

# BSU & INTERNSHIPS 2024 - 2025 IMPACT AT A GLANCE



RETENTION
& STUDENT
PERSISTENCE
TOWARDS
GRADUATION

2,118

one-on-one career & life design appointments to help students plan for the future.

58% increase

in student/alumni participation in industry-specific career programs.

**792** 

students received free professional clothing at Dress for Success events.

STUDENT
CAREER
READINESS &
OUTCOMES

93%

of BSU graduates stayed in Massachusetts and contributed to the workforce.

106,697

jobs and internships posted for BSU students and alumni.

184

BSU faculty and staff received career and life design training.

UNIVERSITY REPUTATION

We have successfully launched a

#### #HireLocally campaign

centered around engaging local and regional employers aligned with BSU's mission and student interests.

We introduced BSU to

## 70 new employer partners

in the New England region.

EXTERNAL <u>PARTNE</u>RSHIPS 120+

BSU alumni were involved in career programs and activities to support student career development.

354

Employers visited BSU to recruit students for jobs and internships.



### FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Reach Higher, Excel Further, Accomplish more.

It is with great pride and gratitude that I present this year's impact report for the Career Services and Internships office at Bridgewater State University. We intentionally renamed our annual report to impact report with the goal of sharing how our work continues to support student learning and institutional priorities. Over the past year, our team has been working hard to offer programs and services that are tailored to students' interests. We also began to redesign our work to better understand the impact related to student learning, institutional priorities such as recruitment, retention, persistence to graduation, and, ultimately, post-graduation outcomes.

As the workforce landscape continues to evolve rapidly, we remain focused on providing innovative, equitable, and impactful services that prepare our students for meaningful and fulfilling careers. This report highlights our achievements, ongoing initiatives, and strategic priorities as we work collaboratively with students, faculty, employers, and partners to advance BSU's mission. Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we empower the next generation of professionals and leaders. Together, we will **reach higher, excel further, and accomplish more**.

Gerald Tang

Dr. Gerald Tang | Executive Director
Bridgewater State University Career Services & Internships

At the Career Services & Internships office, we envision a world where every BSU student will be equipped with the necessary career education, professional network, practical experiences, and a plan to navigate their career endeavors by the time they graduate from BSU.

## Departmental Strategic Plan 2024-2028

Our dedicated staff continues to implement these four main departmental strategic goals, all of which are aligned with the university's plan and advance the university's student success objectives:

Infuse career education into the fabric of the university as part of the BSUWorks initiative.

2

Center equity-minded practices in our work.

3

Amplify BSU's workforce and economic impact by positioning BSU as the engine and supplier of local workforce talent.

4

Prioritize organizational effectiveness, acquire and utilize industry-leading resources and technology, and emphasize staff's professional development and well-being.

Visit our website for the full strategic plan at: <a href="https://careers.bridgew.edu/csi-reports/">https://careers.bridgew.edu/csi-reports/</a>

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JOB AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WERE POSTED ON HANDSHAKE FOR BSU STUDENTS AND ALUMNI.



Derek Paris '26 completed his summer internship at Enterprise Mobility.

## **Building the Framework for Career Excellence**

#### **OUR MISSION**

The Career Services and Internships office advances the mission of Bridgewater State University by engaging with students and alumni to design career and life plans. We empower students to build confidence and develop professional skills through career advising, resources, programs, and experiential learning opportunities. We facilitate career readiness and connect students with employment opportunities through partnerships with employers, faculty, staff, and alumni to achieve a lifetime of career success.

#### **OUR VISION**

Every BSU student is equipped with the necessary career education, professional network, practical experiences, and life design plan to navigate their career endeavors.

#### CAREER LEARNING OUTCOMES

We believe all students deserve to have the necessary career education, professional network, practical experiences, and life design plan to navigate their career endeavors.

At the end of their academic journey, BSU students will have had the opportunity to:

**Establish** and **utilize** a professional network to become an engaged citizen.

Create and implement career and life design plans.

**Participate** in experiential learning and high-impact practices.

**Develop** and articulate industry-relevant skills.

**Build** lifelong professional skills to manage their careers.

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"Having someone listen, guide, and tailor advice to my goals made all the difference in how I approach my professional development."

- Alyvia '26



## Infuse career education into the fabric of the university as part of the BSU Works initiative

### **VISION FOR GOAL 1:**

We envision a future where career education is fully integrated into every student's experience at BSU, empowering all students with the knowledge, skills, and support needed to achieve equitable, meaningful, and successful career outcomes.



## Career Everywhere

This year, our team has been focusing on educating and scaling our Career Everywhere model by collaborating with multiple constituents to offer career education resources, training, studios, online career models, and co-sponsored workshops. Our goal is to identify career champions in each of the colleges.

#### Some of which include:

- The creation of Design Thinking and Project-Based Learning modules
- The development of the career toolkit on the departmental website for faculty and staff
- Developed a Transformative Conversations Summit
- Co-created Blackboard course module sample for Design Your BSU course
- Provided career development and training for students, faculty, and staff
- Co-sponsored the Humanities faculty training on the integration of Career Readiness Competencies into the classroom



Quick Fact:
The Career Services &
Internships office
delivered 18 career
and life design
trainings to 184
faculty and staff in
2024–2025.

#### INDIVIDUAL AND DEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATORS

Including, but not limited to:

- Dr. Angie Bailey
- Dr. Heidi Bean
- Dr. Kim Davis
- Dr. Sue Eliason
- Dr. Michele Meek
- Dr. Maura Rosenthal
- Designing Your BSU Faculty

- Academic Achievement Center
- BSU Athletics
- Center for Student Engagement
- College of Humanities and Social Sciences Faculty
- Division of Student Life
- Division of Student Success and Equity Interventions
- Human Resources and Talent Management
- Martin Richard Institute for Social Justice
- Physical Education and Health Sciences Faculty

#### INTEGRATING CAREER READINESS ACROSS CAMPUS

The Career Services & Internships office staff also piloted a one-hour studio as a part of the regular line-up of career programs and refined our career engagement framework to integrate principles fully.

Our goal is to move towards the model of ensuring all BSU students have access to career education and learning as an integral part of their BSU education and experiences.

## Career Development Programs and Activities at a Glance

We offered **2,118** customized one-on-one career advising appointments to support students as they design their future lives and careers. These appointments enable students to receive career advice from our professional staff as they help design their professional life at BSU and beyond.

#### Appointment Types Include:

- · career advising
- resume & cover letter review
- job & internship search
- interview preparation
- mock interviews
- linkedIn
- networking
- professional etiquette



Katie Vagen met with a BSU student for a one-on-one career advising and life design session.

	FY24	FY25
Total Number of One-On-One Career Consultation Appointments	1938	2118
Total Number of Unique Students Participating in Career Consultation Appointments	1114	1241
Total Number of Students Utilizing the FOCUS 2 Career Assessment	457	398
Total Number of Classroom Visits Conducted by the Career Services & Internships Staff	66	82

### Career & Life Design Advisement

1:1

Career advising appointments continue to be a highly sought-after service for BSU students and alumni.

2,118

1:1 career advising appointments were conducted during the 2024-2025 academic year.

1,241

Unique students accessed 1:1 career advising appointments with the office.

### 8% Increase

In the utilization of career advising appointments compared to last year.



Students and alumni from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences have the highest utilization rate in comparison to other populations at BSU.

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"I wanted to share my sincere gratitude for all the support Career Services & Internships provided in helping me secure my internship at Blue Sky Sports and Entertainment.

The skills and knowledge I am gaining are invaluable, and I feel so fortunate to grow professionally in the sports and entertainment industry. I truly could not have gotten here without your guidance and assistance throughout the process."

-Anisa '26



Student meeting with an employer to have a resume reviewed during our Resume-Mania event.

For more information, please visit the appendix section of this report for the disaggregated data.

## Career Fairs & Expo

Our annual career fairs offerings continue to create opportunities for BSU students to network with employers for jobs and internships. This effort allows students to explore career options and identify ways to connect their learning to real-world applications.

#### CAREER FAIR ATTENDANCE CLIMBS

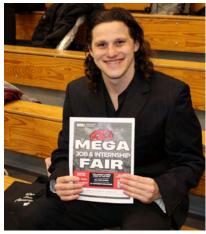
In the 2024-2025 academic year, we held 5 career fairs with 1,580 checked-ins compared to 2023-2024 year where we held 4 career fairs with 1,053 checked-ins.

#### This year, we hosted:

- Part-Time Job Fair (September)
- Fall Job & Internship Fair (September)
- STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo (October)
- Mega Job & Internship Fair (April)
- Education Career Fair (May)

#### PART-TIME JOBS TO CAREER PATHWAYS

This year, we added the Part-Time Job Fair with the goal of highlighting excellent work options that may lead to meaningful career opportunities beyond the immediate position.



Student exploring opportunities at the newly rebranded Mega Job & Internship Fair



Quick Fact:
We changed our event
marketing strategy and
resulted in a 33% increase
in student/alumni event
check-ins.



Students connect with employers at BSU's Mega Job & Internship Fair in the Adrian Tinsley Center.

## Student Reflections from Career Fairs

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"Most employers encourage students to apply for positions even if it's not explicitly listing their major."

- Senior, Film and Video Production Arts Major



"Explore your options. Don't just meet with organizations you want, connect with other employers to create more possibilities."

- Senior, Psychology Major



"I learned that going to these fairs can help put a face to a name, which can play a part in whether or not your application gets reviewed."

- Sophomore, Psychology Major



"I have begun to follow up with the employers that I met at the career and internship fair. In the near future, I plan to maintain relationships with them, even if I don't intend to/foresee being employed by them at the moment. At the end of the day, even having a pleasant conversation with an employer is a significant step towards one's career goals."

- Junior, Management Major



Student interacting with Speech Physical Therapist during the Mega Job & Internship Fair.



Student gathering information about BSU Graduate Studies Program at Mega Job & Internship Fair.



Student networking with accounting firm during Mega Job & Internship Fair.

## Student Engagement in Career Activities

Besides career fairs, the Career Services and Internships office offers skill development workshops and programs for BSU students. These workshops help students identify and develop skills that are tied to workforce demands. These workshops and networking events, such as "How to Talk to an Employer" workshops, the Industry Insiders Series, "How to Gain Experience Without Experience" workshops, and "Internship 101" workshops, provide BSU students with step-by-step guidance to build confidence, articulate their career goals, and design their post-graduate life.

