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# The Network

## Newsletter

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# Spotlight on Psychology

Psychology, the study of human behavior is offered at nearly every liberal arts college. It is a broad field that encompasses a variety of areas from child development to research application, but what can you really do with this major? In meeting with BPC's Psychology Department Chair, Kathy Wiezbicki-Stevens, this question and many more were answered.

Most recently, graduates have found employment with organizations like Gandara, the YWCA, ROCA, the Village Center for Children and Families, CHD, and Westover Job Corps. Job titles range from Youth Development Coordinator, to Residential Counselor, to Employment Naviga-

tor. While plenty of jobs are available for undergraduates, many other students choose to pursue further study in one



**Kathryn Wiezbicki-Stevens**

of the many specializations that exist in the field of psychology, including Clinical Psychology/Licensed Mental Health Counseling, Industrial/Organizational Psychology,

Marriage and Family Therapy, School Psychology, and Clinical Psychology.

At Bay Path, students can choose from three different psychology majors: General Psychology, Child Psychology, and Forensic Psychology. While each of these disciplines examines human behavior, they differ in concentration. General Psychology is the broadest of the majors, providing students with knowledge of the basic principles and methodology of psychology. Students who pursue this major may find work in a variety of settings including health and human services, corporate management, human resources, (Continued on Page 4)

## Career Shadow: A Student Experience

Shayonna Fulcher-Valentin is a sophomore at BPC with a major in Criminal Justice and a Minor in World Languages and Legal Studies. When given the opportunity to shadow a police officer in the Longmeadow Police Department, Shay was excited to explore her field of study and make sure she was on the right track. While she always knew that police officers fight crime and protect people, Career Shadow opened her eyes to all of the other roles they fill on a daily basis. Most importantly, Shay's experience with Career Shadow reaffirmed her decision to pursue a career in Criminal Justice.



**Shayonna Fulcher-Valentin**

# Upcoming SCLP Events

## TOASTMASTERS

Monday, Nov. 11th,  
6:00-7:00PM,  
Helliwell

## INTERNSHIPS

### Planning sessions:

Tuesday, Nov. 12th,  
11am - 12pm  
Wednesday, Nov. 20th,  
10am — 11pm

### Reflection sessions:

Thursday, November 21,  
3:30-5:00 PM  
Monday, November 25th,  
12:00-1:30 PM  
Tuesday, Dec. 3rd,  
9:00-10:30 AM  
Monday, November 11th,  
7:00-8:30pm

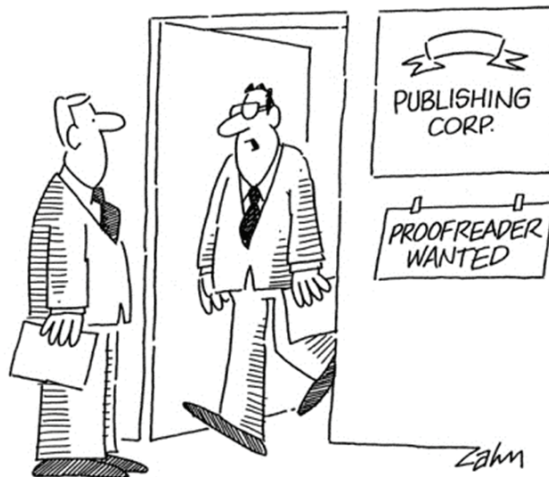
## CAREER AND NETWORKING EVENTS:

### Psychology:

Monday November 11th,  
7:00-8:30pm

### Occupational Therapy:

Career and Networking Event  
MOT Program  
Friday December 6th  
Full Day



"No luck — my résumé had three typos."

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College Students**

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## Career Celebration Corner

Cassandra Angelica '13, First Grade Teacher, Sumner Avenue School

Amanda Blumenstein '13, Clinical MSW Program, Rutgers University

Christa Nunez '13, Account Specialist, NOW Plastics

Stephanie Rodriguez '13, Interior Designer, Kitchen & Bath

Samantha Santos '13, Junior Engineer, Hyannis Water System

Melissa Sippel '13, Dispatcher, West Springfield Police Department

Hallie Washburn '13, Behavioral Interventionist, Washington County Mental Health Services, Inc.



