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June 21–26, 2015
Smithfield, RI
PwC Accounting Careers Leadership Institute (PwCACLJ) is a week-long, hands-on opportunity for Latino/a and African American or Black rising high school seniors to learn more about the accounting profession and about the key role accountants play in society. Throughout the program, students work directly with Bryant University faculty, staff, and students, as well as professionals from PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) – one of the largest professional services firms in the world.

Accounting: A career without boundaries
Forget the stereotypes you’ve heard – accountants are problem-solvers. Today’s accountants help people understand how businesses create value for individuals and society. They provide assurance that the financial dealings of businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and government offices meet the highest standards.

Students graduating from reputable accounting programs are in high demand and have opportunities to immediately apply their knowledge in the workplace. Accounting firms, government offices, banks, financial institutions, law enforcement agencies, law firms, business intelligence firms, and tax authorities are a few examples of opportunities for accounting graduates. The average starting salary ranges from $45,000 to $60,000 in the New England area.

The PwC Accounting Career Leadership Institute has made a difference in the academic and career plans of hundreds of talented high school students. This program provides a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get a firsthand knowledge about a dynamic profession and the many opportunities that exist. It also provides extensive networking opportunities with many Bryant faculty and PwC professionals, including numerous partners, who want to help you embark on a successful career.”

Professor Dennis Bline, PhD
Professor and Chair
Accounting Department
Valuable experience

PwC and Bryant are committed to helping high school students explore their career choices. You’ll meet and talk to professionals who perform a surprising variety of functions in the field of accounting. During this full-week program, you will spend a day at the PwC offices in Boston and get an insider’s view into the accounting profession and the firm. You’ll learn firsthand what it’s like to work in this field. The Institute is also an opportunity for you to meet new people and learn team-building and leadership skills as you work together in groups on a variety of projects. Games and exercises will show you how much can be accomplished when individuals with varying talents work together on a task—a valuable lesson for any career you select.

In addition, staff from Bryant’s Offices of Admission and Financial Aid and the Leadership Institute will be available to advise you on the college application process so that you can take full advantage of your options after high school.

No fee to attend

Bryant and PwC want high school students to learn more about various areas in accounting in an environment that is both fun and educational. Except for transportation cost, the program is offered at no charge to students who apply and are accepted into the PricewaterhouseCoopers Accounting Careers Leadership Institute.
Date: June 21–26, 2015
Location: Bryant University, 1150 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, Rhode Island

Eligibility: This program is open to African American or Black and Latino/a rising high school seniors. Past participants have come from: California; Connecticut; Delaware; Florida; Georgia; Massachusetts; Maryland; New Jersey; New Hampshire; New York; North Carolina; Pennsylvania; Rhode Island; Texas; Virginia; Washington, D.C.; and Puerto Rico.

Criteria for acceptance: College-bound students with a minimum of a 3.0 (4.0 scale) GPA or the equivalent are eligible. Students must have completed Algebra II by the end of their junior year.

Accommodations: Students spend one week in residence at Bryant University and will have 24-hour supervision and care by Institute staff, which includes trained upper-class student counselors. Overnight accommodations, meals, planned activities, and educational materials are provided.

Except for transportation cost, there is no fee to the students accepted into the program.

Application deadline: Space is limited; please apply by Friday, March 27, 2015. Additional application forms may be downloaded from www.Bryant.edu/PwCACLI

Please return your completed application with your recommendation and current academic transcript to:
Bryant University
Academic Affairs – PwCACLI
1150 Douglas Pike
Smithfield, RI 02917

PwCACLI participants who are accepted and choose to attend Bryant University would be eligible for:
• A book stipend in the first year, thereafter based on meeting GPA and major requirements
• Professional mentor from PwC during their four years of college

Future benefits from Bryant University:
• Application fee to Bryant University waived when you apply for admission
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For more information, call Professor Buky Folami at (401) 232-6564, or Kim Keyes at (401) 232-6729

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Time to Socialize

Enriching social programs on and off campus give you a taste of college life. During your free time, you can relax at Bryant’s Elizabeth and Malcolm Chace Wellness and Athletic Center and enjoy its six-lane swimming pool.

The sponsors

Bryant University is a student-centered learning community where the educational experience is a unique fusion of business, liberal arts, and technology. Our accounting program, which is nationally ranked, provides students with the essential knowledge for their careers and the character-building opportunities that will help them succeed in life. Bryant University is located one hour south of Boston and three hours northeast of New York City.

PricewaterhouseCoopers provides industry-focused assurance, tax, and advisory services to public and private clients around the globe. PwC uses its networks, experience, industry knowledge, and business understanding to distinguish the way they work. Within their teams and with their clients, PwC is collaborative, open, and direct and is not content with standard solutions. PwC staff push themselves and their clients to think harder, to understand all of the consequences, and to consider new perspectives.

“I was motivated to look into accounting by my math teacher in high school. The more I looked, the more attracted I became to the profession. Several years later, I am still attracted to the profession. The accounting profession is full of a wide range of opportunities, in diverse industries and across global boundaries. Regardless of your background, the profession has something to offer everyone; you just have to find your niche in it. I encourage you to come learn about accounting, and hopefully you will find a niche that is just for you.”

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PwC C2L2 Director
and Accounting Professor