WTAMU Experiential Education Program
Summer 2015 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 2,641 individual placements to date (135 in Summer 2015)
- Placed 1,1619 students in internships (unduplicated count)
- Average GPA of the Summer 2015 class – 3.19
- Average wage for paid internships for the Summer 2015 class - $12.96 per hour
- Total dollars earned by the Summer 2015 class - $439,871
- Total dollars earned by all internship students to date - $10,527,846

For the academic year, the Experiential Education & Career Services program helped 1,914 students through both online and in-person résumé workshops. Additionally, our counselors have provided career counseling to 154 students. This counseling and guidance helps students determine their best career path.

What Did You Like Most? What Was Most Valuable?

“I liked performing tasks that required creative problem solving.”

“The professional contacts and exposure to the market were extremely valuable.”

Reece McKillip
Mass Communications major
Production Resource Group
San Fernando, CA

“I was really happy with being in the Credit Analyst department. We looked over customer’s financial statement and tax returns to come up with cash flows and personal cash analysis.”

Clayton Goodwin
Ag, Business & Economics major
&
Courtney Bigham
Accounting major
Happy State Bank
Amarillo, TX
“Being able to perform nursing skills while having the other nurse's trust was extremely valuable!”

Jennifer Price & Brittany Williams  
(center)  
Nursing majors  
Hereford Regional Medical Center  
Hereford, TX

“I liked relating what I have learned in the classroom to the task I did at work. Some things I did not think I would use from the classroom were used.”

Nick Stanley  
Accounting major  
McCormick Company  
Amarillo, TX
Internship Partners - Summer 2015

AG Aviation

AGRIVISION

AJ Crop Services

Amarillo Convention Center

American Star Corporation
Congressman Mac Thornberry’s office
Deaf Smith Juvenile Probation

Doshier Pickens & Francis LLC

Doug Proffitt, P.C.
Intern to Full-Time for Summer 2015

This semester 15 out of 135 interns graduated. One of our interns took a full-time job while they complete their degree. Including this student and those that graduated, 8 (50%) have full-time jobs, 1 (6%) are still seeking employment, 6 (38%) are planning to attend graduate school and 1 (6%) we have not been able to contact after repeated attempts. The chart below represents these numbers.

Graduating Students

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** working FT while she completes her degree. She will graduate in May 2016

**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](http://www.wtamu.edu/student-support/cs-emp-participating-employers.aspx)

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### Summer 2015 Interns

Out of the 135 interns, 6.0% got full-time positions, 1% are seeking full-time, 4% are pursuing grad school and we were unable to contact 1%. 88% 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!