



BOSTON COLLEGE CAREER CENTER

AHANA Career Services

AHANA March Newsletter

MARCH IS WOMEN'S HISTORY

Happy Women's History Month!

Check out the full events schedule:

<http://www.bc.edu/schools/cas/ws/>

MARCH IS GREEN MONTH

BC is Green

Everyone has a reason to be sustainable.

What's yours?

Check out the full events schedule:

<https://sites.google.com/site/ugbcwebsite/green-month>

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Hours of Operation

Mon. 9am-4:30pm Tues. 9am-4:30pm Wed. 9am-7:30pm

Thurs. 9am-7:30pm Fri. 9am-4:30pm

Drop in Hours

Everyday 1pm-4pm AND Tues. 5pm-7:30pm Wed. 5pm-7:30pm

MARCH

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Senior Strategies

It's that time of the semester when you're probably thinking about your job search! While every semester is hectic, you have to stay in the game and think about your plans after BC. Thinking about what to do next? Worried about not having any job leads? Here are some tips to use all of your resources for the Spring Semester.

Resume:

You've got to have one of these. If you haven't already, come by the career center to make an appointment or stop by for drop in hours from 1-4pm every day, or in the evening, from 5-7:30pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We're at 38 Commonwealth Avenue, diagonally across the street from White Mountain Ice Cream and Dunkin Donuts.

Who Do You Know and Who Knows You?

It helps to look back at your previous jobs and internships and stay in touch with supervisors and fellow employees.

Online Resources:



Check out our *Alumni Career Network*: Curious about who else is in your field of interest that went to BC? The Career Network is a great way to start conversations and build connections with people.

LinkedIn: If you haven't created a profile yet, put this on your to do list. LinkedIn is an increasingly important online tool to establish a professional presence. We also have a Boston College Alumni Career Volunteers Group. If you're just starting, they have a great resource, the LinkedIn Learning Center.

Make Time:

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There's only so much you can do in a day, but as you would for homework and activities, carve out some time each week to check out jobs.

Learn about the Career Centers Job Resources:

Just a peak at what we've got:

EagleLink - CareerShift - Simplyhired.com - Diversity Staffing Pros - HireDiversity.com

Call Us for an Appointment: 617-552-4539 or email us at ahanacs@bc.edu.

Take those pictures off Facebook.

APPLYING FOR THE AHANA 2011 SUMMER STIPEND THIS YEAR?

Here are some tips and frequently asked questions to look over.

Make sure you've articulated a clear connection between what the internship has to offer and what you'd like to learn professionally

Be sure to include the reasons for financial need

Don't forget to attach your resume

Double check to make sure all of the contact information for you, your supervisor and organization is listed.

FAQs

Do I have to have an internship offer in order to apply? No. You do have to have the offer in order for us to award you the stipend, but you can still apply. Just keep us posted on when they've made their final decision.

I'm a sophomore, if I don't get it the stipend this year can I apply again? Yes. The stipend is for both sophomores and juniors so you can apply a second time.

What if the internship is for less than ten weeks? We can only honor internships that will be full time over the course of ten weeks.

Find the PDF **application attached** or at <http://www.bc.edu/offices/careers/>
Please attach this application, along with your resume and proposal via **email to chanceje@bc.edu** or mail/deliver to the Career Center, 38 Commonwealth Ave/Southwell Hall by **April 1st at 4:30 PM**. If you have any questions, please call Jessica Chance at the Career Center at 617.552.0917.

Practice Interview Night Recap

I've read about interviews, I've practiced giving myself interviews, and I've even used interview stream. One would assume that I would be quite good at giving interviews at this point-or at least that's what I thought until I came to practice interview night. I was familiar with many of the questions, and I knew myself well. And it's not even a real interview! Yet, there's really nothing quite like sitting across from an actual person. I felt uncertain. I was no longer talking to a computer screen, and I wasn't allowed to hit pause and rewind. I was going to sit face to face with another person for 20 minutes, and she wanted answers.

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I didn't give blank stares or incoherent answers, but I was surprised by everyone's level of professionalism. There was even a point during the interview where I found myself asking whether I was even going to get the job, only to realize that it was merely practice. Yes, it was really *that* serious. The most valuable part of the event was when I received feedback on my performance. "You need to straighten your back, young man", my interviewer told me. Of course, she had more to say about me than just my posture, but that 20 minute engagement taught me more about interviewing than all the books I've read on interviewing, and all the interviews I've done on interview stream with virtual avatars, combined! Put simply, this experience was fun and as exciting as it was eye-opening.

-Alan Lin BC '13

UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out the [Career Center Calendar](#): copy and paste the link below!

<https://events.bc.edu/cgi-bin/publish/webevent.cgi?cmd=open&cal=cal30&token=>

[Science Night!](#) - March 15th

[CIA Career Talk](#) - March 16th

Career Information with the U.S. State Dept. - March 23rd

[Education Fair](#) - March 30th