



Department of Supply Chain Management Newsletter

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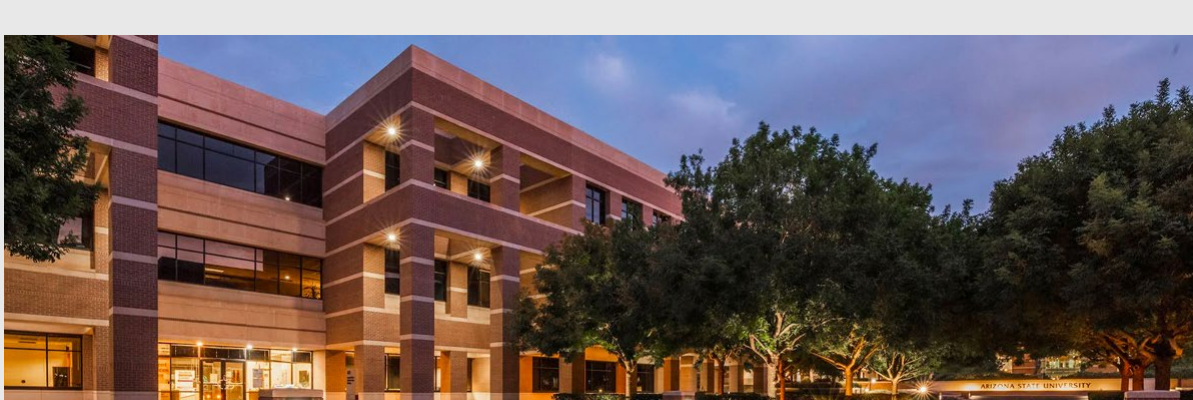
Dear friends,

Welcome to the Spring 2025 edition of Chain Reaction, the W. P. Carey School's Department of Supply Chain Management newsletter. As we continue to navigate an ever-evolving global landscape, I'm proud to highlight the resilience, innovation, and impact our students, faculty, and partners bring to the field. This edition showcases recent research and faculty accomplishments, industry collaborations, and student achievements that exemplify our commitment to academic excellence and real-world relevance. Thank you for being part of our growing community.

Warm regards,



Adegoke Oke, PhD
Department Chair



Academic Program Highlights

Celebrating our Dean's Medalist recipients

Each semester, the W. P. Carey School of Business honors top graduates in each degree program as Dean's Medalists. The recipients are chosen by the school's departments and faculty program directors based on a variety of factors. We are excited to highlight the following recipients for their excellence in undergraduate and graduate supply chain and related programs. Please join us in congratulating them on their accomplishments and success at ASU!

Fall 2024 recipients

Lina Al Jamea, BS in supply chain management
[Osayamen Ozigagu](#), MS in supply chain management (online)
[Sebastian Peterson](#), MS in business analytics (online)
[Aidan Powell](#), BA in business (global logistics management)
[Varun Veda](#), MS in business analytics

Spring 2025 recipients

[Soliman Abdullah](#), MS in supply chain management
[Riya Agarwal](#), MS in business analytics
Abdullah Aldossary, BS in supply chain management
[Joseph D'Amico](#), MS in supply chain management (online)
Ryan Kennedy, BA in business (global logistics management)
Matthew Orton, MS in business analytics (online)

Expanding academic and professional worlds: An interview with DBA candidate Jean-Paul Destarac

In Fall 2024, the W. P. Carey School of Business launched a new Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) program. The first cohort of four students represents a diverse background of academic and professional experiences, each bringing a unique perspective to their coursework and research. W. P. Carey News talked to current DBA candidate [Jean-Paul Destarac](#) about his background, experience in the program, and advice for prospective students. [Read his interview](#) to learn more.

Faculty and Research

Department rises in research ranking

As department faculty continue to complete and publish remarkable research in specialty areas, including geopolitical risks, reshoring, and resiliency, our collective research impact continues to rise. According to the most recent numbers from the [SCM Journal List](#), Arizona State University ranks **No. 2** in empirical and **No. 24** in analytical research worldwide.

Newest center for supply chain launches

The W. P. Carey School of Business has recently welcomed [Karen Donohue](#) as a W. P. Carey Distinguished Chair and Professor of Supply Chain Management. Donohue has pioneered the behavioral operations field within supply chain management, studying how possible interventions can improve decision-making in operations and supply chain contexts. Donohue is also serving as the director of the recently formed Center for Responsible Supply Chain Management, which is dedicated to fostering sustainable and ethical global supply chain practices. The center will bring companies and researchers together to discuss potential strategies to spur outcomes that benefit profits, people, and the planet. Donohue's leadership and experience will significantly contribute to the school's research, teaching, and industry engagement in this critical, emerging area.



Engagements and Events

Two events highlight integrating AI in our supply chains

[Two inaugural supply chain-focused events](#) were hosted in February that highlighted the opportunities and challenges of emerging technologies in supply chain management. The newly launched Center for Responsible Supply Chain Management kicked off its Distinguished Lecture series with featured speaker Yossi Sheffi from MIT, who spoke about how understanding previous technological innovations can help us predict the future of supply chain. Additionally, in partnership with the department, the [Supply Chain Executive Consortium](#) held its first Spring Forum, which brought together industry experts, faculty, and students. The event featured a panel of industry leaders, as well as presentations from Gartner and Accenture on supply chain digitization.

Mixer brings together alumni, faculty, and current students

A recent networking mixer brought together supply chain management alumni, faculty, and students for an evening of connection and collaboration. The event, hosted by the W. P. Carey School of Business, the Supply Chain Executive Consortium, and the Supply Chain Management Association, provided a valuable platform for students to gain industry insights and career advice from experienced professionals and faculty. Featured speakers included alumnus Connor Baskin (BS '16), sharing about his career in high-tech, and [Dale Rogers](#), ON Semicondutor Professor of Business in the Department of Supply Chain Management, discussing the history of artificial intelligence and learning models that brought the industry to where it is today. Another event will be planned in the Spring 2026 semester.

Upcoming Events

- **June 10:** [CRSCM Webinar - Rewriting the Rules: Global Trade, Sustainability, and Supply Chain Research](#)
- **July 8:** CRSCM Webinar - Topic forthcoming
- **July 16-18:** [CARISCA 2025 Supply Chain Research Summi](#) in Lagos, Nigeria
- **August 12:** CRSCM Webinar - Topic forthcoming
- **August 12-14:** [SCEC Curriculum Review](#) in Modesto, CA
- **Sept. 18:** SCMA Fall Career Fair
- **Sept. 25:** [SCEC Fall Advisory Board Meeting](#)
- **Sept. 26:** Women in Supply Chain Symposium

Thank you for reading! We'll be in touch again next semester.
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