In the 2024-2025 academic year, we held 53 events with 1,674 participants compared to the 2023-2024 year where we held 41 events with 1,062 participants.

**53** 

Career Workshops & Events.

1,674

Unique student/alumni participated.

30%

Increase in programs & activities.

**58%** 

Increase in student/alumni participation.



Students exploring career pathways during the DraftKings site visit on the BSU to Boston trip.



Students connecting with JP Morgan employees during BSU to Boston trip.

## **List of New Career Workshops and Activities**

**Career Education** 

Graduate Schoool Preparation

#### **FALL 2024**

Inside Scoop with Career Services & Internships

Resumemania

Industry Insiders: Careers in Fashion

Secrets to a Successful Grad School Application: Law School

Secrets to a Successful Grad School Application: Health-Related Graduate Programs

Mi Futuro: Workshop

Mi Futuro: Career Conversations with Latine Professionals

STEM Life Design Lab: Build a Resume

Advice for Switching or Choosing Your Major

Bear Trek: Taylor & Company

Industry Insiders: Careers in Marketing, Public Relations, and Communications

#### **SPRING 2025**

Don't Fear Your Career with K9 Mikey

Industry Insiders: Careers in Accounting & Financial Services

Salary Negotiation & Wellness for Women in the Workplace

Life Design Lab: What's Your Personality?

Life Design Lab: Exploring Your Skills

Industry Insiders: Careers in Government & International Affairs

Industry Insiders: Careers in the Arts

Connelly Partners Advertising Agency Site Visit

BSU to Boston: DraftKings, Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of Science, JP Morgan Chase & Co.

Bear Trek: MIT Lincoln Laboratory

## **Social Media & Technology**

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Our video content engages students in meaningful career conversations, highlighting their insights on industry trends and career pathways. It promotes peer-to-peer learning, encourages exploration of diverse opportunities, and strengthens a culture of career readiness across campus, while giving students a platform to shape career programming. During this period, our content reached **27,831 unique users** and received 81,357 views.

81,357 views

received on Instagram posts & videos.

16.8% increase

in reach from the previous period, demonstrating growing engagement and expanding visibility.

#### **NEW CAREER RESOURCE**

This year we added a new career resource for BSU students and alumni to access industry-leading career resources.



The Job Search Academy is a free, virtual career development program offered by Indeed to help students excel in their job search. The Academy focuses on mastering the 5 key areas of the job search so students can feel confident every step of the way–because everyone deserves better work.

This year we added a new CRM system for the Employer Relations team to keep track of employer outreach and engagement.



Career Forge | Employer Relationship Management (ERM) is the industry's first innovative recruiting technology purpose-built for career services teams to build and manage employer relationships. Suddenly you're streamlining workflow to track effective interactions with employers and recruiters instead of pushing to close a sale.

## New Professional Development Program

#### JUNIOR CAREER LAUNCH (JCL)

Following a successful Spring 2024 pilot for sophomores, Career Services & Internships launched Junior Career Launch (JCL). BSU's first year-long professional development program for high-potential juniors, the program aimed to prepare students early with the skills, confidence, and professional network needed for internship success. \*All components of the program were intentionally focused on the NACE Career Competencies.

#### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**Weekly Cohort Learning:** Career-readiness workshops focused on resumes, interviewing, networking, leadership, and more.

**Industry Exposure**: Guest speakers included alumni and employer partners sharing insights on leadership, decision-making, authenticity in the workplace, and leveraging Al.

**1:1 Career Advising:** Personalized guidance to help students secure summer internships.

#### **Participation:**

32 applicants  $\rightarrow$  20 accepted  $\rightarrow$  16 completed

**Majors represented:** Accounting, Finance, Biology, Computer Science, Graphic Design, Management, Information Systems, Marketing, Psychology, and Photonics.

**50%** of the group identified as students of color.

#### **INTERNSHIP SUCCESS**

Eleven students secured internships at organizations including...

- Aubot
- BSU's Center for Artificial Intelligence
- Central Boston Elder Services
- Cornerstone Bank
- Cybertrust Massachusetts
- Endurance Clean Energy
- MIT Lincoln Labs
- North Easton Savings Bank
- Verisk

\$16,500

in stipends was given to 11 students. Each student received \$1,500 and was paired with a BSU alum or industry mentor for summer support.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROGRAM ENHANCEMENT**

While survey feedback showed the program was transformational for many participants, 5 students did not secure an internship due to various personal reasons.

Ideally, this program could be **offered for academic credit as a 1-credit course.** Although students were committed, balancing the program's requirements with their class and work schedules proved challenging. Given the high-touch nature of JCL, offering it as a for-credit course each semester could increase student buyin and lead to even stronger outcomes.

## Junior Career Launch Student Voices

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"One of the most valuable parts of the JCL program was learning how to present myself towards employers and networking. These are things I wouldn't have really done for myself beforehand."

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"The JCL program made me much more confident in myself in terms of my academic standing with the experience that I had."



"The most valuable thing I learned is to be confident in myself when applying to jobs."



Molly Johnson received offers for two summer internships and decided to accept the position with Corner Stone Bank.



Carol Crosby delivering a presentation on the principles of Design Thinking to JCL students.



JCL Students learning best practices for writing their resumes aligned with their industry.



The Inaugural JCL class participated in an etiquette dinner program at the year-end celebration.

92%

student respondents rated their experience with Junior Career Launch as "Excellent" or "Very Good".

## **Signature Internship Programs**

The Career Services & Internships office partners with many organizations to offer meaningful internship opportunities for BSU students. Some of these internship programs include The Washington Center, Semester in the City, Hack.Diversity, Aspire Works, and Virtual Internships. This year, we also added the Project OnRamp program for Pell-eligible students interested in working with life sciences companies in the region.

#### THE WASHINGTON CENTER

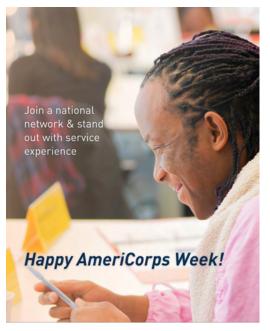
The Washington Center (TWC) offers immersive internships and academic seminars in Washington, D.C., allowing BSU students to intern with a variety of organizations in the D.C. area while living in provided housing.

During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, **4 BSU students participated** in this program with internships at the following organizations:

- Same Day Process
- Tzedek DC
- Development Monitors
- Ethiopian Community Development Council

In addition to TWC's semester-long Academic Internship Program, BSU students also participated for the first time in the following short-term programs, which ranged from 3 days to 1 week during the spring semester:

- Cybersecurity Accelerator Program
- National Security Seminar



Billy Cantave serving as a Fellow in the Semester in the City program.



Eric Litos (left) participating in one of the dynamic, hands-on leadership classes offered through the Semester in the City program.

#### SEMESTER IN THE CITY

The College for Social Innovation offers its fall and spring Semester in the City program, which allows BSU students to live and intern in Boston at different organizations within the social impact sector.

During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, **6 BSU students** participated in this program with internships at the following organizations:

- 826 Boston
- Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation
- The Williams Agency
- Abilities Dance Boston
- Mattapan Food and Fitness Coalition

## Signature Internship Programs

#### **HACK.DIVERSITY**

BSU works closely with the Hack.Diversity Fellowship program to provide Black and Latinx students with technical training, professional development, and paid internships in software engineering and data analytics within the Boston and New York City markets. During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, 2 students participated in this Fellowship program with one securing an internship at Liberty Mutual Insurance



Albert Reyes '26 participated in the Hack. Diversity Fellowship.

#### VIRTUAL INTERNSHIPS

Virtual Internships connects students in various remote internships with companies across the globe that are ensured to provide meaningful work experiences. During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, 6 students participated in this program with internships at the following organizations:

- Aubot
- Emerging Comms
- Umni
- Platform for the Needy
- Youth Football Scotland
- GraviLog



#### **ASPIRE WORKS**

In partnership with Massachusetts General Hospital, the Aspire Works Internship Program provides students with a high cognitive autism spectrum disorder or a related profile with real-world experience. BSU students receive coaching, professional development, and an internship in their field.

During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, **1 student participated in this program**, interning with Congressman Seth Moulton.

For the first time in the history of the university's collaboration with MGH Aspire, due to the current hiring climate in the field of computer science, MGH Aspire was unable to identify work sites for 2 candidates.

## **Collaborative University Business Experiences (CUBEs)**

The Career Services & Internships office continues to support the university's Collaborative University Business Experiences (CUBEs) program by identifying and connecting employer partners with faculty members for semester-long projects as part of their classes.

Created through the BSU Innovation grant in partnership with the Career Services & Internships office, the CUBE initiatives' main focus is to establish embedded course projects to enhance career development opportunities for all BSU students.

Below is a full list of projects:

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BSU students participated in CUBEs.

**22** 

sponsored organizations.

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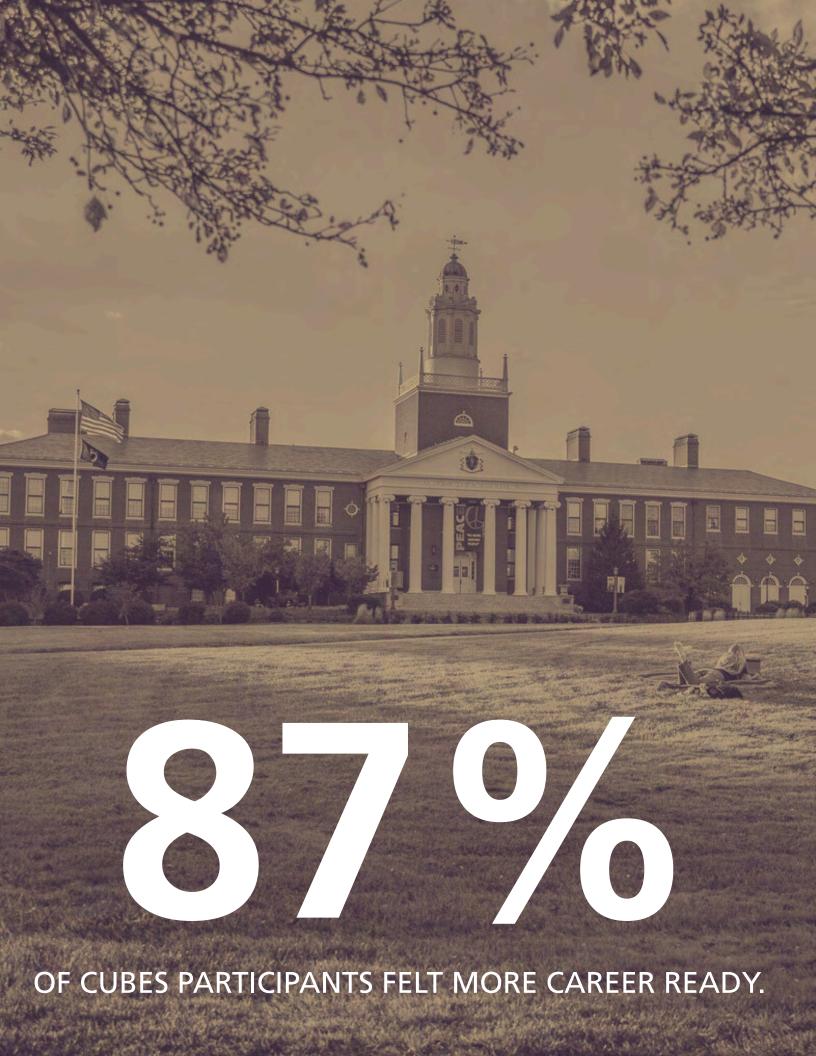
faculty partners.

