

**CAREER PATH  
INTERNSHIP**

**CPI Interns  
of the Month**

**2019**



**Idaho State  
University**

# CPI PROGRAM

***CPI Program Mission:*** *We are committed to connecting Idaho State University students to professional, paid experiences that will enhance their career opportunities upon graduation.*

Each year, the CPI Program provides approximately 1,000 internships opportunities for ISU students. These internships span all colleges and divisions and allow for our students to enter the working world with real-life skills and abilities.

To highlight the amazing work that our students perform in their internships, the CPI Office request nominations for CPI Interns of the Month from our internship sites and supervisors. The office reviews these nominations on a monthly basis and pick the best-of-the-best to receive the CPI Intern of the Month award. The following pages highlight our outstanding recipients from 2019

**Congratulations and thank you to all our 2019  
CPI Interns of the Month!**

## January

Kelsee Harrison

Kelsee Harrison held a CPI internship as the Social Media & Marketing intern at the College of Education. During her internship, Harrison has been able to gain valuable experience in promoting the College of Education through marketing campaigns, creation of promotional material and daily management of the College of Education's social media accounts. "She has successfully helped run multiple campaigns with us increasing our page views, likes and helped us reach a goal of raising \$3,000 for student scholarships!" Harrison is considering a career in teaching, a subject for which she was truly passionate. "The CPI program has helped me broaden my ideas of what I could teach," explained Harrison. "Through my experience in developing marketing campaigns at the College of Education, I am now considering teaching marketing as well as business technology and graphic design. Harrison expects to graduate in May 2020 and is considering a second degree in graphic design. She hopes to stay in the area and teach in a local high school.

## February

Rebecca Rowland

Rebecca Rowland held a CPI internship at Pocatello High School assisting in multiple U.S. Government classes. During her internship, Rowland has gained experience in developing and delivering lessons to high school students, answering questions, tutoring students, and gaining insight on what it takes to be an impactful teacher. "When I first started my internship I was very scared to speak up about new ideas, but now that I have developed a great working relationship with my supervisor and I feel free to suggest changes to lessons or new projects." Rowland intends to take the skills learned during her internship and apply in her future career as an educator. "The CPI program has allowed me to make sure that secondary education was what I really wanted to pursue before I spent four years on my degree. Rowland was placed as an intern at Pocatello High School through the New Student Internship Program (NSIP) at Idaho State University.

## March

Bibek Paudel

Bibek Paudel held a CPI internship at the Idaho Transportation Department's Pocatello office. Paudel has surveyed in the field using GPS and has assisted in ultra-precise leveling to federal standards along the interstate and other highways. He has also learned a complex CADD software program called 'Micro Station', and has become very proficient using it. His CADD work produces official, legal drawings that are being recorded in numerous county courthouses in Idaho. His name is on those records as the draftsman and will be forever preserved. "Usually engineering majors do not get much experience in the surveying side of things," explained Paudel. "I wanted to get more experience in the field to better understand the tools required for GIS projects." Originally from Gaidakot, Nawalparasi, Nepal, Paudel hopes to stay in the United States to pursue a master's degree in Civil Engineering.



