CPI Interns of the Month

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 2017.

Congratulations and thank you to all our 2017 CPI Interns of the Month!

January Michael Beseris

A senior Sport Science/Physical Education major, Beseris has been working as a CPI in the Jared Allen Strength and Conditioning Center for 1.5 years. Micheal's main duties revolve around keeping ISU's student athletes in peak condition through strength and conditioning routines. Michael's passion for sports led him to the exercise science degree. A Pocatello native, Michael enjoys working with a variety of different sports including cross country, football, and basketball. He is considering continuing his education past his expected graduation in Spring 2017.

"I am looking into Master's programs for athletic administration," Micheal stated. "I think that my experience as a CPI will help guide me to future career choices."

February Abby Latta

A sophomore working toward a Bachelor's degree in Education, Latta has been interning as a CPI at Franklin Middle School assisting in a seventh grade English class. Abby has gained valuable teaching experience since she began her position in August 2016.

"My CPI position has been awesome in giving me hands on experience in the teaching field," Abby stated. "It is important that all future teachers get time in the classroom, and this internship has confirmed that I do want to become a teacher."

Emphasizing in both English and Spanish, Latta hopes to one day teach high school. Originally from Sun Valley, Idaho, Abby plans on teaching in the Boise area upon graduation from ISU in the Spring of 2019.

Abby's supervisor, Franklin Middle School English teacher Natalie Call, stated, "Abby is fabulous." Mrs. Call said. "She is responsible, has a great report with my students and will make a great addition to our profession."

March John Mulvanev

John Mulvaney, a senior double majoring in Nuclear and Mechanical Engineering, has been working in the Nuclear Engineering Laboratory at Idaho State University for the past two semesters. During his time as a CPI intern, John has led projects including performing an in-depth power calibration of the nuclear reactor, a documentation organization project of over half a century of paperwork, and aiding in design and construction of a water-tight detector housing.

"Each of John's projects have required patience, hard-work, and thoughtfulness all of which John has happily supplied," stated Maxwell Daniels, Idaho State University's Nuclear Reactor Supervisor.

Mulvaney, originally from Orlando, Florida, will be moving to Newport News, Virginia upon graduation. There he will start work for America's largest military shipbuilding company, Huntington Ingalls.



AprilCallie Neilsen

A graduate student in the Masters of Public Administration program, Neilsen is currently working as a CPI for the Southeast Idaho Council of Governments. Callie's current internship position includes coordinating the Comprehensive Economic **Development Strategies** (CEDS) Summit that will take place this July in Pocatello. Attendees of the summit will include representatives from a seven county region including business owners, ISU faculty, and city and county officials and will focus on a variety of economic development topics including how to keep local youth in the area.

"Callie's dedication and good work should be recognized," stated Political Science professor and Callie's supervisor, Mark McBeth. "She is an exceptional intern that is getting experience to prepare her for a career in public administration."

"I am very passionate about what I do and am grateful for the opportunity to get this experience while still in school," Callie explained.

MayJames Hunt

Hunt is a third-year pharmacy student who has been working as a CPI intern on the Meridian campus for the past two years. The main focus of his internship has been the community health screening project, which is held three times a semester.

During his internship, Hunt has also worked on developing a programmatic assessment of interprofessional perceptions in those who participated in community health screening events compared to those did not. Hunt's commitment, professionalism and skills in collaborating with community medical partners were valuable.

"James has incredible vision for interprofessional activities and continues to pursue opportunities for our students to learn with and from others." said Glenda Carr, ISU clinical assistant professor and Hunt's supervisor.

Hunt is working to be accepted into a residency program and, upon graduation, he looks forward to working in the pharmacy profession.

June Kinzie Neary

CPI Intern, Kinzie Neary, is a senior currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in Fine Arts. Kinzie has been working as a CPI in the fibers and paper studios and the university galleries for the past two years. Two of her professional passions include painting and fibers, both of which are incorporated into her CPI position.

"Painting and fibers are my jam," stated Kinzie. "I also learned recently that I love making paper, which I also get to do as part of my CPI position. I am so thankful for my opportunities as a CPI intern."

Kinzie will graduate in May 2018, and hopes to move closer to a big city to pursue a creative career.

"Kinzie is always excited to learn new skills that will help her as a studio artist, gallery assistant or art instructor," stated Assistant Professor of Art andKinzie's supervisor, Naomi Adams.



