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Important Dates

Course Add/Drop Deadline	2/8
First Scholars Council Meeting CIW Commons	2/10 7:00
Spring Job & Internship Fair - Mandela Room	2/14
Not-for-Profit/Public Service Career Fair - Columbia University	3/7
National Student Conference on Service, Advocacy & Social Action - Northeastern University	3/7-3/9
Last day for students graduating in May to meet with Mallory.	3/20

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**SCHOLARS PROGRAM
NEWSLETTER**

Spring 2008, Issue 1

Brand New Source of Scholars Info!

Welcome to the brand new Scholars Program Newsletter. It is our hope that this newsletter will help all of the Scholars stay in the loop about the events that are happening in the program and around campus!

Because this is our very first issue, we want to introduce you to the newsletter, the Scholars Program Student Council, and some of the important events that are popping up at the beginning of your semester!

You'll see the Scholars Program Newsletter in your Binghamton University email inbox just about every month (and in any SCHL courses you may be taking), and it is not just a newspaper for you to glance at, throw away (or recycle!) and forget about. One of the most important things you can do for yourself and for the Scholars

Program is to get involved! Let us know ways in which we can improve. Attend events and stop by the offices to say "hi!"

Student input makes the program better **and** makes your experience as a student better all around! Not only do we want you to get involved with Scholars Program-sponsored events, but we want to encourage you to be an active member of your major and of the university at large. It is our hope that this newsletter will help you find ways to do just that, and if you have any ideas to help us along in that goal, please let us know!

Look for more info on how to give us your feedback and get involved on the back page of the newsletter! Here's to a great semester!

~The Scholars Program Staff

Check out our first issue...

Page 1: Welcome to the newsletter

Take a look at the first page for a quick calendar, brand new news, and what you'll find inside!

Page 2 - 3:

Meet the Scholars Program Council

The Scholars Council is your source for fun events, a great bet if you want some extracurricular activities, and a wonderful group of students here to help you!

Page 4: Helpful Info and Ways to Get Involved

Looking for scholarships, internships, or an outlet for your desire to help the community? Look here!

MEET THE COUNCIL

Not sure what the Scholars Program Student Council is? The most important thing you need to know is that the council is made up solely of students currently in the Scholars Program and is thus dedicated to serving the students. They do this by providing fun events, helpful resources, and a community atmosphere to the entire scholars student body. The best part...you are basically a member of the council already! All general council meetings are open to anyone in the program (and there is usually food!), and at the end of the year, elections are held for anyone who would like to be a coordinator! Coordinators lead planning committees, communicate with staff, and help things move smoothly along. Check out the bios of our current coordinators to meet the council! We hope to see you at our meeting on Sunday February 10th at 7PM in the CIW Commons for pizza, snacks, and a great start to the semester!

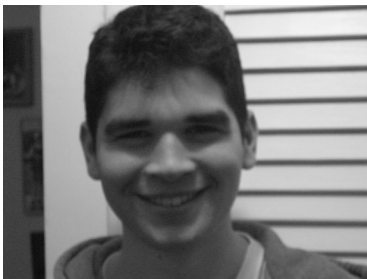
Alexis Stecker - Co-President & Social Coordinator



Major: Finance Senior / **Favorite Class at BU:** FIN 311 & IBUS 480D / **Favorite Movie:** "In the Spirit" & "Shining Through" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Hunka Chunk Peanut Butter Fudge (yes, that is 1 flavor) / **Favorite Book or Author:** Shelia Levine is Dead and Living in New York / **Favorite Quote:** "Luck? I don't know anything about luck. I've never banked on it and I'm afraid of people who do. Luck to me is something else: Hard work - and realizing what is opportunity and what isn't." -Lucille Ball / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** I think the Scholars Program has enormous potential and I knew I wanted to get involved in building our Scholars community. It's been a great experience. / **Words of**

Wisdom for New Students: Go to professor's office hours. Find a mentor. Look for leadership opportunities. Enjoy every moment of college, it goes way too fast!

Jonathan Fulop - Co-President & Social Coordinator



Major: Mathematical Sciences Junior / **Favorite Class at BU:** GEOG 103, Multicultural Geographies / **Favorite Movie:** "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough / **Favorite Book or Author:** Brave New World / **Favorite Quote:** "I bought a seven dollar pen because I always lose pens and I got sick of not caring." -Mitch Hedberg / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** To help bring together the Scholars community. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Don't be afraid to take advantage of all the opportunities college life has to offer.

Lisa Schoenberger - Administrative/Membership



Major: Biology Senior / **Favorite Class at BU:** Cell Biology / **Favorite Movie:** "Love Actually" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Chocolate/Vanilla Swirl / **Favorite Book or Author:** The Letters of Vincent Van Gogh / **Favorite Quote:** "Life is short, break the rules, forgive quickly, kiss slowly, love truly, laugh uncontrollably, and never regret anything that made you smile." / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** To have a voice in the Scholars Program. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Study hard but don't forget to have fun!!

MEET THE COUNCIL

Peter Spaet - Academic Liaison & BUSAC Representative

Major: Political Science Junior & SOM Adjunct / **Favorite Class at BU:** ENG 112B, Television and American Culture / **Favorite Movie:** "The Usual Suspects" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Chocolate / **Favorite Book or Author:** A Sound of Thunder by Ray Bradbury / **Favorite Quote:** "You do not really understand something unless you can explain it to your grandmother." -Albert Einstein / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** I became concerned after reading the April 2007 Pipe Dream article indicating that Provost Swain wanted to cut the program's early registration. We've worked hard since then to maintain it - particularly for those students to whom it was promised when they decided to come to Binghamton. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Get involved around campus and don't be afraid to challenge your professors or any BU administrators when you think they're wrong about something, because there is a good chance they are.



Albert Hazan - Academic Liaison & BUSAC Representative

Major: Biology Junior / **Favorite Class at BU:** BIOL 311, Molecular and Cell Biology / **Favorite Movie:** "Rounders" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Pralines & Cream / **Favorite Book or Author:** Angels and Demons by Dan Brown / **Favorite Quote:** "Imagine all the people living life in peace, you may say that I'm a dreamer but I'm not the only one, I hope someday you'll join us and the world will be as one." -John Lennon / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** I got involved with the Scholars committee because I meet a lot of great people in all my scholars classes and thought that we should have more social events within the program - like the bowling tournament we had last semester. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Always be confident, never panic. No matter how hard things may seem to get, somehow everything works out, as long as you do all you possibly



Alessandra Tarcher - Community Service Coordinator



Class: Junior / **Favorite Class at BU:** True Stories with Professor Rosenberg / **Favorite Movie:** "Breakfast at Tiffany's" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** Mint Chocolate Chip / **Favorite Book or Author:** Robert Frost / **Favorite Quote:** "What is meant to be, will be." / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** I ran for this position because I wanted to help the scholars program grow socially and become a friendly environment with lots of opportunities for students to get to know one another. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Try something new :)

Amanda Jaret - Academic Enrichment Coordinator

Class: Philosophy & Economics Sophomore (with a minor in East Asian and Management Studies) / **Favorite Class at BU:** Chinese 101 / **Favorite Movie:** "American Beauty" / **Favorite Ice Cream Flavor:** I'm a vegan, but I love soy ice cream! / **Favorite Book or Author:** A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man by James Joyce. My favorite author is Michel Foucault. / **Favorite Quote:** "We shall not cease from exploration, and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time." - T.S. Eliot / **Reason I got Involved in Scholars Council:** I am very enthusiastic about the Scholars Program and would like to see it continue and expand as a source of inspiration for its members. / **Words of Wisdom for New Students:** Stay cozy and warm and make sure you pursue your passions!



IMPORTANT INFO, SCHOLARSHIPS, INTERNSHIPS AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

**Our website is getting a new look later this semester,
but it still has all the info you need!**

<http://scholars.binghamton.edu>

*If you have any questions regarding Scholars
Program requirements, check the website and
if you have further concerns, email our Grad
Assistant Mallory at
mallory.emerson@gmail.com*

Earn Credits With OCC!

Be a **Johnson City Mentor!** Serve as a mentor & tutor to middle school students and earn 2 upper level credits! For more information and applications visit

<http://occ.binghamton.edu>.

Application Deadline for Spring 2008 Semester:

Friday February 8th

\$\$ Scholarship \$\$

**For Sophomores and Juniors Planning a Career Related to the Environment:
Morris K. Udall 2008 Undergraduate Scholarship**

For more information check out the website (www.udall.gov) and contact Janice McDonald at jmcdona@binghamton.edu. The campus deadline to apply is February 22nd.

Internships

Everett Public Service Internship Program

The program is open to: undergraduates who have completed at least two semesters of college and graduate students; and U.S. citizens and international students attending school in the United States. To learn more and for application instructions, go to the Everett Public Service Internship site, www.everettinternships.org/. Application is made directly to the organization, not to the Everett Foundation. The website contains all the information you need to find an internship and directions on how to apply. Most deadlines are between February and mid-April. Contact Janice McDonald (jmcdona@binghamton.edu) in the Office of External Scholarships, Fellowships and Awards for more info.

SCA Hudson Valley AmeriCorps Internship Opportunities

Created in 1999, the Hudson Valley AmeriCorps Program is dedicated to recognizing, preserving and interpreting the nationally significant historical, cultural and natural resources of New York's Hudson Valley. There are a number of currently available with the Hudson Valley AmeriCorps Program. If interested and qualified you can find more information, a list of positions and fill out an application online (www.thesca.org/Internships_%26_Field_Jobs/Internships/Hudson_Valley_AmeriCorps/). For more information on the Hudson Valley AmeriCorps Program or questions on how to apply, email us at HudsonValley@thesca.org.