## April

Steve Coburn

## May

Sadie Morrell

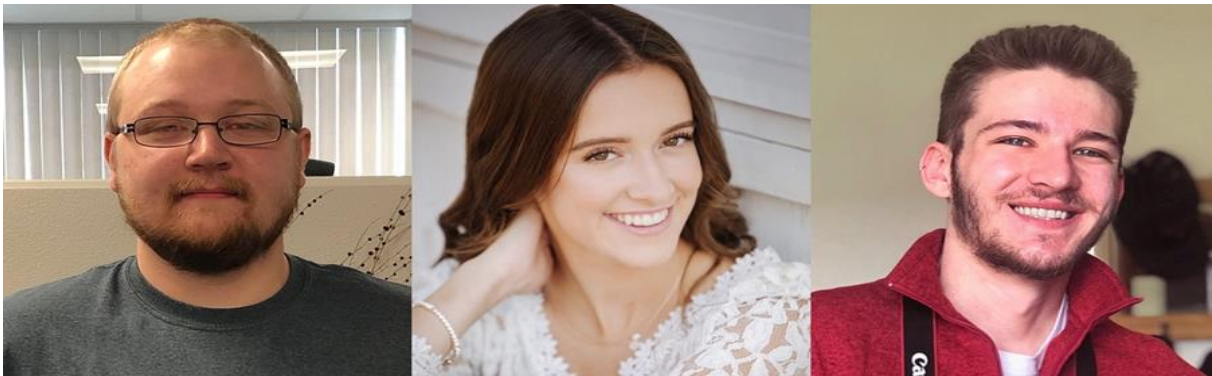
## June

Quinn Purcell

Steve Coburn held a CPI internship within the Central Academic Advising offices at ISU. Most recently, Steve worked closely with Lethaniel Loley, ISU Native American Student Coordinator, as well as personnel in the IT Service Desk to support the development and technical implementation of a Native American Student Laptop Checkout Program. Steve has been given a diverse set of technical support responsibilities and has consistently stepped up to the challenge,” stated Joann Hertz, Director of Central Academic Advising and Coburn’s supervisor. “He is hard working, detail oriented, a team player, and provides research based solutions to any issue that arises.” Coburn hopes to take the skills and experiences that he has gained during his internship and apply them to the real world. “After I graduate, I would like to stay in the Pocatello area and work as a Windows administrator or something similar in the IT field,” explained Coburn. “I am also considering getting my master’s degree at ISU.” Coburn, originally from the Marsh Valley area, spends his free time rebuilding things ranging from mountain bikes to circuit boards.

Sadie Morrell held a CPI internship in the Veteran’s Student Services Center (VSSC), which provides education and community resources for student veterans and their families. During her internship, Morrell has coordinated with ISU’s health discipline programs to help students apply their classroom experiences to a real-world situation. Morrell will be working the coordinator of the Southeast Idaho Homeless Stand Down to plan their Fall 2019 event. This Stand Down is an opportunity for the homeless or struggling in Southeast Idaho to access health care, financial and legal services, VA Services for the veterans, clothing for families, and other regional support services. “Sadie’s interest in helping people develop personally and professionally makes her an ideal candidate for assisting in the coordination of this event, and learning about all of the tremendous resources available in the region,” stated Todd Johnson, Director of the VSSC and Morrell’s supervisor. Morrell plans to pursue a degree in Occupational Therapy.

Quinn Purcell held a CPI internship at the Bureau of Land Management where he has been able to apply his writing, video production, and photography skills. Purcell’s work with the Idaho Falls District has helped to amplify their social media strategy and help get educational information out about the South Fork of the Snake River. “Quinn uses various multi-media avenues to highlight positive work going on with the Bureau,” stated Sarah Wheeler, BLM Public Affairs Officer and Purcell’s supervisor. October of 2018, Quinn put together a great piece highlighting the 50th Year Celebration of the National Scenic Rivers Act. The video highlighted the Upper Snake’s National River Celebration, which featured regional schoolchildren learning about the river and its ecosystem. Purcell has also created pieces featuring campgrounds along the South Fork of the Snake as well as depicting the geological significance of Hell’s Half Acre. “I really enjoy video production and editing,” explained Purcell. “I feel really lucky to have the opportunity to gain this



## July

### Shannlyn Spotten Elk

Shannlyn Spotten Elk held a CPI internship with the Shoshone Bannock Tribes Fort Hall Diabetes Program, a division of the Tribal Health and Human Services. She performed outreach through community presentations, participated in dietetic home visits, and collaborated with the Fort Hall Language/Culture program on developing nutrition education posters with traditional foods. "We have been extremely pleased with Shanlynn's volume of work and the excellent caliber of her contributions," stated Spotted Elk's supervisor. "She is as shining star who deserves to be recognized for her stellar representation of Idaho State University." Spotted Elk's internship experience with community outreach has helped shape her future plans as a dietician. "I plan on returning to school to get a masters or doctoral degree," explained Spotted Elk. "I would then be able to conduct research on how to improve the health in Native Americans communities and hopefully make real change come about." Spotted Elk graduated in May 2019 and will start a postgraduate dietetic internship in Montana in the fall.