#### **FALL 2024**

Professor	Class		Participating Organizations	No. of students
Dr. Stephanie Jacobsen	MKTG 420-00	Marketing Research	Marylou's Coffee	18
Dr. Xiangrong Liu	MGMT 426	Service Operations	Sodexo	22
Dr. Seth Meyer	POLI 369	LGBTQ Politics	Southcoast LGBTQ Network	5
Dr. Samuel Serna Otalvaro	PHOE 483	Senior Engineering Design I	Ajinomoto and EXFO	5
		Literary Interpretation for Elementary		
Dr. Emily Field	ENGL 254	Education Majors	Raising Muliticultural Kids	19
Prof. Karen Hamilton	ACFI 476	Insurance and Risk Management	Town of Plymouth	19
Prof. Karen Hamilton	ACFI 476	Insurance and Risk Management	Town of Swansea	16
Prof. William Brennan	MGMT 595	Strategic Management	West Bridgewater Food Pantry, Coaching4Change	4

#### **SPRING 2025**

Professor	Class		Participating Organizations	No. of students
Dr. Xiangrong Liu	MGMT 426	Service Operations	Sodexo	30
Dr. Xiangrong Liu	MGMT 426	Service Operations	Sodexo	32
Dr. Samuel Serna Otalvaro	PHOE 484	Senior Engineering Design II	Ajinomoto and EXFO	5
		Science and Engineering Practices in the		
Dr. Tori Cameron	ELED 522	Elementary Classroom	MITRE	14
Prof. Michael Brophy	MGMT 490	Strategic Management	Hayley House	20
Prof. Michael Brophy	MGMT 490	Strategic Management	Hayley House	20
Dr. Sarah Ploskina	THEA 326	Childrens Theatre Tour	"The Arts at Stone Church" Program in Wareham, MA	7
		Literary Interpretation for Elementary		
Dr. Emily Field	ENGL 254	Education Majors	Raising Muliticultural Kids	19
Dr. Susan Eliason	CHST 497	Childhood Studies Senior Seminar 2	Triumph, Inc., the Head Start Program in Taunton	9
Prof. Blandine Jean-Paul	MKTG 345	Consumer Behavior	Child & Family Services	28
Dr. Jibril Solomon	SCWK 338	Intro Social Work Practice	Key Program, Inc	20
Prof. William Brennan	MGMT 595	Strategic Management	Evans Machine Co., The ARC of Greater Brockton, Net Tel One	9
Dr. Peter Sietins	SUST 399	Sustainability in Business	BSU- VP of Operations	20
Dr. Stephanie Jacobsen	MKTG 420	Marketing Research- Independent study	Mirbeau Inn and Spa	1
Dr. Stephanie Jacobsen	MKTG 420	Marketing Research Independent study	Hayes Chiropractic Center	1
Dr. Stephanie Jacobsen	MKTG 420	Marketing Research	BSU MBA Program	23
Dr. Stephanie Jacobsen	MKTG 420	Marketing Research	Easter Seals MA	25





## Center equity-minded practices in our work

Aligned with University's Strategic Plan 2.0 goals: 1A4, 1A6

### **VISION FOR GOAL 2:**

We believe every BSU student deserves to have equitable career outcomes. To make this a reality, we are reimagining our programs, policies, and practices, to ensure they are inclusive, supportive, and designed to empower all students to succeed.



## Improving Access to Career Education

At Bridgewater State University, one of our top priorities is ensuring that every student graduates with the tools and support needed to achieve meaningful career outcomes. We understand that the journey to career success is not the same for everyone, and not all students have equal access to opportunities. That is why we are deepening our commitment to equity by embedding equity-minded practices into our work. This year, we are actively reexamining our services, policies, and programs to create a more inclusive, student-centered, and data-informed approach to decision-making.

A critical part of this work involves examining who we serve, and, just as importantly, who we may be missing. Through a disaggregated data discovery process, we analyzed student engagement across our programs and services, focusing on race, gender, academic major, college, and other key demographics. These insights allow us to better understand patterns of access and participation, helping us close gaps, expand our reach, and ensure that every student feels seen, supported, and empowered.

#### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- In alignment with institutional efforts to better support Latine student success. We are making good progress in reaching the Latine population while maintaining strong outreach to Black/African American students.
- With our targeted outreach strategies and partnerships with respective offices, our data show a higher percentage of LGBTQIA+ students, those who utilize Student Accessibility Services (SAS), and low-income students utilizing our career advisement services and career fair participation in comparison with the BSU population.



JCL student Diamond Hunter accepted two summer 2025 internships after completing the JCL program.



BSU Alums and Employer Partners at the Mi Futuro event.

### **Bear Essentials**

With a commitment to removing barriers and advancing the university's equity agenda, the office expanded the Bear Essentials Closet and hosted multiple Dress for Success events, providing students with professional clothing for interviews, internships, and career opportunities. During Homecoming 2024, President Clark, the BAA, and the Board of Trustees announced an endowment to sustain and grow this initiative, enabling us to expand inventory, reach more students, and offer a wider range of career-ready resources.

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Student visits to Bear Essentials from October 2024 to July 2025.



Carol Crosby, Janete Monteiro, Katie Muldoon, Diane Bell, Carrie Kulick-Clark, and Fred Clark at the Bear Essential Closet Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

#### **DRESS FOR SUCCESS**

**792** 

Students received free professional clothing at Dress for Success events.

98

Students received free haircuts sponsored by BSUPD at Dress for Success Events.



Inside the Bear Essentials Professional Clothing Closet.

#### **ALUMNI IMPACT**

1,500

Professional clothing items donated during our spring clothing drive.



A student trying on a suit jacket at the Spring Dress for Success event.



"I have been attending Dress for
Success events since they began, and I
have always found the experience
enjoyable. Having access to free
professional attire has significantly
enhanced my confidence,
encouraging me to apply for jobs and
seek leadership opportunities while
ensuring I present myself well!"

- Rowan '25



Amplify BSU's workforce and economic impact by positioning BSU as the engine and supplier of local workforce talent

Aligned with University's Strategic Plan 2.0 goals: 1F6, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D

### **VISION FOR GOAL 3:**

With 93% of BSU graduates remaining in Massachusetts, BSU continues to supply high-quality and capable talent for local and regional businesses and the workforce. We aim to position BSU as the higher education leader for training future talent and driving economic growth.



## **Employer Engagement**

The Career Services and Internships office plays a pivotal role in amplifying BSU's workforce and economic impact by positioning the university as a vital engine and supplier of local talent.

By engaging with employers to better understand their recruitment needs, connecting students with work-based learning opportunities such as CUBEs, internships, part-time jobs, on-campus employment, and career readiness programming, the office ensures that graduates are not only academically prepared but also equipped with the skills, professionalism, and networks needed to thrive in the regional workforce.

These efforts directly support local industries by supplying them with career-ready talent, foster stronger universityemployer partnerships, and help retain skilled professionals in Southeastern Massachusetts. Most importantly, fueling the local economy and reinforcing BSU's leadership in workforce development.

#### **CONNECTING STUDENTS TO INDUSTRY**

- Conducted outreach and brought in **30** new organizations to BSU for career programs and recruitment of jobs and internships.
- Engaged with 354 organizations throughout the academic year for students to learn more about industry trends, connect with alumni, and explore career opportunities.
- Refined our **employer engagement model** to identify and define key relationships with employers based on industry sectors.
- Expanded our engagement with local chambers of commerce.
- Launched a **#HireLocally** campaign, centered around engaging local and regional employers that are aligned with BSU's mission, educational offerings, and student interests.
- Establish an industry-specific Industry Mentors program, inviting industry professionals and BSU alumni to connect with BSU students for career conversations.
- Offer field trips for students through Bear Treks and BSU to Boston, to connect students with BSU alumni and employers in the Northeast.

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"Participating in the Bear Trek to Taylor and Company was important to me because it allowed me to hear directly from employers and gain valuable knowledge and experience in the accounting field."

- MBA Student '26



Students listening to Mike Taylor discuss his career pathway and employment insights during the Taylor & Company site visit.

## **Employer Outreach**

The Career Services & Internships office continues to advance the university's mission to develop the Southeastern Massachusetts regional workforce and strengthen partnerships with key organizations in the region.

