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## Commencement 2002



During the afternoon of June 8, one hundred and forty-five enthusiastic graduates of the DCP program processed across the campus in full academic regalia, led by The Washington Memorial Pipe Band. As is tradition, Albright faculty lined the College's brick walkway to applaud the graduates on their way to Albright's Merner-Pieffer-Kline Chapel.

President Henry A. Zimon, Ph.D., presided over the commencement ceremony. In his welcoming remarks he exhorted the graduating class to improve the human condition and serve as a catalyst for positive change and thanked the family members of all the graduates. He also noted that this was Albright's first graduating class with students from Lancaster and Pottstown (9% from Pottstown, 11% from Lancaster, 38% from Reading, and 47% from Harrisburg.)

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### dcp briefs

- *Congratulations to Steve Urick who won the newsletter naming contest with his entry, dcp@alb.*
- *Honorable mention goes to Hildegard Peterson for her newsletter entry, dcp briefs.*
- *Please welcome aboard Lia Fourlas, who will be the DCP Harrisburg recruiter.*



## Alpha Sigma Lambda Inducts Top DCP Students



Alpha Sigma Lambda  
National Honor Society

On May 11, the Beta Phi Chapter of Alpha Sigma Lambda honored twenty-five new members with a ceremony and reception at the Albright College campus. This national honor society was formed in 1946 to acknowledge the special achievements of adults who accomplish academic excellence while balancing the competing interests of home, community, and work. Honorees represent the highest 10 percent of all adult students completing 24 or more credits at Albright College.

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## CLEP Exams are now available in 3 locations



CLEP (College Level Examination Program) testing is now being offered as a service to all DCP students. Approved by ETS as an open test center for Computer Based CLEP examinations, Albright College administers all 34 CLEP exams at its Reading, Harrisburg, and Lancaster sites. Students may earn college credit and fulfill General Studies or Elective requirements by achieving qualifying scores on approved CLEP tests.

DCP students may submit a maximum of 12 credits to a limit of four courses in general studies or electives achieved through CLEP subject tests. A student must achieve a score of 55 or above to be able to count CLEP credits toward graduation.

The CLEP Examination Fee is \$50.00. Students can conveniently use a credit card to pay this fee directly to CLEP at the time of the exam. As a courtesy, the Test Center Fee is waived for all Albright College students. For a fee of \$80.00 per course, qualifying scores of 55 or above are transcribed by Albright's Registrar. Since no grade is given, credits earned through CLEP transfer are not computed in the grade-point average. Students may not retake a CLEP test within six months of an unsuccessful CLEP.

If you are interested in scheduling an exam or if you want to know more, please contact the site where you wish to take the exam. Each of the three sites has a desk copy of CLEP's *Official Study Guide* and brochures with more information. Additional information about CLEP and the 34 exams can be found at <http://www.collegeboard.com/clep/>.

## Psi Chi Inducts Outstanding Psychology Students

Albright College is proud to have begun a new tradition this year with the first annual DCP student induction ceremony for Psi Chi. Psi Chi is the national honor society for psychology and requires that students invited to membership be in the top 35% of their class. Because of the nature of the DCP program, only the top 35% of graduating seniors were considered for this honor with GPA's exceeding 3.7.

Fourteen outstanding students were inducted into Psi Chi on June 1st, immediately preceding the DCP Banquet. Please congratulate these fine students: *Gerald Adams, Doris Detweiler, William Fisher, Catherine Fried, Sally Lee, David Light, Diane Miller, Hope Miller, Tiffany Molkenthin, Beth Schiepan, Hannah Smith, Kristie Smoker and Curtis Whitmer.*



## DCP Spotlight: The Career Development

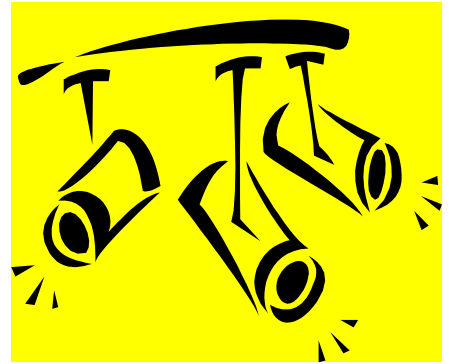
Did you know that career development resources are available to all DCP students and alumni?

### Career Counseling

Meet one-on-one with our counseling staff to discuss concerns related to careers, academic majors, graduate/professional schools, or other issues surrounding the career development process. Career testing is also available.

