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Summer ministries recruit on campus

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Rand Hummel of The Wilds of New England talks with students in the Davis Room. Photo: Derek Eckenroth

Olivia Thomas

STAFF WRITER

Summer provides students with a unique time to minister at summer camps and ministry organizations.

Next week's BJU Summer Ministry Conference is a great place to start for any student seeking to find those opportunities.

The Summer Ministry Conference allows camps and summer ministries to recruit workers for the coming summer.

Friends and workers from previous summers can also use the time to get together and share news.

This year the conference

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THE WEEK

Homecoming Weekend Begins

In case you forgot, BJU's Homecoming and Family Weekend started Thursday and runs through Saturday. Be sure to attend all the activities and events going on!

Summer Ministry Conference

Be sure to visit the Summer Ministry Conference Displays next week in the Davis Room of the Dining Common. See Olivia Thomas' article for more details.

Peter Pan

Come watch *Peter Pan* in Rodeheaver Auditorium this Saturday at 1:30 p.m., produced by Artios Academies in partnership with Bob Jones University.

A+D Legacy Series Exhibition: Darrell Koons

Check out the art exhibit "Painting Rural America" by former A+D faculty member in the Sargent Art Building until the end of October.

International students share their BJU stories

Katie French

STAFF WRITER

Every year, international students from all over the world come to BJU to get a Christian college experience they may not have access to in their home countries.

According to academic advisor Kevin Schmidt, international students make up 13% of BJU's student population.

Schmidt said BJU strives to give these students the best experience possible, providing them with the means to succeed culturally and academically.

When interviewed, a few international students gave their thoughts on their journey to BJU and the quality of their experience thus far.

One major subject touched on was distance from home and how that influences

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Students interact at the International Student Orientation. Photo: Steve Choi

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COLUMN



Sarah Rumpf
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Sarah Rumpf is the Community Service Council (CSC) Director.

“What makes an impactful Homecoming fundraiser?” I recently asked the BJU Community Service Council during our annual orientation. The council answered with an impressive list focused on giving a voice to students and creating awareness for a cause in the greater Greenville Community. The council continued to See **COLUMN** p.3 »

The Collegian Editorial

Instagram takes step in right direction

Instagram has been testing a new version of their platform, but instead of adding a feature, the new version will take away the number of “likes” that is displayed below each post. Users can still manually click to see who has liked the post, but they will have to count every person on the list in order to know how many likes a post received.

The new version already has been tested in seven countries – Canada, Australia, Brazil, Italy, Ireland, Japan and New Zealand. Instagram claims that eliminating the like count will be a positive effect, helping to curb some of the mental health issues raised by social media.

A study by the Royal Society for Public Health asked almost 1,500 young people (age 14 to 24) to rank the five most popular social media sites based on how they affect mental health, whether positive or negative. Instagram received the lowest score on the survey, meaning the test group thinks Instagram is worse for mental health than YouTube, Facebook, Snapchat and Twitter.

Adam Mosseri, the head of Instagram, said, “We want people to worry a little bit less about how many likes they’re getting on Instagram and spend a bit more time connecting with the people that they care about.”

Numerous reports have highlighted the negative effects social media can have on mental and physical health. However, few social media platforms have worked to counter these effects.

In fact, most platforms do just the opposite by engineering their sites to be as addictive

and engaging as possible. The longer users are on the platform, the better.

According to the Addiction Center, psychologists estimate that anywhere from five to 10% of Americans probably meet the criteria for social media addiction. And a recent survey by Common Sense Media found that 54% of teens (age 13-17) admitted to, at times, ignoring people in order to concentrate on social media.

Instagram’s step away from counting likes is not a complete solution to the problems social media poses; however, their attempt to experiment with their platform’s design shows promise, especially considering the potential backlash.

Many have already taken to the web in order to oppose the switch. Fearful of revenue loss, businesses and “influencers” are especially wary of the change. But according to Business Insider, social media influencers can still show their worth and gain advertising dollars.

In her article, Paige Leskin, a junior tech writer for Business Insider, said, “Likes are only ‘surface-level,’ while metrics like engagement and click-throughs of URLs in posts show more about the relationship an influencer has with their audience.”

The influencer market will therefore move toward other metrics.

Just as manufacturers of cars are responsible for their customer’s safety, social media platforms should be too.

