

SSS STAR Program

“Our mission is to guide, support, and retain our students so that they may successfully graduate from Bloomfield College.”

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Internship Experiences: Jacqueline Ortiz

Are you a Junior or Senior thinking about interning next semester? Interning is a great way to gain experience in your chosen field or maybe find another career entirely. STAR Junior Jacqueline Ortiz recounts her unexpectedly enlightening semester working at the Montclair Art Museum:

“When I chose to take the internship class at Bloomfield College I had no idea how genuinely rewarding it would be. It was such a fulfilling experience because I felt empowered by my professor and fellow peers. The feeling of determination in class helped me apply myself and take initiative to find an internship just right for me. As a graphic design major I set out to find opportunities within my field of study. Thanks to career services for supplying us with an internship database, I began to call and contact places that specialized in creative arts and technology. I was fortunate enough to get a call back from the marketing department at the Montclair Art Museum. After interning there for four months as a graphic design assistant, I found my way to a paid position as a teacher's aide at their summer art camp. I would have never thought in a million years to work within the educational field; however, from what I have experienced I'm grateful that I went out of my comfort zone.



MAM Yard School Oil Painting Course

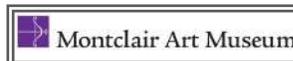
What really opened my eyes to this new opportunity was the ability to work with children in such a creative and diverse atmosphere. The Montclair Art Museum is such an intimate and worry free space to let kids be themselves. I've learned that children are also eager to learn like any other college student with their own way of retaining information. They also have such a vivid imagination to create wonderful works of art since they are not clouded by the pressures of society. When I helped them finish a project it filled them with so much joy and it made them feel confident in their work. This made me want to work harder at what I do. Assisting the teachers in digital media classes such as graphic design, film, and photography was such a fun way to incorporate what I have learned at Bloomfield College. I felt like I became part of something greater as I was able to help children succeed in their own hard work. It really is such a rewarding experience and I would recommend working with children in any major.”

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“Let us never be betrayed into saying we have finished our education; because that would mean we had stopped growing.”

—Julia H. Gulliver

Internship Experiences: Jessica Desire

Senior Jessica Desire interned in New York City at ABC's *Live! with Kelly and Michael*. Below, she explains her interview process, job duties, and attendance at the October 2013 *Seventeen Magazine* Internship seminar. ☆

"The interviewing process was very interesting to say the least. When I arrived to the building of ABC the line was wrapped around the building. I was interviewed by two producers of the show [and] they asked me questions such as, 'Why do you want to intern for us?' 'How are you with celebrities?' and 'How do you feel about commuting from New Jersey to New York?' I answered all those questions honestly. I genuinely believe it was my personality and honesty that got me the internship. After a second interview [...] I was selected."

My duties included answering the phones from audience members, public relations firms, and producers. Also, I worked in the studio to assist the producers with anything they might have needed and watched the show live once a week. During my time in the office and studio I learned behind-the-scenes techniques on how to run a live show, how to network with people in the field, and how to think on my feet. Overall, I gained a lot of experience in regard to how a live show operates and how to go after something I want. I must mention that meeting with Kelly Ripa, Michael Strahan, and other celebrities were some perks of the job.

With the help of my advisor Gail Ponder and Carol Ruiz from Career Development, during the month of October I attended the *Seventeen Magazine* seminar at the famous Hearst Building in NYC. I was able to get tips about internships. I was also able to get crucial advice on what to wear to an interview, how make up should be applied, and how to land an internship. Getting a swag bag was great too; it contained small gifts. ☆

Both of my experiences at *Live! with Kelly and Michael* and at the *Seventeen Magazine* seminar gave me the opportunity to learn more about the field of my concentration of broadcast journalism. The tips I learned are tools that will help me get further in my career path. I can't wait to get to the top.



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We don't stop going to school
when we graduate.

—Carol Burnett

Senior Status?

Don't Forget Your Senior Check *and* Diploma Application

Seniors, there are two appointments you must make with the Registrar before you put on that cap and gown. ☆

Senior Checks are necessary. They explain the courses you need to graduate and help you register for your last semester.
Make your Senior Check Appointment with Registrar Annette Raymond (ext. 1271 or 1221) as soon as possible.

You also have to complete a diploma application.

