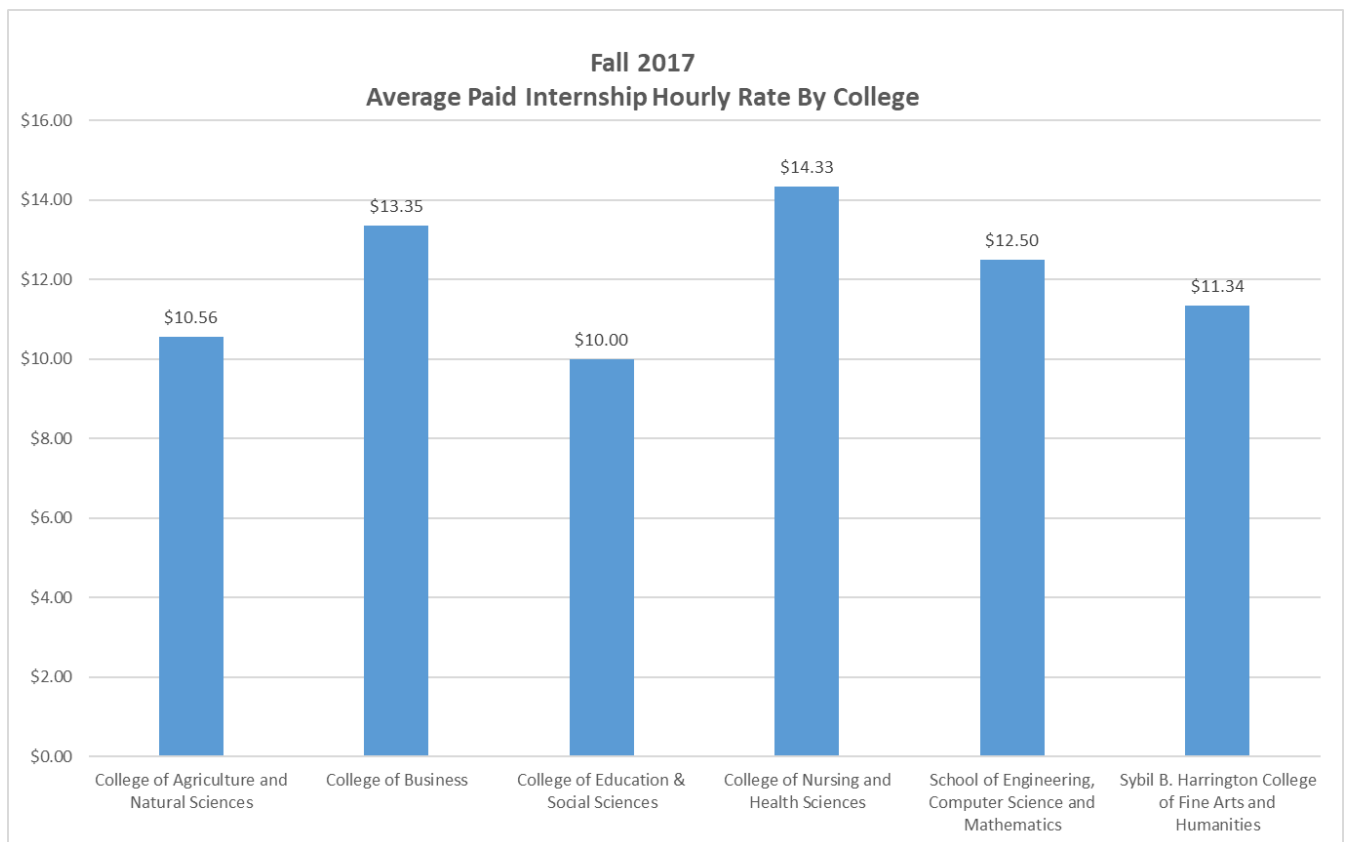


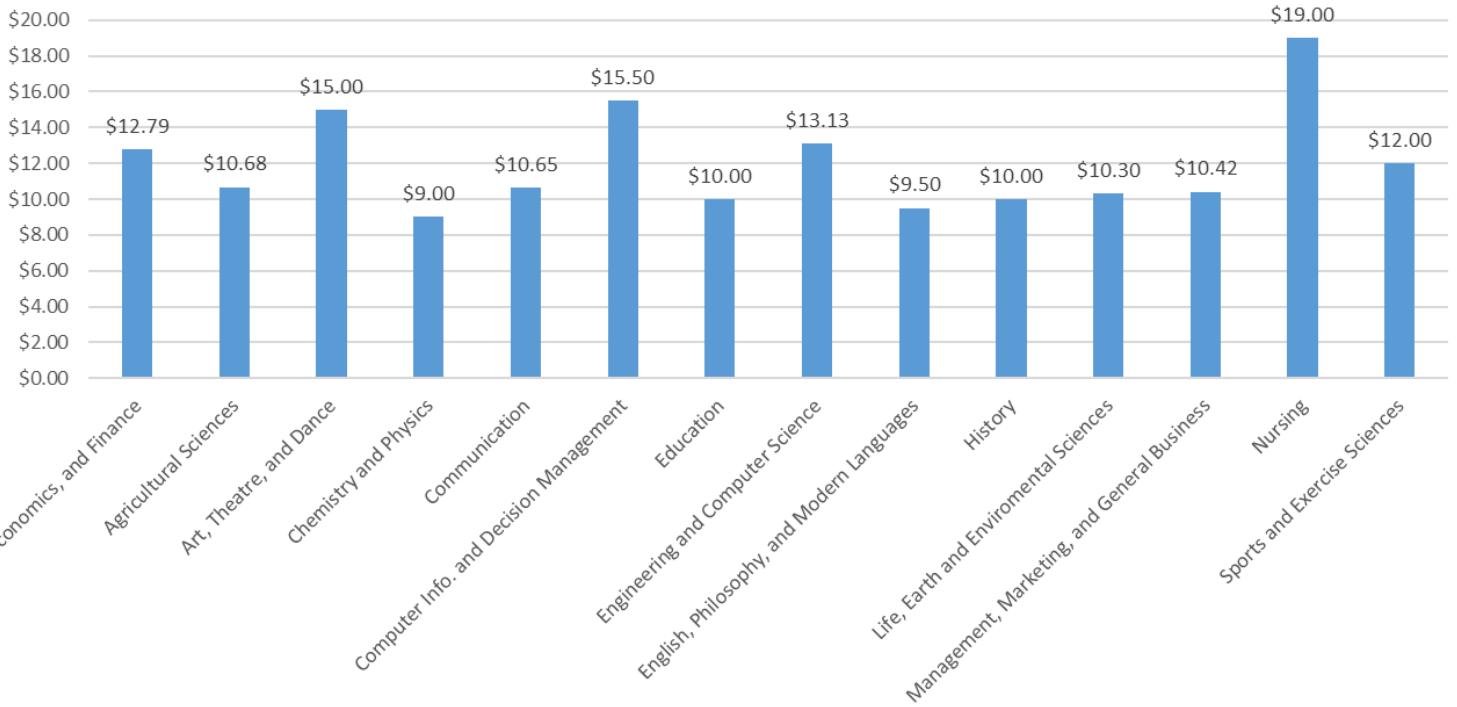
WTAMU Experiential Education Program Fall 2017 Executive Summary

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 3,900 individual placements to date (237 in Fall 2017)
- Placed or documented 2,675 students in internships (unduplicated count)
- Average GPA of the Fall 2017 class – 3.36
- Average wage for paid internships for the Fall 2017 class - \$11.86 per hour



Fall 2017 Average Paid Internship Hourly Rate By Department



- Some sample sizes are small

What Did You Like Best? What Was The Most Valuable Thing You Learned?

I definitely liked my coworkers the most. There was never a day (so far) I have dreaded coming to work. The relationships I have built and developed here are incredibly important to my life. I would not be anywhere near as happy as I am right now if I wasn't an intern here."

"I learned that there are a lot of professions out there that don't require specialized knowledge. There are professions that require experience, interpersonal and communication skills, and the ability to adapt.

Austin Haralson
General Studies major
Intern with WTAMU Recreational Sport

I liked the trust placed in me to do my job; I was given a lot of responsibility.

I gained more skills at a tax preparer level that I didn't have before. I hadn't done individual taxes, so now I feel prepared for jobs outside of the big four.

Amanda Leffew
Accounting major
Intern with Brown Graham & Company in Amarillo, TX

Working in a culture like Southwest's.

I learned that I want to be around people and focus more on that side of communications rather than the technical writing side.

Morgan Monroe
Corporate Communications major
Intern with Southwest Airlines in Dallas, TX

I loved the hands on experience. I have actual examples of my work to show hiring employers.

I learned to develop a taste for compelling stories.

Audrey Roberson
Broadcast Journalism major
Intern with KAMR-TV in Amarillo, TX

I liked how I got to dive in to certain tasks as soon as I did. I got to perform a variety of different tasks and I thought that was neat. I also liked all the people that I work with.

The most valuable thing about this experience has been getting to work with both sides of accounting and getting to see how everything works. All of the tasks that I got to do have been valuable as well.

Ashlyn Robinson
Accounting major with Stewart, Martin, Dudley & Webb in Amarillo, TX

That I was able to contribute to something students and faculty will use everyday.

I've learned how to apply things I've learned in class to an actual application and not just a simple project.

Tim Sanchez
CIS major
Intern with WTAMU Office of Communication & Marketing

I got the great opportunity to enhance my skills in data analytics.

I developed my professional and personal skills.

Smriti Thapa
MBA student
Intern with Arrowhead Mills in Hereford, TX

I liked being able to work independently but also with a team. I liked how flexible my work schedule is around my classes at WT.

I have enjoyed my time as an auditor and will stay in audit and will not pick tax classes over an audit class.

Kate Plaxco
Accounting major
Intern with Brown Graham & Co. in Amarillo, TX

I liked that I was able to create a program to help the electrical engineers with their job. Being able to make someone's job easier is definitely a great feeling, especially when you've worked so hard.

The fact that I was able to use school knowledge was comforting. Most things that I've learned within the past two years really helped me fit into the new environment.