# Current Internship Sites

**Business West**, Brooke Alix '16 (*Business Administration Major*)

**Women's Correctional Center**, Tiana Black '14 (*Forensic Psychology Major*)

**Con-Test Labs**, Samantha Dean '14 (*Forensic Science Major*)

**Decker CPA Firm**, Tina Doiron '14 (*Accounting Major*)

**South Elementary School**, Emily Doucette '14 (*Psychology Major*)

**East Longmeadow Police Department**, Julie Packard '14 (*Criminal Justice Major*)

**Hampden County Superior Court Probation**, Heidi Jo Rheaume '14 (*Criminal Justice Major*)

**Hartford Juvenile Court**, Marisabel Santiago '14 (*Forensic Psychology Major*)

**Sumner & Toner Insurance**, Jackie Shute '14 (*Business Administration Major*)

**Safe School-Springfield**, Kayla Skiffington '14 (*Child Psychology Major*)

**UBS Financial Services**, Hanaa Sleiman '14 (*Business Administration Major*)

Check out these awesome internships BPC students have landed!

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

Congratulations to **Sheryl Kosakowski** who was the first to correctly guess from last months newsletter that Leanna James Blackwell worked in a matzoh factory as a packer in Tel Aviv, Israel AND as an apple picker on a kibbutz in Upper Galilee. Please contact us to claim your prize, Sheryl.

Now guess who worked for STATS, Inc., as the lead researcher for ESPN's "Baseball Tonight" conducting statistical research for the show and helping to create the graphics. This person also worked in a drug testing lab, processing urine samples.

- A) David Pinto
- B) Sandra Haddad
- C) Dave Yelle

Be the first to answer this question correctly and win a gift! **Email [careers@baypath.edu](mailto:careers@baypath.edu) with your answer!** Both answer and winner will be posted in the next newsletter.

## SCLP at Hatch Library



Did you know that the Sullivan Career and Life Planning Center has a collection of books at the Hatch Library? The collection focuses on career planning, women, and work. It is shelved on the backside of the Ready Reference collection, marked with our SCLP logo. We are always looking to increase our collection. If you have suggestions for valuable additions please contact us at [careers@baypath.edu](mailto:careers@baypath.edu). Thank you.

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**FREE**  
**THANK YOU NOTES**  
to all Bay Path College  
students.

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stop into the office!

# Spotlight on Psychology, Continued

public relations, or community outreach.

Students who are interested in working with children may consider a major in Child Psychology, a program focused on the study of the physical, intellectual, emotional, and moral development of children.

Following graduation, many graduates find work in the school system, youth development organizations, early intervention, family support services, or direct care settings.

Forensic Psychology prepares students for work mainly with criminal offenders and victims. This degree often leads to a career in criminal justice, mental health, and substance abuse settings.

BPC also offers sophomore psychology majors the unique opportunity to participate in an optional paid internship program while earning elective credits. Students gain valuable leadership and planning skills working with local organizations like Girls, Inc., CHD, Springfield Parent Academy, ServiceNet, Inc., River Valley Counseling Center, and Springfield Jewish Community Center.

No matter which path students choose, Psychology majors will be equipped with valuable skills and insight into human behavior that will undoubtedly help shape their professional career.

For more information on the specialty areas in psychology, visit [www.apa.org](http://www.apa.org).

**10 Skills Employers Most  
Want in 20-Something  
Employees**

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## Alternative Pathways: Peace Corps

Peace Corps is an independent, national service program that offers thousands of public service opportunities in over 70 countries. Volunteers live in the community they serve, and work in a variety of areas including education, youth and community development, health, business and information, communications technology, agriculture, and environment. Length of service is 27 months, including a 3-month in-country training where volunteers are equipped with language, cross-cultural, technical, and health and safety skills. Following service, volunteers return to the United States with improved leadership skills, cross-cultural understanding, and language and technical skills that position them well for professional opportunities.

Volunteers must be U.S. citizens over the age of 18.

For more information about Peace Corps, visit [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov)