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the United States. Our committee decided to post a Call for Papers on several websites to add a poetry reading, keynote speakers, and several more specific panels headed by the guests chosen from that Call for Papers.

Programs included a presentation by the group DUJEOUS, a keynote address delivered by Professor Imani Perry, a lecture by poet/activist Suheir Hammad, and a closing panel discussion featuring educator/activist Martha Diaz, entrepreneur and social advocate April Silver and Gbenga Akin-


The events ran very smoothly and the discussions were both enlightening and insightful. Participants of the Symposium, including panelists and other featured guests, went to multiple events, indicating to the committee that those who decided to come out and discuss these pertinent issues were enjoying the program we presented and provided for them.

International Education Photo Contest

Bison Abroad, a student-run organization, has been holding a photo contest for the past several years. The purpose of this contest is to celebrate and showcase photographs taken by Bucknell students while studying abroad. This year, the contest was held in conjunction with the International Education Week, an annual event that helps promote and encourage international education throughout the United States. The week took place from November 16-20th and was celebrated on campus through a myriad of different activities and events, including student and faculty panels, informational sessions and a movie screening, as well as the photo contest.

For this year’s contest, we decided to work with International Student Services and encouraged both American and international students studying at Bucknell to submit photos for the contest. After the finalists were selected, Bucknellians were given the opportunity to vote for their favorite photos from each of the categories in the LC Mall. The winners of each of the categories were awarded gift cards ranging $25 to $50.

Winning Photograph by international student Raphael Bongni ’10 (Left) taken in Switzerland & U.S. student Eliza Massie ’10 (Right) taken in Spain.
Student Perspective—THE BRIDGE: Bursting the Bubble

Bucknell has often been referred to as a bubble. It is a campus filled with brick buildings, athletic facilities easily accessible and constantly and breath-taking views of the Pennsylvania landscape. Even more so, the Bridge is within these warm brick buildings, numerous services provided by the University in an effort to burst this bubble. Of these services, the best is arguably the Bridge.

The Bridge is more than a job application site. Its name truly suits its function as it connects Bucknell undergraduate students to Alumni, career-oriented campus events, and professional for undergraduate students to ask career-oriented questions via recruiting@bucknell.edu. So, whether you are a sophomore applying for an externship, a junior applying for an internship or a senior applying for a full-time opportunity, the Bridge is one of your means of landing the position you earned from studying as an undergraduate at Bucknell.

The Bridge is more than a job application site. Its Peer Recruiting Specialists also name truly suits its function remind students of upcoming deadlines and campus events through the Bridge, and serve as an outlet for undergraduate students to submit them to multiple employment opportunities.

For user tips, questions, or just to learn more stop by the CDC for BRIDGE Quick Questions, offered daily from 2:30 - 3:30.

Don’t miss the scoop from the CDC!

Career Insider Blog

Your inside source to what’s happening at the Career Development Center

http://careerinsider.blogs.bucknell.edu/

From Cultural Center Staff....

Please keep the Vedder Cultural Lounge in mind for a unique place to hold your weekly office staff meetings, club meetings, or just a quiet place to study.

In order to reserve the space, you may contact the RICS office to schedule your meeting or luncheon. You can also reserve it by logging in to mybucknell, click on Schedule an Event and fill out the form. If the space is available, we’d love to have you join the many organizations that have already made use of our wonderful lounge.
CULTURE AND SERVICE
Celebrate with us the 15th Annual MLK Day of Service in PHILADELPHIA

January 17 and 18, 2010
Application deadline: December 17, 2009

Bucknell students will have the opportunity to visit historical and cultural sites in the "city of the Brotherly love" and in addition be part of the largest service event in the nation, next to thousands of volunteers and alumni from the Philadelphia club of Bucknell.
Space is limited so reserve your space NOW!
Questions? contact rics@bucknell.edu

The PALOMA Social Justice Retreat is made-up of a weekend full of innovative, informative and interactive workshops focused on how we as college students and administrators can help to break the double standards and status quo that exists within our society. The workshops will address some of the difficult topics that people are often unwilling to discuss in an environment that is safe and respectful of all opinions and beliefs.

The retreat will be at Laurel Lounge through generous support from Juniata Trustees and owners of the Neenock Estates in Duncansville, PA.

For more information or to receive an application contact:
r сейчас@bucknell.edu, call 6/789 or go to the Cultural Center-Vedder Hall

Happy Holidays!