

Brown University – Tougaloo College Partnership

Bernstein Scholars - 2008-9

The Bernstein Scholar program funds projects led by students involved in the Brown-Tougaloo Partnership. These activities may include, but are not limited to, convening focus groups, conducting field research related to historical, public health, cultural, policy and/or community-based projects that would have an impact on student learning while improving and fostering the partnership between Brown and Tougaloo. Student-led research projects such as these add great value to the learning experience, and will help to preserve and promote the unique and important relationship between Brown University and Tougaloo College.

André Whittington (Tougaloo)



In summer 2008, we welcomed Bernstein Scholar André Whittington from Tougaloo College, to the Brown campus. During the summer, he began developing an orientation program for the Student Semester Exchange. The orientation program will serve as a guide for students before and during their stay on the partner campus. It will include pre and post -program survey's and a brochure. As the program is refined and expanded, a web-page will be designed.

André is a Leadership Alliance Scholar having just completed a summer research internship at Brown with Dr. Steven McGarvey in International Health. He will be at Brown in Spring 2009 through the Semester Exchange to further his studies and finalize the orientation program. He will be graduating from Tougaloo College in 2010 and plans to pursue a PhD in Healthcare Administration.

Evan Pulvers (Brown)



Evan arrived at Tougaloo College in late August as a Semester Exchange student. Evan is carrying a full academic load and pursuing an independent research project at the Jackson Clarion-Ledger (the newspaper of record for the Jackson community). She is working under the guidance of journalist Jerry Mitchell who is perhaps best known for investigating Civil Rights era murder cases that have long since been closed, with the suspects originally found not guilty, acquitted or charged with lesser crimes. She is assisting Mr. Mitchell as he sifts through the 40,000 page FBI file on the Mississippi Burning case in the interest of collecting evidence against the five living suspects who were implicated in the case.

Evan is a rising fifth semester student and considers it an honor and privilege to work alongside Mr. Mitchell. She plans on writing her senior thesis on retrospective justice.