Binghamton University Scholars Program

Orientation Information Session
Summer 2014
Who are we?

- Scholars Program Executive Director, Professor Ziegler
- Scholars Assistant Director, Katherine Bouman
- Scholars Administrative Assistant, Mary LaCourt
Scholars Assistants to the Executive Director

- Tim Friedmann
- Bridget Murphy
- Megan Barry
- Alex Koenig (not shown)

Scholars Teaching Assistants –
- Tim Friedman
- Megan Barry

Scholars Course Assistants
- Denise Lobo
- Emily Olander
- Kaitlin Broulliet
Who are we?

• Binghamton University President, Dr. Harvey G. Stenger

• Office Staff (student Scholars)
  • Alex Koenig
  • Mallory Schmackpfeffer

• Scholars Orientation Advisors
  • Lindsey Cox,
  • Emily Olander
  • Peter Batten

• 16 Scholars Faculty (changes every semester)
Who are we?
Binghamton University Scholars Program Council

- President: Itai Ferber
- Vice-President: Kaitlin Biagiotti
- Treasurer: Caroline Weiss
- Social Chair: Abigail Giles
- Academic Chair: Tatiana Requijo
- Public Relations Chair: Michael Dolan
- Community Service Chair: Dana Mirro
- Junior Representative: Sophie Gamer
- Sophomore Rep.: Ryan O’Rourke
- Secretary: Arianna Gorkowitz
Scholars Student Mentors:

- Tim Bobrowski, undecided
- Samuel David Bravo, computer science & math
- Jesse Cole, integrative neuroscience
- Lindsay Cox, political science, double major in English or math
- Nick Doran: economics, undecided double major
- Martha Engle, psychology & linguistics
- Jack Fischer, computer science & math
- Lauren Nardacci, biomedical engineering
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Who are we?

Scholars Resident Assistants in Newing

- Matthew Davis, class of 2015
- Cara Natale, class of 2016
- Shriman Balasubramanian, class of 2016
- Emma Ryan, class of 2017
Who are we?
Professional Mentors

Dean April Thompson, Dean of Students

Vice President Brian Rose

Professor Donald Nieman, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Professor Peter Donovick, Professor of Psychology, Director-Environmental Neuropsychology Laboratory

Professor David A Campbell, Chair and Associate Professor, Department of Public Admin.

Dean Krishnaswami Srihari, Dean of the Thomas J. Watson School of Engineering and Applied Science

Professor Wayne E Jones, Professor and Chair of Chemistry Department; former Interim Dean of the Harpur College of Arts and Sciences

Associate Dean Anna Addonisio, Associate Dean Harpur College

Michelle Jones;, Academic Advisor for Freshmen/Sophomore Pre-Health Students
Let’s take attendance and see who YOU are?

33,000 applications to Binghamton U.

100 Scholars

Best and brightest of Binghamton (and the world!)

Top 2% at Binghamton U. - one of the most selective universities in the US

Future leaders
  - On campus and
  - in your future careers

Very involved
  - on campus and
  - in the community

Representatives of Binghamton University

Scholar Samantha Meadows

http://www.binghamton.edu/undergraduate-research-center/summer-scholars-and-artists-program/meadows-profile.html
What is the Scholars Program

- The best resource is our website and the Scholars Handbook. [http://www.binghamton.edu/scholars/](http://www.binghamton.edu/scholars/)

- Be sure to visit A YEAR IN THE LIFE OF A SCHOLAR on the website.
Binghamton University Scholars “Family” in the Newing College Community

- Freshmen
  - Broome Hall and Endicott Hall – 3rd Floor
- Upperclassmen
  - Broome Hall and Endicott Hall – 2nd Floor
- Scholars Mentors
- Scholars RAs
- RDs, Faculty Master

IS EVERYONE SET FOR HOUSING?
Ways to Get Involved

- Events
  - Council
  - Academics
  - Social Events
  - Community Service

- Mentors

- Activities:
  - Apple Picking,
  - Hike to the President’s House,
  - BU Sporting Events,
  - B-Mets game,
  - Visiting author,
  - bowling,
  - trivia,
  - family dinners every Friday,
  - Relay for Life,
  - Cram Jam,
  - Family Weekend
  - And MORE….

- Trips to New York City, Philadelphia
- Trips to Conferences – Washington, New Orleans, Boston……..

