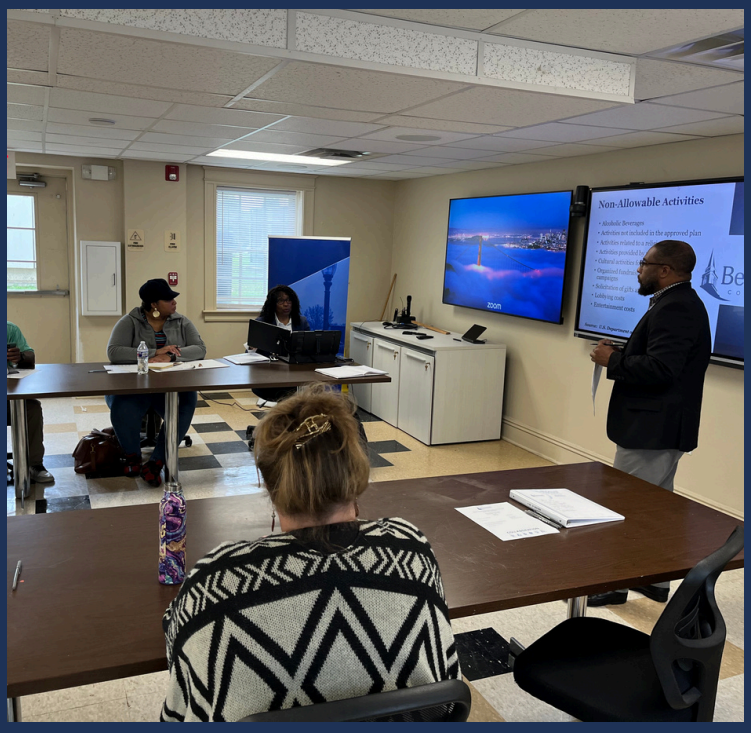
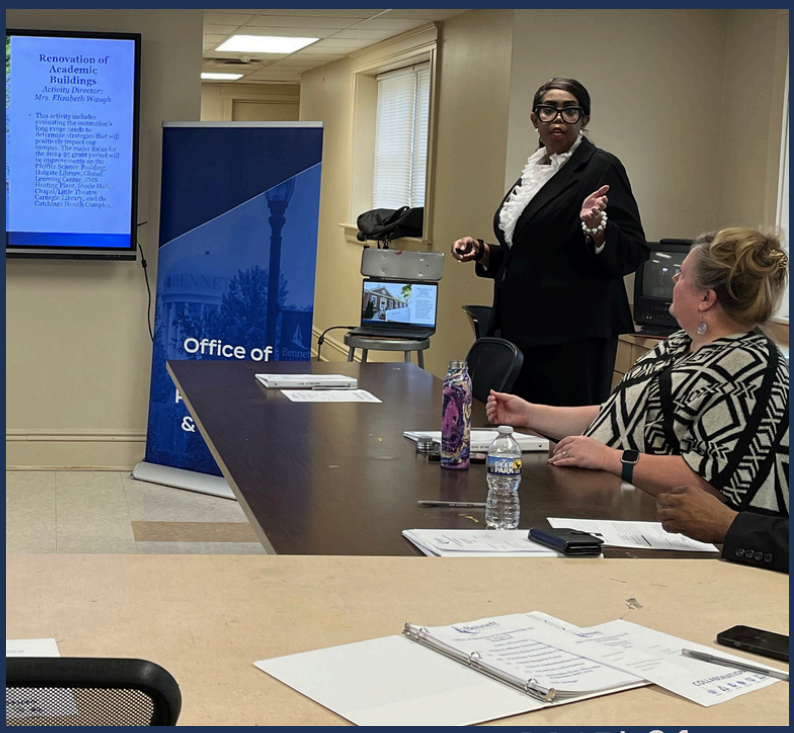
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THE OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS/TITLE III HOSTS KICKOFF MEETINGS

Bennett College's Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP)/Title III hosted two kickoff meetings for current activity directors on September 19th and 30th. These sessions focused on preparing directors to navigate the Title III & FUTURE grant processes effectively and to ensure that all activities align with institutional goals.

