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Building a Career with Experience Internship Newsletter



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WHERE TO START

- If you are seeking academic credit, make sure to meet with the faculty internship coordinator in your department.
- Research internship leads through your dept. and the internship database and other resources in Career Services.
- Make an appointment with John Paganelli, (508) 531-1328.
- Prepare a cover letter and resume; have it critiqued by a Career Services staff member.

Fall '03 Internship Fair Outcome

by Katie McCormick '05, Marketing Coordinator, CSO

On Tuesday, October 28th, Bridgewater State College hosted its Third Annual Internship Fair. The Fair was a huge success, with over twenty employers providing information on many different fields of interest. Over 200 students participated in this year's fair, contributing to the over all success.



Recruiters discussing internship opportunities

Employers were impressed with the hospitality and student enthusiasm. Sare Arnold of Enterprise Rent-a-Car was especially impressed with the "great students" who attended the fair. Other employers were impressed with the friendly staff and the students' interest in their companies. Employers attending the fair included: Brockton Rox, BSC International Programs; Coalition for Social Justice, Compurex Systems Corporation, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Fastenal, Fitcorp, George P. Johnson Company, High Point Treatment Center, MainSpring Coalition for the Homeless, MA Department of Correction, May Institute,

Metro South Chamber of Commerce, New England Aquarium, Oceanos Marketing, Inc., Old Colony YMCA, Peace Corps, Pro-Fitness/ Health Solutions, Putnam Investments, Pyramid Management Group, Road to Responsibility, Washington Center for Internships, Third District Court, and W. B. Mason.

Surveys taken by both students and employers indicate positive results and comments. Students were impressed with the organization of the Fair and employer responsiveness.



Students gather information from recruiters

One student said "All the employers were extremely approachable and informative." Students hope to see even more variety in the Internship Fairs to come.

The Bridgewater State College Third Annual Internship Fair was a great success thanks to both the wonderful employers and enthusiastic students. Employers and students indicated that they would return to next year's Internship Fair. We hope to see you again next fall!



Maki Yamamoto '05, a BSC Management Science major, is currently a TWC Fall '03 intern. Her placement is with the **US Chamber of Commerce**. She's meeting other interns from around the world and is enjoying her experience, both educationally and socially. She was pleased to accept a check from BSC's Parent's Association who made a donation to offset the cost of the program.



If you have ideas for featuring BSC student interns or other story ideas, contact John Paganelli at (508) 531-1328 or by e-mail at jpaganelli@bridgew.edu

What Can You Do With A History Major? *Meet Kelly Engdahl '04 (Summer '03 participant)*

The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars is one of the greatest programs I have ever utilized here on campus. When I first came to Bridgewater, I realized that there was an opportunity to go through my four years and graduate as one of many, or I could use the opportunities that presented themselves to my advantage in ways that many of my friends at larger colleges could not. One of the opportunities that I have taken advantage of is The Washington Center, TWC. I was sure of one thing when I left for Washington, I did not want to be a history teacher, but I wanted to explore what types of jobs were out there for someone who loves history. I found my answer in Washington, D.C.

With the help of The United States Capitol Historical Society and the Non-Profits Leaders Program, my eyes were opened to the broad aspects of the world of historical employment. The experience of living in Washington, D.C. is something that I do not think can be replicated anywhere else. Through the residence provided by TWC, I got to meet some of the most interesting people



from every walk of life. I met, among others, a 30-year-old man from Greece with very interesting ideas about women and people in general, a Puerto Rican economics major from Atlanta, a girl from Ohio who had never ridden on a subway before, and a born-again Christian farm boy from Iowa. Each of the people I

met brought to the table of discussion their own personal touch and together we had some of the most intelligent conversations I have ever experienced.

I was also introduced to the wide world of history in D.C. Working at the United States Capitol Historical Society showed me what exactly a historical society does and researching at the Library of Congress expanded my knowledge of history in so many ways that they cannot be simply put. My co-interns and I were able to experience the wonders of working on a research team. Through the Washington Center, I was able to experience the world outside of Massachusetts, outside of the world of school, outside of my parents' house. I was able to live on my own and pretend to be a grown-up for the first time, and the experience of living there is one the I recommend to anyone that is scared of being a grown-up. Even though it allowed me to be independent, it was a great stepping stone to the real world.

