

# A BRIDGE FROM COLLEGE TO A CAREER IN GOVERNMENT

Dr. Susan J. Martin

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

724-357-7901

# Goal

- To make a connection between a student's education and a job.

# Activities that create a link!

- Professions in government assignment

# Early in the Student's College Career

- Review with students the civil service employment lists from your state.

Job announcements from the Civil Service lists state the requirements for a specific position.

# Invite Government Workers to your class!

- Government workers love to visit with the students and share the story of their success.
- Jobs and networks develop from the visit.

# Invite Alumni to your class!

- Alumni that are successful will encourage the students.

Alumni will share their journey from being a student to a CEO with the students.

# Visit a few government facilities!

- Determine the government department or agencies that are of interest to your students.
- Contact the Secretary or Deputy Secretary and ask if you may come for a visit. Program Managers love to discuss their programs.

# Internships

- Government Departments or Agencies need interns each year to do work.
- The first hand experience makes their book knowledge more meaningful and helps to direct the studies of the students.

# Mock Interviews

- Role Playing Interviews
- One to One Interviews

# Individual Sessions with Students

- Individual attention by the professor to determine the likes and dislikes of the student, may help to determine the type of work the student will enjoy.

- Create a Political Science Employment Book

- Include:

Civil Service Job Announcements

Applications

Information about resumes