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Top 100 Entry-Level Employers for 2009 Announced

NEW ORLEANS, LA -- February 4, 2009 -- Despite the gloomy economic and employment news of the past several months, the job outlook for the Class of '09 is not entirely bleak, according to employment research and hiring survey results to appear in THE BLACK COLLEGIAN Magazine.

For those holding college degrees, the impact of the economic downturn and recent layoffs will be partially alleviated by a continuing demand for entry-level candidates to replace retiring baby boomers, as detailed by Dr. Philip Gardner, director of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State University. Although some employers may have curtailed their on-campus recruiting activity or re-adjusted their entry-level hiring projections for the early part of this year, others are still planning to recruit, many through expanded online means.

THE BLACK COLLEGIAN Magazine conducts an annual survey to determine the most active recruiters of college seniors for entry-level jobs. Employers were asked the number of projected hires from on-campus recruiting, the number of campuses they recruit on, and the top majors they are recruiting. This survey results in the list of the Top 100 Employers is published in the magazine's Second Semester Super Issue, and in an extended online feature and spring Virtual Career Fair at www.blackcollegian.com.

THE BLACK COLLEGIAN's Top 25 Employers for the Class of 2009 are:

Rank	Employer	Hires
1	Enterprise Rent-A-Car	8000
2	Walgreens	4500
3	Deloitte	3051
4	PricewaterhouseCoopers	2972
5	Ernst & Young, LLP	2450
6	KPMG LLP	2400
7	Lockheed Martin	2284
8	Kaiser Permanente	1750
9	City Year	1600
10	Northrop Grumman	1600
11	Target Corporation	1430
12	GE	1350
13	Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	1340
14	Gwinnett County Public Schools - Metro Atlanta	1300
15	Microsoft Corporation	1250
16	Raytheon Company	1100
17	State Farm	1100
18	Federal Bureau of Investigation	1000
19	IBM	1000
20	U.S. Department of State	1000
21	Liberty Mutual	940
22	Procter & Gamble	800
23	Schlumberger	800
24	Sherwin-Williams Company, The	800
25	Grant Thornton LLP	750

The top majors they are recruiting are: Accounting, Engineering, Business, Computer Science, Marketing, IS/IT and Finance. The complete list of all the Top 100 Employers can be viewed at www.blackcollegian.com.

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