2017-18 Student Ambassadors

AMPD Ambassador, Student-Advisor:
Paige Collins
Senior
AMPD/MKT and Business
Experiences:
Finding AMPD was the best decision I ever made. My start with this program started later than most in the spring of my sophomore year. Now looking back, I can’t believe I thought about doing anything else. AMPD has taught me much more than I can even express. I am truly grateful for the people I have met and the connections I have made. I am so excited to start this new chapter spreading my love for AMPD with all of you.

Cassie Circle
Sophomore
AMPD/FIT Option
Experiences:
I’ve listened to many successful guest speakers (most of whom have graduated from the AMPD program), attended helpful field trips, notified of job openings, learned of resources to aid my future. AMPD classes assist me in my current retail job such as knowing how the industry operates, being familiar with correct fashion terminology, having an eye for visual merchandising, working to please the consumer, and much more.
I have absolutely loved every aspect of AMPD. Coming to college can be a terrifying experience, however my choice in this major has made my time at Bowling Green spectacular.

Brittany Horner
Junior
AMPD/MKT and Spanish Minor
Experiences:
I’ve only been part of this major for a short time, but I’ve loved every second of it. I would love to share my passion of the AMPD program with high school students who are trying to find their way in the world. My speaking and leading abilities would lend themselves useful as I share about the wonderful opportunities offered through AMPD such as the FIT option, the fun classes, and the prospect of following one’s fashion dreams. I’d also love to share with students about the wonderful professors who want us to succeed not only as students, but as professionals later in our careers.

Mikayla Lepole
Junior
AMPD/MKT
Experiences:
I love the close-knit community of the AMPD majors, and how all the professors take time to get to know you as a student and as a young professional. The professors truly respect every student, want them to succeed, and will help with every need. I also love the other opportunities that BGSU offers for AMPD majors, such as the National Retail Federation, the
New York experience, and the volunteer opportunities. I have been a part of all of these activities and have thoroughly enjoyed the experience with them.

**Monica Mann**  
**Junior**  
**AMPD/Mkt**  
**Experiences:**  
*Working at Express* I have made many close friends in AMPD. These connections are very valuable as many of my coworkers/companions are now entering the workforce and can provide insight on what it takes to become successful in our field.  
I attended workshops, community service events, and traveled to New York City for the NRF’s Student Big Show.  
I would emphasize the knowledge and passion delivered by all of the instructors, the dedication and collaboration of the AMPD students, and the engaging learning environment provided by the AMPD labs.

**Alicia Rex**  
**Junior**  
**AMPD/Mkt**  
**Work Experience:**  
*Stylist at Justice, Visual Merchandiser, Target Associate, The Children’s Place.*  
There are so many opportunities within this field that people are unaware of and it would be an honor to advocate for our great program. Since I have come to BGSU, I have grown increasingly interested in the way religion, politics, and society as whole impacts the fashion industry. I am involved in campus organizations; secretary for BGSU’s chapter of the national org, *To Write Love on Her Arms* and an officer for the national org, *I am That Girl*.

**Jessica Wagenhauser**  
**Junior**  
**AMPD/Mkt**  
**Experience:**  
Working over three years at Ragazza, a locally owned women’s boutique. Responsibilities include operations manager involved with processing, buying, and event planning, traveling to New York City, and Montreal attending buying meetings, showrooms, market, and top selling vendor’s headquarters. Being able to reference what I have learned in my AMPD classes when facing challenging tasks in the field has given me the confidence to take on new responsibilities. My classmates have become my friends, my instructors and professors have become my mentors, and the AMPD program has started to feel like a home.

**Anna Zavarelli**  
**Sophomore**  
**AMPD/Mkt**  
**Experience:**  
This program, AMPD, has made BGSU feel like home because of the family like environment where I am consistently encouraged to grow in my studies, as a person, and as a community in the fashion industry.
What I enjoy most about the AMPD program is the personal connections among students and also with faculty members. Having an open and exciting learning environment allows me to really dive into the world of fashion and find where I fit in it.

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