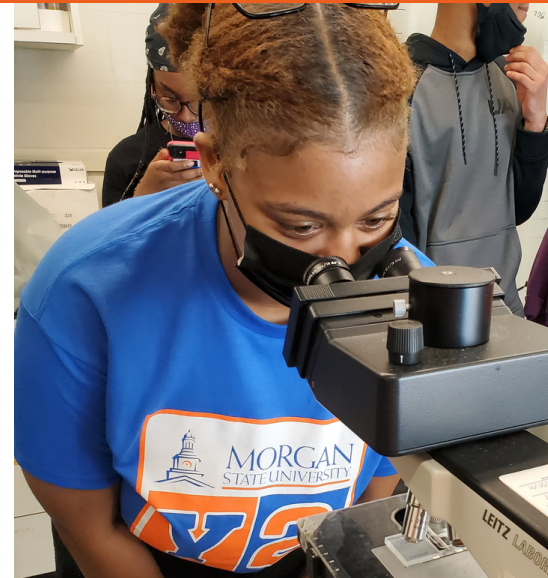


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SECOND-YEAR EXPERIENCE (SYE) PROGRAM

Coordinated by the Center for Academic Success and Achievement (CASA), the Second Year Experience (SYE) program is designed to engage all students returning to Morgan State University for the second year in out-of-classroom (experiential) learning opportunities. Through these opportunities students can enhance their career readiness skills and acquire the soft skills that employers desire.

SYE RECEIVES \$1M GRANT FROM JPMORGAN

In 2021, JPMorgan Chase awarded the Center for Academic Success and Achievement a \$1 million grant to enhance and incentivize our Second Year Experience (SYE) Program.

Second-year students who participate in an experiential learning opportunity and meet the requirements become eligible to receive the following incentives:

Student Incentives
Scholarships (\$2,500)
Tablets
Book Awards (\$500)

In addition, faculty who incorporate experiential learning activities for second-year students in their courses can apply for \$5,000 mini-grants.

FACULTY MINI-GRANT RECIPIENTS

Five (5) faculty from across academic disciplines were awarded \$5,000 JPMorgan Chase Second Year Experience mini-grants to incorporate experiential learning activities for second-year students into their courses. Below lists the spring 2022 awardees and their projects that were implemented for the fall 2022 semester.

Gabriel Kroiz
School of Architecture and Planning

The project enhances the curricular experience for second-year students in ARCH 201 and ARCH 205 by offering two campus to career field trips to the Monuments on the DC Mall, the Glenstone Museum and the Academic Village designed by Thomas Jefferson. These field trips provided students with a firsthand experience of design projects and precedents that are currently introduced through textbooks.

Julaine Rigg
School of Business

The experiential learning activity was integrated into the BUAD 202-Business Professional Development course which focuses on development and strengthening of second-year students business protocol and etiquette skills. Students engaged in a four-course meal dining experience where they practiced hands-on activities and expectations required for a formal dining job interview.

Kimberly Warren
College of Liberal Arts
(Psychology)

Students in PSYC 310 Health Psychology and GENL 396 Serve to Learn/Learn to Serve will learn about global health, serve a community in Guatemala by promoting health and are immersed in the culture. Participants not going to Guatemala will serve a community in Baltimore. Experiences are compared/contrasted upon return to the classroom.

Dawn Thurman & Sharon Javier
School of Social Work

This activity integrated a campus to career field trip to the African American Museum of Art and a panel discussion/job shadowing experience to learn about contemporary African American pioneers who are fighting for social justice, equity, and inclusion. The experiential learning activity is associated with SOWK 200 (Introduction to Social Work) and SOWK 209 (Black Families).

Glenda Lindsey & Juanita Gilliam
College of Liberal Arts
(Family and Consumer Sciences
and English)

Students engaged in this project were instructed how to interpret, examine, critically discuss and reflect on how Toni Morrison's *Beloved* informs Family and Consumer Sciences. Students will understand how the literary production dictates how the institution of slavery defines and constructs the modern-day family structure, dynamics, and interactions.

Spring 2023
JPMorgan Chase and SYE
Faculty Mini-Grant
Application deadline: December 16th, 2022
To apply: www.morgan.edu/sye

EXPLORE - ENGAGE - REFLECT

VERIZON 5G LAB



On Thursday, September 29th, a group of second-year students visited the Verizon 5G Lab in Washington DC. Students learned about the careers in tech and the future of industry. In addition, students engaged with 5G technology such as virtual and augmented reality.

NORTHWESTERN MUTUAL



Five second-year students were selected to participate in Northwestern Mutual's Internship in a Day, specifically designed for second-year students at Morgan University. Through this experience students had the opportunity to shadow financial advisors and engage in mock financial planning sessions.

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PEARL



Second-year students visited the Patuxent Environmental Aquatic Research Laboratory (PEARL) in Saint Lenoard, Maryland. Students explored the facility, learned about the research being conducted, engaged in seining on the beach, and examined oysters tonged from the Chesapeake Bay.

EXPLORE - ENGAGE - REFLECT

Students who have engaged in experiential learning opportunities such as internships, volunteering, research, job shadowing, campus-to-career field trips, career readiness workshops, part-time jobs are required to complete an Experiential Learning Plan (ELP). As part of the ELP, students are asked to reflect on their experience and share how their participation in an experiential learning opportunity enhanced their academic, educational, social and career readiness experience.

Below are a few of those reflections from the past year.

My experiential learning opportunity has enhanced my second year by allowing me to step out of my comfort zone. I was challenged to become more extroverted by collaborating with other interns, forensic interviewers, and family advocates. . . . I used my talents to engage in conversations with the team at Center for Hope, providing feedback and gathering data that resulted in advancements of current studies involving tele-forensic interviewing. I was also able to demonstrate communication skills to effectively contribute to team discussions.

Taja Keitt

Crimson Barocca Internship

My experiential learning opportunity helped me to be able to problem solve, think on my feet, and it also helped me learn the business behind a big company.

Taylor Jackson

Parks and Recreation Part-time Job

This experience enhanced my second year because it provided an opportunity to learn new things and add skills to my resume. The workshop helped me engage with different people and apply different knowledge to solve the problems and tasks given. It was definitely an experience that has benefited me by increasing my knowledge and skills of Excel, and I will be looking for more opportunities to gain more skills.

Michelle Nkrumah-Boateng

Basic Excel Workshop hosted by Techbridge

A LOOK AHEAD

As we enter into the spring 2023 semester, several opportunities for students to learn more about SYE and to engage in experiential learning are on the horizon.

Spring 2023 Experiential Learning Opportunities

- SYE Opportunities Fair
- Flywheel Digital Campus to Career Field Trip
- Black and Decker Job Shadowing
- 4-H/HBCU Internship Program
- Citi Sophomore Leadership Program
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Internship



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