

Congratulations Graduates! (*Valedictorians!)

Political Science

Malcolm Beebe, Abraham Enriquez, Lucas Green, Desiree Jones, Angelique Lee, Jesse Leon, Spencer Reyes, *Mackenzie Sanderson, Aaron Steward

Criminal Justice

Jennie Bates, Gavin Burford, Toby Falcon, *Wyatt Hollabough, Brooke Konyha, *Dillon Minick, Brian Murphree, Tyler Richardson, Jonathan Smith, Priscilla Tirado

Honor Woman

Mackenzie Sanderson

Dean Adams Achievement Award

Jennie Bates



Present for Senior Picture: Dr. Dillman, Prince Ofori-Nyadu, Chris Cary, Wyatt Hollabough, Dillon Minick, Tyler Richardson, Kayla Mosley, Brian Murphree, Aaron Steward, Angelique Lee, Priscilla Tirado, Kieran Wood, Liberty Grace Bland, Bright Ntambara, Desiree Jones, Dr. Hailey, Dr. Coates, Mackenzie Sanderson.

University Scholar Awards

Mackenzie Sanderson (POLS) and Dillon Minick (CJ) were chosen by the Faculty Senate as University



Scholars for 2018. Only 50 students on the ACU campus receive this honor.



Sanderson Wins National Alpha Chi Award

Mackenzie Sanderson won the Margaret A. FitzGerald Price in Political Science award, given to the student with the highest presentation score, at the 2018 Alpha Chi National Honor Society Conference in Portland, on April 7. She is the first POLS major from ACU to win this award.

Congratulations to these Department Scholarship Winners

- Trent & Nell Meaders—Caleb Cobb & Jenna Salzman
- Judge Ted Poe—Wade Byington & Kevin Shurtz
- B.F. Sisk—Kieran Wood
- Pat & JoAnn Sublett—Lauren Wasson & Aylin Mares
- Gary & Nancy Thompson—Shelby Weddle
- Jeffrey Wendling—Jill Lauver & J.D. Bynum

Student News

Tyler Richardson was accepted in the Texas Tech Forensic Sciences Masters Program for this fall, Investigative Track.

Desiree Jones attended the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, April 3-8, in Edmond, Oklahoma, presenting "Orange is the New Green: A Qualitative Study on Contract Prisons and their Effect on the Prison Population and Society."

Shaden Lopez is interning this summer with RAICES Texas, which helps immigrant families released from detention facilities and provides legal assistance as well as emotional support for children.

Troy Lucero has won the Bruce T. Halle Scholarship, an off campus scholarship.

Jenna Salzman is interning for Congresswoman Kay Granger's Washington, D.C. Office this summer.

Hannah Granados and **Jessica James** are interning in the Office of the Clerk for the Northern District of Texas in Dallas. They are working for Chief Clerk **Karen Mitchell** ('86).

Davis Dilling is working this summer on the Congressional campaign for PA State Senator John Eichelberger.

Lauren Wasson is interning with City Square in Dallas in the Social Services Division.

Noah Pruitt is interning with Congressman Jodey Arrington's office this summer.

Faculty News

David Dillman has been chosen by the Department as the first faculty member to receive funding for research from the David L. Dillman Faculty Research Endowment fund. He will be continuing research summer in Serbia after his Fulbright there last year.

Neal Coates has been chosen as an ACU Library Teaching Fellow for the Summer 2018. He will spend time working in Archives/Special Collections with the public servant papers (Justice Jack Pope, Congressman Omar Burleson, George Dillman, Rep. Bob Hunter). Coates will also prepare a format for future semesters as majors and others assist in government-related collections.

Mel Hailey served as head judge for the state Citizen Bee competition held in Austin on April 28. Citizen Bee is sponsored by the Law Related Division of the State Bar of Texas and the Hatton Summers Foundation.

Neal Coates wrote an op-ed, "It's the third quarter and Iran is 25 points behind the rest of the world," May 13, Abilene Reporter News.



**Congressman
Jodey Arrington
visits ACU**
Pictured L-R are:
Jonathan Ladd,
Nick Cartwright,
Alexander Chamales,
Congressman Arrington,
Tyler Hasenjaeger,
Jerry Mares,
Rep. Stan Lambert.



