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ACU ALUMNI BAR ASSOCIATION PRESENTS TWO EVENTS FOR ATTORNEYS AT HOMECOMING 2022

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Friday, October 14, 2-4:30 p.m. LYNAY Classroom, Hunter Welcome Center, "Ethical Witness Prep: The Best Hope for Truth in a World of Lies" (1 hour CLE credit, includes 1 hour of ethics) and "Moral Reasoning and Tailored Arguments" (1 hour CLE credit). Featuring Mike Holley (ACU '93), First Assistant District Attorney, Montgomery County District Attorney's Office

ALUMNI BAR RECEPTION

Saturday, October 15, 11:45 a.m.—12:45 p.m.
Mabee Business Building Atrium

Alumni News

JoLynn Villarreal ('16) graduated from the Corpus Christi Police Academy on March 11 and is now a full time officer.

Adriana Garza ('21) is AmeriCorps Service Member at New Braunfels Food Bank.

Grace Burleson ('22) has accepted a job from Irving ISD, allowing her to complete a teaching certificate and to teach in the Texas Juvenile Justice program.

Debate Team Finishes Second in Nation!

Congratulations to the ACU Debate Team, who finished the 2021-2022 Season ranked No. 2 in the United States! Department students on the team include Josh Danaher, Hannah Maniscalco, and Bryson Frank.

2022-2023 Jack Pope Fellows

Ben Camp	Joshua Danaher
Luke Dillingham	Alli Dimmitt
Carol dos Santos	Taylor Everitt
Sky Gill	Emma Horn
Emma Jaax	Hannah Maniscal
Nathan Marshall	Stephanie Newberry
Emy Pablico	Austin Petree
JD Schlageter	Emily Van Dyke
Allison Vogt	Maci Weathers
Brandon White	

Dean Ronald Phillips—Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award

Ronald Phillips ('55), founding and long-serving Dean of the Pepperdine School of Law, received at our May Commencement the Dale and Rita Brown Outlive Your Life Award! Dean Phillips has been very important over several decades in developing the excellent reputation of the Pepperdine School of Law, and the special relationship between it and Abilene Christian University. Dean Phillips, Thank you and Congratulations!

Study Abroad 2022-2023

Fall Oxford
Emma Horn
Fall Leipzig
Emy Pablico
Spring Leipzig
Ben Smith

Dr. David Dillman Retirement Dinner

On July 1, Department Faculty, friends, and relatives met to honor Dr. Dillman on his retirement. Since receiving tenure at ACU in 1988, Dr. Dillman has taught some 20 different courses, specializing in Public Administration and in Congress. His students have benefited from his attendance at national political conventions and his involvement in Christians in Political Science. Dr. Dillman brought the Congress to Campus Program to ACU a half dozen times, served as the Jack Pope Fellows Director for over a decade, organized an ACU Freedom Ride trip across the South, was elected as Chairman of the ACU Faculty Senate, and incorporated Dallas CitySquare into students' experiences. Dr. Dillman was Internship Director for political science majors for a number of years and significantly was selected as a Fulbright Scholar to Serbia. The Department and its majors appreciate Dr. Dillman's dedicated teaching and service at Abilene Christian University.



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Congratulations May 2022 Graduates!

Bryan Briones-POLS
Grace Burleson-CJ
Genner Cervantes-CJ
Jose Rodriguez Cisneros-POLS
Connor Fischelli-POLS
Ryan Fox-CJ
Ashley Gonzalez-CJ
Caegan Long-CJ
Preston Miller-POLS
Ailin Ortega-POLS
Jacob Pritchard-CJ
Maelene Rosales-POLS
Adelynn Vasquez-POLS



**Congratulations to 2021-2022 University Scholars
in the ACU Department of Political Science and
Criminal Justice!**



Preston Miller was the first ACU student selected for the Hatton W. Sumners At-Large Program, and interned for Federal Magistrate Judge John Parker in Abilene. Sierra Shoaf presented in the 2020 ACU Research Festival, "Comparison of Traditional Modesty Expectations in Israel," and in 2021 "Shin Bet's Cell Phone Tracking: A Violation of Civil Liberties and the Israeli Basic Law." This second project won the Undergraduate Poster Competition at the Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa Conference in Washington, D.C.

Student News

Emy Pabilco is externing with Judge Chad Allread ('95) of the King County Superior Court (in Seattle) this summer.

Halen Helmer is touring Israel with other U.S. college students in August.

2022 Scholarship Awards

Earl Scholarship

Erin Hodgson
Jaylen Ward

Meaders Scholarship

Chloe Deffner
Anna Schulze

Poe Scholarship

Allen Graham
Elyssa Jackson
Aileen Castorene-Munoz
Keren Rodriguez
Veronica Vernon
Christian Williams

Rickard Scholarship

Emy Pablico

Sisk Scholarship

Allison Vogt

Sublett Scholarship

Chloe Deffner
Anna Schulze

Sumners Scholarship

Emma Jaax
Hannah Maniscalco
Gracyn McGathy

Thompson Scholarship

Alli Dimmitt
Stephanie Newberry

Wendling Scholarship

Jackson Smith
Carson Zimmerman

Faculty News

During Spring 2022, students in Dr. Candice Ortbal's National Government course worked on a community engagement project, researching a policy area and serving in a local organization related to those policy areas (refugee resettlement and human trafficking). On Apr. 26, outside ACU's Bean, the students presented their work via posters about those community organizations (IRC and the Big Country Trafficking Coalition).

