

# THE MACKLIN BUSINESS INSTITUTE AND CENTER FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP AT MONTGOMERY COLLEGE



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## A Lasting Impression

### Macklin Graduates Move On



The SIFE team wins at regionals in Arlington

As another academic year closes, 16 graduating Macklin students make plans to continue on with their education. One is off to New York's City University Baruch School of Business; one is considering a full scholarship at Morgan State, one is marrying and moving to Florida, where she will attend school; a couple are undecided, and the rest are enrolled at University of Maryland's Smith School of Business – at either the College Park Campus or at Shady Grove.

Achievements for the 2003–04 Macklin class included successfully running their own business in its first year—the MBI Café/Starbucks, and participation in two national competitions: Loyola Marymount's Ethics Competition (Los Angeles, Ca) and the Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) competition (Kansas City, Mo.), where they won the first runner-up trophy.

The Macklin honors business curriculum offers qualified second-year Montgomery College students real-world experience, mentoring by local business leaders, and opportunities to practice classroom theory in the real world via hands-on internships and running the Macklin Café. Enrollment in MBI is limited each year, and selection is highly competitive.

#### Macklin Memoirs Students Leave Challenged,' Inspired'

"The Macklin Business Institute is centered on students, providing them with a blend of high quality business knowledge, real-world skills necessary to establish and maintain business relationships and how to work within a team. We learned numerous skills that can simply not be taught in a classroom setting and an array of environments in which to learn skills usually not attained until prolonged exposure in a business environment."

—Adam Lotinsky

"I grew as an individual and as a businessman through the Macklin program. The knowledge received there will aide me in the future. It is a pity that it is only a one-year program. I encourage everyone to apply to the Macklin program."

—Anvar Zhumagali

"The MBI Program has offered me great opportunities, from meeting Paul Sarbanes to being in honors classes taught by the best teachers on campus. It has also given me the pleasure of getting to know fifteen wonderful people. I wouldn't trade this experience for anything and I am very honored to have been a part of it all. Thank you for everything Mr. Macklin and Professor Schwartz!"

—Silvia Dontocheva

"Through the Macklin program, I had the privilege of learning from passionate professors and the experience of running the



Anvar Zhumagali among board members and MBI alums.

MBI Starbucks Cafe. The Macklin program also made it possible for me to have lunch with the CEO of Congressional Bank and to intern at Davis & Associates, P.A. I'm thankful for all the opportunities that the program has given me and for the friends I have made along the way."

—Michelle Kung

"The Macklin Program gave its members a whole new way of learning to work with people and get things done. The program literally put us in the moment and set us up with tangible goals."

—Ryan McGoff

"Montgomery College and the Macklin Business Institute were recommended to me by the Undergraduate Dean Professor Cleveland at the Smith School at the University of Maryland. Although I had great expectations about the program when I applied, all my hopes and dreams have come true and the year turned out even better than I had ever imagined. I enjoyed working and studying with my fellow honors students. It was an interesting and



Professor Tom Anderson, newly appointed Macklin Business Institute Academic Director, works with students on projects.

amazing experience to work with such a diverse group and I had a great time. Especially, participating in SIFE and our trip to L.A. have been experiences I will cherish for a long time and had never expected to happen. In fact I liked it so much that I am already determined to take part in the business ethics competition again next year. The opportunity Mr. Macklin and Montgomery College offer to business students through this program is unbelievable and I cannot thank Mr. Macklin, Professor Schwartz and all the other Professors involved enough."

—Julia Seebacher

"Participating in the MBI program was challenging as well as inspiring because the pressure to perform academically brought out the best of me. Plus, the program offered me the perfect setting to personally get to know other ambitious students. Bringing together talented students from all over the world to develop projects has proven to be a tremendous success."

—Jack Masangu

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