Students and Alumni can benefit from the next several pages of internship, scholarship, and job opportunities

Study Abroad (and in Washington, D.C.)

A semester abroad is one of the most impactful educational experiences students can have. In addition to ACU's various study abroad sites in which sophomores typically enroll, for over 40 years the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities has operated Christian-based semester abroad programs around the world in Oxford, Jordan, Uganda, and Northern Ireland. They also operate professionally-focused domestic programs in Washington, D.C. (politics), Los Angeles (film), and Nashville (music). These programs are led by experienced full-time directors and have a strong reputation for academic rigor, Christian faith integration, and operational excellence. The courses also transfer to ACU. See www.bestsemester.com.

Congressional Internship Opportunities

Many ACU students work at their local district office or the Washington, D.C. office of their Congressman. Rep. Jodey Arrington (TX-19) is looking for an ACU intern for every semester and summer. If you or anyone you know (and of any major) are interested, please contact Rep. Arrington's either office or talk with Dr. Coates.

Major Scholarships, including Fulbright Scholarships

The ACU Office of Major Scholarships offers assistance for students interested in preparing (early!) for Truman, Marshall, Fulbright, Rhodes, etc. scholarships. See that Office or Dr. Coates for more information. The Department of POLS & CJ has recently had two students and one professor receive Fulbright's. Two of the activities you will want to consider beyond the B.A.-required language study is participation in a study abroad program and also taking the two courses at ACU to qualify for the TESOL teaching certificate.

International Rescue Committee, Abilene

The IRC in Abilene regularly accepts applications for the summer and fall semesters. An internship with the IRC provides professional experience with a renowned international non-profit. It simultaneously provides a multicultural experience not just from working with diverse clients but also with the international staff in their office. They accept interns from all majors and backgrounds to work in the case management, economic empowerment, immigration, and development departments. IRC requests a 12 hour per week commitment from each student. Apply several weeks prior to the semester to intern. Training is required.



MSC SCONA is an annual collegiate conference at Texas A&M University in February that brings together delegates from across the nation and the world. MSC SCONA discusses a topic of national and global importance, allowing delegates to interact with academic scholars, professionals, and well-known public figures.

Delegates participate in small group "roundtables" led by a subject matter expert "facilitator" and work together to create a policy paper. Prior to the conference, students may opt to participate in the **International Strategic Crisis Negotiation Exercise**. The ISCNE is a diplomatic simulation produced by the U.S. Army War College, which Texas A&M University hosts. Student delegates are divided into seven teams—each representing a nation-state—and work with a USAWC Fellow, who serves as their mentor. Each of the delegations represent a nation or interested global actor at a simulated peace conference facilitated by the "United Nations." MSC SCONA 64 and ISCNE will take place February 14-16, 2019. Registration will close in early February. Cost of the conference is \$80.

American Enterprise Institute Summer Honors Program

The AEI Summer Honors Program is a series of educational and professional development opportunities for quality undergraduate students. Students in the program have the chance to connect with the ideas, research, and network of AEI, one of America's pre-eminent think tanks, through seminars with AEI scholars and policy professionals, policy briefings with special guests, networking events, and site visits in Washington, D.C. Current undergraduates and recent graduates and international students are eligible to apply. Students participate in either a single one-week course or a multi-week opportunity at the start of the summer. This is a fully-funded program. Housing, meals on class days, stipends and travel vouchers are all provided. www.aei.org/internships

American Enterprise Institute Values & Capitalism Program

Applications are open for the next Values & Capitalism program sponsored by AEI. Through four week-long, expense-free courses, the honors program gives students a chance to immerse themselves in a particular area of study with leading scholars and policy practitioners, and also offers opportunities for students to sharpen professional skills through career coaching, site visits, and networking events. Learn more and apply by visiting www.valuesandcapitalism.com/2019-summer-honors-program. Faculty members can also nominate students by visiting the same web site and click on "Nominate a Student." Application is due July 1. See www.valuesandcapitalism.com

Critical Language Selection Program — U.S. State Department

The State Department invites students to apply for the Critical Language Scholarship Program next summer on a fully-funded study abroad program. The CLS Program is an intensive overseas language and cultural immersion program for Americans enrolled at U.S. colleges and universities. Students spend 8-10 weeks abroad studying one of 14 critical languages. CLS is part of a government initiative to expand the number of Americans studying and mastering foreign languages critical to national security and economic prosperity. Applications are available at www.clscholarship.org and are due November 15 each year.