Our staff continues to engage with BSU alumni and employers to explore partnership opportunities. During the 2024 to 2025 academic year, we connected with 70+ organizations to better understand their business needs and ways to support their talent development:

70+

**New Employer Connections.** 

- A Great Place to Learn
- Akamai
- ALKU
- Analytical Components International
- ANNA Autism Care
- Arbor Management
- Bierman Autism Centers
- Blueprint Medicines
- Blueview Nursery
- Bracken Engineering
- Cadete Enterprises
- Campus Reel
- Cape Cod Health
- Captain Mike's Tiki Boats
- CASA of Bristol County
- Comp TIA
- Dermatology and Skin Health
- Design Communications Ltd
- Diplomatic Security Office, US Dept of State New York Life
- Educational Divide Reform
- Elite Insurance
- Ensoma
- EOHHS
- Executive Office of Health and Human Services

- Farm Credit East
- GSI (Fidelity)
- Horizons at Dedham Country Day School
- Interior Elements
- Journey Forward
- Junkluggers
- Latham Centers
- Laz Parking
- Life is Good Playmaker
- Lifestance
- Marc of Healing
- Marine Corps Officer Selection
- Moore
- Museum of Science
- New Bedford Research & Robotics Trimark USA
- New England Flooring and Backsplash
- Nexis Power
- Northwestern Mutual
- Novartis
- Office of the State Auditor
- Ocean State Job Lot
- Pinnacle Partnerships
- Plymouth County Sheriff's Office

- Rypos
- SecureWon
- Seven Hills Behavior Health
- Shark Ninja
- Southeastern Vocational
- Southwick Zoo
- Sport Tournament Ventures LLC
- STEMtree Norton
- Stroz Friedberg
- System Support
- Taunton River Watershed Association and Narragansett Bay **Estuary Program**
- Thom
- Travelers
- Untold Legends
- Vector Marketing (CutCo)
- Waldron
- West Bridgewater Coin & Jewelry
- Withum
- Worcester Bravehearts/New **England Sports Summit**
- Work Opportunities Unlimited
- World Educational Services

## **Employer Activities** at a Glance

	FY24	FY25
Total Number of Career Workshop Presentations, Programs, and Events	109	131
Total Number of Job and Internship Postings	102,624	106,697
Total Number of New Employer Accounts on Handshake	2,726	2,909
Total Number of Approved Employer Information Sessions	1,705	1,519
Total Number of Student/Alumni Job and Internship Applications	13,461	18,982



BSU alumni participated in STEM Expo.



Employers took part in the Part-Time Job Fair.



Life sciences employers engage with BSU students during the Industry Insiders event.

## List of Employer Engagement Activities

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Career Fairs

Work-Based Learning Programs

#### **FALL 2024**

Part-Time Job Fair

Resumemania

Fall Job & Internship Fair

Industry Insiders: Careers in Fashion

The Washington Center Information Session

Project Onramp Information Session

STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo

Semester in the City Information Session

Hack.Diversity Information Session

Bear Trek: Taylor & Company

Industry Insiders: Careers in Marketing, Public Relations and Communications

Elementary School Principals' Panel

## 99

I would 100% recommend the Mega Job & Internship Fair. Attending is a great way to know what might fit with what you are learning and how to apply what you are learning.

-Graduate Student '25

#### **SPRING 2025**

Boston Network for International Development Land Your Dream Job

Semester in the City Information Session

The Washington Center Information Session

Industry Insiders: Careers in Accounting & Financial Services

Secret to a Successful Graduate School Application with Suffolk Law, UMassChan Medical & BSU Grad Admissions

Biotech and Life Sciences Career Forum

Industry Insiders: Careers in Government & International Affairs

Principals' Panel

Resumemania

MEGA Job & Internship Fair

BSU to Boston Bus Trip

Industry Insiders: Careers in the Arts

MERC Career Fair

**Education Career Fair** 

Bear TREK: MIT Lincoln Laboratory

## Fall Career Fair Employer Participation

**FALL 2024 PART TIME JOB FAIR** 

### 225 Students

## **12 Employers**

attended the Part-Time Job Fair on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.



The Part-Time Job Fair **empowers BSU students to explore well-paying opportunities that align with their career goals**, offering valuable experience, higher wages, and potential pathways to future careers.

— Dr. Gerald Tang, Executive Director

#### **FALL 2024 JOB & INTERNSHIP FAIR**

### 360 Students



BSU alumni return to BSU to connect with current students.

## 71 Employers

attended the Job & Internship Fair on Thursday, September 18, 2024, from 1:00 to 3:30 pm in RSU Ballroom.



BSU students connect with employers at the Fall Job & Internship Fair.

## Fall STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo Employer Participation

At Bridgewater State University, we are committed to helping students connect their academic experiences with real-world opportunities. One way we do this is by hosting industry-specific career expos, such as the STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo, for students interested in pursuing a career in this discipline. These events give students direct access to employers, professionals, and organizations aligned with their fields of study, empowering them to explore career pathways, build professional networks, and gain insight into the industries they are preparing to enter.

### 175+ Students

## 19 Employers

attended the STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, from 1:30 to 4:00 pm in the DMF Atrium.



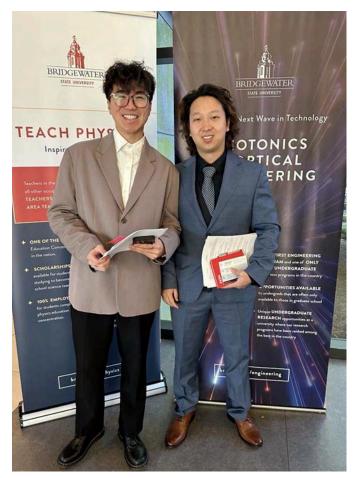
"I have learned that speaking to an employer is not as intimidating as it seems."

- Junior, Biology Major



"Sometimes you might think that an employer does not have internships related to your field of study, but still talking to them and asking questions really helps and might make you discover something even better."

- First Year, Computer Science Major



Students dress professionally to meet with employers at the STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo.

## Mega Job & Internship Fair and Education Career Fair

#### Mega Job & Internship Fair

## 771 Students

## **125 Employers**

attended the Mega Job & Internship Fair on Thursday, April 3, 2025 from 12:00 to 3:00 pm in the Adrian Tinsley Center.



CSI staff help answer student questions at the fair.



Students connect with employers at the Tinsley Gym during the Mega Job & Internship Fair.

#### **Education Career Fair**



Teacher candidates engage with representatives from school districts during the Education Fair.

## **69 Employers**

### 96 Students

attended the Education Career Fair on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in the RSU Ballroom.

# Full List of Employers Who Attended Career Fairs This Year

**A&A Metro Transportation** 

**AAFCPAs** 

Abington Police Department

Advanced Math and Science Academy Charter School

Aflac ALKU

All Points Licensed Behavior Analysts, PLLC.

Alma del Mar Charter School American Mathematical Society

AmeriCorps Cape Cod Arbella Insurance Group

Arbor Management Company Inc.

**ArcBest** 

Aspire Health Alliance Atlantis Charter School Avon Public Schools

Barnstable County Sheriff's Office Bay State Movement Academy

BayCoast Bank

BayCove Human Services Beacon ABA Services Behavioral Connections

Benjamin Franklin Classical Charter Public School

Bi-County Collaborative Bierman Autism Centers Blackstone Valley Prep

Blackstone-Millville Regional School District

**Bluestone Bank** 

Blueview Nurseries Inc.

**Boston Behavior Learning Centers** 

Boston Higashi School Boston Medical Center

**Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company** 

**Boston Public Schools** 

**Boston Renaissance Charter Public School** 

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South

Bridgewater-Raynham Regional School District Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School

**Brockton Neighborhood Health Center** 

**Brockton Public Schools** 

Brown & Brown C/F Data Systems LLC Canton Public Schools

Cape Air

Cape Cod Healthcare Cardinal Cushing Centers Celldex Therapeutics Charles River Center Child & Family Services, Inc.

CIR7

Citrin Cooperman City of Taunton

City Year

Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. (CEC) Civil Air Patrol: Bridgewater State University

Composite Squadron CliftonLarsonAllen LLP Coaching4Change

Collaborative for Educational Services
College Advising Corps at Boston University
College for Social Innovation/Semester in the City

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Commonwealth of Massachusetts: Executive Office of

**Health and Human Services** 

Commonwealth of Massachusetts: Department of

**Environmental Protection (DEP)** 

**Community Counseling of Bristol County** 

**Crossroads Continuum** 

**Cybertrust Mass** 

# Full List of Employers Who Attended Career Fairs This Year

**Dartmouth Public Schools** 

**Daniel Dennis & Company LLP** 

Department of Conservation & Recreation

Dermatology & Skin Health

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School

DiSanto, Priest & Co.

**Duxbury Counseling** 

**Easter Seals Massachusetts** 

**Easton Public Schools** 

**Edward Brooke Charter Schools** 

ElevateBio

**Eliot Community Human Services** 

Elite Insurance LLC Enterprise Mobility

Essex County Sheriff's Department

Executive Office of Health and Human Services

(EOHHS) of Massachusetts

Fall River Deaconess Home

Fall River Public Schools

**Family Service Association** 

Farm Credit East

**Fastenal Company** 

Flexjet

Fore Kicks Sports Complex

**Forvis Mazars** 

Foxborough Regional Charter School

Friends and Mentors Inc

G.T. Reilly & Company

**Gloucester Public Schools** 

**Gordon Food Service** 

**Granite Telecommunications** 

Group 1 Automative, Inc.

Grow Associates, Inc.

**HESSCO Elder Services** 

Hack.Diversity

**Healthtrax Fitness and Wellness** 

**High Point & Affiliated Organizations** 

Hockomock Area YMCA

Holtec International

House of Possibilities

**IPG Photonics** 

ordan's Furniture

J&J Contractors, Inc.

Justice Resource Institute

Jordan's Furniture

J&J Contractors, Inc.

Justice Resource Institute

**Kaleidoscope Family Solutions** 

Latham Centers, Inc.

LearnWell

Leonard, Mulherin & Greene, P.C.

**Lenox Public Schools** 

**Life Science Cares** 

Lynch Marini & Associates Inc.

Lynn Public Schools

Manganaro Building Group, LLC

Malden Public Schools

Marlborough Public Schools

Mass Bay Counseling

Mass General Brigham

Massachusetts General Hospital

Massachusetts Life Sciences Center

**Massachusetts State Police** 

Mathnasium of Dedham

May Institute, Inc.

Medical Information Technology, Inc. (MEDITECH)

**Meeting Street** 

**Medway Public Schools** 

Mike Goulian Aviation

Milford Public Schools

MIT Lincoln Laboratory

Mutual of Omaha

# **Full List of Employers Who Attended Career Fairs This Year**

Nantucket Police Department

Nantucket Public Schools

**Needham Public Schools** 

**New Bedford Public Schools** 

New England Coastal Wildlife Alliance New England Community Services

**New England Knockouts** 

New Hampshire State Police

New Heights Charter School of Brockton

Newport Mental Health Newton Public Schools

New York Life Insurance Company

Norfolk Sheriff's Office

North Attleborough Public Schools

North Easton Savings Bank North River Collaborative

Northwestern Mutual - Boston, Middleton, Rockland

and Woburn

Ocean State Job Lot

Office of the Massachusetts State Treasurer and

Receiver General Old Colony YMCA

Plimoth Patuxet Museums (formerly Plimoth Plantation) The New England Center for Children

Plymouth County Sheriff's Department Pozerski, Hatch & Company, P.C.

