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The Network

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Spotlight on Education

WHAT'S NEW IN EDUCATION?

The Education program at Bay Path College offers students the opportunity to build critical teaching skills and strategies, and develop a strong foundation in the academic disciplines. Students can explore three different majors: Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, and Secondary Education- Biology. One of the most valuable features of this program is the close supervision offered by faculty and fieldwork supervisors. Since field experience is an integral component of this program, students begin to observe classrooms in many area school systems as soon as they are enrolled in education courses. They then complete field experiences and a full-time practicum. Care is taken to place students in the most supportive environments tailored to their interests.

Dr. Karen DeAngelis



Ellen Rustico, M.Ed.



Dr. Karen DeAngelis, Chair of the Education Department, and Ellen Rustico, Assistant Professor of Education, note the many opportunities for students to expand their network and build their résumés. They were pleased to announce the introduction of a new chapter of the Education Honors Program, Kappa Delta Pi, to campus this spring. Further, students are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities offered by partnering schools, like attending field trips and volunteering at after-school events. One way to be a part of these events is to join the Education Club. Recently, students in this club celebrated Dr. Seuss Day with students at Beal Elementary School.

Upon completion of this program, students are equipped with a wealth of experience inside and outside of the classroom. Recently, graduates from the education program have secured positions within the public school systems in Springfield, Holyoke, and Ware. Several students are pursuing their Masters of Special Education at Bay Path College, and others have entered graduate programs at Westfield State University and St. Joseph University. With one of these three degrees in Education from Bay Path College, students will also be qualified to work at after-school programs or as paraprofessionals.

The upcoming Education Career and Networking Event on Thursday, March 27th, will provide students enrolled in the Education program with further opportunity to expand their network and learn more about this field!



Students from the Education Club's Read Across America program.

Check out these
awesome internships
BPC students have
landed!

Current Internship Sites

Alison Bigelow, '14, Elementary Education, Center School, 2nd grade, Longmeadow, MA
Corrine Cousineau, Forensic Science, Springfield Police Department, Springfield, MA
Amanda McCabe, '14, Business Administration, Suki Skincare, Northampton, MA
Kristine Victorick, '16, Criminal Justice, Dunn & Phillips Law Firm, Springfield, MA

Quick Tips from the Career Center: Sally Schirmer-Smith on Internships

1. **Start early!** The internship process can be lengthy and competitive. Start now to explore your options.
2. **Use your network.** Take advantage of the resources offered by SCLP and seek advice from faculty, staff, family, and friends.
3. **Attend an internship planning session.** Learn more about the internship process so you can start planning your internship! Contact careers@baypath.edu to sign up.
4. **Select an internship that correlates with your career goals.** Internships are a valuable way to gain experience and explore your field of interest. Make connections and build your network now!

- Sally Schirmer-Smith, Career Coach

An Awesome Career Shadow Experience!

Marlea Joseph, '17, has always loved animals. She declared a Pre-Veterinary Science major at BPC, but is unsure about her plans for the future. SCLP's Career Shadow program provided her with the opportunity to "finally see what becoming a veterinary technician is all about!" She observed three veterinary technicians at the VCA Animal Hospital in East Longmeadow, MA. She most enjoyed observing the interactions between the technicians, the animals, and their owners. She also witnessed how to take an animal's blood and administer vaccinations. Through this experience, Marlea realized how much she would love to work in this setting. This opportunity reaffirmed her decision to pursue Pre-Veterinary Science and provided her with an invaluable look into the professional world. If presented with the chance to observe another veterinary professional, Marlea reports that she would definitely do it again because, "career shadow is a great opportunity to explore an area of interest and see what your major entails."



