Welcome to ADP Connection, a way to keep Albright ADP students and alumni informed, connected and involved in the life of the college.

Are you doing something interesting?
The Albright Reporter, the College's quarterly magazine, might like to feature you! Contact Jen Stoudt, editor, at jstoudt@alb.edu.

First Tamaqua Psychology Cohort Announced!
The first cohort to meet at our Carbon-Schuylkill location in Tamaqua, Pa., begins orientation in March 2013. For more information call 1-888-253-8851.

Congratulations to our December 2012 graduates!
To view photos and video highlights, go to www.albright.edu/ commencementmediaadp.html

You can also view videos highlighting some of the services available to students on campus at www.albright.edu/reporter.

ADP Alumnus and Current Student’s Business Named to Inc. Magazine’s Fastest Growing Companies
Mark O’Donnell ’07, who graduated from the ADP business program, struggled with several early business ventures. Today, O’Donnell’s company Azzur Group, LLC, of which he is one of four partners along with brother Tom O’Donnell, a student in the Allentown 5 business program, is growing fast. In fact, it’s growing so fast that it was included on Inc. Magazine’s 2012 list of 5,000 fastest-growing private companies in the United States.

Located in Willow Grove, Pa., Azzur Group LLC provides a variety of life science consulting services for clients in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device industries.

Tom O’Donnell, who expects to graduate in December 2013, said, “As senior vice president, I am faced with having to make important business decisions every day. Throughout the [ADP] program, I have learned more about the different aspects of running a business. Each professor shares completely different experiences and perspectives in class... I often share what I learned in class with my business partners, which leads to discussions on how my new acquired knowledge applies to our business.”

Read more about alumnus Mark O’Donnell ’07 and his definition of success in the winter issue of The Albright Reporter at www.albright.edu/reporter.

Albright Celebrates National Adult Student Week
Albright has welcomed many nontraditional students into various programs at the College for many years. This year, Albright wanted to promote awareness of the importance of adult learners and the impact they have in the classroom. National Adult Student Week events were celebrated across all ten of Albright College’s campuses.

To view the short videos highlighting some of the services available to students on campus, go to http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TgCgN7IwjuU

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS
Capstone Corner
Healthy Alternatives Food Distributors, Inc, presented by Blue Bell Business 9 Cohort: Healthy Alternatives Food Distributors, Inc., is a restaurant food supplier of healthy, gluten-free items such as baked goods and pastas. They will offer alternative products to restaurants to serve customers with celiac disease and gluten sensitivities.

Quality Real Estate Rentals LLC presented by Blue Bell Business 9 Cohort: Quality Real Estate Rentals LLC, is a property rental company that meets the need for refurbished home rentals for the greater Norristown, Pa., area.

JEWISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE AND FILM - This course explores the Jewish experience in America from the end of the 19th century until today. Through the media of literature and film, the course explores the immigrant experience, the move toward assimilation, the reaction to the Holocaust and the return to (a modern form of) tradition.

The goal and objective of the course is to gain an understanding of the development of Jewish-American literature since the great migration of the 1900s, and to show how this literature reflected the issues faced by Jewish immigrants as they became part of American society. In addition, the works studied raise issues related to all ethnic groups in America, as well as fundamental American values such as freedom, equality, justice, opportunity and family.

This course satisfies a general studies humanities or foreign language/cultural requirement.

A Look at the Liberal Arts

"With a liberal arts education, you build a sophisticated vocabulary and develop intellectual skills, such as reasoning and judgment. With preparation like this, liberal arts graduates can adapt to a variety of careers." - College Boards

Honors & Awards Ceremony
Students in the Accelerated Degree Programs were inducted into the following honors societies in November 2012: Alpha Sigma Lambda (national adult honors society), Psi Chi (national psychology honors society) and Alpha Kappa Delta (national sociology honors society). A student speaker, chosen by the faculty from each major, spoke at the dinner about their cohort experience at Albright College.

Cynthia Whitley ’13, inducted into Psi Chi, told fellow students that she would not have been able to do it without the support of her cohort and teachers, and the encouragement of friends and family. “I was very worried about the idea of a cohort,” Whitley said, “but my cohort was awesome and I am so happy that I have them now as lifelong friends.”

Susan Hoffmann ’13 said it was an honor to speak at the dinner and a privilege to be part of the Albright family. Inducted into Alpha Sigma Lambda, Hoffmann said, “Each of us had a different motive for obtaining our degree, some personal betterment, some for advancement and some a career change. For me, I am one step closer to my lifelong dream of teaching at the college level. Thank you Albright for helping me in my life’s journey!”

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