



Fall Internship Newsletter

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Where to Start

- If you want to explore internship opportunities, make an appointment with John Paganelli in Career Services who can assist you in the planning process.
- If you are seeking academic credit, make sure you also meet with the faculty internship supervisor for your major.

Mark Your Calendar!

Fall Internship Fair November 20th

Bridgewater State College will host its Second Annual Internship Fair on Wednesday, November 20th, in the Campus Center Ballroom. "Back in the spring, Bridgewater opened its doors to its first internship fair that involved over 20 companies and 195 interested students. This year we hope to secure 30-35 internship employers in a variety of fields", states John Paganelli, Associate Director for Internships and Experiential Learning.

Linda Walsh, Recruiting Coordinator, WCVB-TV/Channel 5, mentioned that the fair was well run and she saw a lot of excellent students. "I look forward to returning to campus for the Fall Internship Fair".

For details on the fair, including a list of employers, check out the Career Services web site: www.bridgew.edu/depts/carolan

Faculty Internship Working Group Established

Toward the end of the Spring '02 semester faculty internship supervisors were invited to a reception sponsored by the Career Services/Internship Office. The purpose of this reception was to recap and highlight progress and new initiatives set forth by the Internship Office. Out of this discussion came a small group of interested faculty who have agreed to come together to discuss internship related issues. The group plans to meet a few times each semester and will be developing a list of discussion topics of interest.

The first meeting is scheduled for next month. This group includes: Prof. Mercer Fellouris, Management Science, Dr. Joel Litvin, Communication Studies, Dr. Hardy Moore, Biology, Dr. Carolyn Petrosino, Criminal Justice, Dr. Evelyn Pezzulich, English, Dr. George Serra, Political Science and John Paganelli, Career Services/Internship Office.



Employers and students from the Spring '02 Internship Fair at BSC.



Psychology Internship Forum

Wednesday
December 4th
1-2 p.m.
Heritage Room
Maxwell Library

Come listen to current interns discuss their site placement. This is a great opportunity to network! For details, contact Prof. Englander in the Psychology Department.



Jessica Ryans Interning in Washington, DC



Jessica Ryans, a Criminal Justice major at Bridgewater State College, decided to spend the fall semester of her senior year learning beyond text books and classroom lectures. She took a bold step of moving to Washington, DC, to participate in an internship with The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars. Jessica was well aware that interning in DC would be a very different experience than spending the semester at Bridgewater. She did not, however, anticipate the immense impact it would have on her entire view of life.

Jessica is interning with *The Law Offices of Gerolyn Lawrence*, a private defense

attorney in The District of Columbia. Her experience has given her an incredible sense of the work attorneys do each day. Jessica has had an opportunity to sit in on courtroom trials, interview witnesses with private investigators, and speak with clients on trial for crimes ranging from minor misdemeanors to felonies.

Her work is exciting, intense, and is truly preparing her for what she wants to do, practice law. Although Jessica wants to work as a prosecutor, she wanted to do her internship with a defense attorney to get a feel for the other side. Jessica strongly recommends that students consider an internship. "It has given me the insight and drive to pursue a job in the field I have always dreamed of working in." She also notes that she has seen and met many minorities in high-powered positions, such as judges and district attorneys. "This is empowering and encouraging for me and other minority students. I am more confident now than I was before. Now I know for sure that I want to attend law school and pursue a career as an attorney."

Written by: Katie Sagarin '03

Summer Biology Intern at D.C. Dept. of Health

Jessica Pedroso, '03, Biology Major Placement: DC Department of Health



Over the summer, I completed an internship at the District of Columbia's Department of Health. I aided in the development of the Birth Defects Monitoring Program located in the Maternal and Family Health Administration. My duties included the development and maintenance of the birth defects database, documenting all causes of death and completion of death certificates based on established CDC codes. I also created forms for nurses and prenatal institutions, and created the procedures manual for the program. Through the Department of Health, I was also able to attend a lecture on Smith-Magenis Syndrome, a genetic disorder. I was fortunate to meet the discoverer of this disorder at the lecture.

While participating in the internship, I attended a Biomedical Ethics class at George Mason University. In this class, I learned how philosophers view biomedical issues such as euthanasia, physician-assisted suicide, and genetic engineering. This class provided me with analytical tools and philosophical frameworks for understanding, analyzing, and evaluating moral issues in biomedicine.

Meet Four BSC Student Interns

Sarah Pulsifer '03, Art Duxbury Council on Aging, Duxbury, MA

My internship is within the Art Department of the Council on Aging Center. I will launch and develop the Center's first Annual Craft Fair and I will be teaching two to three one-day workshops. I will also manage and coordinate all preparation for both the fair and the classes.