Quincy Public Schools Randolph Public Schools Raising Multicultural Kids

**RCS Learning Center READS Collaborative Reliable Respiratory** Revere Public Schools

**Rhode Island Department of Corrections** 

Right Foot Shoes

Riverside Community Care, Inc. Roche Bros. Supermarkets Co.

Rockland Trust Ryder System, Inc.

Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy

Saint Vincent's Services Sansiveri, Kimball & Co., LLP Scituate Public Schools

SecureWon

Seekonk Public Schools Seven Hills Foundation Shaw's & Star Market

Signature Healthcare

Smithers Environmental Risk Sciences, LLC

Somerville Public Schools South Shore Autism Center

South Shore Educational Collaborative

South Shore Health

Southwick's Zoo & EARTH Limited

**Springfield Public Schools** 

Staples, Inc.

Stoughton Public School District Stroz Friedberg (an Aon company) Su Escuela Language Academy

**Taunton Public Schools** 

Taylor & Company PC CPA

Teach for America

**Teamworks Sports Centers** 

**TECCA** 

The Arc of Bristol County/proAbility

The Education Cooperative

The Groden Network

The Home for Little Wanderers

The Kraft Group The Key Program

Travelers

Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School

TriMark ÚSA

**Uncommon Schools** United Rentals, Inc.

**United States Secret Service** 

W.B. Mason Company, Inc.

Waldron H. Rand & Company, P.C.

Waltham Public Schools Watertown Public Schools Wayne J. Griffin Electric, Inc. Westport Community Schools

Whitman Hanson Community Access

Whitman-Hanson Regional School District

Withum

**Worcester Public Schools** 

Wolf & Company, PC. Work Opportunities Unlimited (Human Services)

Young World Educational Services

# **Industry Specific Career Programs**

## **Industry Insiders: Careers in Fashion**

Featured representatives from J. Jill, Puma, and TJX Company.

# Industry Insiders: Careers in Marketing, Public Relations, & Communications

Featured representatives from Boston Children's Hospital, DraftKings, Greenough Communications, Jett Foundation, McGrath PR, Michelle Hacunda Consulting, New England Knockouts, and Rockland Trust.

### **Elementary Principals' Panel (Fall)**

Featured Principals from Luther Elementary School - Swansea Public Schools, Atherton Hough School, Quincy Public Schools, and Barnstable Public Schools.

## **Industry Insiders: Careers in Accounting & Financial Services**

Featured representatives from EY, Leonard, Mulherin & Greene, P.C., Morgan Stanley, The Cape Cod Five Cents Saving Bank, and Withum.

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Unique employer connection Opportunities.

354

Employers on campus.

### **Biotech and Life Sciences Career Forum**

Featured representatives from Alnylam, Blueprint Medicines, Takeda, Elevate Bio, Ultragenyx, Novo Nordisk, Mass Life Science Center, Northeastern University, and the Biomedical Science Careers Program at Harvard.

#### **Industry Insiders: Careers in Government and International Affairs**

Featured representatives from Marine Corps Officer Candidate School, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, Massachusetts Department of Veteran's Services, Massachusetts Executive Office of Health & Human Services, Massachusetts Municipal Association, and Town of Bridgewater.

### **Elementary School Principals' Panel (Spring)**

Featured Principals from Central Elementary School - East Bridgewater Public Schools and Fonseca Elementary School - Fall River Public Schools.

#### **Industry Insiders: Careers in the Arts**

Featured representatives from Commonwealth Shakespeare Company, Institute of Contemporary Art/Boston, Naval War College Museum, Rose Conservatory, Spin350 Creative Inc., Titus Media, and WLNE-TV ABC6.

# Additional Career Programs Featuring Employer Partners

#### Resume-Mania (Fall)

29 students participated in the first-ever Resume-Mania event on Thursday, September 12, 2024, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Representatives from City Year, Enterprise Mobility, MEDITECH, and The Key Program critiqued resumes while Career Services & Internships' staff assisted students in creating resumes on their laptops.

### **Bear TREK: Taylor & Company**

On Wednesday, October 30, 2024, we brought a group of 10 BSU students to visit Taylor & Company to learn more about the organization and career opportunities.

### Junior Career Launch: Practice Interview Program (Fall)

7 employer partners held practice interviews with 17 students from the Junior Career Launch Program on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, in preparation for summer internship interviews: Aon/Stroz Friedberg, Enterprise Mobility, Family & Community Resources, Granite Telecommunications, MIT Lincoln Laboratory, PKF O'Connor Davies, and BSU IT Project and Service Management.

### **Employer Information Tables (Fall)**

During the fall 2024 semester, we hosted 8 employer information tables for the following organizations: Thom Child & Family Services, The Marine Officer Program, Withum, Northwestern Mutual, Latham Centers, Lincoln Police Department, Coaching 4 Change, and Taylor & Company.

#### **Employer Presentations to Student Clubs/Organizations**

Two employers, Taylor & Company and Forvis Mazars, were referred to the BSU Accounting and Finance Club by the CSI Office to conduct presentations during a scheduled club meeting time.

#### **BSU** to Boston

58 students participated in the BSU to Boston Program. Students chose to visit one of the following organizations: DraftKings, J.P. Morgan, Museum of Fine Arts, and Museum of Science. Upon the conclusion of site visits, all student participants had the opportunity to eat dinner and network with BSU alumni at J.P. Morgan.

#### Resumemania (Spring)

36 students participated in our spring Resumemania event on Thursday, March 27, 2025 from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. Representatives from City Year, Enterprise Mobility, Granite Telecommunications, MEDITECH, and The Key Program critiqued resumes while Career Services & Internships' staff assisted students in creating resumes on their laptops.

# Additional Career Programs Featuring Employer Partners

### **Employer Information Tables (Spring)**

During the spring 2025 semester, we hosted 6 employer information tables for the following organizations: The Arc of Bristol County, MA State Police, City Year, Crossroads, Traveler's Insurance, and The Marine Officer Program.

### **Bear TREK: MIT Lincoln Laboratory**

On Monday, April 28, 2025, we brought a group of 14 BSU students to visit the MIT Lincoln Laboratory to learn more about the organization and career opportunities.

# **Junior Career Launch: Weekly Sessions and Workshops**

Throughout the academic year, Junior Career Launch students had the opportunity to hear from employer guest speakers including Enterprise Mobility, Untold Legends LLC, Granite Telecommunications, The Light Foundation, PwC, and Fidelity Investments. Presentation topics included industry trends in internships, bringing your authentic self to work, and financial literacy.

### **Junior Career Launch: Summer Mentorship Experience**

Junior Career Launch students who successfully secured a summer internship and completed all program requirements received a professional mentor to work with them one-on-one throughout the summer. Alumni and professional mentors from the following companies were matched with students: Abacus Insights, McLean Hospital, MEDITECH, Leonard, Mulherin & Greene, P.C, Fidelity Investments, SimpliSafe, Thermo Fisher Scientific, SubCom, and Bridgewater State University.

## **Junior Career Launch: Celebration & Etiquette Dinner (Spring)**

To celebrate the hard work of Junior Career Launch students, we held an Etiquette Dinner that included employer and alumni guests, including The Light Foundation, Fidelity Investments, Family & Community Resources, Inc., and Bridgewater State University.

## Salary Negotiation & Wellness for Women in the Workplace (Spring)

In honor of Women's History Month, this "Inclusion At Work Series" event focused on supporting Women in the Workplace. This interactive workshop covered important topics such as pay equity and transparency, salary research, total compensation and benefits, job offer negotiations, and wellness topics for women in the workforce. The workshop was offered in collaboration with the Center for Student Engagement, the Panhellenic Association, and Enterprise Mobility, as it highlighted an employer guest speaker, Sare' Arnold.

# **Thank You Alumni Partners**

Abigail Medellin '22 Adam Gustafson '18 Alexandra Briggs '17 Alex Mederios '16 Alex Vieira '24

Alyson Skok – BSW '06, MSW '07 Amanda Ferreira '15, G'16 Amanda Gauthier '19 Amanda Waterman

Ann Ulett '92

Annalisse Fitzpatrick '23 Ariana Barbosa '17 Arluah Titus Wontan '18

Ashley Thebado '18

Ava Plant '23 Ben Acker '15 Ben Girard

Ben Medd – '01, G'12

Bill Brown '77

Blake Ruehrwein '07

Brian Fong '24

Brian Owusu '15, G'18

Caitlyn Rodrigues '13, G'14

Cameron Nadeau '22 Carlyn Mason '20 Carol Carson

Carolyn DaSilva '91 Catherine Zinni Christina Shafer '02

Christopher Alty '23

Christopher Ernest – MSA '07

Christopher Louis Connor Flynn '15 Corey Cadigan '15 Daniel Blais '18 David Rumrill '91 Dawn Zambito '94

Elena Ceurvels-Murphy '91

Emma Doherty '23 Eric Dresser '05 Eric LePage '98, G'06 Eric Mahoney '08 Erika Umali '14

Erin Clancey '24
Fegens Lyncee '22

Gabriella Costa '14

George Kelleher G'15, G'17

Gregory Fernandes '13

Hannah Emery '15, G'18

Heather Prew '97 Jacob Fudge '18 James Piquette Jamie Glasby '17 Jeannie Teixeira

Jeff Motta '95 Jeffrey Motta '95 Jennifer Aguiar '95

Jismaly Mejia '15

Joe Lyons '00

Joshua Hayes '22 Joshua Volta '20

Justin Borges '20 Kaleigh Roche '21

Kara Bemis '12

Karlie Rosmarinofski '19

Katherine Renzoni '15 Kathleen McHugh '16

Kathy Flaherty '91, G'19

Katie McCue '03 Kayla Anger '19

Kelli O'Brien McKinnon '82

Kemill Logarta '21 Kenny Monteiro '15 Kimberly Lewis '22 Kody Casavant '18

Lindsey Hopkins '18, G'23

Lizandra Gomes '09

Maggie (Margaret) Lynch '12 Marilyn (Jackson) Kelland '87

**Marques Stephens** 

Marquis Moore '20 Matt Kleindienst Matt Van Zandt '21

Matthew Colantonio G'07

Maureen Desmarais Melissa Guimond '18 Michayra Calendario '15 Michelle Hacunda '12

