WTAMU Experiential Education Program
Spring 2013 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 2,301 individual placements to date (49 in Spring 2013)
- Placed 1,146 students in internships (unduplicated count)
- Average GPA of the Spring 2013 class – 3.26
- Average wage for paid internships for the Spring 2013 class - $12.28 per hour
- Total dollars earned by the Spring 2013 class - $234,991
- Total dollars earned by all internship students to date - $8,740,932

For the academic year to date, the Experiential Education & Career Services program helped 1,409 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 Did You Like Most? What Was Most Valuable?

“Learning more about my career choice in a real world perspective.”

Casey Walden
CIS Major
Servi-Tech Labs—Amarillo, TX

“Preparing the financial statements because it has a lot to do with analyzing data and resolving discrepancies.”

Chisom Ukpaka
Finance & Economics Major
Street Toyota—Amarillo, TX
"I liked being able to use what I have learned in school to prepare myself for the future."

"Something that I learned about myself is that I like to problem solve and get a sense of enjoyment from completing a task before schedule."

Karmyn Totty
Accounting Major
&
Kori Chavarria
Management Major
Goldstar Trust Company—Canyon, TX

"I enjoyed learning and getting to have real world design problems to solve and real work experience."

Lauren Bressler
Graphic Design Major
Diocese of Amarillo—Amarillo, TX

"I liked the freedom that I was given to work on my own and figure out problems that occurred, but was able to ask for help if I needed it."

Leah Thomas
Ag Communications Major
American Quarter Horse Association—Amarillo, TX
Internship Partners- Spring 2013

Amarillo Venom

AQHA
AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
Internship Partners- Spring 2013

B&W Pantex

Believersway Church

Brown Graham & Company, P.C.

Cal Farley’s
Boys Ranch® • Girlstown, U.S.A.®
& Family Resource Centers

Computer Services Inc.
Internship Partners- Spring 2013

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
Internship Partners - Spring 2013

Lovelady, Christy & Associates

Masterson Management Corp.

Mission Amarillo

National Cattleman’s Beef Association
Internship Partners - Spring 2013

Purple Circle Livestock Show Magazine

Rowdy’s Sports Cafe

Servi-Tech Laboratories

SONIC

America’s Drive-In®

TOYOTA
Internship Partners- Spring 2013

SMDWCPA
STEWART MARTIN DUDLEY WEBB

TASCOSA
GOLF CLUB

TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER AT AMARILLO

Amarillo Tri State Exposition
Internship Partners- Spring 2013

San Antonio Live Stock Show

USDA-ARS, Conservation & Production Research Lab (Bushland)

West Texas A&M University

Western Panhandle Family Ranch

Whiteside Construction Services
Intern to Full-Time for Spring 2013

This semester 26 out of 49 interns graduated or took full-time positions while they finishing the last semester of their degree. Nineteen (73%) have a full-time job, 5 (19%) are still seeking employment, and 2 (8%) are continuing to graduate school. The chart below represents these numbers.

We will continue to contact those seeking to help them with their job search.
Graduating Students
(and those with a full-time positions while they finish their degree)

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Poston, Matthew  | Accounting  | Stewart, Martin Dudley & Moore  | FT with Amarillo Police Department  
Robinson, Amy  | Marketing  | WTAMU  | FT with Estacar Companies  
Sadoyama, Yuiko  | CIS  | WTAMU  | Syscom USA  
Sharp, Caroline  | Accounting  | Lovelady, Christy & Associates LLP  | Seeking  
Stewart, Christy  | Accounting  | Brown, Graham & Co. P.C.  | FT with Brown, Graham & Co. P.C.  
Trujillo, Gus  | Management  | Congressman Mac Thornberry  | Seeking  
Ukpaka, Chisom  | Finance & Economics  | Street Toyota  | FT with Hyundai Capital America  

* took full-time position with their internship employer while they finish their last semester

**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)

**Spring 2013 Interns**

Out of the 49 interns, 63% are either working full-time, in graduate school or continuing their internship. Twenty-seven percent are continuing their degree and/or pursuing another internship and 10% are seeking full-time employment.

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