December Grads: November 19th deadline

May Grads: April 25th deadline

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Graduating Seniors? Set Up a STAR Exit Interview!

SSS★STAR FA13 Activity Schedule

Wellness Center - “Anxiety Prevention”	Wed. Oct. 30th 3:30 - 4:30pm	<i>Exams, assignments, and/or life making you anxious? Come to this workshop on anxiety prevention, given by the BC Wellness Center.</i>
Financial Literacy Series	Ongoing	<i>Come join us for a series of mini information sessions to help you stay on top of the on-going changes in the financial world.</i>
Techniques & Tips	Wed., Nov. 6 4-5:30pm	<i>FOR EDUCATION MAJORS (& Students interested in substitute teaching): Helpful tips to prepare for student teaching.</i>
Financial Literacy Workshop	Thurs. Nov. 7th 3:30 - 4:30pm	<i>Handling your finances can be overwhelming. Meet an expert who can help you take control.</i>
Chat & Chew	Ongoing Bi-weekly	<i>Join us for open discussions on great topics selected by the students or the counselors.</i>
Plagiarism Workshop	Wed., Nov. 13, 3:30-4:30pm	<i>Whether you're writing essays for English 107, or research papers for upper level classes, this is a vital workshop you don't want to miss.</i>
Career Services “DINING ETIQUETTE”	Wed., Nov. 20 6:00-10:00pm Deacon's Den	<i>Understanding the proper way to dine in a formal setting. Great instructional session. <u>You must RSVP to attend.</u></i>
<u>Mix & Mingle</u>	Wed. Dec. 4, 1-3pm	<i>Fun, games and relaxation-a great way to de-stress before finals begin.</i>

★ All events will be held in the Star Computer Lab -Room 106 ★

BC's Tutoring Center: CITELE

Need tutoring? CAD has changed to The Center for innovation in Teaching to Enhance Learning (CITELE), and is comprised of tutoring, testing and research centers, **including a new Writing Center**, which serve all students and faculty at BC. Their objective is to work closely and creatively with faculty as they guide students in their development from students to confident, independent scholars. CITELE will identify and employ best practices in the support of teaching and learning, leading to students' retention and success. Both centers are drop-in. No appointments are necessary. ALL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME! The hours are:

MON: 8:30am-6:30pm

TUE: 8:30am-8:00pm

WED: 8:30am-8:00pm

THU: 8:30am-6:30pm

FRI: 8:30am-4:30pm



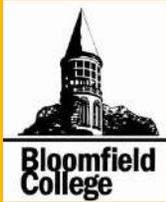
SSS STAR Program Student Support Services



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STAR PROGRAM HOURS

Monday: 8:00 am—8:00 pm

Tuesday: 8:00 am—8:00 pm

Wednesday: 8:00 am—8:00 pm

Thursday: 8:00 am—4:30 pm

Friday: 8:00 am—4:30 pm



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Changes to the Registration Process

Don't forget the changes BC has made to the registration process. Advisement Week is no longer scheduled; visit your Counselor/Coach as frequently—and as early—as you'd like to begin creating your schedule. Then, remember that **Registration is now online through Web Advisor**. Sophomores and Juniors:

1. Students must first complete their sophomore or junior checks with an academic advisor/coach in the Office of Advising/ Coaching & Registration (229 Liberty Street.) During the check you will review your graduation requirements and receive a copy of your progress chart. If you have not already done so, contact the advising secretary at 973-748-9000 ext. 1759 to make your appointment for sophomore/junior check.
2. Schedule an appointment with your STAR counselor. We can help you build your schedule and get ready for future semesters. Please bring your progress chart!
3. Meet with your faculty advisor. You **MUST** bring a copy of your updated progress chart to your meeting with your faculty advisor. You will receive registration clearance from your faculty advisor.
4. Register for your classes using Web Advisor following the priority registration schedule. **Instructions for Preparing a Schedule and Web Advisor Registration are available in the Office of Advising/Coaching & Registration and the STAR Office.**

Priority Registration Schedule:

<u>November 11</u>	Students with <u>senior</u> status
<u>November 12</u>	Students with <u>junior</u> status
<u>November 13</u>	Students with <u>sophomore</u> status
<u>November 14</u>	<u>All</u> students