Mike Coffey '07 Missy Reis '93

Morel Mahotiere '08 Nicholas Johnson '20 Nicholas McAndrews '17

Nick Dumont '19 Nicole Davie '21, G'22

Patty Gomes '11 Patrick Yeargin '23

Rob Rood '96 Robert O'Reilly '07 Robin Moreira

Ross Thibault, M.Ed. '13

Ryan Callahan '23 Ryan Kuczer '23 Ryan McDonell '12 Samantha Brandt '21 Scott Sheehan '15, G'16

Sean Walsh '21

Shannon McLaughlin '22

Sonya Striggles '11 Stephen Wahome '13 Tara Brady '99, G'06 Tara Wietecha '04

Tiana Romans BS '21, MBA '22

Wilmary Tejeda '12 William E. Collins '97 Zach Ehrstein '21 Zachary Curtis '18

Zachary Waddicor M.Ed. '09

Zelda McGhee '23



Prioritize organizational effectiveness, acquire and utilize industry-leading resources and technology, and emphasize staff's professional development and well-being

# **VISION FOR GOAL 4:**

We endeavor to provide a dynamic, student-centered operation that utilizes tools and resources accessible to all of our students and alumni curated by staff who keep up-to-date on industry trends and best practices.



# Strengthening Our Foundation for Student Success

The Career Services and Internships office prioritizes organizational effectiveness, invests in industry-leading resources and technology, and emphasizes staff professional development and well-being because these pillars are essential to delivering high-impact, student-centered services in an evolving workforce landscape. By strengthening organizational effectiveness, the office can streamline operations, align efforts with institutional goals, and adapt swiftly to changing employer and student needs. Leveraging modern tools and technology ensures that students receive cutting-edge career guidance, equitable access to opportunities, and personalized support that mirrors industry standards. Equally, when staff are well-supported, professionally developed, and holistically cared for, they perform at their best to foster innovation, build stronger employer partnerships, and enhance student outcomes. Investing in these areas ensures the office is not only operationally sound but also a proactive leader in preparing students for meaningful, career-ready futures.

# **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Developed a plan to review all software products every three years to review effectiveness, cost, and student usage.
- Additional revenue was brought in through the career fair sponsorship program and event fees.
- All staff have been offered and participated in on and off-campus professional development opportunities.
- All current advising staff as of the end of FY25 have taken part in Stanford Life Design Studio training.



Top Row: Tracey Gray, Carol Crosby, Jill Gardosik, Nicole Precourt, Cheryl Bezanson, and Lynne Augenti Bottom Row: Katie Muldoon, Amy Kircaldy, Gerald Tang, Denise Diliddo, Katie Vagen, and Laurent Troland Not pictured: Cathy Lauinger

# **Office Updates**

# **NEW STAFF MEMBER**



## **Cathy Lauinger, Events and Operations Coordinator**

Cathy Lauinger is the Events & Operations Coordinator. She assists with operations and, most importantly, manages logistics for the many fairs, workshops, and events offered throughout the year. Cathy has worked in higher education for over 15 years at various institutions, including the University of Iowa, Roger Williams University, Brandeis University, and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She enjoys working with the "small" details and creating a comfortable, welcoming environment. Her favorite part of this work: being in the background of an event or workshop while students get to experience the culmination of her efforts. Cathy holds a master's in education for higher education from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and a bachelor's in philosophy and ethics and value studies from Carroll College in Helena, MT. She is a proud first-generation college graduate and member of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

## **NEW GRADUATE ASSISTANT**



## Joshua Richards, Graduate Assistant

Josh Richards is the Graduate Assistant in the Career Services and Internships Office at Bridgewater State University (BSU), where he is a second-year student pursuing a Master's degree in Mental Health Counseling. He brings valuable experience as a counselor in addiction treatment as well as his previous work in business development and management within the nonprofit sector. In his role as a Graduate Assistant, Josh works with students to finetune their resumes and cover letters, explore the internship and career opportunities offered at BSU, and works with the office's Career Peer Advisors to enhance program access and outcomes for students. Josh is dedicated to enhancing student preparedness for the opportunities afforded by higher education and is committed to supporting students in identifying and achieving their professional goals during their time at Bridgewater State University.

## **Staff Departure**

Amy Kirkcaldy, Assistant Director of Employer Engagement and Outreach, decided to pursue another opportunity related to college counseling and departed our office on July 3rd. We wish her well in her next adventure.

# **Leading the Profession**

The Career Services & Internships office staff has been actively involved in professional organizations, presenting at local and regional events, representing Bridgewater State University, and staying current with industry trends.

#### **External Presentations:**

- The Career Leadership Collective's Annual Conference
  - Crafting Impactful Employer Engagement Strategies Aligned with Your Institution's Mission
- Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers
  - Telling the Data Story: Using Metrics to Advocate for Resources
  - Embracing the Shift: Lessons, Strategies, and Success Stories in Leading Transformational Change
- uConnect's Career Everywhere podcast/webinars
  - 5 Elements of Effective Change Leadership in Career Services
  - Crafting Impactful Employer Engagement Strategies Aligned with Your Institution's Mission
- New England Chief Career Services Officers Summit
  - Utilizing Design Thinking/Life Design for Strategic Planning

## **Conference and Training Participations:**

- Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers Annual Conference
- Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers Leadership Empowerment Series
- MassBioEd's Life Sciences Workforce Conference
- National Association of Colleges and Employers Annual Conference
- National Association of Colleges and Employers Competency Symposium
- National Association of Colleges and Employers Al Bootcamp Training
- Stanford Life Design Studio Training
- Stanford/NYU's Purpose and Flourishing Annual Convening
- The Career Leadership Collectives Annual Conference
- Tableau Bootcamp and Conference



Laurent Troland, Gerald Tang, and Katie Vagen at the EACE Conference in Albany, New York.



Amy Kirkcaldy, Gerald Tang, Katie Vagen, and Diane Bell attending the Life Sciences Workforce Conference.



Carol Crosby, along with her co-presenters, delivered a presentation at the Life Design Retreat at NYU.

# **Leading the Way**

The Career Services & Internships office is proud to be part of the following professional associations:

## **Professional Association Memberships:**

- National Association of Colleges and Employers
- Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers
- New England Chief Career Services Officers Group
- Stanford Life Design Studio Community
- Career Counselors Consortium Northeast

#### **Professional Involvement and Awards:**

- Dr. Gerald Tang served on the Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers' board as the Director of Diversity & Inclusion and was elected as President for the association for 2025-2026 academic year.
- Dr. Gerald Tang served on the National Association of Colleges and Employers' Annual Conference Planning Team and co-chairs the APIDA + Allies Affinity Group.
- Carol Crosby served as a coach for Stanford University's Life Design Studio training.
- Carol Crosby was awarded the BSU's Presidential Award for Excellence in Collaboration to Improve Teaching.
- Laurent Troland served as co-chair for the Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers' Leadership & Recognition Committee.
- Katie Vagen served on the Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers' board as the Director of Career Growth.
- Katie Vagen served on the board for the Massachusetts Education Recruiting Consortium.
- Katie Muldoon served on the Eastern Association of Colleges and Employers' Public Relations Committee.
- Katie Muldoon served as a Learning Partner on the MRISJ Alternative Break Trip to West Virginia.
- Katie Muldoon participated in BSU's Spirit Committee and the Alumni Engagement Committee.



Katie Muldoon serving as a Learning Partner during the MRISJ trip to West Virginia.



Laurent Troland with award recipients as he served as a cochair for the EACE Leadership & Recognition Committee.



Gerald Tang presented at the Career Leadership Collective Annual Conference in New Orleans.

# **Challenges**

#### **Student Engagement**

Engaging students in career development remains a persistent challenge, even as we expand our personalized and targeted outreach efforts. Our goal is to inspire BSU students to participate early and often, but attendance patterns continue to reflect unpredictability. This year, we continue to observe a 50/50 trend: only half of the students who RSVP'd actually attended our events, while surprisingly, half of the attendees had not RSVP'd at all. While it is not a unique challenge for our department, these insights highlight the need for continued innovation in how we connect with and motivate students to take advantage of our resources.

### **Challenging Political Landscape**

The current political climate, including federal government layoffs and increasing scrutiny of higher education's return on investment (ROI), continues to shape the landscape in which our office operates. At Bridgewater State University, these external pressures heighten the urgency for our Career Services and Internships office to strengthen our support for not just current students, but recent graduates and alumni without any additional staffing and resources while continuing to demonstrate tangible outcomes and career pathways for students. Families and students are more focused than ever on the value of a college degree, making our role in connecting academic experiences to meaningful career opportunities and offering work-based learning opportunities critical to support institutional priorities on recruitment, retention, student persistence, and outcomes. We are responding with data-informed strategies, employer engagement, and scalable career development initiatives to ensure students are not only career-ready but confident in the ROI of their BSU education.

#### **Limited Resources**

As we work to consolidate and streamline our resources and technology capabilities, our capacity to meet the growing demands of BSU students remains limited by staffing and financial constraints. This year, we have seen a noticeable increase in student demand for in-person, one-on-one career consulting appointments, reflecting a deeper desire for individualized guidance. However, our dedicated team, many of whom balance multiple roles including event planning and university-wide initiatives, must stretch to accommodate this need. With the current staff structure, our ability to provide timely and personalized support is significantly challenged. Budget limitations further restrict our ability to invest in advanced technology, expand career resource offerings, or grow our team of trained student peer consultants. Additionally, we are quickly outgrowing our physical space, lacking both adequate offices for private consultations and a designated conference room to host employer sessions and team meetings. These space and staffing constraints directly impact our ability to scale services and meet students where they are.