### Career Workshops

**Resume and Cover Letter Writing**  
**Job Searching**  
**Interview Skills**  
**Getting into Graduate School**



Career Center

### Job Search

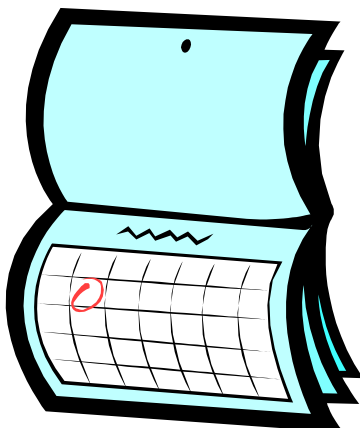
- **On-Campus Interviews** for full-time career and internship positions.
- **College Central Network** is a web-based job posting system..
- **Central Pennsylvania Employment Consortium** holds an annual job fair sponsored by area colleges during February at the Lebanon Valley Expo Center.
- **Lehigh Valley Collegiate Career Expo** holds an annual job fair sponsored by Berks and Lehigh Valley Colleges during February in the Lehigh Valley.

### Alumni Sharing Knowledge (ASK)

Take advantage of our network of alumni from a variety of career fields who are willing to provide career information. Just ASK us, and we'll get you connected! It's a great source for informational interviewing.

The career development center at Albright College is located in Selwyn Hall, South Wing on the Reading campus. They have office hours year-round, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with other hours by appointment. To schedule an appointment, please call **610-921-7630** or email [careercenter@alb.edu](mailto:careercenter@alb.edu).

## Upcoming DCP Events



- Homecoming Tailgate Party, Saturday October 12, 2002  
*All DCP students and alumni are welcome!*
- Pre-Commencement Banquet, Saturday, December 7, 2002
- Commencement Exercises, Saturday, December 14, 2002

## First Ever Albright DCP Homecoming Tailgate Party



Albright College announces a special Degree Completion Program (DCP) Reunion during Homecoming-Family Day 2002

### Albright College Degree Completion Program (DCP) Reunion, Saturday October 12

#### *Schedule of Events*

10:30 a.m. **Registration** on the Practice Football Field (12th & Exeter Street behind Shirk Stadium)

11:00 a.m. **Tailgate Picnic Lunch** on the Practice Football Field

11:30 a.m. **Homecoming Parade**

1:30 p.m. **Football Game**- Albright College vs. Lebanon Valley

To register online, visit <https://www.albright.edu/alumni/homecomingform.html>

For more information, call Alumni Relations at 610-921-7847 or visit

<http://www.albright.edu/alumni/dcpreunion.html>



## Commencement



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Each cohort was then called forward to participate in the Hooding Ceremony, a unique feature of Albright's commencement ceremony, performed at few other colleges. Faculty members placed academic hoods on the graduates' shoulders symbolizing the mantle of thoughtfulness, creativity, and spiritual wholeness, as befitting a person educated in the liberal arts and sciences.

Dr. Mary Jane Androne, Professor of English, presented Rosemarie Greco as candidate for the honorary Doctor of Humanities degree, which was conferred by Dr. Zimon on behalf of the Albright College Board of Trustees. The Commencement Address was given by Ms. Greco, a former CEO of CoreStates Bank N.A. and founder of GRECOventures Ltd., who began her career in banking as a branch secretary, working to earn money for college tuition.

The Bachelor of Science degree was conferred upon the class and each graduate was called to receive their diploma from President Zimon. Robert Guinter '02, who was called to active duty in the Middle East during his DCP Business Administration program, accepted the degrees on behalf of his class.

Dr. Patricia Snyder, President-Elect of the Albright College Alumni Association, welcomed the class of 2002 into the Association on behalf of the over 15,000 Albrightians worldwide. President Zimon then asked spouses and partners, children, and parents to stand and each group was given a standing ovation by the graduates. After the singing of the Albright College Alma Mater, the ceremony was drawn to a close with the bagpipers leading the recessional from the Chapel to the reception for the graduates and their families, hosted by President and Mrs. Zimon.



