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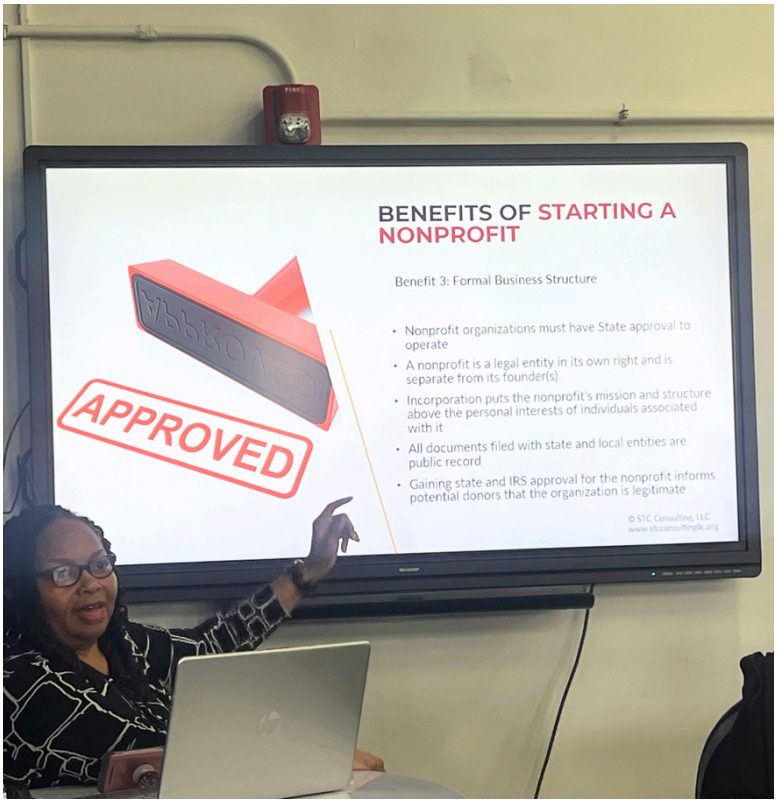
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CHARTING NEW PATHS: GUEST SPEAKER PROVIDES INSIGHTS WITH BENNETT COLLEGE STUDENTS FOR LUNCHTIME DIALOGUE ON NON-PROFIT STRATEGIES

In a “Lunch and Learn” session of Dr. Janice Wise's Entrepreneurship class, students learned from Dr. Kathryn Addo, the founder of STC Consulting LLC. Dr. Addo shared her expertise on non-profit entities, focusing on their creation and operation, particularly within North Carolina. Dr. Addo's session was insightful and practical, providing students with a clear roadmap for starting and managing non-profit organizations. Through her engaging approach, she highlighted the importance of understanding the unique challenges and opportunities in the non-profit sector.

Dr. Addo empowered students to pursue their passion for social change through entrepreneurship by offering actionable advice and real-world examples. Her visit left a lasting impact on the class, inspiring them to explore the transformative potential of non-profit ventures in their communities. Dr. Addo said, “Be prepared to share your idea with others so they can buy into your vision.” For more information, contact Dr. Janice Wise at janice.wise@bennett.edu.





EXCELLENCE RECOGNIZED: BENNETT COLLEGE HONORED WITH AWARD AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Bennett College's Student Services Department recently attended the 2024 NASPA Conference in Seattle, Washington, reaffirming the institution's commitment to professional development and excellence. Among the attendees, Ms. Chancey Gunnell, the Health & Safety Advocate Program Coordinator, distinguished herself by clinching 1st place in the inaugural Case Study Competition for New Professionals organized by NASPA's Public Policy Division.

Tailored for professionals with 0-5 years of experience in Student Affairs, the competition delved into critical public policy issues affecting institutions nationwide. Topics ranged from navigating the intricacies of the First Amendment to advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion efforts, with a particular focus on LGBTQIA+ student groups and strategies for enhancing student success and retention.

Ms. Gunnell, in collaboration with her partners Charles Hawes from Clemson University and Akua Nelson from Ohio State University, delivered a compelling case study presentation. Their analysis demonstrated a deep understanding of legal, diversity, and student success principles, earning them the esteemed top position.

This achievement showcases the many talents of Bennett's faculty and staff and exemplifies the institution's dedication to fostering an inclusive and innovative learning environment. It is a testament to the collective expertise and commitment to excellence within the Bennett College community. As they bring back their insights, the campus community eagerly anticipates the positive impact on campus culture and the institution's ongoing mission to cultivate diverse leaders for future challenges. “This experience was unique yet rewarding. My team members and I were matched and had only a month to prepare. I was very excited and proud when our names were announced.”, shared Ms. Gunnell.