July Gentry Titus

CPI Intern Gentry Titus is a graduate student pursuing a Master of Science in Medical Lab Sciences. Gentry's most recent CPI internship has been at the Bengal Lab, where he has been able to put his education in action through processing specimens, drawing blood, and participating in other clinical work within the lab. Gentry also took the lead in planning and executing the Bengal Lab's portion of the ISU Health Fair.

"Gentry led other MLS students involved in the health fair, while keeping calm and positive through our incredible increases in patient traffic," stated Rachel Hulse, Program Director of the School of Health Professions - Medical/Clinical Lab Science and Gentry's supervisor.

A Pocatello native, Gentry will graduate this summer and hopes to remain in the area after graduation.

August Moryah DeMott

An English/Creative Writing major, DeMott has been selected as the August 2017 CPI Intern of the Month. DeMott has been interning at Idaho State University's Disabilities Services since February 2017. During her time as an intern, DeMott has been able to help students organize and develop their academic essays. She has also been able to gain experience using TypeWell, a software system that provides verbatim transcriptions of lectures to students who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Director of Disability Services, Karina Rorris, stated, "Moyrah will go out of her way to find time for any student and assist them. Our office could not ask for a better employee."

DeMott will graduate from ISU in August 2018. A native of Idaho Falls, DeMott plans on moving to Tuscon Arizona after she graduates where she plans to pursue a career in publishing.

September

Maira Orozco

A senior in the Nuclear Engineering program, Orozco has been selected at the September 2017 CPI Intern of the Month. Orozco held an internship at Idaho National Laboratories over the summer in which she designed and developed new concepts for an upgrade to radiological waste control rooms. The objective of the project was to determine which interface improved/assisted operator performance, and although the project is still underway, the results look promising.

Katya Le Blanc, Human
Factors Scientist at INL and
Orozco's supervisor, stated,
"Maira's work here has been
instrumental in the success of
preparation for an experimental
study and workshop looking at
design of the interface between
operators and the control
system of nuclear power plant
systems."

Orozco's contribution to the project was so great that INL has confirmed that she will continue into a second internship position commencing in the fall semester.



OctoberStephanie Bachman

A senior majoring in English with an emphasis in public relations, Bachman has been an intern for Continuing **Education and Workforce** Training (CEWT), a division within the College of Technology. Many of Bachman's internship duties revolve around educating the public about CEWT's ongoing efforts to support the University and local economy by delivering programs and courses that meet professional development, workforce training and continued learning for the local community and region.

Highlights from Bachman's internship include authoring numerous articles for the CEWT catalog, managing the departmental blog, and publishing articles in the Idaho State Journal.

"In the seven months since Stephanie joined our office she has made a name for herself, not only in our office, but in the community as an exceptional talent," said Jena Hintze, assistant director for continuing education and Workforce Training and Bachman's supervisor. "Once you read her work, you can't help but want to work with her."

November Jerimiah Phillips

Phillips has been working with Katherine L. Reedy, professor and chair of the anthropology department on a comprehensive survey of the Aleutian community of Sand Point, Alaska.

Phillips' focus within this project has been distilling the survey results and using GIS technology to build maps of the surveyed households. The results of this survey will help provide information on Aleutian communities and their ability to get the foods they need from their lands and waters, and provide insight on how to improve fish and wildlife management in the area.

"Jerimiah has been tasked with rendering chaotic survey data into a well-ordered database," Reedy said. "Over spring break 2018, the project will conduct a similar survey in two more Alaska Peninsula communities, and Jerimiah will participate in the fieldwork and data processing."

A South Dakota native, Phillips decided to attend ISU due to the excellent reputation of the anthropology department. He will graduate in May 2018 and hopes to attend graduate school outside of the United States.

DecemberLeah Kollmeyer

Leah Kollmeyer is a senior pursuing a bachelor's degree in Psychology at Idaho State University. Her internship has focused on behavioral neuroscience research on spinal cord injuries. Working closely with Department of Psychology Chair, Michele Brumley, Kollmeyer has been able to conduct research on the effects of spinal cord injuries to better understand neural and behavioral plasticity and relations between neural development and musculoskeletal development.

Last month, Kollmeyer presented data from her project at the 50th Annual Meeting for the International Society for Developmental Psychobiology, which was held in Washington DC. Leah presented her own poster and was a co-author on a second poster at the meeting.

"It is pretty incredible that an undergraduate is present at an international conference," stated Brumley. "Leah is a very hard worker, very reliable, and she is preparing herself well for being competitive for medical or graduate school."