Instagram’s platform change demonstrates what needs to continue: testing, evaluating and implementing new designs to protect users.

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TALKBACK

What is your favorite food in the DC?



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Breakfast pizza



Caleb Stutz
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Mini cherry cheesecake

Photos: Charles Billiu

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expand their ideas and voice their thoughts on community service.

Serving the community should be an integral part of every Christian college student’s life, even beyond their time at BJU.

Each year, the Community Service Council chooses an organization that students are passionate about and that will benefit the community. The goal is to give back to the community by raising monetary support for the organization.

Since 2012, SWITCH has led the effort to fight human trafficking and sexual exploitation in the upstate of South Carolina.

Their commitment, as described on their website, *switchsc.org*, is to “serve and love the way Jesus did. Our goal is to love well, serve well, and be a light in darkness.”

SWITCH was chosen as the fundraiser for several reasons.

The CSC tries to choose a local organization that the student body can connect with.

With an estimated 25 million victims worldwide human trafficking is a relevant

issue that impacts our local community and the student body.

Human trafficking happens in local communities, such as Greenville, not just abroad.

Our hope is that by partnering with SWITCH, BJU can help raise awareness of the prevalence of human trafficking in South Carolina and raise funds for SWITCH to continue their Gospel work.

During Homecoming weekend, the CSC will provide students and alumni with many opportunities to donate to this organization. Students can get involved by buying an official Homecoming T-shirt that will be sold during the week of Homecoming.

Also, societies and student organizations are encouraged to look for opportunities where they can get involved and make an impact for SWITCH.

All these activities will contribute to SWITCH, and many victims will be helped because of BJU’s fundraising efforts.

The Community Service Council is proud to partner with SWITCH and create awareness for a worthy cause during the 2019 Homecoming celebration.

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WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PHOTO ON YOUR PHONE?



Isaac Sassa Senior

“Because I got to experience the 4th of July in D.C. and it is a really cool memory.”



Grace Jackey Senior

“Because it’s adorable.”



Ethan Holt Freshman

“Because Caleb Woo was helpful for me to know more about my major.”



Cassidy Vine Senior

“It’s from when I studied abroad in Spain. It is the same path walked by the Apostle Paul.”



Dillon Frazier Senior

“Because I was with my fiancée, best friend and best friend’s girlfriend.”

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is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 15, after chapel until 9 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 16, after chapel until 5 p.m. in the Davis Room of the Dining Common.

Last year, about 40 camps and organizations were involved in the conference. About 125 representatives set up displays in the Davis Room, where around 540 students of all majors came to see the different opportunities.

The conference is not just a chance for students to find places to serve over the summer. Brendon Johnson, one of the coordinators of this year's

upcoming Summer Ministry Conference, said the conference offers a great chance to hear about the things the Lord is doing in other places around the United States. He said even students who aren't looking for somewhere to work over the summer should check out the conference to share encouragement and be encouraged.

"Just go and see what it's about!" Johnson said.

Amanda Vermiglio, a junior ministry and leadership major, first heard of Camp Grace at the conference, a camp located in Roberta, Georgia. She worked at Camp Grace this past summer and is planning on working there again

next summer.

The conference also presents students with opportunities to use their skills in a variety of different areas. Vermiglio said her time at the summer camp was a learning experience in leadership.

Vermiglio said the conference is a good way for students to find out about ministries going on that they didn't previously know about. "God can use different people in a lot of different ways," she said.

The Summer Ministry Conference is an especially wonderful opportunity for small camps and organizations. Justin Porter, a graduate biblical literature and language

major, was a representative for Pioneer Bible Camp at the conference. As a representative for the small camp located in Eden, Utah, Porter said the conference was an encouragement to him. He enjoyed meeting other representatives from camps and summer ministries who were as excited to see students with a passion to serve as he was.

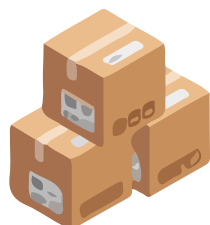
Hannah Lovegrove, a junior physics major, found out about Pioneer Bible Camp through the conference. She worked there for a summer and said one of the biggest benefits she gained from the experience was getting to

practice sharing the Gospel with people in a more personal way.

Lovegrove said she would encourage students to go to conference, meet with representatives and find out what opportunities are available. Filling out an information card or taking the first steps to apply can lead to a new unexpected experience.

