

The Winston Center for Leadership and Ethics ANNUAL REPORT



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REFLECTIONS AND LOOKING AHEAD

2019 continued the Winston Center's winning streak of providing programs to the Boston College community that highlight incredibly fascinating and important topics. Our partnerships across campus reached a new level when we collaborated with the PULSE Program in celebration of their 50th anniversary to host Bryan Stevenson, the founder of the Equal Justice Initiative, an advocacy program for inmates on death row. Other speakers included former National Security advisor Susan Rice, who gave us a sneak peek of her new book *Tough Love*, providing us with a captivating narrative of her leadership journey; and Tyler Shultz, the Theranos whistleblower who courageously spoke up when he saw that something did not seem right.

Next spring, the Clough Colloquium will feature Harvard Professor and BC alumnus Nick Burns, who will give a geopolitical perspective of America's role in the world, and the Chambers Lecture will feature former governor of New Mexico Susana Martinez (the nation's first female Hispanic Governor), who will talk about mending bridges in our polarized nation. Other spring programming includes the Brennan Symposium with Ben Rattray, founder of Change.org; and BC alums Kate Clifford of Wells Fargo, Matt Marcotte of Bergdorf Goodman, and Stephen Franco of Bank of America as our Lunch with a Leader speakers.

We look forward to continuing our tradition of providing exceptional and top-caliber programming to our students and the rest of the BC community in 2020 and beyond.

Monetta Edwards, Director

SIGNATURE EVENTS

SPRING 2019



The **Chambers Lecture Series** featured Piper Kerman, author of *Orange Is the New Black* and inspiration for the Netflix series of the same name.

The **Clough Colloquium** featured former Prime Minister of Denmark and former Secretary General of NATO Anders Fogh Rasmussen. His lecture centered around the United States' role in the international community.



SIGNATURE EVENTS

FALL 2019

The Jane Jacobs Lecture

featured public health expert and former gubernatorial candidate Abdul El-Sayed, who spoke about public health in urban communities.



Susan Rice with Chuck Clough

At the **Clough Colloquium**, former US National Security Advisor and United Nations Representative Susan E. Rice discussed her new book *Tough Love: My Story of the Things Worth Fighting For*.

The **Forum on Ethics** featured Tyler Shultz, a whistleblower who exposed fraud at the health technology company Theranos.



COLLABORATIONS



Sylvia Earle



Dannel Malloy '77, Law'80



Scene from the Holocaust conference



Bryan Stevenson

Winston Collaborations: The Center partnered with BC Dining and the student group EcoPledge to bring legendary oceanographer and activist Sylvia Earle to speak about her new book *The World is Blue: How Our Fate and the Ocean's Are One*.

Together with the Rappaport Center for Law and Public Policy, former Connecticut Governor Dannel Malloy '77, BC Law '80, spoke about his experience serving as a public servant and the influence of his BC education. The Center also collaborated with multiple organizations on campus to present the Hitler's *Mein Kampf*: Prelude to the Holocaust conference. And with the Lowell Humanities Series and the PULSE Program for Service Learning Center, featured Bryan Stevenson, founder of the Equal Justice Initiative, who shared his moving story as recounted in his book *Just Mercy*.

STUDENT PROGRAMS

Lunch with a Leader

The spring LWL sessions featured a heartfelt discussion with Andrew Glincher '80, CEO and managing partner of Boston-based global law firm Nixon Peabody; and an intimate conversation with former Connecticut Governor Dannel Malloy, who was the spring 2019 Rappaport Visiting Professor at BC Law.

The fall LWL session featured Michael Welch, STM '87, LGSOE '93, chief executive officer of UniBank, who discussed his journey from school administrator to CEO of a bank.



Andrew Glincher '80



Michael Welch STM '87, LGSOE '93



The **Ethics and Lunch** featured BC parent Kim Jeffery, former chairman and CEO of Nestlé Waters North America, who discussed creating a culture of success in an industry driven by rivalry.

STUDENT PROGRAMS CONT'D

The Center's first **Social Impact and Lunch** featured Ilana Finley, VP of Global Communications and Social Impact for Converse, Inc., who discussed her work in corporate social responsibility for a global brand, and the career journey that brought her to where she is today.



The **Brennan Symposium** featured Emily Chang, author of *Brotopia: Breaking Up the Boys' Club of Silicon Valley*, who talked about sexism in the workplace and how companies are beginning to see the moral and professional value of including and respecting women at the table.

STUDENT PROGRAMS CONT'D

Class of 2019 student directors of the **Jenks Leadership Program** attended the US Naval Academy's leadership conference on Inside Out Leadership: Know Yourself First.

Claire Greydanus '21 was the recipient of the Joseph G. Bonito Servant Leadership Award at the 2019 Jenks graduation.



Claire Greydanus '21 and Natalie Hession '19



Class of 2019 group projects supported organizations like Harlem Lacrosse, St. Francis House Clothing Center, Newton Community Farm, Thomas Edison K-8 School, and BC's Career Center and Offices of First Year Experience and Disability Services.



Students in the Class of 2020 did volunteer work for an elderly homeowner through the **Rebuilding Together Boston** program.

We accepted 26 students for the Jenks Class of 2021, representing 13 states, China, and Singapore.

STUDENT GRANTS

Seven travel grants were awarded to students who journeyed to California, Chicago, Amsterdam, Geneva, Rome, India, and Mauritius for work in the areas of language exchange, education, public health, and social enterprise. Thirteen internship grants were issued to students for unpaid summer internships at the Office of Senator Patrick O'Connor (Boston, MA), the Office of the NJ Attorney General (Whippany, NJ), the US Commercial Service (Shanghai, China), Harvard Immigration & Refugee Clinical Program (Cambridge, MA), the City of Boston Office of Recovery Services (Boston, MA), and various non-profit organizations across the country and abroad in New Zealand and India.



Learning Hindi in Kolkata, West Bengal



Wellington Bird Rehabilitation Trust in Wellington, NZ

FACULTY GRANT



A grant was awarded to the core renewal class **Powering America** to support a two-part workshop on managing difficult conversations with authenticity and compassion. The workshops were facilitated by MIT's Lawrence Barriner II, and students expressed that the workshops provided them with life skills that they could utilize in their daily lives, and made them, as one put it, "well-rounded."

End Reflection

As I look back from the beginning of the semester and my goals I cannot believe how much I've progressed and changed since the start. The goals I set for myself, I think I've achieved them all. I wanted to be more aware, to use my knowledge in daily-life whether through conversations or my choices. I definitely think that my writing in this class has improved. With more practice and extensive practice in research I have learned how to more clearly articulate my message and argument.

Overall this class has been extremely challenging but a subject that I've had great interest and passion in. Through the challenges I've come out as a stronger student and know that I can improve more. Even though I feel like I'm at a disadvantage with my word-recall, I strive to overcome and defuse the norms and my disability that holds me back.



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