

## WTAMU Experiential Education Program Spring 2016 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 or documented 2,842 individual placements to date (105 in Spring 2016)
- Placed or documented 1,765 students in internships (unduplicated count)
- Average GPA of the Spring 2016 class – 3.27
- Average wage for paid internships for the Spring 2016 class - \$12.95 per hour
- Total dollars earned by the Spring 2016 class - \$243,656
- Total dollars earned by all internship students to date - \$10,973,125

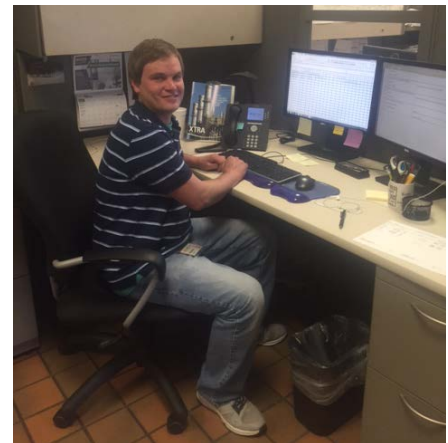
For the academic year, the Experiential Education & Career Services program helped 1,724 students through both online and in-person résumé workshops. Additionally, our counselors have provided career counseling to 128 students. This counseling and guidance helps students determine their best career path.

### What Was Most Valuable?

“The most valuable thing about this experience is figuring out what I want to do for the rest of my life. Also improving my writing and people skills in the business world.”

*Stephen Low*  
*Management major*

*Xcel Energy*  
*Amarillo, TX*



“What was most valuable about this experience is the on the job experience of preparing tax returns and all that comes with the process. Preparing tax returns was something that I would not have felt confident doing based just on my education, but now that I have the experience of preparing them on the job I feel confident about adding that skill and experience to my resume.”

*Nakisha Nation*  
*Accounting major*

*Stewart, Martin, Dudley & Webb, PC*  
*Amarillo, TX*

"What was most valuable to me about my intern experience was that I was given real tasks, assignments and constructive coaching from my supervisor. I was given the opportunity to complete assignments, fail at them sometimes and grow in those areas. I think that even though I hated failing at the assigned tasks it was very valuable to be coached by a professional in order to prevent future failure."

*Jonathan Delgado  
Marketing major*

*WTAMU Enterprise Center  
Amarillo, TX*



Finding out that we really enjoyed tax was the most valuable thing.

*From left to right  
Elyssa Snider, Hahna Tipps  
&  
Stephen Cross*

*Accounting majors  
Lemert, Holder & Ohm, PLLC  
Amarillo, TX*

# Internship Partners- Spring 2016

6666 Ranch



Aflac Regional Office



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Amarillo Family Physicians Clinic, P.A.

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AMERICAN QUARTER  
HORSE ASSOCIATION



Brown, Graham & Company, P.C.  
Certified Public Accountants

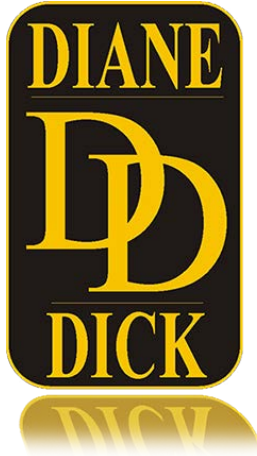
BSA Health System



**Ceta Canyon Camp and Retreat Center**



**Diane Dick Modeling Agency**



**Disney Worldwide Services, Inc.**



**Donna West CPA**





**James Jackson, CPA**



**JOHNSON & SHELDON, P.C.**  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

**KAMR/KCIT/KCPN**



**KFDA/KTMO/KZBZ/LATV Amarillo**

**NewsChannel**



# LEMERT - HOLDER - OHM<sub>PLLC</sub>

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Lovelady, Christy & Associates