**The Washington Center Alumni Reception
First Ever at BSC**

Bridgewater State College hosted its first-ever Washington Center Alumni Reception on Tuesday, October 14, 2003 in the Davis Alumni Center. Current BSC students attended this reception to hear from four alums about their internship experience in our nation's capital.



Daniela Lopes (L) Maureen Devine (C) and Jennifer Stephenson (R)



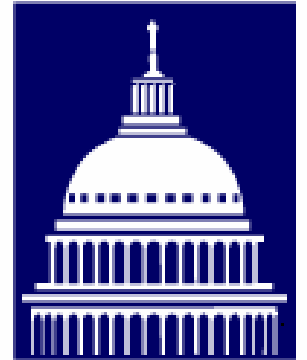
Kelly Engdahl '04 (2nd L) shares her experience with students who are considering applying for 2004.



“I was lucky enough to be assigned to a wonderful doctor at the **Walter Reed Army Medical Center**, who along with his team from Georgetown University was conducting research on heart disease. On a personal level, I made friendships that I still enjoy today”. (Maureen Devine '01)

Daniela Lopes '98, Psychology, Site: American Insurance Association
Maureen Devine '01, Biology, Site: Walter Reed Army Medical Center
Jennifer Stephenson '03, Communication Studies, Site: Talk Radio
Kelly Engdahl '04, History, US Capital Historical Society

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*For Internships and
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*Upcoming deadline
dates to apply to The
Washington Center
Program:*

Summer 2004 deadline
date is **Friday, Feb.
27th, 2004**

Fall 2004 deadline date
is **Friday, April 30th,
2004**

“Do an internship to test the waters in your chosen field of interest. Add the experience to your resume, keep in touch with your newly established contacts and obtain a strong letter of recommendation”.
(Advice from John Paganelli/ Internship Office)

ALUMNI WHO OFFER INTERNSHIPS '03-'04

- Tom Anderson '94**, Anderson Management Co., LLC – Seeking A & F and Marketing Interns.
- Mary Beers '87**, Thornton W. Burgess Society – Seeking Environmental Education interns.
- Tricia Bielinski '01**, Independence Mall – Seeking Specialty Leasing interns.
- Jack Bradbury '75**, Physician Strategies – Seeking Computer Science interns.
- William Cain '83 & '91**, Harvard University – Seeking HR interns.
- Maureen Cody '88**, Jennings Cody and Leahy, CPA – Seeking Accounting interns.
- Tony Colesano '94**, FitPlan – Seeking Exercise Science interns.
- Steven Hill '94 and Paula Peterson '75**, The Children’s Museum of Easton – Seeking ZOOMZone interns.
- Matt Jordan '02**, Arnold Worldwide, Inc. – Seeking HR interns.
- Brandyn Keating '02**, Coalition for Social Justice – Seeking interns to assist with social/political issues.
- Brian P. Kelley '99**, Smith Barney – Seeking Management Science interns.
- Debra LaFontaine '00**, South Bay Adult Day Tx Program – Seeking interns interested in social services.
- Justin Latini '80**, Massachusetts Department of Correction – Seeking writers and researchers.
- Denise Malenfant '78**, George P. Johnson Company – Seeking marketing interns.
- Jay Olsen '78**, Old Colony YMCA, Seeking all majors for various positions.
- Jack O’Neill '83**, Mansfield Cable Access Corp. – Seeking Community T.V. Production interns.
- Richard Rogers '97**, ProFitness/Health Solutions - Seeking Exercise Science interns.
- Elsa Ryberg '82**, South Shore Natural Science Center/ The Nature Center Preschool - Seeking Ed. interns.

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INTERNSHIP DATABASE

www.bridgew.edu/internships

The internship database maintained by the Career Services Office has hundreds of opportunities for students considering internships. Search internships by career field, geographic location as well as paid & non-paid opportunities.

HELP WANTED

Does anyone know the BSC student who interned over the summer with Sports Illustrated? I'd like to feature her experience in the Winter Issue of this newsletter. Please email me if you know who I'm referring to at ipaganelli@bridgew.edu
Thank you!