## **Who's Who in the Graduate & Professional Division**

### **Graduate & Professional Division**

David Stineback- *Provost*  
 Ron Green- *Dean*  
 Melissa Wardwell- *Director of Graduate Studies*  
 Ann Grube- *Divisional Marketing Director*  
 Don Wardwell- *Director of Corporate Extension*  
 Mickey Baines- *Degree Start Coordinator*  
 Corinne White- *Administrative Assistant*

### **DCP- Reading**

Jerry Lee- *Director of DCP*  
 Mickey Baines- *Site Coordinator*  
 Linda Reinhart- *Administrative Assistant*

### **DCP- Lancaster**

Jenny Green- *Site Coordinator, Psych Faculty*  
 Thomas Schuster- *Accounting Faculty*  
 Melissa Wells- *Business Faculty*  
 Sheila Murray- *Facilities Coordinator*

### **DCP- Harrisburg**

Sally Farley- *Site Coordinator, Psych Faculty*  
 Melinda Riccio- *Accounting Faculty*  
 Lia Furlas- *Recruiter*  
 Don Venable- *Facilities Coordinator*

### **DCP- Montgomery County**

Jennifer Gray- *Senior Recruiter*  
 Linda Metzler- *Recruiter*

### **DCP- Lehigh Valley**

Jeff Newhard- *Recruiter*

### **Other DCP faculty**

Richard Schott- *Business Faculty*  
 Jody Menon- *Psych Faculty*

### **DCP Programs of Study**

- Accounting  
Gail Wright- *Program Coordinator*
- Biotechnology  
Karen Campbell- *Program Coordinator*
- Business  
Jim Moyer- *Program Coordinator*
- Crime and Justice  
Carla Abodalo- *Program Coordinator*
- Information Systems  
Dan Falabella- *Program Coordinator*
- Psychology  
Jerry Lee – *Program Coordinator*

## **Alpha Sigma Lambda**

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Stacey Gantz '00, Vice President of Human Resources for The Bachman Company, was also inducted as an honorary member of Alpha Sigma Lambda. Ms. Gantz addressed the candidates as the keynote speaker sharing some of her personal experiences as a former DCP student. After a brief induction ritual, led by Melissa Wardwell, Sally Farley and Jennifer Gray, the honorees were presented with certificates and the traditional Alpha Sigma Lambda gold lapel pin.

Congratulations to these students: *Gerald J. Adams III, Barbara Barton, Diane L. Bogdan, Sandra M. Colantuono, Garry Robert Detwiler, Catherine M. Fried, Rachel Geimecke, Denise R. Kerns, Sara M. Lee, James R. Lendacki, Cheryl A. Light, Hope Miller, Jody Lynn Miller, Tiffani J. Molkenthin, Karen L. Painter, Raymond G. Proska, Mark Runkle, Geoffrey M. Sassani, K.R. Seidel, Edwin T. Shields, Jr., C. Hannah Smith, Kristie A. Smoker, Nancy J.M. Stichter, Robert A. Szurgot and Thomas D. Zerbe.*





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*Did you know that Albright College provides on-site programs at companies like Pfizer, Agere and Exelon/PECO? For more information about Corporate on-site programs like this contact, Don Wardwell at 717-581-5423.*

Albright College Graduate and Professional Division offers three distinct programs in specifically designed for the working adult student:

- Accelerated Degree START Program (DSP)**
- Accelerated Degree Completion Program (DCP)**
- Master's Degree Program**

This inaugural issue of dcp@alb newsletter was produced by Don Wardwell. Many thanks to our contributing writers: Melissa Wardwell, Jeff Newhard and Sally Farley.

**Do you have news to share about your cohort?**  
DCP students and alumni are encouraged to contribute news, photos and articles in this newsletter. The submission deadline for the next issue is January 15, 2003.

## Graduate & Professional Division

### **Accelerated Degree START Program (DSP)**

Complete the first two years of your Bachelor's degree (the General Studies portion of your college courses), while working full-time. The Accelerated DSP makes it possible for adults with little or no college credit to finish General Studies course work as quickly as full-time day students - in two years or less. *Available at Albright College in Reading and as corporate on-site program.*

### **Accelerated Degree Completion Program (DCP)**

Complete the final two years of your Bachelor's degree - your "major" - with less than 24 months of coursework. This program is ideal for working adults with an Associate's degree or approximately 50 transferable credits. Concentrations available in: *Accounting, Applied Psychology, Business Administration, Crime and Justice, Information Systems.* *Available as corporate on-site program and in 7 locations: Reading, Harrisburg, Lancaster, Pottstown, Blue Bell, Allentown, Bethlehem.*

### **Master's Degree Program**

The Master's Program in Education leads to a Master of Arts or Master of Science degree and offers four concentrations: General Ed./Secondary Ed., Elementary Education, Special Education or Early Childhood Education. Candidates can pursue *teacher certification* in any area while completing the Master's degree. *Available at Albright College in Reading.*