In this webinar, CCWT Director Matthew Hora will interview Dr. Corey Pech, a postdoctoral researcher in Sociology at the University of Michigan. Dr. Pech will discuss his book project tentatively titled From College to Career. The book shows, that in fact, most Business and Engineering graduates move seamlessly into jobs that provide good pay but usually involve mundane office work. On the other hand, many English and Communications majors struggle to enter the labor market, and in their post-graduation jobs their skills (while being used) are not treated as valuable. Dr. Pech argues that these disparities arise from differential opportunities to internships that are only available to some majors and that the shift in higher education from promoting the general liberal arts to the more specific practical disciplines is a misguided practice.

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