Dymyll Jones
CIS major
Intern with Xcel Energy in Amarillo, TX



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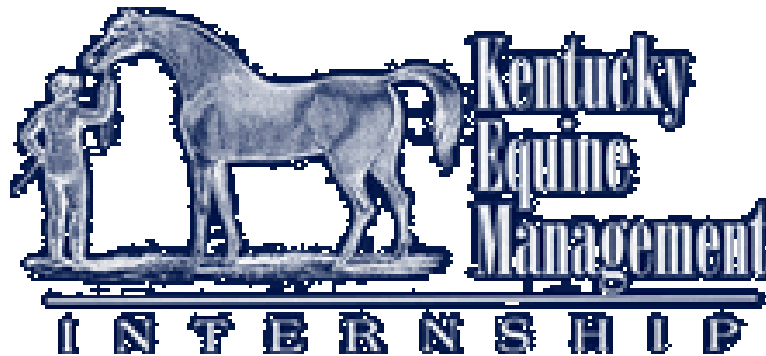


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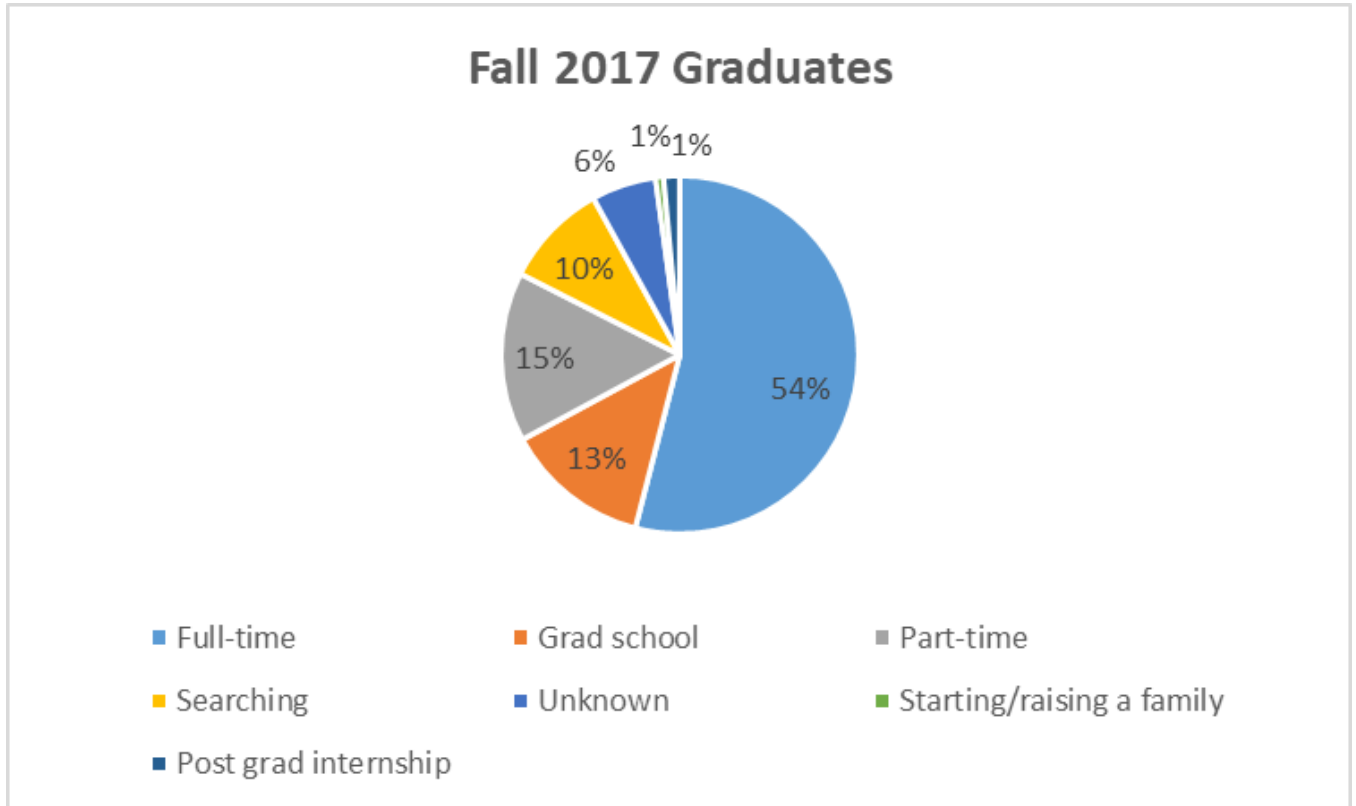
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Intern to Full-Time for Fall 2017

This semester 137 interns graduated. Sixty-nine percent of these students have either a full-time or part-time job, 13% are going to graduate school, 10% are seeking and we were unable to contact 6%. One student is choosing to stay home and raise a family and 2 are pursuing post graduate internships. The chart below represents these numbers.



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 2017 Interns

Out of the 237 interns, 31% got full-time positions, 8% are going to graduate school, 9% are working part-time, 1% are completing a post-graduation internship or choosing to stay home, 9% are either seeking or we were unable to contact and 42% 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!