"Sometimes God leads that way," Lovegrove said. "You take one step and you say, 'Okay God, if you don't close the door, I'll keep going.' And you end up somewhere like, 'Well, God never said no!' That can be the way God leads us."

Why BJU Press?



Sidney Sieber

STAFF WRITER

Why did you come to BJU to pursue a Christian education?

Did your parents come here? Did you hear about the University from a BJU representative who came to your church or school?

Maybe some you were introduced to Bob Jones University because your school or family used BJU Press curriculums in your K5 to 12th grade education.

What makes BJU Press different from other Christian

publishers? Steve Skaggs, the director of the BJU Press Content Development Department, said there are three main distinctives which contribute to BJU Press' philosophy.

First, BJU Press strives for the students using its curriculums to learn by comprehending the material.

"We've been sold since day one on the importance of learning with comprehension . . .

Some [other] publishers may just push a lot of rote memorization," Skaggs said. "There's certainly a place for memorization in education, but

it shouldn't be the foundation."

Skaggs said that the focus of BJU Press curriculum is to truly understand the material rather than just memorize it.

Sophomore elementary education major Hannah Perreault said she believes using the BJU Press curriculum during her K5 to 12th grade education prepared for her BJU.

"I know that a big emphasis of Bob Jones [University] is critical thinking, and different curriculums don't always emphasize that as much," she said.

The second distinctive BJU



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exposure to the University.

Giana Liriano, sophomore pre-med major from the Dominican Republic, and Bela Lopez, junior engineering major with a French minor from Honduras, both heard about BJU at their private Christian schools.

Liriano decided to come to BJU because of her familiarity with the University and to have access to a Christian college, since the Dominican Republic lacks them. BJU was also one of her most affordable options.

Lopez’ decision was made after interacting via email

with admission counselors after hearing about the University’s science program. She noted that the admissions counselors’ Christian testimony led her to come to BJU. Despite the distance, having a biblical foundation was worth it to her.

Colten Shipe, sophomore computer science major and missionary kid from Tanzania, became familiar with BJU since he used BJU Press curriculum while homeschooling.

Melchisedek Dulcio, sophomore computer science major from Haiti, found out about BJU through his own research he conducted and heard positive comments

about BJU. He desired quality academics and wanted to attend a college that would strengthen his faith.

The location of the school was also ideal for him. He said he had hoped to attend somewhere that was not in the middle of nowhere nor in an extremely urban area.

In addition to their journeys to BJU, international students also face the transition to life in the United States and culture at BJU.

As far as cultural differences go, Liriano said her transition to BJU was not too difficult because she attended a Bible college in Florida for one year after high school prior to

coming to BJU.

However, she noted some cultural differences, including higher expectations for punctuality in the United States than in the Dominican Republic as well as less of a community and party-centered atmosphere.

Lopez said she had to adjust to the dress code and language and that when she first arrived, it felt odd to speak English for an entire day.

Shipe did not face any major transition issues since he had lived in the United States previously, but he said that Americans are less community-oriented than Tanzanians.

Dulcio said he had to

adjust to several elements of culture such as food, people and easy access to basic needs.

After attending BJU for one to two years now, these international students all highlighted favorite parts of their college experience. They all acknowledged how much they appreciate BJU’s incorporation of a biblical worldview in every aspect of college life.

This is what makes the journeys of international students to BJU so fulfilling. They have an opportunity to attend a university that honors the Creator of every tribe, culture, nation and tongue.

Press has is that its curriculums emphasize the importance of the teachers who are using the materials. “The teacher is critically important, so we always want to support teachers in any way we can,” Skaggs said. For some students, having a teacher teach them material is vital to them learning the information.

Skaggs said that if parents who homeschool struggle teaching a specific subject, such as math, they can call BJU Press and speak to a math textbook writer.

Olivia Thomas, a sophomore majoring journalism and mass communication, thought the BJU Press curriculum was a good fit for her because the program required the teacher to be heavily involved. This made material more interesting and easier to learn.

The third distinctive, and as Skaggs said, the most important, is biblical integration.

Biblical integration stems far beyond writing a math curriculum, sprinkling a few Bible verses on the page and calling it Christian, he said.

Biblical integration is shaping a biblical worldview.

Though Biblical integration is essential to Christian education, there is a stereotype that some Christian publishers can have weak academic curriculums. BJU Press wants to break that perception.

