



# Undergraduate Newsletter

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## December Graduation

Graduation dates and times have been announced for December 2014 degree candidates. The commencement ceremony for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will be **Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM**. Please visit <http://graduation.tamu.edu> for more information concerning commencement and cap & gown.

## Dr. Joe Townsend Leadership Fellows Program

The Dr. Joe Townsend '67 Leadership Fellows Program is an advanced leadership development experience open to students in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. This program offers the unique combination of course credit (ALED 401) and experiential extra-curricular leadership experiences. Our website with more information can be found at <http://alec.tamu.edu/student-opportunities/high-impact/dr-joe-townsend-fellows/>

**The opportunity to be a part of the Dr. Joe Leadership Fellows' Program has been extended to Friday, October 17th at 5pm.**

This is an amazing opportunity to experience leadership. We will have a retreat at the beginning of the Spring semester, travel to San Antonio to meet with local leaders, and travel to South Padre Island to analyze leadership on the island (and have fun too).

The network you will create will lead to potential employers, past leadership graduates, and current students.

## Costa Rica Ag Leadership Extension

The deadline for the Costa Rica Ag Leadership winter break program has been extended by one week to **Sunday, October 19**. Please apply now.

### Program Description

The courses taught on this program are related to diffusion and other innovative practices for sustainable development and biodiversity. Students experience firsthand practices and principles of technological change in the international and rural environment of Costa Rica. Undergraduates will develop case studies and multimedia components that reflect technological change in Costa Rica. Graduate students will be trained on the use of participatory rural appraisal to collect need assessment data in the local community. This program is open to all majors.

### Courses Offered

Students must register for *one* of the following courses:

- **ALED 440:** Leading Change (3 cr.)
- **ALED 485:** Directed Studies (3 cr.)
- **ALEC 640:** Methods of Technological Change (3 cr.)
- **ALEC 685:** Directed Studies (3 cr.)

**Dates:** January 4-18, 2015 **Apply Now:** <http://studyabroad.tamu.edu/?q=AgLeadershipWinterBreak>

## AGLS International Experience Photo Contest

The Ambassadors & Mentors in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences are hosting the annual AGLS International Experience Photo Contest. The contest is open to students, faculty & staff who have had an international study or work experience. Individuals can enter up to five pictures in one of the following categories (five pictures total):

Landscapes  
Nature  
Cityscapes  
People  
Miscellaneous/Other

Pictures will be accepted Nov. 1-10 and displayed on the Texas A&M - College of Ag/Life Sciences Study Abroad Facebook page and in the AgriLife Center for viewing and voting during International Education Week Nov. 17-21. First, second and third place will be named for all categories as well as an overall winner. Winning pictures will be displayed in the AgriLife Center and in other locations during the Spring Semester.

**For more information, contact Cathryn Clement at 979-458-0820 or [cclement@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:cclement@ag.tamu.edu)**

## Law School Caravan

This year, 114 law schools and two test prep vendors signed up! This is the largest law fair ever hosted! For Fall 2015 admission, Texas A&M placed 15<sup>th</sup> in the nation in providing law school applicants!

**October 21, 2014**  
**11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**  
**Bethancourt Ballroom**  
**Texas A&M University**

The Law School Caravan is sponsored by the Southwest Association of Prelaw Advisors.

## Women in STEM Faculty Panel

Honors Student Council invites you to attend a faculty-led panel entitled "*Women in STEM: Overcoming Sexual Discrimination Barriers to Excel in Traditionally Male-Dominated fields.*" **This event will be held in MSC 2300A on Wednesday, October 29th, from 6:00-7:30 pm.** This event is open to *all* students at Texas A&M. For upperclassmen in University Honors, this event is one way of meeting the requirement of attending one HSC-sponsored event per semester.

Some of the topics will include the discrepancy of women in STEM fields in the past, the panelists' experiences with sexual discrimination and stereotypes, and the panelists' personal stories about how they reached the place they are at today. There will be a time at the end of the moderated portion of the event where audience members will be allowed to ask the panelists questions.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Joshua Fuller at [jfuller@tamu.edu](mailto:jfuller@tamu.edu). You may also contact HSC's advisor, Austin Ford, at [austin-ford@tamu.edu](mailto:austin-ford@tamu.edu).

We are excited to host this event and we hope that you join us for what is sure to be an interesting discussion! If you would like to RSVP to the event on Facebook, please follow the link below:

[https://www.facebook.com/events/340985629404462/?ref\\_dashboard\\_filter=upcoming&source=1](https://www.facebook.com/events/340985629404462/?ref_dashboard_filter=upcoming&source=1)

## Student Worker Position

AgriLife Extension (5<sup>th</sup> floor – across Dean's Office) is looking for a student worker.

**Job duties:** Clerical tasks (answering phones, data entry, collating, etc.), with other duties assigned as appropriate to the student's skills. May include: writing, editing and design support for a newsletter, other documents and a website, as well as special projects.

**Preferred qualifications:** Ability to use Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and WordPress. Good writing, proofing and editing skills.

Up to 20 hours/week, year-round, starting \$7.25 hourly. Position available immediately (October 2014). Located in the AGLS Building, 600 John Kimbrough Blvd.

### To apply:

Complete student employment application online at: <https://greatjobs.tamu.edu/> Student Worker Position Nov#02633

After applying online, notify Loretta Morse. E-mail preferred ([l-morse@tamu.edu](mailto:l-morse@tamu.edu)) or call 979-845-7808.

## Stable Hand Part-Time Position

Horse Haven Equestrian Center is a full care horse boarding facility located in College Station, Texas, seeking a part-time employee to assist in the daily care of the facility, including daily feedings, turning horses out and bringing them back in following program schedules; clean stalls, and care of grounds. We currently have 42 horses under our care.

The ideal candidate must have customer service skills, experience in equine care, ability to identify health concerns and illnesses. Also, ranch skills to take care of the grounds such as operating a tractor, weed eater, stall cleaning, repair fence, and manure spreader are also important. Must be able to lift 60 lbs. Starting salary is contingent with experience. Start as soon as possible. Drug and alcohol free environment.

**If interested, please send resume with contact information to [Barn@herschaventexas.com](mailto:Barn@herschaventexas.com)**  
<http://horsehaventexas.com/>