

## 'Careers in the Common Good' focus of AU panel discussion

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The Alfred University Career Development Center will offer a panel discussion, "Careers in the Common Good," from 1-3 p.m. Saturday (March 29) in Susan Howell Hall on the AU campus. "After hearing more and more students express their desire to look at career alternatives outside the corporate environment, we decided to pull together a panel of experts to discuss options outside the traditional for-profit world," said Kathy Woughter, director of the Career Development Center. Nine panelists and two guest speakers will outline what is necessary for successful careers in the not-for-profit/public service sector. Dr. David Szczerbacki, provost and vice president of academic and statutory affairs at Alfred University, and Marynell Noonan, executive director of CURE Childhood Cancer Association, are scheduled to speak at 1 p.m. Szczerbacki, who holds a BA in political science and a master's in urban studies, both from Gannon University, and a Ph.D. in public policy from the University of Buffalo, started his professional career with Southern Tier West Regional Planning and Development Board before joining the faculty of AU's College of Business. He served as dean of the College from 1993 until his appointment as provost in 2001. Szczerbacki has been chairman of the board of Alfred Technology Resources, Inc., the not-for-profit corporation that operates the Ceramic Corridor Innovation Centers in Alfred and near Corning, since 1995. A native of Rhode Island and a graduate of Rhode Island College with a BA in English and social sciences, Noonan has been a substitute high school teacher, an instructor in a teacher education program, and a human resource manager. After moving to New York state, she accepted the position of executive director of CURE in November 2001. Panelists include: Brain V. Meteyer, school psychologist, Naples Central School. Brenda Sobeck, director of human resources at St. James Mercy Health. David Sirianni, director of Allegany County Department of Probation. Elizabeth Embser-Wattenberg, president, Rural Health Resources, Inc. Gail Foreman, executive director, Tanglewood Nature Center. Carol Wittmeyer, Ph.D., president, The Raymond Family Business Institute. Amanda Oglesbee, Wellsville Central High School art teacher. Amy Jacobson, attorney, Southern Tier Legal Services. Madeleine Gasdik, director of administrative services, Allegany County Arc. "Careers in the Common Good" is open to the public, free of charge. For a complete schedule and additional information about the speakers, go to <http://www.alfred.edu/cdc> and