“You can have outstanding academics that would measure up to what anybody ought to be covering in a biology class or anything like that and at the same time, have a thorough, well-thought-out biblical worldview,” said Skaggs.

Kaitlyn McNally, a sophomore majoring in journalism and mass communication, was homeschooled and used Distance Learning, a series BJU Press provides where teachers record lessons using BJU Press curriculum. Her parents appreciated BJU’s biblical perspective. “I especially



Steve Skaggs, Director of the BJU Press Content Development Department

appreciate the high school education because it prepared me really well to come here for college, especially their English,” McNally said. “So, it was a very solid education.”

Caroline Smith, a senior majoring in engineering with a computer principle, used the BJU Press English and literature curriculums growing up. “I think I got pretty well exposed to literature through it,” Smith said. “The English was especially helpful. I felt like the way it handled grammar and writing short stuff really helped me out with writing I’ve given my classes.”

Many people can appreciate the materials that BJU Press has published over the years, but how did someone come up with the idea to create a Christian publishing company that mainly focused on textbooks for K5 to 12th grade?

Simply said, because there was a need for one. “It was the 1970s, and the Christian school movement was kind of getting off the ground,” Skaggs said.

Skaggs also said people starting up Christian schools would come to Dr. Bob Jones III, the president of BJU at the time, and would relate their struggles with their secular science curriculums that were riddled with ideas contrary to their beliefs such as evolutionary theory.



Hearing the needs of Christian educators, BJU Press was born.

Skaggs said that before BJU Press printed its first book, several BJU faculty members worked together to create philosophy statements of their definition of Christian education.

“It was really good because the foundation was laid before the books were written,” Skaggs said.

Skaggs said this allowed BJU Press to produce materials that delivered the University’s worldview. And after producing its first book, Physical Science for Christian Schools, it became obvious that BJU Press needed to broaden its scope to what it is today: a company producing educational materials in every subject Christian educators need.



Student works at cancer institute where father received treatment

Joanna Scoggins
STAFF WRITER

Cancer: it's one of the most terrifying words in the English language.

But for patients this summer in Detroit, Michigan, at Karmanos Cancer Institute facing that horrible word, they were also facing the loving smile of a Bob Jones University intern.

Brooklyn Veenstra, senior health sciences major with a healthcare administration principal, interned in marketing and communications this summer at the non-profit cancer institute.

Veenstra said she had many unique opportunities to talk with patients and their families and hear their stories.

Required to complete an internship for her major, Veenstra worked with her faculty advisor, Dr. Amy Hicks, to find an internship that fitted Veenstra and her passions as well as prepared her for her



Brooklyn Veenstra is a senior health sciences major. Photo: Charles Billiu

career.

But beyond preparing her for her future career, this internship had a personal impact on Veenstra. Her father Tim Veenstra was diagnosed with stage four cancer in May 2015.

“Cancer is something that

no family, no person, wants in their vocabulary,” she said. “But that day, it became a part of how God was writing our story.”

She explained that Karmanos was where her dad was treated for his cancer. “Many times, I walked the same halls that we walked, pushing my dad in a wheelchair to chemo.”

Veenstra got to work with the same doctors that cared for her father.

“It was a way to honor the staff that were at that hospital for all that they had done for our family,” she said. “The staff at Karmanos . . . went beyond just care of the patient. It was care of the family.”

Veenstra remembers her father’s faith as unwavering even while lying in a hospital bed. “Even doctors, physicians and nurses at Karmanos noticed,” she said. “They were curious how someone could hear those words, ‘You have cancer,’ and still have hope.”

Her father died at age 45 in April 2016, three weeks before Veenstra’s high school graduation.

Veenstra met many people at the hospital who also had been affected by cancer.

“My boss had lost four different family members to breast cancer,” she said. “I feel like that gives an extra dose of honesty and relatability that is really needed in the healthcare workplace.”

Another intern at Karmanos, who was also a believer, found a willing ear and open heart in Veenstra. “She had also lost her dad to cancer,” Veenstra said. “She had never found someone to talk [to] about it.”

The main purpose of Veenstra’s internship was to promote the hospital to other

people.

She said she had a passion for that because she had been on the other side of such promotion.

“I could not have wished for a better way to spend the summer than to serve other families that are affected by such a diagnosis,” she said.

