Dear Friends of Yale Swimming and Diving,

I am writing to you in the hopes of getting your support in building a new Internship Program for our current teams. Our goal is to create a network for our swimmers and divers as they transition from scholar athletes to navigating their way in the professional world. Especially in these challenging economic times, it is imperative our swimmers and divers are in a position to take advantage of every opportunity to succeed.

Our new internship program for Yale swimmers and divers will kick off this summer. We are now in the planning process and welcome those Alumni, their partners, family members, and friends to participate by answering the following questions:

1. Does your company currently have a summer internship program?
2. If so, where is the company located?
3. When are the deadlines for applications?
4. If not, would they be willing to take on an intern?
5. Are you willing to be part of the committee to further develop and implement the Yale Swimming and Diving Internship Program?

We must be cognizant of NCAA rules, so if the internships are paid, swimmers and divers must receive the same amount as any other intern in that position. Also, an internship may not be created specifically and exclusively for a Yale Swimmer or Diver (i.e., it must be open to all who wish to interview for that newly created position).

On Monday February 8th there is a career night at Payne Whitney Gym for all Yale Athletes. The event is set up much like a Career Fair. If you would like to participate please email me for more details no later than January 1st– we would love to see the Swimming and Diving teams well-represented.

Many companies are selecting their interns now and we don’t want to miss out on these opportunities – please let me know immediately if you are interested in participating in our internship program.

You can reach me at lerneralexis@gmail.com or (917) 579-9225. This program will only be as strong as the network we have to sustain it. And that network begins with YOU.

Thanks and Happy Holidays!
Alexis Lerner Katz ‘95