

PSP welcomes new Director, Father Keenan



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Fr. Keenan has been appointed as the new PSP Director.

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Summer Experiences

Sophomores expand their horizons in France

The Jesuit mission has always had a global perspective, with Jesuits living and working on virtually all continents as scholars, teachers, and missionaries. Plunged into unfamiliar cultures, they adopted the habit of beginning by observing closely and listening attentively to the voices of the societies and cultures in which they found themselves to better understand how best to serve them. Presidential Scholars, while not missionaries in the same sense, will inevitably find themselves exercising their professional skills in far-flung parts of the global village. For several years, Dr. & Mrs. Sardella have taken the sophomore Scholars to experience a month abroad in France as an opportunity to analyze a foreign society from all dimensions.

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Sophomores pose before a statue of Lamarck located in front of Le Jardin des Plantes in Central Paris.

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Summer Experiences

Seniors share insight about summer internships

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Kelly McCartney, A&S '11, speaks before fellow Scholars about working for a non-profit organization in New York City.

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Summer Experiences

Scholar reflects on summer research in India

Boston College's Advanced Study Grants program provides funding, primarily to students in the summer following their first or second year, to support independent research projects or to enable them to develop tools necessary for future research, such as advanced language skills. During the summer of 2010, five second-year Presidential Scholars were awarded Advanced Study Grants to support a variety of projects. Thirty-seven Advanced Study Grants have been awarded to Presidential Scholars over the past five years. The following article recounts the experiences of Karen Kovaka, a Philosophy and Environmental Geosciences major from the Class of 2012.

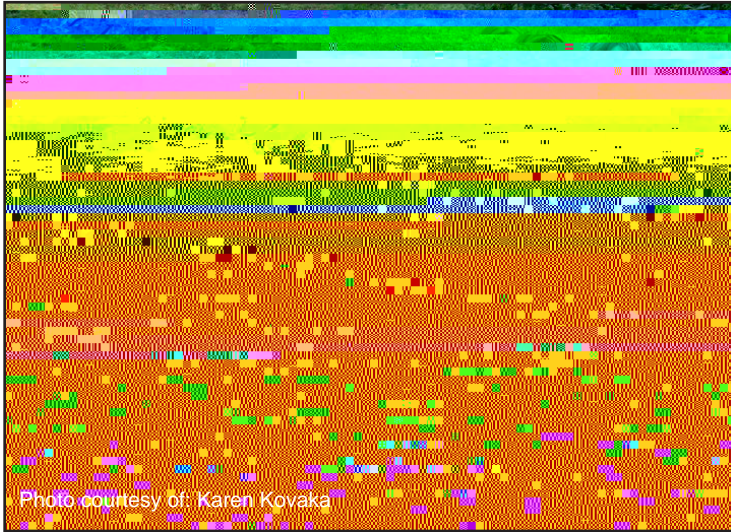


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Karen Kovaka, A&S '12 poses on an Indian garden plot with a traditional farming tool.

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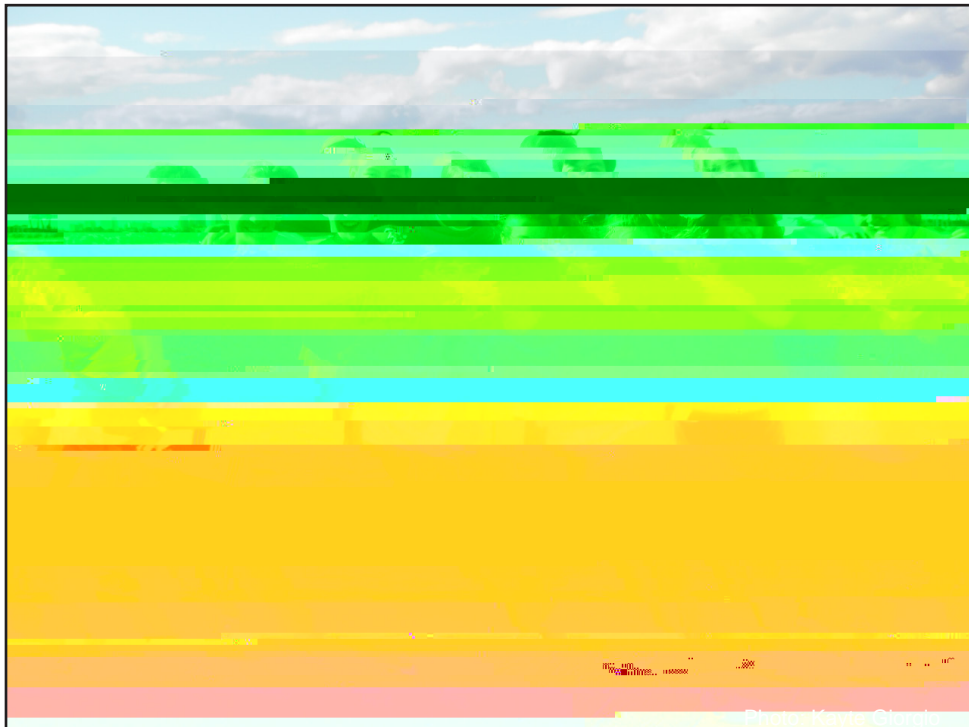
Freshman Scholars begin their Boston College careers by taking part in a ropes program run by Outward Bound on Thompson Island in Boston Harbor. After arriving on campus during the week before classes begin, Scholars engage in a range of activities designed to promote a sense of camaraderie among the group, to encourage in them the habit of pushing themselves beyond the boundaries of their comfort zones, to help them realize that they are capable of achieving more than they think they are, and to emphasize that leadership can be done from within a group as well as at the head of one, all qualities that we seek to nurture in Presidential Scholars. Francesca McCaffrey, a member of the Class of 2014, recalls her experience on Thompson Island.

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Scholars pose on the dock at Thompson Island before their departure.

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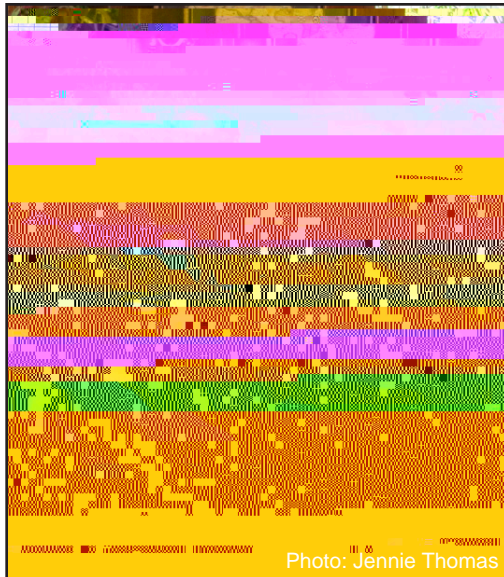
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Fr. Keenan addresses Scholars about his visions for the future of the PSP.

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Alumni share experiences with senior Scholars about post-graduate life.

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Maggie Scollan, A&S '14, proudly strikes a pose atop the Alpine Tower.

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