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Wrapping up!

As we wrap up the Fall semester, the Experiential Education Center staff would like to thank our students, faculty, staff, and community partners who engaged with our Civic Engagement and Internship programs. Our achievements would not be possible without your support.

Included in the edition spotlights a Bristol student who participated in a service-learning class this Fall semester.

Check out page 2 to learn about her experience in the class and the positive impact it had on her understanding of

Page 3 highlights EEC's upcoming events and an **Unpaid Internship Scholarship opportunity** that will support students hired in an unpaid internship over the Summer 2022 semester. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage experiential learning opportunities that help students prepare for their careers while reducing the financial challenges of participating in an unpaid internship.

EEC wishes you a successful rest of the semester! To stay up to date on EEC happenings follow us on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook at @eecbristol

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community needs.

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Service-Learning Student Spotlight



Esha Boyd, Human Services Program Fall 21 Service-Learning Course: PSY 295-Honor's Seminar Community Leadership

What connections did you make from the work you did for your service-learning project to what you were learning in the classroom?

The biggest connection I made during my service-learning project period was the importance and significance of collaboration in the Social Service sector. I am intrigued by the Social Change model of leadership and how it shines a light on the best qualities everyone possesses and allows everyone on a team to be an equal participant. This model enables everyone on a team to feel valued.

How did your service-learning project benefit the community and/or expand your understanding of community needs?

My service-learning project benefits the community by teaching constructs and factors that help prevent child abuse and neglect. Our organization is instrumental in providing social connections, counseling services, and other daily living needs. I realize that there are gaps in affordable housing and mental health services.

What transferable skills did you increase from working on your service project?

I know that my organization and leadership skills increased because of the education and experience I have received here at Bristol. I have been able to get an inside look into the way non-profit organizations work and where the need for improvement may be. I was able to bring my previous business ownership skills and communications skills to find better ways to engage with our target demographic.

What surprised you the most about your service-learning project?

I was surprised at how much it did not feel like work. I am humbled by the way people appreciated someone listening to them. I gained the trust of people who have reasons not to trust anyone.

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about your experience with your service-learning project?

I am very concerned about the housing situation in New Bedford and the lack of shelter for the homeless. I see the limited space available for many non-profits to work. The biggest thing I learned during my project is that volunteers and these agencies do more for the community than the government, and I am on a mission to get more people involved.

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EEC Happenings



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Participating in an unpaid Summer 22 internship? We have a scholarship opportunity for you! The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage experiential learning opportunities that help students prepare for their careers while reducing financial challenges of participating in an unpaid internship. This program will reimburse 4 selected students for the total cost of their 3-credit internship course who secure an unpaid internship for the Summer 2022 semester. Applications open Tuesday, February 1st and the deadline is Friday, May 20th.

For more information contact the EEC via eec@bristolcc.edu.

VIRTUAL INTERNSHIP PREP WORKSHOPS

Students interested in participating in the internship program must attend <u>one</u> of the following workshops. To register, please follow the steps below.

- 1. Go to collegecentral.com/bristolcc.edu
- 2. Below the log-in area, select "Activate" (if you've already activated your account, just log-in)
- 3. Once logged in, click "Events & Programs" from left menu
- 4. Select the month or calendar tab to sign-up for an available workshop date that you'd like to attend

Below are the	available dates	and times:

Date	Time
Monday, December 20 th	6pm-7pm
Wednesday, December 22nd	12pm-1pm

Questions? Contact us:
Phone: 774-357-2407 | E-mail: EEC@Bristolcc.edu

Looking for a Spring 2022 internship? Check out these remaining workshop dates in December. Preparedness is key when seeking and obtaining an internship.

Within a 1-hour Internship Prep Workshop, students will work with EEC staff to:

- Review policies and procedures of the Internship Program
- Learn what to expect at the internship site
- Begin the process of developing a resume & identify internship sites of interest

To enroll in the Internship Program students must attend one workshop.



The Civic Engagement program values service to the community and seeks to find ways to recognize students, faculty, and staff for making a positive social change. The President's Volunteer Service Award is a form of recognition given to members of the Bristol community that completed a minimum of 100 hours of community service during the one-year period of April 1st, 2021 through April 1st, 2022. Student Clubs and Organizations can also be recognized as a group for completing a minimum of 200 hours of community service during the same calendar period.

President's Volunteer Service Award - applications due by Monday, April 4th, 2022

To apply and for more information, click here.

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College Central Network (CCN)



CCN is a platform to search for volunteer, service-learning, internship and job opportunities posted specifically for Bristol Community College Students and Alumni. Use built-in tools and tips to create an eye-catching resume and career portfolio. View upcoming EEC and Career Services events and programs, access a multimedia career resource library and more!

*All Bristol students and faculty have a pre-registered account, to activate your account go to collegecentral.com/bristolcc

Check out the following resources from CCN's Multimedia Library:

- Podcast: Elevator Speech: Job Search Infomercial
- Video: Tips for Job Hunting
- Podcast: Networking: 101

Find more resources like this in your CCN account by accessing the "Career Document Library" on your dashboard.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN CCN

For additional details on the jobs below, visit CCN at www.collegecentral.com/bristolcc

- Saint Vincent's Services-Job ID #6553998-Residential Counselor Intern-Fall River, MA
- Bristol Experiential Education Center-Job ID #6625981-Brand Ambassador Intern-Fall River, MA
- Southcoast Health-Job ID #6616280-Revenue Cycle Intern-Fairhaven, MA
- MassDOT-Job ID #6543387-Highway Engineering Internship-Boston, MA
- Law Office of Kevin Severn-Job ID #6595633-Legal Intern-Boston, MA