Her work included compiling presentations for different departments in the hospital, reading research publications and summarizing them, and communicating with medical professionals in the hospital and out.

“I would be calling and interviewing doctors,” Veenstra said. “Other times it was patients, and other times it was researchers.”

She said the internship expanded her horizons on communicating with all individuals who make up a hospital.

She also organized a fundraising event in July called “Pink Out the Park.”

“That was kind of the focal point of my internship,” Veenstra said.

She coordinated volunteers and worked with the local baseball team, the Detroit Tigers. The proceeds from the event went to cancer research at Karmanos.

Veenstra said the internship was exactly what she’s hoping to do with the rest of her life, and she is incredibly grateful to God for providing the opportunity.

“He has written my story with cancer, but it doesn’t just stop there,” she said. “I’m thankful that God can still work, and He does work, in cases of sickness. Suffering is not permanent, and it’s not wasted. So being able to just be an ambassador for Him this summer is something I wouldn’t trade for the world.”

“I COULD NOT HAVE WISHED FOR A BETTER WAY TO SPEND THE SUMMER THAN TO SERVE OTHER FAMILIES THAT ARE AFFECTED BY SUCH A DIAGNOSIS”

BROOKLYN VEENSTRA



Tim Veenstra, pictured left, was diagnosed with stage four cancer in May of 2015

Photo: Submitted

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PATRIOTS BETA GAMMA DELTA	02-02-00	
MEN'S SEVENS	W-L-T	
EAGLES BASILEAN	03-00-00	
ROYALS PI GAMMA DELTA	01-00-00	
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WOMEN'S RECREATION	W-L-T	
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Soccer team seniors reflect on university sports careers

Anna Grace Casillas
STAFF WRITER

Both the women’s and men’s soccer teams will honor their graduating seniors before playing their last regular season home game tomorrow, Oct. 12, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively.

Five players on the women’s team will be graduating—Bailey Martin, Jenny Townsend, Megan Brubaker, Kayla Romeiser and Kristyn Rygh.

The men’s team has seven players graduating—Jesse Rush, Casey Miller, Ben Mills, Laurent Cadet, Isaac Landry, Nick Marks and Andrew Zhang.

Looking back on their time with the Bruins, many players reflected on what they had learned.

Ben Mills, an international studies major and a goalie, played his freshman, sophomore and senior years, taking a year off last year to study abroad in China.

“One of the biggest things I’ve learned through my time on the Bruins is how important soccer is to the rest of my education,” Mills said. “Soccer teaches responsibility, split-second decision making and teamwork that you can’t learn in the classroom.”

Bailey Martin, captain of the women’s team and a midfielder, said that being on the team has impacted her both socially and spiritually.

“I’ve learned to love people that are different than me,” she said. “There’s just so many personalities all trying to come together to be one unified team.”

Nick Marks, a business

administration major and a defender, has played three years with the team.

“I’ve learned perseverance through frustration, that pursuing goals often requires sacrifice, and most importantly, that being on a team requires good communication,” Marks said.

In the past four seasons, both soccer teams have experienced many highs and lows.

For the seniors on the women’s team, that includes winning the national championship in both their freshman and sophomore years.

Their junior year, however, they lost the national championship game on penalties.

“Of course, that was one of the lowlights of my time on the team. It wasn’t just that we lost it, but the way we lost it on penalties,” Martin said.

The men’s team also won a national championship in 2016, during these seniors’ freshman year.

In the past few years, though, they have also had discouraging moments, including being eliminated from the national tournament in the last two seasons.

However, both the highs and the lows have caused the players to grow closer to each other as a team.

Each of the players expressed thankfulness for their time playing for the Bruins.

“I’ll miss the guys most,” Marks said. “I’ll always be able to play soccer, but not always with such amazing guys.”

Laurent Cadet, a criminal justice major and midfielder, joined the team as a walk-on his sophomore year. “I am going to miss the game,” Cadet said. “I love playing soccer.”



Men’s soccer team seniors: Andrew Zhang, Jesse Rush, Benjamin Mills, Isaac Landry, Casey Miller, Laurent Cadet, Nick Marks.
Photo: Derek Eckenroth



Women’s soccer team seniors: Megan Brubaker, Bailey Martin, Kayla Romeiser, Jenny Townsend. Not pictured: Kristyn Rygh.
Photo: Derek Eckenroth

Jenny Townsend, a Spanish education major and defender, said that she came in her freshman year not knowing what to expect, but she soon grew to love the team. “I am going to miss seeing some of my closest friends every day at practice,” Townsend said. “I wouldn’t trade playing on the Bruins for anything because I made amazing friends and learned so much about pushing myself physically and mentally . . . Being on the women’s soccer team is a party.”