## August

### Ashley Borg

Ashely Borg held a CPI position with the College of Nursing where she has assisted in a dementia knowledge research project that focused on senior citizens living in rural Idaho. Borg aided in the preparation, data collection, and data analysis for the project. Results from the projects were presented at both the SIGMA Region One International Conference in Sacramento, California and at the Idaho state Radiographic Science conference in Twin Falls, Idaho. "Going out and doing site visits in person and actually interacting and getting to know the senior citizens has been a really awesome experience for me," explained Borg. "This internship has taught me a lot about the research process, which I did not have much experience with previously." Borg traveled throughout seven counties to collect data from participants and is now working on publishing a scholarly article on the research. Borg will graduate in May 2020 and plans on working for a few years and then applying to medical school where she will study radiology.

## September

### Matt Corral

Matt Corral held a CPI internship with the College of Technology's Computer Technical Support department. As a senior in the Information Technology Systems program, Corral was able to put his knowledge of computers to work, helping students, faculty, and staff with any and all of their technological difficulties. Corral's duties include responding to user service tickets that come in, building new software images for lab configurations, troubleshooting network connection issues, and installing classroom projectors. Corral has also spent the last semester overhauling the College of Technology's computer and e-waste disposal process. "Matt is very capable and knowledgeable in his field of study (Information Technology Systems," stated Dale Talbert, Senior Computer Analyst in the Computer Technology Support department and Corral's supervisor. "This internship has been very helpful for me as it has given me job experience in activities that I will actually be doing in my real job after graduation," explained Corral.



## October Maya Tillotson

Maya Tillotson held a CPI internship at the Idaho State University Health Center where she was responsible for promoting health related events around campus, hosting tables and booths for healthcare information outreach and advertising the clinic through social media platforms. Tillotson also formed a food drive for Benny's Pantry, an on-campus food pantry exclusively serving Idaho State University students, staff and faculty, with the mission to alleviate food insecurity in the ISU community. "Through my internship I have found a passion for sharing important healthcare information with as many individuals as possible," explained Tillotson. She also completed a large FAQs project by interviewing health professionals and collecting and combining the information they provided into an easily understandable document. "Maya learns quickly, is a self-starter and has been instrumental in developing marketing material including videos, banners, and posters while taking care of social media." said her supervisor, Crystal Ross. Tillotson will graduate from Idaho State University in the spring of 2021.

## November Jonathan Match

Jonathan Match held a CPI internship with ISU's Department of Athletics where he was responsible for all the sports information needs for the track & field and cross-country teams. He wrote meet recaps, previews of meets and student athlete feature articles. Match also created graphics and videos for the entire athletic program as well as running the audio and video stream of the weekly "Coaches Show,". "This internship and my supervisor, Steve Schaack, have taught me more about the inner workings of athletic administration than I would have ever been able to learn," explained Match. "When I finish my MPE-AA program I will be graduating with years of experience in the field. This internship has allowed me to decide on a branch of administration that I like and given me the experience needed to secure a job in this field when I have graduated." Recently, Match has been able to represent ISU as a Sports Information Director at some of the away games and has truly enjoyed traveling to ISU's opponents'.

## December Tasha Degiulio

Tasha Degiulio held a CPI internship with the College of Education's Kent Center for Student Success. During her internship, she has assisted with numerous events for the college including Future Educators Day held in March. Tasha has also conducted research focusing recruiting and retaining educators in rural areas, resilience trauma in the classroom, and recruitment techniques for prospective students. "Tasha's work with us is essential because she is our voice for the students and therefore, helps us best communicate with our student population," explained Amy Dressel, College of Education Outreach & Marketing Coordinator and Degiulio's supervisor. "We love Tasha and are excited to have her in our teacher preparation program because she is the exact type of person we want as a teacher educating our next generation of leaders." During her time as a CPI intern, Degiulio has proven to be a valued team member in the College of Education. Not only has she proven her worth as an intern, Degiulio's experience has helped solidify her aspirations after college.