This internship has allowed me to see a professional application of the field of art. Although it's a casual atmosphere, interns are expected to organize and self manage all assigned tasks. This experience has given me a broader range of career possibilities than I had previously expected; I am seriously considering finding a career as an activities director at a similar type of center.

I strongly advise BSC students to take advantage of doing an internship. It is worth the time and effort and will give students a better idea of what kind of career they might like to pursue in the future.



Haywood Barnes '03, Communication, WMDT/WB Newsroom, MD

I was able to create my own internship back home in Maryland. In the early stages of my internship, I went out with reporters and learned what they did. I learned how to produce, then proceeded to working in the studio getting instructions on how to floor direct and became familiar with the use of their camera equipment.

My advice to BSC students is to do at least one internship before you graduate. Work hard, and get the most from the experience. It's a good chance to network with people in the industry you might want to break into. Avoid office politics if you can, and keep focused on your position and do it well.



Katie Sagarin '03, Political Science, Senate President's Office, State House, MA

This summer I participated in an internship at the Massachusetts State House in the office of the Honorable Senate President Thomas F. Birmingham. My primary duty was managing the rotating number of constituent cases, an experience that was eye opening, challenging, and extremely rewarding. My internship allowed me the opportunity to see first hand the daily routine of a congressional member's office, exposing me to things I would have been unable to fully understand from a classroom or textbook. My internship was the most real-life experience I could have had to foster my interest in politics.



Maciej Wewior '03, Management Science, Vestera, Inc., Dulles, VA

Over the summer I completed an internship at the headquarters of Vestera, a global trade management company. My assignments ranged from contacting foreign customs representatives, researching international trade agreements to analyzing and interpreting tariff logic. I had a chance to network with the Vice President of Product Management, Ty Bordner, the VP of Global Trade Compliance, George Weise, who served as Commissioner of the U.S. Customs Service, and Larry Christensen who is VP of International Trade Content, who served as the Director of the Regulatory Policy Division of the Bureau of Export Administration.

Besides the work experience, the Washington Internship Program offered a variety of site visits and presentations to all the interns. As a member of the business focused group, I got to visit and learn about the International Finance Corporation (IFC), Microsoft, and The Federal Reserve. My experience in Washington would not have been complete without getting some exposure to politics. I was able to meet with Congressmen James P. McGovern (D-MA), White House Press Secretary, Ari Fleischer, and the Ambassador of Egypt to the United States, and Nabil Fahmy.

Overall, I found this internship experience very positive. I would like to encourage every student to take the opportunity offered by Bridgewater State College to do an internship. It looks good on the resume, you learn a great deal about how things are done in "the real world," and it is also a great networking tool.



Internship Database



Check out the BSC internship database at www.bridgew.edu/depts/carplan/intern

Mark Your Calendar!

Washington Center
Application Deadlines

Spring '03:
Oct. 25, 2002

Summer '03:
Feb. 21, 2003

Fall '03:
May 1, 2003

Contact Prof. George Serra, TWC Faculty Liaison or John Paganelli, Associate Director, Internships and Experiential Learning for details and an application form.

New Listings in the Internship Database

American Express Financial Advisors
(Financial & Marketing)

Anderson Management Company
(Consulting, Acct. Management)

Film Services
(Communications)

Granite Wealth Management
(Investments)

Harvard University
(Human Resources)

International Health, Racquet & Sports
Club Association
(Recreation & Leisure)

MainSpring Coalition for the Homeless
(Human Services)

The Phia Group
(Legal)

Tweeter
(Public Relations & Marketing)

Zymark Corporation
(Scientific Research)

Dear John Column

Dear John:

I really want to find an internship for next semester. How can I go about finding leads in my field? Alicia

Dear Alicia,

You have several options for finding a suitable internship.

1. Utilize BSC's online internship database. Visit the website at www.bridgew.edu/depts/carplan/intern
2. Check out other internship listings at the following website: www.bridgew.edu/depts/carplan/internsh.htm
3. The Career Library holds a variety of directories that may contain possible internship leads.
4. Check with your academic department for additional leads.
5. Consider The Washington Center Program. It is designed for all majors and housing is included. Additional information is available in Career Services.

Depending upon your individual needs, you might consider an internship for either credit or non-credit. John would be happy to meet with you to discuss your options.

For a list of faculty internship supervisors by department, stop by Career Services, Campus Center Rm. 8 or check out the [Career Services](#) web site.