# **Challenges**

#### **Uncertain Labor Market**

The ongoing uncertainty in the labor market, driven by rapid industry shifts, evolving employer expectations, and economic volatility, directly impacts the work of the Career Services and Internships office at BSU. As students and families navigate concerns about job stability and post-graduation outcomes, our office plays a critical role in providing clarity, confidence, and career readiness. However, it is difficult to predict the availability of entry-level jobs that are aligned with students' interests and post-graduation plans. We are continuously adapting our strategies to keep pace with emerging workforce trends, equipping students with the skills, experiences, and insights needed to remain competitive. This includes expanding employer engagement, offering targeted industry-specific career programming, providing new work-based learning opportunities, and ensuring students have access to timely, relevant labor market information. In a time of unpredictability, our mission to prepare students for meaningful careers is more essential than ever as we navigate these uncertainties.

## **Health and Well-Being of Our Staff**

Several staff members faced personal and health-related circumstances that required extended time away during both the fall and spring semesters. Additionally, staff transitions prompted a need to shift focus toward recruiting and onboarding new team members, requiring time and resources to ensure a smooth integration and continuity of services. Despite these disruptions, the team remained committed to supporting students and advancing our mission with resilience and dedication.



# **Future Plans**

## **Strategic Planning**

While we are in the implementation phase of our existing strategic plan, this year provided an important opportunity to review our existing strategies and reflect on how we can continue to evolve in response to the dynamic needs of our students, campus partners, and employers. As the career development landscape shifts, driven by technological advancements, labor market changes, and student expectations, we recognize the importance of maintaining a flexible, responsive approach. Our review reaffirmed key priorities while also highlighting areas for growth and innovation. Moving forward, we are committed to aligning our goals with emerging trends, strengthening our partnerships, and remaining agile in how we deliver high-impact services that meet students where they are and prepare them for where they are going. With the strategic growth of BSU Works initiatives, we realized the need to outline the inner working of this objective and design a comprehensive strategy. Hence, we will be working on outlining a mini-strategic plan for BSU Works so we can continue to rally all of our partners together to meet the BSU Works related goals.

### **Career Everywhere Ecosystems**

In alignment with the industry's best practices, as we continue our work to connect with faculty, staff, alumni, and employers, it is critical that we adopt a "career everywhere ecosystems" framework to integrate career readiness competencies into the fabric of BSU's education and experiences. This effort provides us with a common language to help students articulate skills developed through their involvement and learning at BSU. We aim to expand our partnerships with academic affairs colleagues to educate faculty on career readiness integration into their classrooms, explore assessment products to track pre- and post-experiences, develop a grab-and-go career toolkit, and explore the offering of micro-credentials for both faculty and students to access career readiness-related learning modules.

## **Corporate Partnerships and Engagement**

The Career Services and Internships office is committed to positioning Bridgewater State University as an engine for the local and regional workforce. Our goal is to design a strategic plan to lead corporate engagement and partnership efforts here at BSU. By continuing our employer engagement audit, fostering meaningful relationships with employers across industries, and forming an employer engagement council, we aim to create mutually beneficial opportunities that connect BSU talent with regional workforce needs. Our approach focuses on cultivating long-term collaborations that support internships, full-time hiring, mentoring, and work-based learning initiatives. As we deepen our engagement with corporate partners, we are enhancing the visibility of BSU as a premier source of diverse, career-ready graduates, driving economic development and improving social mobility for our students and their families.



BSU Staff and Faculty at the MassBioEd Foundation Life Sciences Workforce Conference at Boston University.



Thirty career services leaders from twenty-eight colleges and universities across the New England region gathered at the Career Services Leaders Summit held at BSU.

# **Future Plans**

## **Data-Informed Decision Making**

Our office remains committed to leveraging data to drive informed decision-making across all areas of our work, including staffing structure, technology integration, and budget planning. For example, we will begin to explore the implementation of an industry-specific career advisement model to better support students' career development needs by sectors. By closely tracking and analyzing trends and student engagement patterns, we aim to identify service gaps and develop strategic solutions that ensure equitable and effective support for all BSU students. This data-informed approach will guide our continuous improvement efforts and help us align our offerings with evolving student needs.

### **Prioritize Staff's Professional Development**

Prioritizing professional development for our staff will remain a high priority for the office this coming year, as their professional growth is directly tied to the success and growth of the Career Services & Internships Office. By investing in continuous learning opportunities, training, and skill-building, we empower our team to stay current with industry trends, innovative career advising practices, and emerging technologies. Supporting staff development not only enhances the quality of services we provide to students but also fosters a collaborative and motivated workplace culture. As we navigate a rapidly evolving career landscape, our commitment to professional growth ensures that our team remains equipped, inspired, and ready to meet the diverse needs of the BSU community.

## **Work-Based Learning**

Work-based learning remains a vital component of our efforts to bridge classroom learning with real-world experience. Through internships, on-campus employment, co-ops, and community-based projects, students gain practical skills, build professional networks, and explore career paths in meaningful ways. Our goal is to review existing offerings and strategically grow and scale these offerings. These experiences not only enhance career readiness but also contribute to student confidence, retention, and post-graduation success. At BSU, we continue to strengthen our partnerships with employers and campus departments to expand high-impact, inclusive work-based learning opportunities that align with students' academic and professional goals.



Laurent Troland participated in the Tableau Conference held in San Diego, California.



Students Engaging with Employers at the Industry Insiders: Biotech & Life Sciences Career Forum.

**Table 1 - Student Participation in 1:1 Career Advising Appointments.** 

2024-2025 Appointments	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Certificate	Alumni	Not Reported	Totals	% of Appointments	% of BSU
Business-Ricciardi	12	23	76	82	12	0	27	0	232	18.7%	15.9%
Education and Health Sciences	15	17	20	69	21	0	14	0	156	12.6%	25.0%
Humanities and Social Sciences	35	65	129	197	29	0	69	1	525	42.2%	35.9%
Interdisciplinary Across College	19	8	0	0	6	1	0	0	34	2.7%	4.5%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	0	68	4	0	0	72	5.8%	1.2%
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	11	26	2.1%	N/A
Science and Mathematics-Bartlett	30	26	53	56	19	0	14	0	198	15.9%	11.7%
Totals	111	139	278	404	155	5	139	12	1243		
Percentage of Appointments	8.9%	11.2%	22.4%	32.5%	12.5%	0.4%	11.2%	0.9%			

2023-2024 Appointments	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Certificate	Alumni	Not Reported	Totals	% of Appointments	% of BSU
Business-Ricciardi	15	22	57	79	12	0	31	0	216	19.3%	15.8%
Education and Health Sciences	6	15	33	73	26	0	10	0	163	14.6%	26.1%
Humanities and Social Sciences	32	59	113	170	18	0	67	0	459	41.1%	36.4%
Interdisciplinary Across College	14	16	3	0	1	0	0	0	34	3.0%	5.0%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	56	5.0%	2.2%
Not Reported	0	1	0	0	0	0	20	2	23	2.1%	N/A
Science and Mathematics-Bartlett	22	20	43	48	14	0	19	0	166	14.9%	10.4%
Totals	89	133	249	370	127	0	147	2	1117		
Percentage of Appointments	8.0%	11.9%	22.3%	33.1%	11.4%	0.0%	13.2%	0.2%			

Table 2 - Student Participation in 1:1 Career Advising Appointments by Race, Gender and First Gen Status.

	St	tudent Apr	ointment Att	endan	ce:				
		FY2	3		FY2	4		FY2	5
Student Appointment Attendance by Race									
	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
American Indian Or Alaska Native	6	0.6%	0.1%	2	0.2%	0.1%	0	0.0%	0.1%
Asian	46	4.3%	2.1%	36	3.2%	2.1%	62	5.0%	2.3%
Black or African American	126	11.8%	9.0%	152	13.6%	9.0%	157	12.6%	9.2%
Cape Verdean	19	1.8%	1.7%	17	1.5%	1.4%	17	1.4%	1.2%
Hispanic	31	2.9%	7.7%	66	5.9%	8.8%	107	8.6%	9.3%
Middle Eastern Or North African	3	0.3%	0.3%	5	0.4%	0.3%	4	0.3%	0.4%
Native Hawaiian Or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%	0.0%	1	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Not Reported	161	15.0%	1.1%	115	10.3%	0.8%	103	8.3%	0.8%
Two or More Races	67	6.3%	5.0%	65	5.8%	5.8%	92	7.4%	6.4%
White	612	57.1%	72.4%	659	58.9%	71.0%	701	56.4%	69.5%
Totals	1071	100.1%	99.4%	1118	99.8%	99.3%	1243	100.0%	99.2%
Student Appointment Attendance by Gender									
		_							BSU Factbook %
Male	426	39.8%	37.9%		42.8%	39.1%			39.8%
Female	575	53.7%	62.1%		51.3%	60.9%	653	52.5%	60.2%
Unreported	70	6.5%	Not Reported		5.9%	Not Reported	75	6.0%	Not Reported
Totals	1071	100.0%	100.0%	1118	100.0%	100.0%	1243	99.9%	100.0%
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First Gen	471	44.0%	49.2%		45.0%	47.9%			47.1%
Not First Gen	600	56.0%	49.7%		45.0% 55.0%	47.9% 51.1%			51.3%
Totals	1071	100.0%	98.9%		100.0%	99.0%			98.4%
TOTALS	10/1	100.0%	30.9%	1110	100.0%	55.0%	1242	100.0%	50.4%

Table 3 - Student Participation in 1:1 Career Advising Appointments by Sexual Orientation, Disability Status, and Household Income.

