

# Office hours: Career Services Director Stephanie Boomhower



**Our GPS career guru opens up about some of the dearest objects that adorn her office, painting a picture of her professional backstory and personal interests**

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For over 20 years, Stephanie Boomhower has been helping students navigate the internship and career-search process. She joined the UC San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS) team in 2014. With her signature purple glasses and hair to match, she is easy to spot, as is her office – just follow the gumball machine.

Always available to provide advice and a sweet treat, Boomhower keeps an office that is full of handmade gifts from current and former students, as well as their

parents. She fosters a collaborative coaching style to help students develop a career plan focused on what they want to achieve in their career and the skills required to seek out employment opportunities.

Boomhower is a proud University of Tennessee alumna (Go Volunteers!). She spent the majority of her childhood living in Asia and various cities throughout the U.S., offering the perfect expertise to help our students thrive in the international arena.

To get the big picture on Boomhower's professional backstory and personal interests, hover over the images above.

## **3 questions with Stephanie Boomhower**

**What is the most common question you get as a Career Services Advisor?**

Definitely "Can you help me find an internship (or job)?"

**What is the best piece of advice for graduating students?**

Find time to network to learn about companies and people. GPS alumni want to help, but don't wait until after you apply to ask them about their role and/or company.

**What do you love most about your role at GPS?**

Watching the students and alumni find a career they love.