

CSOM PhD Student Ladge First Center for Work & Family Fellow

The Boston College Center for Work & Family (CWF) awarded its first fellowship to Jamie Ladge, a doctoral candidate in organization studies at the Carroll School of Management.

Through the CWF Fellowship, Ladge worked with the center's corporate partners on a host of work-life issues and was provided support while completing work on her dissertation.

Ladge's research centered on identity issues for female professionals returning to work full-time following the birth of their first child. The study is considered highly relevant to the struggles many women feel as they try to integrate their professional and personal identities, according to the CWF.

"We were so pleased to support Jamie's research and have her work with us over the past academic year," said CWF Ex-

ecutive Director Brad Harrington. "Because her research and studies were so closely aligned with our work, she was able to contribute to a broad range of issues at the Center including custom research for our members and putting together and reviewing some of our research publications."

Ladge, who will join the Northeastern University College of Business faculty in September, said the fellowship was a unique opportunity for her to partner with the center, which seeks to improve connections between academic research and corporate human resource practices.

"The center has a tremendous group of members who are really at the forefront of the work-life movement," she said. "It was great to share my work with them and provide support to so many leading employers in their efforts to support working families."

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