The Sideline Perspective - Where injured and retired athletes come together to share experiences, find community, and move forward with purpose.

The Sideline Perspective is an online story sharing platform where injured and retiring athletes can voice their experiences stepping away from competitive sports. It is built around fostering community in athlete transition, helping individuals to answer the questions “who am I” and “what next” together. You can choose to just read the stories or boldly write and share your own - either way it is a valuable opportunity to recognize you’re not alone in this new chapter. Check in with Mackenzie (ACE Services Coordinator) for more info: mackenzie@usskiandsnowboard.org

- Website: thesidelineperspective.com
- Instagram: @thesidelineperspective
- Email: info@thesidelineperspective.com

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Partner Summit - June 19-21, 2019 in Park City
All current, retired and alumni athletes are welcome to attend Partner Summit at Center of Excellence, our annual partner appreciation and networking event to share value with our partners and promote our athletes and sports.

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Transition Camp - October 7, 2019 in Park City, COE
A one day workshop to support retired athletes across transition areas: identity awareness, educational goals, career development, skill identification, networking, and key resources and services.

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Tuition Reimbursement - up to $6K annually toward tuition reimbursement for college courses taken by alumni. If an athlete took courses while active on the team, they are eligible for tuition reimbursement for a minimum of 2 years and a maximum of 4 years post retirement. Reimbursement occurs twice annually.

College Guidance - personalized college advising for retiring athletes who plan to transition into full or part time student status and/or complete a college program.

Career Development

- Career / employment search
- Resume preparation
- Interview skills

Internship opportunities:

- Steadman-Phillippon Research Institute (Vail)
- Economic Development Corporation (SLC)
- PandoLabs (PC)
- PROBAR (SLC)
- Various financial services firms and/or corporations via Foundation
- Various local Park City companies
U.S. Ski & Snowboard Foundation
The Foundation provides fundraising, development, communication, education and marketing support as requested by U.S. Ski & Snowboard. The Foundation provides a network of support for the educational needs and career aspirations of our elite and alumni athletes through connections to trustees and donors as well as engagement in various events and fundraising activities throughout the year.

USOC Pivot Workshops - June 6-7 / November 8-9, 2019 in Colorado Springs
The purpose of the ACE Pivot Program is to assist retiring athletes in their health and well-being as whole people beyond athletics by providing tools, techniques and a support system to discover and cultivate their next passions and goals as they transition out of elite competition. Athletes will realize they are not alone, have the opportunity to share and relate their experiences with others going through the same transition, and receive support for future success. [https://www.teamusa.org/athlete-resources/athlete-career-and-education-program/life-skills/pivot-program](https://www.teamusa.org/athlete-resources/athlete-career-and-education-program/life-skills/pivot-program)

USOC ACE Career Services
- 1:1 Career Coaching
- Employer Network
- Hire an Athlete

Dartmouth College TUCK Next Step - September 3-13, 2019 in Hanover, NH
Next Step is a 2-week program that brings elite athletes and veterans together to leverage their leadership, discipline, problem-solving, team-building, and operational abilities. TUCK’s program enables athletes to build on and translate their real-world experiences in ways that will accelerate a successful transition into a rewarding and meaningful career in business. [http://nextstep.tuck.dartmouth.edu/program/](http://nextstep.tuck.dartmouth.edu/program/)

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Communications
The communications team is an in-house resource for athletes to help manage injury and retirement messaging and stories. Each team (alpine, cross country, freeski / snowboard and freestyle) has a dedicated Communications Manager who can help athletes plan how to announce injuries and / or retirement news through U.S. Ski & Snowboard and each athlete’s own communications channels. Your points of contact are:

Alpine: Megan Harrod, [megan.harrod@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:megan.harrod@usskiandsnowboard.org)
Cross Country: Tom Horrocks, [tom.horrocks@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:tom.horrocks@usskiandsnowboard.org)
Freeski / Snowboard: Andrew Gauthier, [andrew.gauthier@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:andrew.gauthier@usskiandsnowboard.org)
Freestyle: Lara Carlton, [lara.carlton@usskiandsnowboard.org](mailto:lara.carlton@usskiandsnowboard.org)

Speaker’s Bureau
Danny Slomoff and his team donate their expertise annually to the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Speaker’s Bureau, a year-long, intensive, dedicated training program for up to 10 athletes who want to learn to be effective keynote speakers. The Speaker’s Bureau is an excellent opportunity to earn income as a paid speaker, as *many companies want to hear stories about your experience, passions, beliefs, and lives!*