SBS CAREER DAY

The College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Career Day took place February 4 in the CSU Ballroom. Students took advantage of the opportunity to see more than 30 exhibitors and major panels.

SOCIAL WORK

Annelies Hagemeister and 22 students from her Social Work and Domestic Violence course, spent Feb. 11 at the Minnesota State Capitol for the End Violence against Women Action Day. They visited with legislators, went to a rally and memorial, and sat in on a House Committee hearing about sexual violence prevention.

SOCIOLOGY & CORRECTIONS

Jenna Covey, CSBS student commencement speaker in December 2007, spoke on the Sociology Career Day Panel, February 4.

WHO'S WHO

Who's Who Among Students is a highly regarded honors program. These individuals were nominated because of their contributions to community and school.
Ryan Anderson (Political Science) has an extensive record with student government, spanning most of his MSU career. He aspires to serve in an elected office.

Amanda Baker (Psychology) is completing the Psychology Honors program by conducting a research project entitled “Family support and child resilience: Is family support good or bad for children?”

Cumah Blake (Sociology) has traveled to Mexico to visit indigenous natives, is an active volunteer, chairs an IMPACT committee, and has worked with political campaigns. She plans on a career developing third world sustainability systems.

Andrea Diekman (Political Science and Women’s Studies) is consistently a top student in class by being prepared, participating in discussions, and demonstrating interests in learning and critical thinking.

Scott Fillingane (Law Enforcement) is a sergeant in the Army Reserve. He has served as a Combat Engineer in Afghanistan. He is the president of the Law Enforcement club and a member of Alpha Phi Sigma. He was treasurer of the Rugby club, and he tutored for several classes.

Kayla Hall (Ethnic Studies) has good analytical and writing skills and volunteers her time to serve others.

Jessi Hornick (Social Work) has participated in Crisis Nursery Hotline training, presented on topics of body image and the media, and been trained in CADA and sexual violence information.

Amber Marra (Anthropology) is a member of the Anthropology Club, Phi Theta Kappa, and Golden Key. She has been a 4.0 student for the past two semesters while working full-time.

Erin Myhre (Sociology) has been on the dean’s list every semester with a 4.0 GPA while being a single mother and an employee. She also volunteers as Vice-President of Events for the Non-traditional Student Organization.

Jason Nelson (Economics) completed two internships and was involved with Campus Kitchen and Golden Key.

Abby Rolf ( Corrections) was on the Dean’s List while double majoring and working with troubled adolescent males. She has volunteered at the YMCA and plans to conduct research that will benefit society.

Katie Woloszyk (Psychology) is completing the Psychology Honors program and has great writing capabilities.

Mark Younghans ( Corrections) completed an internship with Boys Totem Town in Ramsey County, and participated in the JOLT mentoring program while playing football for MSU for the past 4 years.

### Faculty and Department Activities

**ECONOMICS**

Atrayee Ghosh Roy presented, “How important is domestic saving for U.S. economic growth?: A time-series analysis,” at the national ASSA meetings, organized by the American Economic Association, in January. There she also served as discussant for the session, “Regulation and Public Policy Issues.”

Phillip Miller spoke on January 30 with a Miami Herald reporter about a proposal to build a new baseball stadium for the Florida Marlins.

Phillip Miller was named the Outstanding Alumnus for 2009 by the department of Economics at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Richard Schiming was interviewed by the Free Press February 10 about the impact of the fiscal stimulus bill.

**POLITICAL SCIENCE/LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Joe Kunkel delivered a talk, “Liberty in America,” at a Lake Crystal High School assembly on February 23. The address was part of a program celebrating Liberty Day sponsored by the Lake Crystal Lions Club.

**PSYCHOLOGY**


Kevin Filter presented, “Yellow zone PBIS tools that work,” training for South Central MN PreK-12 school staff at the South Central Service Cooperative, February 12. The presentation was hosted by the Minn. Center for Academic Excellence.

Kevin Filter presented, “PBIS: An overview,” to Region 9 school psychologists on February 19.

Emily Stark presented a poster titled, “Examining attitudes toward alcohol, tobacco, and marijuana: How experience with a drug influences attitude base and attitude content,” at the Society for Personality and Social Psychology conference, February 2009, Tampa, FL. The poster described research conducted with Dawn Albertson.
SOCIAL WORK

William Anderson received the Minnesota State Student Association Award for Individual Distinguished Service. He has been a member of MSSA and the Region 9 Board of Directors since 1980. He encourages Social Work students to be active in MSSA—bringing an average of 50 students to the Annual Training Conference & Expo. MSSA Past President, Trudy Eisenhauer nominated him for the honor. 

Paul F.E. Mackie’s paper, "Is there really a problem with hiring rural social workers?" was accepted for presentation at the National Institute on Social Work and Human Services in Rural Areas conference, July 26-28, 2009.

URBAN & REGIONAL STUDIES

Tony Filipovitch served as one of the discussion facilitators for Region IX’s workshop, “The impact of fiscal hardship on local government,” January 29.

Tony Filipovitch has been appointed to the City of Mankato’s new Heritage Preservation Commission for a three-year term.

College and Related Activities

KESEL PEACE INSTITUTE

The Kessel Peace Institute sponsored a teach-in on global peace and justice on February 18. Several SBS faculty members presented during the forum. The conference covered issues on language, empire and war; opportunities for student activism; indigenous people’s rights; energy policy and justice issues; civics education; the history of activist movements; U.S. foreign policy; and civil liberties and human rights issues connected with the war on terrorism.