- WE HAD DOZENS of SCHOLARS-ONLY EVENTS LAST YEAR!
Scholars I
• Fall 2014
  SCHL 127 Thinking Like Leonardo DaVinci
  DaVinci: painter, sculptor, architect, musician, scientist, mathematician, engineer, inventor, anatomist, geologist, cartographer, botanist, and writer
  His work: Mona Lisa, Last Supper, human powered helicopter, hang glider, Solar Power, armored tanks, parachutes, machine guns, catapults, drilling machines, Calculator, Submarine
  • Mandatory; no exceptions
  • Introduction to higher level thinking, Binghamton University, Scholars Program, and more
  • General Education O
  • Professors Blake, Merriweather, Thompson
  • Assisted by Teaching Assistants - Scholars Tim Friedman and Megan Barry
  • Also assisted by 4 Scholars Course Assistants
    Denise Lobo -
    Emily Olander -
    Kaitlin Broulliet -

  • Spring 2015
    SCHL 280x (1st time)
    • Scholars-only
    • courses vary each semester
    • Many options that fulfill Gen-Eds!

Scholars II
• Fall 2015
  SCHL 280x (2nd time)
  • Many options that fulfill Gen-Eds!

  • Spring 2016
    SCHL 227 Leadership, Management, Service
    • Service Based LEADERSHIP Course
Sample SCHL 280 Courses

- Ghosts in American Culture by Professor Tucker
- Philanthropy and Civil Society by Professor Campbell
- Project Management (by Chad Nixon – Senior VP at McFarland Johnson, Inc.)
- Athletics in Higher Education – by Brian Rose, Esq., Vice President for Student Affairs
- International Business by Associate Dean Anna Addonisio

And more….12 each year…
Courses change every semester

Small classes <20
Scholars ONLY!
Scholars III: Worlds of Experience

- SCHL 327
- Experiential learning activity
  - Internship, study abroad, clinical experience, lab experience, research, etc.
- Resumé review

Scholars IV: Capstone

- SCHL 427
- Department Honors, Double Major, Dual Degree, Capstone Research, Project or Independent Study, or Capstone Course
Benefits and Perks

- Scholars is the ONLY path to
  - President’s Honors (3.5)
  - Or All University Honors (3.25-3.49)

- Learning Community
- Close connection with University President
- Mentoring by university administrators, faculty, peers
- Guaranteed Intra-University Transfer 1st year
- Priority registration
  - 24 Ghost Credits
- Networking opportunities
- Conference opportunities
- Social activities
- And MORE!
B-mail and Gmail
- Be on the look out for:
  - Weekly Binghamton University Scholars Council emails
  - Invitations to events
  - Opportunities from Prof. Ziegler and Mary LaCourt
  - Google forms
  - You must use YOUR Binghamton University email
- Questions and concerns?
- Email the Binghamton University Scholars Program at buscholarsprogram@gmail.com

Facebook
- Make sure to join the Class of 2018 Facebook Group
  - https://www.facebook.com/BinghamtonUniversityScholars

Twitter
  - https://twitter.com/buscholars

Photo Gallery
- Binghamton University Scholars Photos on Picasaweb
  - https://picasaweb.google.com/111319350756858667106

Scholars Book Exchange
  - https://www.facebook.com/groups/383948831700758/
Freshmen Scholars Welcome Brunch with Professional Mentors, instructors, staff, etc. : tentative Friday, **August 29, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Old Union Hall**

Scholars Lunch at President Stenger's home: tentative, **Saturday, September 20th, 11:00-2:00 p.m.**

Friday Night Scholars Family Dinners – starting mid to late September in the Newing Dining Hall around 5:pm

Scholars Family Weekend Reception: tentative Saturday, **October 11, 2:30-4:30**

Scholars Off-Campus Hike (Buttermilk Falls): tentative Saturday **October 25, 12:00-4:00 p.m.**

Scholars Fall Trip to NYC tentative, Sunday November 2\textsuperscript{nd}

Scholars First Friday: tentative **November 7th, 5:00 p.m.**

Scholars Thanksgiving: tentative Saturday **November 15th, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Scholars with President Stenger: Double-header basketball game: tentative **early November**
Be sure to register for SCHL127
Thinking Like Leonard DaVinci

Do NOT register for
- HARP101 or
- HDEV105.
- (SSS students – please see me)

As a Scholar, you will register before all other students

FOR YOUR FIRST SEMESTER:
Your goal should be
- 16 credit hours (4 courses)
- Plus SCHL127 (2cr hrs)
- FRI students: 3 courses + SCHL127 + research course (2 cr hrs)
- TOTAL 18 Credit hours
- Watson Freshmen Computer Science Majors credit limit raised to 19 to accommodate CS101 (1cr hr)
YOU MADE THE RIGHT CHOICE!
WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU:
BUT... YOU STILL HAVE TO JUMP!

Scholars students, staff, professors, BU administrators

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