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Boston Bruins Commentators kickoff new Sports Media Major

February 4, 2016

Radio voices of the Boston Bruins Dave Goucher and Bob Beers, and CBS radio personality of 98.5 the Sports Hub, Rob "Hardy" Poole kicked off the University's new Sports Media major at Sunday's winter Open House.

With over 1,800 prospective students and their families, a record number of attendees in school history, many stopped by for a chance to meet the Bruins radiobroadcast team.

"Sports communication is a new up and coming program nationwide, said associate professor Rich Roth. "Students will be able to express their life-long passion for sports

while gaining hands on experience outside of the classroom."

The panelist offered advice to prospective and current students about careers in the sports media industry.

Goucher and Beers shared their different paths to color commentating.

Goucher, having broadcasted the Boston Bruins for 16 years recalled sending in his cassettes of broadcast to several teams and never hearing back. His advice to students is that "It doesn't happen overnight - you have to be patient."

Beers entered the arena of color commentating following retirement from the NHL in 1997. He was drafted by the Boston Bruins as their 10th pick, 210th overall, where he played three plus seasons with the Bruins organization.

The University will offer a major in Sports Media beginning in the fall 2016 semester.

Coursework will combine study in print and online journalism, radio and television broadcasting, electronic communication, marketing, public relations, and social media.

Outside of the classroom, students will have opportunities to host their own campus television or radio shows, broadcast live sporting events, and write for the campus print and online newspapers.

For more information about the Sports Media major visit http://www.franklinpierce.edu/academics/ugrad/programs_of_study/div_visperform/sports-media/index.htm



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