

Getting to know...

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It was born and grew up in Rochester, NY and am a graduate of SUNY Oswego. I've been at Binghamton University for about a year and a half. I live in Endicott, NY with my wife, daughter, and our new dog Charlie.

QUESTION & ANSWER

Tell me about your job and why you love what you do?

As the assistant director of Parent and Family programs, it is my job to make sure our Bearcat families know the resources available to them and their students at the University. I also help our families feel connected to the university, feel informed, and help them get involved if they choose. This happens through a variety of programming and events, including Family Weekend, orientation family programming, Move In Day receptions, summer send offs, the Parents Leadership Council and much more. Working with and interacting with the families is the best part of my job!

How did you get involved with UUP?

Having been part of professional unions in the past, I know the many benefits that come along with union membership. I was excited to join UUP and be a part of such a great organization.

How do you make a difference?

I enjoy making a difference for our Bearcat families through my work. I also hope to make a difference to the greater BU community by being a union representative and being active in UUP. I am also a member of the Professional Staff Senate and a Senator, as well as serving on the Professional Development Committee.

What about your community engagement; any hobbies?

Our family likes to attend community events and local festivals. I love the outdoors, and our trips to Cape Cod, the Catskills, and Disney World. Go Bills !