During the meetings, the objectives included providing a comprehensive overview of Title III & FUTURE activities, discussing allowable and non-allowable expenses under the grants, and sharing essential data related to the programs. Participants were briefed on general facts and compliance requirements, including the proper documentation necessary to maintain transparency and accountability in all grant-related activities. The OSP/Title III team facilitated a dedicated question-and-answer session, allowing directors to clarify details and address specific concerns. These sessions are a cornerstone for setting the framework for future collaboration and success in leveraging grant funding to support Bennett College's mission and strategic priorities. For more information, contact the Office of OSP/Title III at grants@bennett.edu.





CAMPUS-WIDE INVENTORY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM LAUNCHED BY OSP/TITLE III





The implementation of the new AssetCloud inventory management system marks a major advancement in streamlining asset tracking processes for Bennett College's OSP/Title III program. With AssetCloud, OSP/Title III can ensure that all technology resources are appropriately documented and maintained, reducing the risk of misplacement or loss.

As we move forward, the collaboration between the OSP/Title III and the IT Department will streamline the process of equipment tracking, making it easier to manage campus technology assets. As part of the audit process, the OSP/Title III and IT team will visit every building to tag computers and laptops with barcodes, allowing us to log their location accurately and assign users to the system.

This initiative ensures that all technology assets are accounted for and easily trackable. For more information, contact Mrs. Shilpa Srinivasa at SSrinivasa@Bennett.edu.



ADVOCATING FOR MENTAL WELLNESS: LESSONS FROM THE GLOBAL SUMMIT



Bennett's Counselors and Wellness Specialist (pictured left to right are Mrs. Ryanne Peterson, Ms. Layla Martin, and Ms. Chancey Gunnell, respectively) recently participated in the Global Summit on Women's Mental Health hosted by Kate Spade, New York, at the Times Center in New York City. The event focused on empowering women and addressing the unique challenges they face in mental health.

The attendees heard impactful stories from women who have built successful businesses or excelled in their industries, emphasizing the importance of perseverance, especially for women of color in competitive environments. The key takeaways included the significance of advocating for oneself and others, overcoming the fear of judgment while pursuing goals, and the necessity of challenging systemic barriers that hinder personal and professional growth. Inspired by these insights, the team is committed to encouraging students to "live life out loud," pursue joy rather than financial gain, and embrace the idea that true dedication can lead to achieving anything they desire.

A standout moment from the summit was a conversation with Simone Biles, who highlighted the often-overlooked topic of invisible disabilities. Her remarks served as a poignant reminder that while physical ailments often garner sympathy, mental health struggles can go unnoticed.

This professional development experience will enhance the team's empathy toward students' needs and encourage them to advocate for their mental well-being. They look forward to implementing what they have learned in their interactions with students and colleagues, fostering an environment that prioritizes mental health and personal growth at Bennett College. For more information, contact Mr. Jermaine Thomas at Jermaine.Thomas@Bennett.edu.

ENSURING STUDENT SUCCESS: ACCESS THE WRITING CENTER

Bennett College's Office of Student Success welcomes the new director of the Writing Center, Professor Kathy Goodkin, who has embraced the opportunity to connect with both faculty and students at Bennett College. She is enthusiastic about the college's culture of care and commitment to every student's success.

The Writing Center is located in the lower level of Holgate Library and is designed to support a diverse range of writers and writing projects. Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to discuss their academic, professional, and personal writing endeavors with trained writing consultants in a supportive and collaborative environment. Whether at the brainstorming stage or final draft polishing, writers can receive guidance tailored to their needs.

Writing Center consultants aim to strengthen each piece of writing and help individuals build confidence in their writing skills. To schedule an appointment, writers can visit https://bennett.mywconline.com or take advantage of the Writing Center's weekly drop-in hours on Friday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

In addition to individual consultations, the Writing Center offers workshops on various writing topics. Faculty interested in scheduling a workshop can contact Professor Goodkin via email at kgoodkin@bennett.edu.







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