HEALTH
& wellness
TIPS
with Melanie Schell



What’s trending?

Each year food producers launch new products to capitalize on our desire for variety, especially in the plant foods market.

Oat milk, while being available in Europe for a while, is making a splash in the US. It has a mild taste and foams up nicely for lattes.

Meatless “meats” will continue to be popular as consumers look for plant-based options similar in taste to their animal counterparts. Even those who would have shunned these intruders a few years ago are now giving some products a thumbs up.

And let’s not forget about dessert with creative options emerging in the frozen food aisle, made with avocado and other unusual ingredients.

Eating more plants has a huge health benefit, so why not?!

Workshops prepare students to establish, continue careers

Andrew Schmidt

STAFF WRITER

Career Services will hold a workshop on Conducting a Successful Job Search on Tuesday Oct. 15 at 5 p.m. in AL 205.

Career services offers similar workshops on different topics throughout the semester, including, "Got the Job: Now What?" on Oct. 22, and "Resumes: The Art of Storytelling" on Nov. 5.

BJU's Career Services department primarily seeks to instill "career readiness" in students.

Natalie Smith, assistant director of Career Services and speaker for most of the workshops, explained what she hopes these workshops will accomplish for students.

"My goal is that it's providing a big-picture of the idea of how to do these certain things and hopefully inspire [students] to work on this and come by the career center to get help for their needs," Smith said.

Shawn Albert, Career Services director, said the skills taught in these workshops are important to all University students, not just seniors or those looking for an internship.

Both Albert and Smith recommended starting the process as soon as possible.

"The idea here is that the earlier [students] begin the process, the more time they have for this to be

well-developed and the better prepared they'll be when the time comes to apply for a job," Albert said.

Smith said she's excited that the workshops this year are held in the Career Services Center rather than elsewhere on campus as they have been in the past. "We're trying to host it here so that students will come into our space and see where it's at and get connected to us that way," Smith said.

Albert explained that the topics for the career workshops are chosen based on what skills are the most universally critical to career readiness and can be reasonably conveyed in a 20-minute workshop.

Smith also explained how Career Services determines topics for workshops.

"We try to think throughout the semester what students need," Smith said. "There are littler things we can help students within the Career Center, but these are the big things that they're going to need first and foremost throughout the semester."

In addition to workshops, the Career Services Center also offers advice on resumes, LinkedIn profiles, job search strategies, internship planning, interview preparation and more.

The Career Services Center offers handouts on many of these subjects and will also help students in more hands-on ways such as reviewing

their resume with them or conducting a mock interview.

The next upcoming workshop is "Conducting a

Successful Job Search."

"They estimate that your generation will change jobs about 17 times in your

lifetime, so conducting a successful job search really needs to become a life skill," Albert said.



Natalie Smith is the primary speaker for the Career Services workshops. Photo: Chris Harmony



Natalie Smith presents a workshop titled "Resumes: The Art of Storytelling." Photo: Submitted

upcoming workshops

All workshops will be held in Alumni 205 at 5 p.m.

Oct. 15: *Conducting a Successful Job Search*

Oct. 22: *Got the Job? Now What?*

Nov. 5: *The Art of Storytelling*

Josh Powell sings national anthem

At this year's Washington Center Day, Josh Powell, junior educational studies major, sang the national anthem.

Powell has participated in the Special Olympics since 1993 and competes in bowling, swimming, and track and field, with swimming being his favorite event.

"Being with people with disabilities is one of the biggest parts of my life," Powell said. "I feel that I can consider anybody with disabilities as family."

He said that his experience at the Washington Center Day centers on guiding BJU students in interacting with Washington Center students and helping Washington Center students enjoy their time on campus.

Powell plans to use his degree to work as a paraprofessional at public high schools, gaining experience helping students with developmental disabilities.

Later, he plans to visit churches and Christian schools in order to train them in ministering to individuals with disabilities.



Josh Powell sings at the Washington Center Day.

Photo: Submitted