CPI Intern of the Month 2021

Career Path Internship
Mileena Mares is a graduate student in the Masters of Public Administration program Idaho State University. Mares currently holds a career path internship in the Political Science Department at ISU, where her projects have focused on public administrators use of narrative pertaining to the pandemic as well as responses to COVID-19.
February

TAPAYNGA HILL

Tapaynga Hill is a senior studying Theatre at Idaho State University. Hill currently holds a Career Path Internship with the School of Performing Arts, where she writes theatre and music event press releases and creates email blasts. Hill has also helped coordinate events with other schools around Idaho and perform community outreach to identify donors for the School of Performing Arts’ programs and scholarships.
Tye Hobson is a senior pursuing a bachelor’s degree in Marketing at Idaho State University. Hobson currently holds an off-campus CPI internship with the National Association for Holistic Aromatherapy in Pocatello. Hobson’s duties include facilitating marketing campaigns across social media, email, and visual ad outlets. Hobson has also been a primary coordinator in strategizing NAHA’s marketing operations.
Victor Curiel is a graduate student pursuing a master’s degree in Historical Resource Management. Curiel recently completed a Career Path Internship (CPI) where he performed insightful archival work and interpretation of oral and digital history archives. Curiel also worked on locating newspaper articles through various databases that looked at Indian laborers migrating to multiple parts of the British empire and the way they were portrayed along with looking through travel logs.
Natalie Valenzuela is a junior pursuing a bachelor’s degree in Secondary Educations at Idaho State University. Valenzuela currently holds a CPI internship with ISU’s TRIO Office. Valenzuela is working in the capacity of a tutor/mentor and Financial Literacy Student Ambassador (FLSA) for the TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) Program. Within this role, Natalie is tasked with creating connections with participants of the TRIO SSS program by engaging students in programming, and educating students about resources and the various support available to them at ISU and through TRIO SSS.
Caleb Robbins is a recent graduate of ISU’s Master of Counseling program with an emphasis in School Counseling. Robbins completed his CPI internship with the ISU Career Center in May 2021. During his internship, Robbins provided career counseling, resume reviews, mock interviews, and other professional development services to ISU students.
JMadison Helmboldt is a junior pursuing a bachelors degree in physical education and exercise science. Helmboldt recently completed her CPI internship with the Sports Medicine Department at Idaho State University. During her internship, Helmboldt assisted ISU athletes with their exercises, ensured student athletes were healthy and safe during the pandemic, and supported the coaching staff.
Michael Krump is a graduate student pursuing a master's degree in mechanical engineering. Krump currently holds a CPI internship within Idaho State University's Mechanical Engineering department where he has focused his time on designing and constructing a jet engine test stand.
September

ERICA LABRANCH

Erica LaBranch is graduate student pursuing a master’s degree in speech language pathology. LaBranch recently completed her CPI internship at ISU’s Speech and Language clinic located in Meridian, Idaho. During her internship, LaBranch’s duties included development of training materials, assisting in training, organizing online training modules for speech language pathology graduate student clinicians, maintaining and organizing the clinic, and development of assessment and treatment materials for telepractice purposes.

LaBranch also assisted with the clinic modifications that were needed due to COVID.
October

BAILEY VHSHTOLTZ

Bailey Vahsholtz is a senior pursuing a bachelor’s degree in Chemistry. Vahsholtz currently holds an internship at Idaho State University’s Chemistry Department where his projects include the construction, programming, and testing of an atomic layer deposition chamber that uses pulsed plasma as an energy source. Vahsholtz gained much valuable experience including how to program through LabVIEW, a graphical instrument language, as well as learning how to operate a vacuum environment.
Alivia Urich, a student pursuing a bachelor’s of science in Nursing at Idaho State University, currently holds a Career Path Internship (CPI) in the nursing lab in Pocatello, Idaho. Urich’s duties include preparing the lab for upcoming classes, organizing the nursing supplies, and providing peer mentoring services to her fellow classmates.
Brandon Pixton is a senior pursuing a dual bachelor’s degree in Finance, Economics, and Management. Pixton currently holds a Career Path Internship (CPI) with the Southeast Idaho Council of Governments located in downtown Pocatello, an organization that connects residents and communities of Southeast Idaho to public service and useful resources. During his internship, Pixton has been able to gain experience writing loans in their revolving loan fund program as well as creating reports to track monthly revenue streams.