

Congratulations to May 2016 Graduation Award Winners:

Caleb Orr—Trustees Award

Mike Mfashingabo—Dean Adams Achievement Award

Student News

Davis Dilling attended a 3-day conference at the Reagan Ranch hosted by Young America’s Foundation from June 23-25.

Nick Cartwright served as a voting delegate at the Texas Federation of College Republicans State Convention at the Texas State Capital building on April 23. This fall, Nick is interning in the Office of Rep. Lamar Smith in Washington, D.C.

Summer 2016 Internships!!

Luke Davis—Abilene City Attorney’s Office

Allen Martin—Judge Lee Hamilton in the 104th District Court (Taylor County)

Alex Davis—Abilene Police Department

Thomas Brister—Abilene Police Department

Eddie Hernandez—Abilene Police Department

Liam Doyle—Abilene Police Department

Fernando Medina—Abilene Police Department

Jeremiah Shaeffer—Abilene Police Department

Philomena DeHoyos—Guadalupe Cty. Juv. Serv.

Julia Montoya—International Rescue Committee

Travis Estes—International Rescue Committee

Mayra Delarosa—International Rescue Committee



The Political Science & Criminal Justice Department has wristbands to show our support for Congressman Ted Poe, who is ill in Houston. Pick one up or request one today!



Cerzi Bawi-Tlung carries the Burma flag for 2016 Opening Chapel’s “Parade of Flags”

Faculty News

On June 28, Senator-elect Dawn Buckingham visited with Dr. Coates in the Department.

David Dillman worked as a speaker tracker at the National Democratic Party Convention in Philadelphia, PA, July 25-28.

Stuart Platt has been selected for the ACU Adams Center Master Teacher Program during the 2016-2017 School Year.

Stuart Platt attended the ILEA Contemporary Issues in Policing and Ethics Conference in Plano on August 17.

Neal Coates attended Sept. 7-9 the National Advocacy Convention (Beyond Genocide: Preserving Christianity in the Middle East) in Washington, D.C.

Tech Law School Rep on Campus Sep. 19

On September 19, Assistant Dean Danielle Saavedra of Texas Tech Law School will visit with students on the ACU campus. See Mrs. Price in the Department to sign up.

Alumni News

Chris Perkins was a featured speaker at The Annette Strauss Institute for Civic Life 2016 Campaign Bootcamp, held at UT Austin.

Elizabeth Bingham ('05) was selected as the vice chair of the Young Republicans for the State of Texas.

Jason Knight ('06) has been selected for Army Special Operations.

Danielle Urias ('10) has earned her Specialist's degree in School Psychology from Univ. of Houston-Clear Lake.

Ashley Close ('13) is now the Legal Assistant for the State Subcommittee on the Constitution under the Chairmanship of Senator John Cornyn.

Gabriel Elorreaga ('13) started law school Fall 2016 at St. Mary's Law School.

Seth Wilson ('13) is now a firefighter with the Abilene Fire Department. He was valedictorian of his academy.

Congratulations to Ian Merriman ('14) who graduated from the Game Warden Academy on August 2. The graduation was conducted at the State Capital building.

Oxford Spring 2017

Dr. Neal Coates will be the faculty advisor in Oxford this Spring 2017. If you are interested in participating, please feel free to visit with him or the Study Abroad Office.

Job Board

A local government job board is located at www.SGRjobs.com. See USAJobs.gov for federal employment information.

Internship Opportunities

Rep. Ted Poe's Office, Washington, D.C.

Representative Ted Poe's Office is looking for an ACU intern for every semester and summer. Rep. Poe is an alumnus of ACU. If you or anyone you know (and of any major) may be interested, please have them contact his office.

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 nonprofit. 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.

Heritage Foundation, Washington, D.C.

The Heritage Foundation is recruiting 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 from January to April, with opportunities to work alongside Heritage staff throughout the building and on a wide variety of policy issues. There are 60 intern positions. Interested students are encouraged to visit www.heritage.org/internships. Applicants should apply by October 1 each year by filling out the online application.