	St	tudent App	ointment Atte	endan	ce:				
		FY2	3		FY2	4		FY2	5
Student Appointment Attendance by LGBTQIA+ Status									
	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %
Openly LGBTQIA+							172	16.0%	13.7%
Not LGBTQIA+							772	73.0%	79.2%
Unknown							71	7.0%	7.1%
Missing							41	4.0%	Not Reported
Totals							1056	100.0%	100.0%
Student Appointment Attendance of Students Who Collaborate With Student Accessibility Services (SAS)  Collaborate with SAS Does Not Collaborate with SAS Missing Totals	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count 212 803 41 1056	_	89.1% Not Reported
Student Appointment Attendance by Income Status	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %
Low Income							421	40.0%	
Not Low Income							363	34.0%	
Unknown							231	22.0%	28.9%
Missing							41	4.0%	Not Reported
Totals							1056	100.0%	100.0%

# Table 4 - Overall Career Fair Participation Data by Colleges\*

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2024-2025 Career Fair Attendance	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Certificate	Alumni	Total Count	% of Attendance	% of BSU Pop.
Business-Ricciardi	22	55	90	102	11	0	9	289	24.1%	15.9%
Education and Health Sciences	21	48	23	75	5	0	9	181	15.1%	25.0%
Humanities and Social Sciences	39	83	82	142	20	0	24	390	32.5%	35.9%
Interdisciplinary Across Collg	12	9	1	1	9	0	0	32	2.7%	4.5%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	1	13	1	0	15	1.3%	1.2%
Not Listed	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.1%	0.0%
Science & Mathematics-Bartlett	38	49	61	108	25	0	10	291	24.3%	11.7%
Total Count	132	244	257	429	83	1	54	1200		
% of Attendance	11.0%	20.3%	21.4%	35.8%	6.9%	0.0%	4.5%			

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2023-2024 Career Fair Attendance	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Not Reported	Alumni	Total Count	% of Attendance	% of BSU Pop.
Business-Ricciardi	28	31	60	72	6	0	7	204	26.8%	15.8%
Education and Health Sciences	12	22	25	51	20	0	4	134	17.6%	26.1%
Humanities and Social Sciences	18	32	66	96	9	0	12	233	30.6%	36.4%
Interdisciplinary Across Collg	2	4	1	0	4	0	0	11	1.4%	5.0%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	8	1.0%	2.2%
Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	1.0%	N/A
Science & Mathematics-Bartlett	12	18	41	72	17	0	4	164	21.5%	10.4%
Total Count	72	107	193	291	64	8	27	762		
% of Attendance	9.4%	14.0%	25.3%	38.2%	8.4%	1.0%	3.5%			

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that we are unable to get accurate check-in data at the STEM & Health Sciences Career Expo, so it is not included in these totals.

Table 5 - Career Fair Student Participation Data by Race, Gender, and First Gen Status.

		(	Career Fair Att	endan	ice:				
		FY2	3		FY2	4		FY2	5
Student Career Fair Attendance by Race									
	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
American Indian Or Alaska Native	0	0.0%	0.1%	2	0.2%	0.1%	0	0.0%	0.1%
Asian	17	5.3%	2.1%	48	6.4%	2.1%	71	6.0%	2.3%
Black or African American	43	13.4%	9.0%	89	11.9%	9.0%	154	12.9%	9.2%
Cape Verdean	2	0.6%	1.7%	8	1.1%	1.4%	6	0.5%	1.2%
Hispanic	29	9.0%	7.7%	49	6.6%	8.8%	142	11.9%	9.3%
Middle Eastern Or North African	3	0.9%	0.3%	8	1.1%	0.3%	6	0.5%	0.4%
Native Hawaiian Or Other Pacific Islander	1	0.3%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Not Reported	9	2.8%	1.1%	19	2.8%	0.8%	28	2.4%	0.8%
Two or More Races	23	7.2%	5.0%	38	5.1%	5.8%	96	8.1%	6.4%
White	194	60.4%	72.4%	486	65.1%	71.0%	687	57.7%	69.5%
Totals	321	99.9%	99.4%	747	100.3%	99.3%	1190	100.0%	99.2%
Career Fair Attendance by Gender									
_	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
Male	196	52.1%	37.9%	376	50.3%	39.1%	607	51.0%	39.8%
Female	168	44.7%	62.1%	366	49.0%	60.9%	566	47.6%	60.2%
Unreported	12	3.2%	Not Reported	5	0.7%	Not Reported	17	1.4%	Not Reported
Totals	376	100.0%	100.0%	747	100.0%	100.0%	1190	100.0%	100.0%
Student Attendees by First Gen Status									
	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %
First Gen	163	_	49.2%				519	43.6%	
Not First Gen	213	56.6%	49.7%	421	56.4%	51.1%	671	56.4%	51.3%
Totals	376	100.0%	98.9%	747	100.0%	99.0%	1190	100.0%	98.4%

Table 6 - Career Fair Participation Data by Sexual Orientation, Disability Status, and Household Income.

		FY2	23		FY	24		25	
Student Attendees by LGBTQIA+ Status  Openly LGBTQIA+  Not LGBTQIA+	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count 152 890		13.79
Unknown							74		
Missing							74		
Totals							1190	100.0%	
Student Attendees Who Collaborate With Student Accessibility Services (SAS)  Collaborate with SAS	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count 186	Percentage 15.6%	
Does Not Collaborate with SAS							930	78.2%	89.1
Missing							74	0.2.0	
Totals							1190	100.0%	100.0
Income Status	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook
Low Income		· ·			· ·		421	35.1%	31.8
Not Low Income							476	40.0%	39.3
Unknown							219	18.4%	28.9
Missing							74	6.2%	Not Reporte
Totals							1190	99.7%	100.0

Please note this is the first year we are analyzing the participation data by LGBTQIA+, Disability Status and Household.

**Table 7 - Total Student Participation in Career Workshops and Events.** 

2024-2025 Career Event Attendance	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Certificate	Alumni	Total Count	% of Attendance	% of BSU Pop.
Business-Ricciardi	43	50	71	64	7	0	6	241	20.0%	15.9%
Education and Health Sciences	41	29	35	40	9	0	3	157	13.0%	25.0%
Humanities and Social Sciences	93	86	109	136	10	0	7	441	36.6%	35.9%
Interdisciplinary Across Collg	21	13	0	0	12	0	0	46	3.8%	4.5%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	0	51	2	0	53	4.4%	1.2%
Not Listed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	N/A
Science & Mathematics-Bartlett	59	42	58	79	24	0	4	266	22.1%	11.7%
Total Count	257	220	273	319	113	2	20	1204		
% of Attendance	21.3%	18.3%	22.7%	26.5%	9.4%	0.2%	1.7%			

2023-2024 Career Event Attendance	First Year	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Masters	Certificate	Alumni	<b>Total Count</b>	% of Attendance	% of BSU Pop.
Business-Ricciardi	18	39	36	43	2	0	3	141	17.8%	15.8%
Education and Health Sciences	19	25	23	31	8	0	2	108	13.7%	26.1%
Humanities and Social Sciences	46	59	73	107	7	0	8	300	38.0%	36.4%
Interdisciplinary Across Collg	11	13	0	1	15	0	0	40	5.1%	5.0%
Non-Credit or Non-Degree	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	20	2.5%	2.2%
Not Listed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Science & Mathematics-Bartlett	28	32	49	52	17	0	3	181	22.9%	10.4%
Total Count	122	168	181	234	69	0	16	790		
% of Attendance	15.4%	21.3%	22.9%	29.6%	8.7%	0.0%	2.0%			

Table 8- Career Events Participation Data by Race, Gender, and First Gen Status.

		Ca	areer Event Att	endar	nce:				
		FY2	3		FY2	24		FY2	.5
Student Attendees by Race									
	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
American Indian Or Alaska Native	0	0.0%	0.1%	0	0.0%	0.1%	1	< .01%	0.1%
Asian	2	3.5%	2.1%	46	5.8%	2.1%	70	5.8%	2.3%
Black or African American	5	8.8%	9.0%	121	15.3%	9.0%	174	14.4%	9.2%
Cape Verdean	0	0.0%	1.7%	8	1.0%	1.4%	13	1.1%	1.2%
Hispanic	3	5.3%	7.7%	64	8.1%	8.8%	147	12.2%	9.3%
Middle Eastern Or North African	0	0.0%	0.3%	6	0.8%	0.3%	12	1.0%	0.4%
Native Hawaiian Or Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%	0.0%	1	0.1%	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.0%
Not Reported	0	0.0%	1.1%	19	2.4%	0.8%	27	2.2%	0.8%
Two or More Races	2	3.5%	5.0%	60	7.6%	5.8%	89	7.4%	6.4%
White	45	78.9%	72.4%	465	58.9%	71.0%	676	55.9%	69.5%
Totals	57	100.0%	99.4%	790	100.0%	99.3%	1209	100.0%	99.2%
Student Attendees by Gender									
	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
Male	17	29.8%	37.9%	355	44.9%	39.1%	522	43.2%	39.8%
Female	39	68.4%	62.1%	423	53.5%	60.9%	659	54.5%	60.2%
Not Reported	1	1.8%	Not Reported	12	1.5%	Not Reported	28	2.3%	Not Reported
Totals	57	100.0%	100.0%	790	99.9%	100.0%	1209	100.0%	100.0%
Student Attendees by First Gen Status									
	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	<b>BSU Factbook</b> %
First Gen	21	36.8%	49.2%	360	46.0%	47.9%	519	44.3%	47.1%
Not First Gen	36	63.2%	49.7%	425	54.0%	51.1%	653	55.7%	51.3%
Totals	57	100.0%	98.9%	785	100.0%	99.0%	1172	100.0%	98.4%

Table 9 - Student Participation in Career Workshops and Events by Sexual Orientation, Disability Status, and Household Income.

		Ca	areer Event Att	endar	nce:				
Student Attendees by LGBTQIA+ Status  Openly LGBTQIA+ Not LGBTQIA+ Unknown Missing Totals	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count 233 810 93 38 1174	20.0% 69.0% 8.0% 3.0%	13.7% 79.2% 7.1% Not Reported
Student Attendees Who Collaborate With Student Accessibility Services (SAS)  Collaborate with SAS Does Not Collaborate with SAS Missing Totals	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count 224 912 38 1174	19.0% 78.0% 3.0%	10.9% 89.1% Not Reported
Income Status  Low Income  Not Low Income  Unknown  Missing  Totals	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %	Count	Percentage	BSU Factbook %		Percentage 39.0% 36.0% 21.0%	BSU Factbook % 31.8% 39.3% 28.9% Not Reported



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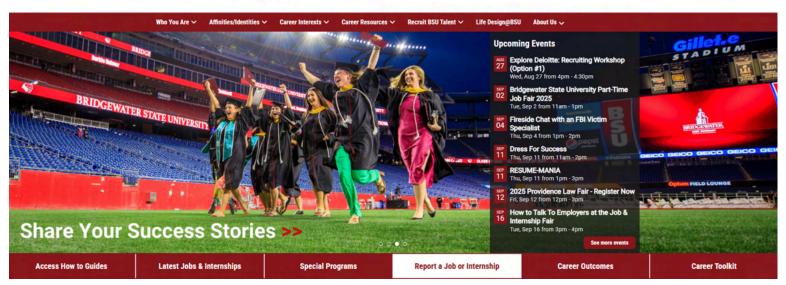


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