Sgt. Bob Delony, "Myths about Intimate Partner Abuse" on Apr. 27 in his Domestic Violence course.



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 internship applications for the summer and fall semesters. An internship with the IRC provides professional experience with a renowned international non-profit. It also provides a multicultural experience from working with diverse clients and with the international staff in their office. IRC accepts 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.

Southern Regional Pi Sigma Alpha Student Research Conference

Students are invited to share their research with their peers by participating in the Southern Regional Pi Sigma Alpha Student Research Conference. PSA is the honor society for POLS students. The conference is held each February, and the deadline for submissions is early each January. Students exploring topics across political science are welcome to submit proposals in the many subfields that make up the discipline (American Politics, International Relations, Political Philosophy, Public Policy, etc.) Participants will receive detailed feedback on their papers through panel discussants. Conference participants pay no registration fee and are provided breakfast and lunch.

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>.



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 and ISCNE will take place in February 2023. Registration will close in early February. Cost of the conference is \$100.

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

U.S. Department of State

The U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program is an unpaid internship with the opportunity to work in U.S. embassies and consulates throughout the world, as well as in various bureaus located in Washington, D.C. and at Department offices around the United States. See

https://careers.state.gov/intern/student-internships/?source=govdelivery&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Experience the thrill and rewards of working in a student program at the U.S. Department of State. Whether you are an undergraduate or graduate student seeking a substantive internship supporting U.S. Foreign Policy, there is no limit as to how far these opportunities can take you. At the Department of State, you will have the opportunity to gain insight into U.S. Foreign Policy and Diplomacy, explore new career avenues, and acquire lifelong skills as you represent America to the world. Their two programs, (1) U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program (unpaid) and (2) Pathways Program (paid), enable students to obtain job experience in a foreign affairs environment. Begin by finding which program is right for you, or speaking with a Diplomat in Residence about student programs. <http://careers.state.gov/intern>

The Student Internship Program is open to U.S. citizen college students with 60 credits at start of the internship who will be continuing their studies immediately after the internship. There are opportunities to gain practical, professional experience in a foreign affairs environment and insight into the substance and daily operations of U.S. foreign policy. The internship is 8-14 weeks, full-time, in summer, spring, and fall, and is located in State Department offices in Washington and other U.S. cities and over 100 U.S. embassies and consulates abroad. Apply via usajobs.gov. Deadlines may vary, but traditionally are in September for the following summer, March 1 for fall, and July 1 for the spring of the next year. Interested students should sign up for email alerts using the "Keep Me Informed" feature on careers.state.gov and clicking the "Student Programs" box on the menu. For more information, see careers.state.gov/intern/student-internships. Internships are unpaid, but housing may be provided at some overseas posts. For the U.S. Foreign Services Internship Program (USFSIP), U.S. citizen students currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree program may apply with a cumulative GPA of 3.20 or above, and must be rising juniors or seniors when they start the program (i.e., in their sophomore or junior year when applying). Selection is heavily based on evidence or financial need. This program is a paid two-summer international affairs experiential learning program. Apply via usajobs.gov. Application period usually every early in September or possibly late August. Sign up for an alert on usajobs.gov.

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.

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.

Internship Ideas

If you are looking for internship ideas, visit these organizations' homepages: FBI Counter Extremism Project, Freedom House, Interpol, Transparency International, Texas Right to Life, Amnesty International, International Justice Mission, and United Against Nuclear Iran.

Federal Courts Clerk Office Internship

Outstanding freshman POLS & CJ students are invited to contact Dr. Coates about summer internship in the Chief Clerk's Office of the Federal Courts for the Texas Northern District, in Dallas.

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

<https://www.wm.edu/offices/dccenter/employment/internships/index.php>

Internships, Fellowships, and Other Work Experience Opportunities in the Federal Government

www.senate.gov/visiting/po.htm

Publications for Student Research

Several journals are dedicated to publications of student research. See Dr. Coates for more information.

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.

Middle East Forum

The Middle East Forum accepts On-location interns in the offices of the Middle East Forum in Philadelphia, and Distance interns. See <https://www.meforum.org/employment.php#internships>

Searching for Jobs?

See [USAJobs.gov](https://www.usajobs.gov) for Job Information!

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.

Law Enforcement Positions listed at Texas Municipal Police Association

www.tmpa.org/jobcenter

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

<http://texaspolice trainers.com/job-announcements>

Conservative& Libertarian Pre-Law Reading List—from Federalist Society

<https://fedsoc.org/commentary/publications/conservative-libertarian-pre-law-reading-list>

Sherman Police Department

Training/Recruiting

Sgt. Alex Shivers #254

Email: alexs@cityofsherman.com

Ph: 903-892-7202

Portland Police Department, Portland, Oregon

<https://www.joinportlandpolice.com/#intro>



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.

Deer Park, Texas, Police Department of Foreign Service Officers Reading List from U.S. State Department

<https://careers.state.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Suggested-Reading-List-Aug2013.pdf>