- Inkster Parent-Child Coalition
  - Engaged in collecting funding to run preschool programs and parenting groups (play groups, gross motor skill groups, parent-child attachment development groups, etc.)
- Saving Circle Program
  - Recruiting money management workers

**Jeff Doering (M.A.)**
Current Employment: Behavioural Scientist at Canadian Tire
- Innovation work (e.g., developing ideas as to what the company wants to look like and where it will go in X number of years)
- Lots of work in statistics (psychology related work)

Volunteer and Committee Work
- Some work with UPSA in his undergrad
- Member of a Grad School Committee
- Worked as a Teaching Assistant

Important Skills (that helped find jobs)
- Having a general understanding of psychological principles
- Strong writing skills
- Strong statistics and math skills (good for ALL jobs and positions)

**Tara Giller (PhD)**
Current Employment: Behavioural Scientist at Canadian Tire
- Similar job tasks to Jeff

Degree, and Volunteer History
- Social psychology classes inspired her to pursue a career in psychology
- Worked as a Research assistant (R.A.), teaching assistant (T.A.)
- Finished an undergrad degree, took 1 year off to do research and apply for scholarships and funding, completed a Masters and PhD, published articles during graduate work
- Worked with Dr. Dan Bailis for M.A. and PhD

Important Skills (that helped find job at Canadian Tire)
- Networking
- Strong ability and knowledge in statistics
  - NOTE* find a way to enjoy doing stats, it’s crucial for ALL JOBS
  - Books to help with stats: Staticism; Rand
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- Doing RA work and understanding applied research
- Persistence in job searching and application process

Things that will make you a Better Academic
- Email more professors before applying for grad school (make sure you have options)
- Work on more research projects with your advisor, other professors, and other students (networking)
- Network with more professors and students by attending conferences and collaborating on projects with fellow (grad) students