Boren Scholarships

Boren Scholarships, an initiative of the National Security Education Program, provides unique funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests, and underrepresented in study abroad. These include Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the middle East. Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded. Boren Scholars represent a vital pool of highly motivated individuals who wish to work in the federal national security arena. Boren Scholars commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation. Award amounts (maximum scholarship) range from \$8,000 for a summer program to \$10,000 for a semester to \$20,000 for a 6-12 months. Summer-only programs must be eight weeks or more and are limited to science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) students. See <http://borenawards.org/scholarships/program-basics/boren-scholarship-basics> for more information.

**The Fund for American Studies Washington, D.C., June and July
December 5 – Early Deadline (5% tuition discount)**

**** Internship Placement – Courses for Credit – Furnished Housing****

Outstanding, committed students are invited to apply for TFAS, a summer program for internships and college courses in Washington, D.C. See <https://www.tfas.org>. The Fund for American Studies sponsors six institutes which prepare young people for leadership in their communities and the nation. The institutes are intense, combining lectures, coursework, internships, and site briefings at key institutions of national government. Each institute offers courses for academic credit. The most popular study program with ACU students has been the Engalitcheff Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems. ICPES was established in 1970 and is intended for students interested in careers in government, public policy, and academia. It offers a thorough examination of the American political tradition and market economics through comparative study. Other programs are offered in: [International Affairs](#), [Public Policy & Economics](#), [Journalism & Communication](#), [Community Leadership & Service](#), [Business & Government Affairs](#), [Leadership & the American Presidency](#). The programs include an internship placement, courses for academic credit from George Mason University, furnished housing located close to Metro rail stations, monuments and museums in Washington, networking events, exclusive briefings, guest speakers and a mentor program. Scholarships are awarded based on need and merit with over 70% of students receiving full or partial funding. Please visit www.DCinternships.org. Questions may be directed to admissions@tfas.org or 202.986.0384.

Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

The Heritage Foundation is recruiting 60 junior and senior conservatives for each spring semester in Washington, D.C. Paid internships in research, policy promotion, and more are offered. The program runs January to April, with opportunities to work alongside Heritage staff throughout the building and on a wide variety of policy issues. Visit www.heritage.org/internships. Applicants should apply by Oct. 1 by filling out the online application.

University of North Texas Hatton Sumners Scholarship for Masters in Public Administration

The University of North Texas offers up to five scholarships worth \$31,000 to students entering the MPA program. Sumners Scholars receive a stipend of \$12,800 (\$800 per month) paid over 16 months, and receive \$18,200 toward graduate tuition and fees at UNT. They assist a faculty member as a research assistant for 10 hours per week for 12 months. These students also participate in seminars hosted by the Sumners Foundation with noted national leaders. Applicants should have at least a 3.00 GPA and excellent GRE scores; excellent letters of recommendation; and commitment to a career in public administration. Review of completed applications begins April 1 of each year.

Department of Homeland Security

DHS is looking for employees to face the complex threats and challenges facing the U.S. The agency is seeking hundreds of qualified individuals to fill critical positions in law enforcement—criminal investigators, deportation officers, Customs and Border Protection officers, Border Patrol agents, special agents, physical security specialists, police officers, emergency management specialists, and intelligence analysts. To learn more, visit www.dhs.gov/recruitment or www.dhs.gov/careers.

Texas Police Trainers maintains a list of job openings in Texas Cities

<http://texaspolicetrainers.com/job-announcements>

National Security-Related Internships in Washington, D.C.

www.cags.indiana.edu/resources/internship_list.html

Deer Park, Texas, Police Department



The City of Deer Park is accepting applications for Police Officer. Open Until Filled. Base Salary plus incentive pay for TCOLE Certification/Education Pay, Longevity Pay, or Shift Differential Applications must be received at the Deer Park Police Department or at Deer Park City Hall. Applications at www.deerparktx.gov/egov/docs.