Stewart, Martin, Dudley & Webb, PC

Summit Mobile, authorized Cricket Dealer



Tarpley Music Company



TCB Supply Company



**Texas Tech University**



**Valero Energy Corporation**



**Wildcat Bluff Nature Center**

Discover and Learn About Texas High Plains Nature

**Wilson, Haag & Co., PC**

**Wisian & Breeding PLLC**



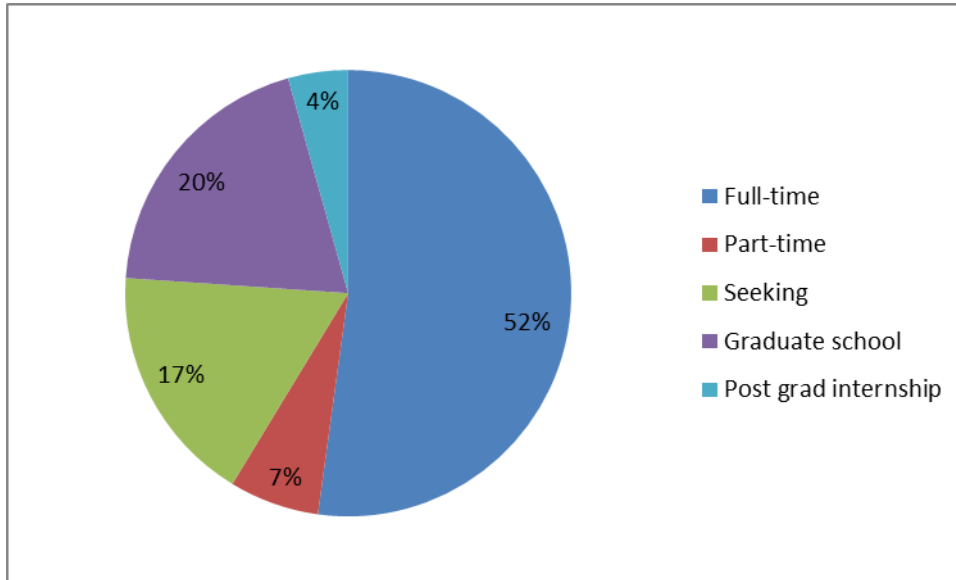
***WT EnterpriseCenter***



## Intern to Full-Time for Spring 2016

This semester 46 interns graduated. Twenty-four of these students have a full-time job, 3 are working part-time, 9 are attending graduate school, 2 are participating in post-graduate internships and 8 are still seeking employment. The chart below represents these numbers.

Basically, 83% of graduates are working or attending graduate school.



## Graduating Students

Graduate/Student	Major	Intern Employer	Current Status
Barba, Miriam	Graphic Design	Sir Speedy	Seeking
Besong, Elias	Biology	Canyon Physical Therapy	Seeking
**Burandt, Laura	Agricultural Communications	6666 Ranch	Post Grad Intern
Carrillo, Veronica	Economics	Wisian & Breeding PLLC	Graduate School
Carthel, Carly	Advertising/Public Relations	J & B Productions	Seeking
Cross, Stephen	Accounting	Lemert Holder & Ohm PLLC	FT with Lemert, Holder, & Ohm PLLC
Cuellar Diaz, Mariana	Nursing	BSA Health Systems	Graduate School
Fitzgerald, Cana	Equine Industry & Business	WTAMU - Student Counseling Services	Seeking
Gallegos, Issac	Broadcasting - Electronic Media	Summit Mobile	PT with Summit Mobile

Graupman, Camille	Agribusiness	American Quarter Horse Association	FT with American Quarter Horse Association
Guerrero, Andrea	Advertising/Public Relations, Theatre	TCB Supply Company	Seeking
Hays, Allyson	Nursing	NWTHS- Cardiology	FT with BSA Health System
Hoover, Abigail	Communication	Hillside Christian Church, South Campus	PT with Hillside Christian Church
Houston, Jennifer	MBA - Healthcare Management	James Jackson, CPA	Graduate School
Hudson, Timothy	Nursing	VIBRA Hospital of Amarillo	FT with BSA Health System
Hughes, Ussarian	Computer Information Systems	Valero Energy Corp.	FT with Private IT Contractor
Jaramillo, Carrie	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with BSA Health System
Kennedy, Ryan	Environmental Science	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	Graduate School
Kimmel, Melinda	Nursing	Northwest Texas Healthcare System	FT with Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Kirby, Jayden	Agricultural Communications	Texas Cattle Feeders Association	Graduate School
Lincycomb, Erin	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with Northwest Texas Healthcare System
**Lynch-Nadolny, Letty	Computer Information Systems	Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Post Grad Internship with Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc.
McFarden, Laura	Nursing	Northwest Texas Healthcare System	FT with Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Nation, Nakisha	Accounting	Stewart, Martin, Dudley & Webb PC	FT with Stewart, Martin, Dudley & Webb PC
Ontiveros, Julia	Nursing	Northwest Texas Healthcare System	PT- Covenant Hospital, Plainview

Padilla, Celestina	Advertising/Public Relations	Pepito's Mexican Restaurant	FT with Telemundo Amarillo
Patel, Felicia	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with BSA Health System
Powers, Linda	Accounting	Donna West, CPA	FT with Donna West, CPA
Price, Jennifer	Nursing	Northwest Texas Healthcare System	FT with Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Raef, Donna	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with BSA Health System
Ritter, Mark	Computer Information Systems	Valero Energy Corp.	Seeking
Rivera, Marissa	Journalism, Marketing	WTAMU - Intercollegiate Athletics	Graduate School
Sieck, Brenton	Accounting	Lyons Realty	FT with cactus Feeders
Smith, Mackenzie	Biology	VIBRA Hospital	FT with Northwest Texas Healthcare System
Smith, Morgan	Broadcast Journalism	United Way	FT with Amarillo Independent School District
Snider, Elyssa	Accounting	Lemert, Holder & Ohm PLLC	Seeking
Stenzel, Emily	Agricultural Communications	WT Wesley Foundation	Graduate School
Taylor, Avery	Broadcasting - Electronic Media	KAMR Local 4 News	FT with KAMR Local 4 News
Teague, Matthew	Engineering Technology	City Machine & Welding	FT with City Machine & Welding
Tenorio, Mark	Music	Amarillo Opera	Graduate School
Vega, Gustavo	Computer Information Systems	Sharyland Utilities	FT with Sharyland Utilities
Vineyard, Blake	Plant, Soil & Environmental Science	Sideoats Ag Services	Graduate School
Wallace, Sydney	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with BSA Health System

Wellborn, Audrey	Nursing	BSA Health System	FT with BSA Health System
Wentz, Hope	Music Therapy	Hurst-Eules-Bedford ISD	FT with Contract Music Therapy
Zille, Gordon	Broadcasting - Electronic Media	West Texas A&M University	Seeking

\*\* completing post-graduation internship

## 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>

## Spring 2016 Interns

Out of the 105 interns, 26% got full-time or part-time positions, 8% are going to graduate school, 8% are seeking full-time, 2% are completing a post-grad internship and 56% are continuing in their internship or seeking another internship and/or pursuing their degree.

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

