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## FBI agent speaks about job opportunities

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The FBI gave SFA students the opportunity to get first hand information on federal employment. Dr. Kristen Beyer, Supervisory Social/Behavioral Science Research Coordinator for the FBI, gave presentations to students on and off campus about her job with the bureau.

Beyer received her B.A. in psychology from the University of Michigan and received her M.A. and Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Detroit. In addition, Beyer is a fully licensed psychologist.

Beyer works for the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime (NCAVC) with the FBI. She has been employed there for seven years. NCAVC helps federal, state, local and foreign law enforcement agencies investigate unusual or repetitive violent crimes. Some of the matters include spousal homicide and serial murders. While still in college, she did an internship for the bureau.

"I wanted an inside view of the agency to see if this is something I truly want to do," said Beyer. In addition to investigations, Beyer also does research, training and case consultation in many different areas.

Internships for the FBI are currently available in Honor Internship Program, Middle Eastern Foreign Language Honors Internship Program, Volunteer Internship Programs and the Visiting Scientist Program. All of the internships require that the student be currently enrolled in a university and is open to undergraduates and graduate students.

Some of the other requirements are that the student must have at least a 3.0 GPA, be a citizen of the United States and pass an extensive background check and no-drug policy. There are non-paid internships in the fall and spring semester, but there is an honors internship in the summer where students will be compensated for their participation.

All majors are accepted, but students in behavioral science majors like psychology, sociology, political science and

criminal justice are preferred.

"Patience, passion, and perseverance are the keys to doing well in the FBI," said Beyer.

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