

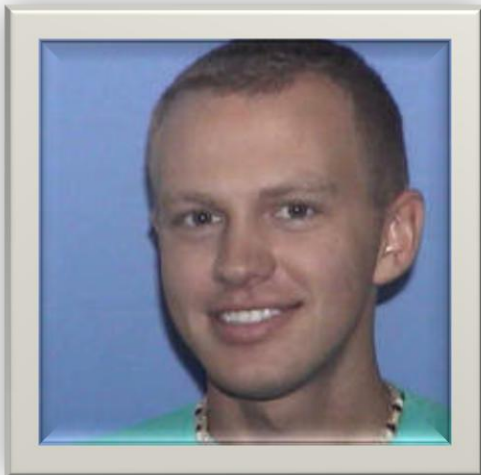
WTAMU Experiential Education Program Fall 2010 Executive Summary

The Experiential Education program (formerly Cooperative Education) began in the spring of 1994. A Title VIII Department of Education grant started the program, and we placed the first students in the spring of 1994. Our vital statistics to date include:

- Monitored 1,882 individual placements to date (49 in Fall 2010)
- Placed 885 students in internships (unduplicated count)
- Average GPA of the Fall 2010 class – 3.13
- Average wage for the Fall 2010 class - \$14.38 per hour
- Total dollars earned by the Fall 2010 class - \$153,665
- Total dollars earned by all internship students to date - \$6,817,194

For the Fall 2010 semester, the Experiential Education & Career Services program helped **524** students through both online and in-person résumé workshops. Additionally, our counselors have provided career counseling to **363** students. This counseling and guidance helps students determine their best career path.

What Did You Like Most About the Internship?



“My favorite part was working with people from different countries and working through the communication barriers.”

Trevor Ashcraft
Ag Communications Major
American Quarter Horse Association
Amarillo, TX

“Just learning how to be tolerant of other people, and how to live with, work with, and get along with people whom are very different from yourself.”

Morgan Hysinger
Speech Communications Major
Walt Disney World—Orlando, Florida





I enjoyed the learning experience. I hope to be in the banking field after graduation and this only improved my chances of getting my first job

*Chase Lloyd
Ag Business & Economics Major
First Financial Bank—Hereford, TX*

I truly enjoy developing all kinds of software applications. I have really enjoyed this experience especially because it allows me to get involved in the mobile development, which is sure to become even more prevalent in the near future.

*Dustin Hume
CIDM Major
WTAMU CIDM Department—Canyon, TX*



“Getting to see first-hand how what I’m learning in class applies to a real world setting

*Charlene Richardson
Accounting Major
Anderson Merchandisers—Amarillo, TX*



Intern to Full-Time for Fall 2010

This semester 10 out of our 49 interns graduated and one of the interns has a full-time position upon graduation in May. All of these students are listed on the chart below.

Of these students, eight (73%) have full-time jobs, two (18%) are seeking full-time employment, and one (9%) is pursuing graduate school. We have contacted those seeking and are trying to help them in their job search.

Graduate	Major	Intern Employer	Current Status
Clark, Brittany	Mechanical Engineering	Bell Helicopter	FT with Seaboard Farms
Dominguez, Berklyee	Accounting	XF Enterprises	FT with XF Enterprises
Essen, Robert	Computer Science	McCoy Myers	FT with McCoy Myers
Finck, Ky	Agriculture	Tulia Veterinarian Diagnostics	Full-time—Independent Farmer
Maier, Christine	Mass Communications—Advertising & Public Relations	Amarillo Family YMCA	Seeking
Nino, Michael	Interdisciplinary Studies	WTAMU- Department of Political Science & Criminal Justice	Graduate School
O'Meara, Amy	Accounting	Connor, McMillion, Mitchell & Shennum	Full-time with Connor, McMillion, Mitchell & Shennum
Rutledge, Tarri	Mass Communications—Print	Amarillo Globe-News	Seeking
Sechrist, Nathan	Finance	Western Builders	FT with Zurich Insurance
* Williamson, Brad	Finance	Thompson Financial	FT with KB Recycling
Young, Thomas	Accounting	J. Rex Lemert, P.C.	FT with J. Rex Lemert, P.C.

* - has FT when he graduates in May

Participating Employers

The full list of employers we have worked with are online at <http://www.wtamu.edu/student-support/cs-emp-participating-employers.aspx>

Fall 2010 Interns

22% - Graduated or Secured FT Employment

73% of these students have full-time positions

18% are seeking full-time employment

9% are pursuing graduate school

41% - Continuing Their Internship

37% - Seeking Another Internship and/or Pursuing Degree Full-Time

Internships continue to be an effective way for students to gain major-related experience and in many cases, a professional position upon graduation!
