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The Campaign in Support of Bay Path Students

**ACCESS, ACADEMICS & ACHIEVEMENT**

Through your generosity  
each student becomes a masterpiece  
of originality and achievement.

*Thank you.*

# Access

~ *Making a Bay Path education attainable,  
especially for underserved women*

## **Raquel Babeau '09**

Legal Studies

“As a first-year, transfer student from a public university, I looked for a four-year college that was affordable, provided a high quality education and, most importantly, treated me as a person, not a number. At Bay Path, I found everything I was looking for and more—faculty who cared about my education as much as I do and limitless opportunities to succeed.

From scholarships to grants, financial aid made it possible for me to pay for a private college education. When I joined the Bay Path community, I received one-on-one attention from faculty and staff, which enabled me to excel in my studies as well as extra-curricular activities. I received an exceptional higher education that has brought me one step closer to achieving my dream of becoming a lawyer focused on criminal juvenile law.”

*Today, Raquel is a second year student at WNEC Law School and was recently named to the Western New England Law Review.*

## **Molly Dower '11**

Accounting

“As an honors student majoring in accounting, I’ve been surrounded by faculty and staff who influence students to succeed. Knowing my passion for community service, Dr. Paul Solomon, professor and director of Bay Path’s accounting programs, encouraged me to participate in the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program in Greater Springfield. A great way to combine my two loves of accounting and volunteering, the experience enabled me to connect the dots from my classroom lessons to real-life application by preparing tax documents for low-income residents.

My college experience is enhanced by Bay Path’s vast opportunities for students. The *One America* intersession road trip is just one of the many programs that have molded me. I’ve seen first-hand the sites of American history and the issues that affect the lives of people residing in the Deep South and Mid-Atlantic states. Since enrolling at Bay Path, I’ve learned when an opportunity is thrown your way, you need to take it. When I reflect on my days here, I’m going to remember how this College shaped me into a successful professional and community advocate.”

*When you do a thing with your whole soul  
and everything that is noble within you, you  
always find your counterpart. ~ CAMILE PISSARO*

# Achievement

~ *Helping women succeed together through programs that transcend the classroom*

## **Danielle Ardizzone '09**

Psychology

“Bay Path College provided me with a top-rate education, while presenting opportunities that encouraged my interests. From a very early age, I have always been captivated by Native American culture, and Bay Path provided a once-in-a-lifetime experience for me to live among the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate tribe in South Dakota for an entire semester.

Through my internship, I became immersed in their language, history, and culture. I experienced Native dance, music, and traditions at powwows, and even witness some ceremonies, such as the sweat lodge ceremony. Most importantly, I worked one-on-one with children and teens at their Veterans Memorial Youth Center. There, I realized the issues many of these children and their families face on a day-to-day basis.

I crave meaningful experiences, and Bay Path not only delivered remarkable opportunities, but an education that combines coursework with hands-on learning. Great things can be achieved with the right amount of passion and support, and my dreams would not have become a reality if it wasn't for the support of mentors, my circle of friends, and my family.”

## **Kim Gende '11**

Psychology

One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program

Central MA Campus

“In 2007, I was talking with my mother about my frustration of not being able to apply for jobs that I was prepared for and that interested me, simply because of my education. My mother suggested I pursue a college degree. With a knot in my stomach, I contacted Bay Path College and scheduled an appointment to explore my options, and I learned of the One-Day-A-Week Saturday Program. I was beyond my comfort zone, but my ultimate drive and inspiration came from my four children and the example I was setting for them.

In November 2007, I began my first two classes in the One-Day program. That morning, I was nervous to say the least, but before I knew it, it was six weeks later and I completed my first session of classes. I had finished the courses with the most amazing reward—my very first A's in English and government. Today, I am proud to say I have made the Dean's List every semester, and I was recently inducted into Psi Chi, the National Honor Society of Psychology.

The words “never” and “cannot” are no longer a part of my vocabulary. I possess a confidence now that still takes my breath away, especially when I reflect back on who I used to be. I hold my head higher and stand taller because of my experiences at Bay Path.”

*What would life be if we had no courage to attempt anything?*

~ VINCENT VAN GOGH

# Academics

~ *Investing in faculty, quality academic programs and delivery models that prepare our students to succeed in key professions*

## Monica Lefebvre '10

Biology

"I've always been passionate about science and research, and Bay Path encouraged me to pursue my dreams—one of which recently became a reality.

Last summer, I was among a select number of undergraduates chosen to participate in the Harvard-MIT Bioinformatics Summer Program, based at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge and at Harvard-affiliated institutions in Boston. This highly competitive internship was simply an opportunity I could not ignore. I worked with scientists from around the world, gaining hands-on research experience related to genetics and the application of information technology to molecular biology.

Bay Path not only prepared me for this dream internship, but for all that lies ahead of me as I pursue my science career. From my courses focused on genetics and microbiology—two of my favorite subjects—to faculty, like Dr. Gina Semperebon, who are supportive and my own personal cheering section, Bay Path has allowed me to grow as a student and a future researcher."

## Carli Flanagan '12

Liberal Studies

"By majoring in liberal studies, I am receiving a well-rounded education through which I can concentrate on subjects like English, communications, and business, that will build the foundation for my future career. I'm inspired on a daily basis by my professors, like Dr. John Jarvis, who challenge me and encourage me to make my voice heard and to make a difference in the greater community and the world.

Outside the classroom, I've been given opportunities to build upon my academic experiences. I was among the handful of students selected to participate in Bay Path's First-Year Leadership Institute and as a first-generation student, I was one of six students invited to join Bay Path's **New Media Research Production Team**. As a member of the research team, I gained real-world experience in film production and fundraising as our video was created for the **Girls Inc. of Holyoke's Dear World** campaign.

Bay Path is helping me define the direction of my profession—be it teacher or writer. The College has opened the doors for me to succeed, and I'm excited to see what the future holds."

*It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.*

~ ALBERT EINSTEIN