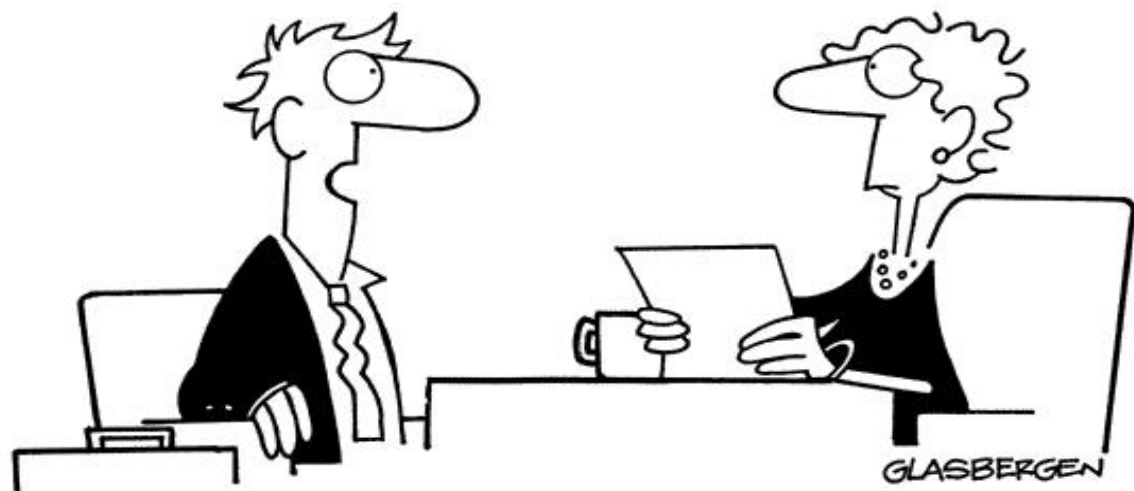
Win a Prize If You Can Guess Who Held This Job!

Congratulations to **Justine Hook** who was the first to correctly guess from last month's newsletter that **Katie Jones** guided 33 college students through a 2-month program looking at the social impacts of the soccer World Cup on South Africa. Justine, come to SCLP to pick up your prize!

Now, guess which BPC staff person was a farm worker and supervisor?

- A. Lori Vaughn
- B. Ann Lombardi-Butt
- C. Steve Smith

Be the first to answer this question correctly and win a gift!
EMAIL: careers@baypath.edu with your answer. Both answer and winner will be posted in the next newsletter.



**"What do you mean, it's not a good résumé?
It's the most expensive one they had on eBay!"**

More and more commonly, our social presence is how we are represented to colleagues, networking contacts, and potential employers. Despite this importance, people continue to make major mistakes on social media. Read on to see how these blunders could be costing you dearly.

Avoid these six social media mistakes!



Toastmasters Testimonials from BPC Students & Alums!

"In Toastmasters, I am surrounded by many peers and mentors. They have helped propel me forward in my confidence, learn to advocate for myself, and most importantly, they have helped me find my own voice. There are great opportunities to learn while being inspired and having fun!"

**- Hadijat (Tobi) Muftau-Lediju
MOT, '15**

Next meeting: Monday, March 24th: 6 - 7 PM at Western New England University. Van transportation provided. Contact Kimberly Bourque in the career center. Kibourque@baypath.edu

Upcoming SCLP Events

Internship Planning Sessions

Thursday, March 20th: 11 AM - 12 PM

Tuesday, March 25th: 3 - 4 PM

Sullivan Career and Life Planning Center

Internship Reflection Sessions

Wednesday, March 19th: 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Monday, March 31st: 9:30 - 10:30 AM

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Toastmasters Meetings

Monday, March 24th: 6 - 7 PM, WNEU

Transportation provided - contact kibourque@baypath.edu to sign up for a spot in the van

Upcoming SCLP Events

Career & Networking Events

Hosted by The Sullivan Career and Life Planning Center and program chairs to provide career education and networking opportunities to our undergraduate students customized to major field of study.

Education Career and Networking Event

Thursday, March 27th, 4:30 PM

Legal Studies Career and Networking Event

Tuesday, April 8th, 4:30PM - 6:30PM

Criminal Justice Career and Networking Event

Wednesday, April 16th, 6:00 PM

Career Catalyst Series

From College to Career: Finding the Best Internships, Job Opportunities, Graduate Opportunities, and Volunteer Efforts

Tuesday, April 1st, 1 - 2 PM

College-to-Careers Book Club

"No Ceiling, No Walls" by Susan Colantuono

Thursday, March 27, 2014, 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Lenox Newell Rubbermaid, East Longmeadow

Free book and transportation provided.

Contact: careers@baypath.edu

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