



Overview of PiA Alumni Resources

1. [PiA Alumni & Friends Online Community](#) (platform powered by 360Alumni; private community: accessible only to PiA alumni and trustees)
Recommended for alumni who want to make personal and/or professional connections with other PiA alumni, alumni who are job hunting or networking, alumni who want to organize or attend a PiA event, alumni who want to connect over a shared interest (i.e. Asian language or region), etc.
 - a. Alumni Directory (found under the Connect tab)
 - i. Searchable by PiA year, fellowship organization or country, current location, tags (e.g. “open to informational interviews”), etc.
 - b. Message function allows alumni to contact each other through the platform; alumni will receive email notifications about messages received
 - i. Direct messaging removes PiA staff as a bottleneck for connecting alumni individually and also assuages privacy concerns around sharing alumni contact information.
 - c. Groups, including pages for each Alumni Network chapter
 - i. Any alum can create a group page, so feel free to start a group based on your current location, fellowship location, professional industry, personal interest/hobby, etc.!
 - d. Events, including listings for virtual events
 - e. Jobs Board
 - i. Includes options to search or posts full-time, part-time, and volunteer opportunities.
 - ii. Any alum can post a job, so please post opportunities at your organization or within your network!
 - f. Headlines on the community homepage include important announcements from PiA HQ, volunteer opportunities, and recaps of important alumni events.
 - g. Princeton in Asia Alumni (private) groups on [Facebook](#) & [LinkedIn](#) are other online locations where PiA alumni connect and share. However, not all alumni appear in these groups, whereas the 360Alumni community contains a profile of every PiA alum.
2. [PiA Alumni Network](#) (PiA’s alumni association)
Recommended for alumni interested in organizing or joining events or alumni interested in connecting personally or professionally with PiA alumni in their city. Current chapters: Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York City, San Francisco Bay Area, Singapore, and Washington D.C.
 - a. Chapter Leaders (alumni volunteers) organize quarterly events (*All virtual until further notice.*)

- i. Examples of events: museum tours (especially of an exhibit related to Asia), dim sum brunch, happy hours, picnics, panel discussions, send-offs for departing Fellows, welcome back events for returning Fellows
 - b. Chapter Leader role is a leadership opportunity for alumni
 - i. We are keen to expand the reach of the PiA Alumni Network with additional chapters, as well as expand the leadership bases within existing chapters, so please [email us](#) if you are interested in getting involved!
3. Alumni Mentor Directory (You can find a link to the directory in the “Resources” menu on the PiA Alumni & Friends Online Community!)
- Recommended for early career alumni who are seeking professional guidance and/or interested in applying to graduate school.**
- a. Contains profiles of alumni and trustees who have volunteered to speak with early career alumni
 - i. Profile page provides an overview of each volunteer mentor’s professional background, contact information, and preferred level of engagement with a mentee
 - b. Networking and mentee best practices are outlined at the beginning of the directory (“Guidelines for the PiA Alumni Mentor Directory”)
4. Volunteer Opportunities (*All virtual until further notice.*)
- a. Recruiting (year-round with emphasis in September and October): host an information session or webinar for your alma mater or for a local college/university
 - b. Interviews (generally January): serve as an alumni interviewer
 - c. TEFL (generally spring): give feedback on lesson plans or facilitate lesson demo sessions
 - d. Orientation (generally May/June): speak about your PiA city/country and/or role of identity during your fellowship
 - e. Alumni Network Chapter Leader: build local PiA spirit and community, (virtual) event planning
 - i. An alum can organize a (virtual) event even if they are not a chapter leader.
 - f. Class Ambassador: build class spirit, fundraise, collect alumni news
 - g. Mentor: if you are a mid- or late-career professional or retiree and would like to share your expertise and experience with early career alumni, please [email us](#) for more information.

Last but not least: how to keep in touch with PiA!

- a. Update contact information [here](#) or on the [PiA Online Community](#) to ensure you are kept on our mailing list and correct email list(s)
- b. [Email us](#) with your work or life updates to be featured in the “Alumni Notes” section of our annual newsletter *Pacific Bridges*, in an e-newsletter, or on PiA’s social media