Welcome to Your Program

Welcome to Binghamton University and the Binghamton Scholars Program Newsletter!

Our newsletter will be issued monthly to tell you about exciting opportunities to get involved on and off campus. Participating in academic and social events is one of the best ways to make friends, gain experience, improve your resume and have fun! The Scholars Program Staff hopes to organize fun events that build community. Be sure to check this newsletter monthly for upcoming programs and events that you don’t want to miss. Plans for our annual bowling tournament, holiday party and Scholars Council meetings are already in the works. We also promote academic excellence by offering a mentor program and a new program that organizes study groups for students in the same classes.

We hope to enrich your experience at Binghamton University in the ways that you find most satisfying. Please contact our office with ideas and suggestions to improve your college experience. We encourage all ideas, even if they seem impractical. We are here to help you carry out your vision.

Most importantly, the Scholars Program is your program. We welcome your contributions to this newsletter. Do not hesitate to contact us with an upcoming event for an organization you are involved in or an article you would like to write. Also be sure to participate in surveys that allow us to customize the Program to meet your needs and wants. We look forward to another exciting year together!

-The Scholars Program Staff

Mark Your Calendars!

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<td>Scholars Council Meeting—Your opportunity to meet other scholars, build your resume and plan exciting events for the upcoming year! Pizza and cookies provided.</td>
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Your Student Council

The BU Scholars Council is the student-elected executive board of the students in the Scholars Program. Every year, the members of the council organize social, educational, and philanthropic events for the program’s students. We also represent the students of the Scholars Program to the University.

Major accomplishments of the Council in recent years include maintaining priority registration for scholars when this option was in danger of being removed. We have also organized various programs, in which scholars have participated throughout the past year, including our annual bowling tournament.

Major academic goals for the Council in the upcoming semester include working with the Program’s faculty to have more of the Scholars ’280’ Seminars cross-listed with University departments, so that Scholars can count these courses towards various majors, as well as their Scholars requirement.

The Council also hopes to increase community in the Scholars Program by increasing attendance at social events and meetings. Please come out and meet your fellow Scholars!

This year’s Council also plans to collaborate more closely with the Executive Boards of the honors programs in BU’s professional schools.

If you have questions, comments, or suggestions, please contact any of us at any time; and look for upcoming emails regarding how you can get involved in the Scholars Council yourself. Please come to our meeting for pizza and wings on October 13, at 7:00pm in LH-9!

- The Binghamton Scholars Council

Your City

Get to know the city where you are spending four years of your life!

The Ross Park Zoo offers a wide array of wildlife and events worth exploring. www.rossparkzoo.com

For upcoming festivals and events check with Southern Tier Celebrates at www.stcelebrates.org.

The fall can be just as fun as the summer! Check out the Lone Maple Farm for some homemade ice cream and apple picking. http://www.lonemaplefarm.com/

Magic City Music Hall is Binghamton’s home for concerts and comedians. Attend their Comedy Club on Thursday nights or check out their lineup at www.magiccitymusichall.com for more options.
Your Involvement

Looking for alternatives to the typical Friday or Saturday night? The Office of Campus Life is your home for entertainment providing you with movies, bus getaways and weekend activities. Late Nite Binghamton offers a wide variety, including an Open Mic night for singing, rapping and poetry. Those more interested in sports and games can play dodgeball. Be sure to check latenite.binghamton.edu for a weekly updated schedule of weekend activities. Join their listserv so you don’t miss any upcoming events.

Attend these events or help organize them. Campus Life holds programming meetings on Tuesday nights. You could also attend Student Association meetings or volunteer with the XCEL Center for Leadership or Late Nite Binghamton.

Are you more interested in concerts and clubs? The Student Association orchestrates every organization on campus. You can search for existing clubs that match your interests or you could even begin the charter process to start your own club. If you like participating in student government, the Student Association has an executive, legislative and judicial branch. Email getinvolved@sa.binghamton.edu for more information and opportunities.

Would you prefer a smaller community, but still want to attend fun programs? If so, turn to your Scholars Program. Come to our student council meetings where our excellent members are always looking for ways to improve our program. Stop by the graduate assistant office, TU 130, to meet the assistants and voice your opinion. Look to our listserv for upcoming meetings and events. It is never too late or too early to become involved in campus. Whether you are a freshman looking to make friends, or a returning student hoping to improve their community and their resume, getting involved is one of the best ways to reach your goals at Binghamton University.

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Have an event you’d like to hold for Scholars or a vision you’d like to share? Hungry for pizza and cookies?

Come to our Scholars Council Meeting at 7:00 on Monday, Oct. 13 in LH-9.

Write for the Newsletter!

If you’d like to help with the newsletter by writing articles, compiling announcements and collecting contributions, please contact Melissa at emm.melissa@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity to get some writing experience and help out the Scholars Program!