Accounting Christmas Party

On December 10th the Department of Accounting held a Christmas party to celebrate our student employees.

This semester, the department hired 18 Graduate Assistants (two returning and sixteen new). One of the GAs focused on research, and the English department GA concentrated on grading written assignments. Additionally, a Teaching Assistant was hired to hold review sessions several times a week for students in Intermediate Accounting. Four undergraduate student workers supported department staff.

The Department of Accounting strives to grow our undergraduate and graduate programs. In doing so, we look for talented students to assist us in our daily needs. It’s no surprise that our MAcy GAs plan to sit for the CPA exams as part of their career goals and our Student Assistants plan to start the MAcy program after graduation. We hope to keep these students with the department for as long as possible while fostering new talent for semesters to come.

To all of our students, we thank you for your hard work, dedication, and professionalism!

This information is available in alternate format upon request from the Office of Disability Services.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>December Accounting Events</th>
<th>University Wide</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>December 6th</td>
<td>Last Day of Class</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>December 7th</td>
<td>Reading Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>December 8th</td>
<td>ACC 2362 and ACC 3313 Joint Exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>December 19th - January 2nd</td>
<td>Closed for Holiday Break</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>December 23rd - January 2nd</td>
<td>ACC 2362 at 11 a.m. and ACC 3313 at 2 p.m.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Grading This Fall

Katelyn Disney, GA
Katelyn will be starting full time with PwC in summer 2019.
She will begin sitting for the CPA exam in January.

Conner Madere, TA
Conner will be working full time for KPMG after graduation.
He will prepare to sit for the CPA exam soon.

Greyson Gillette, GA
Greyson will be starting full time with EY in fall 2019.
He will begin sitting for the CPA exam in January.

Katelyn Disney, GA
Katelyn will be starting full time with PwC in summer 2019.
She will begin sitting for the CPA exam in January.

Brooke Taylor, Student Assistant
Brooke will be interning with Grant Thornton in spring 2019.
She has been accepted into the MACy program.

Students Attend TSCPA-San Antonio Symposium

On October 26th and 27th, several members of Accounting Club and Beta Alpha Psi attended the annual Symposium sponsored by the San Antonio chapter of the Texas Society of CPAs (TSCPA). The students who attended were:

Anais Baeza
Ashley Williams
Gregoria Garcia
Hector Portillo Rodriguez
Kara Kaspar
Marco Navarro
Mary Huron
Phuong Nguyen
Sarah Paciocco
Stephanie Robinson
Tyler Hartwick

This was a professional continuing education event that gave students the opportunity to hear multiple presentations by accounting experts in income tax, auditing, and cybersecurity. There were also opportunities for networking with local CPAs such as TSCPA staff pictured below: Joann Moore, Julie Aillet and Jacqui Belcher.

Mary Huvar described the event: “It was beneficial to attend the Symposium for the opportunities to hear the speakers and to talk with current CPAs and hear their career advice. It was definitely worth my time and enhanced what I’m learning in the classroom”.

2 Accountability December 2018
Dr. Carolyn Conn and accounting major Isabella Longoria will be presenting their paper, “Millennials Out & the Next Generation In (Arriving at Your Accounting Classroom),” at the Southwest Regional meeting of the American Accounting Association (AAA).

This fall, Isabella contributed to research and reading while collaborating with Dr. Conn. Additionally, she reviewed and edited the paper in order to add her own perspective on the topic. At the AAA SW meeting, Isabella will be presenting alongside Dr. Conn with a focus on how accounting faculty can meet the needs of iGen (Generation Z) so that they may be successful in the accounting profession.

The meeting will be held in Houston in March. Isabella is one of the department’s Accounting Stars and it was that recognition that gave her the opportunity to work with Dr. Conn on this research project.

Nathan Moore, a senior accounting major, and Dr. Eve Prilipko, lecturer of Business Communication and Professional Development course from McCoy College of Business, Department of Management, have presented the results of their meta-analysis study at the International Leadership Association (ILA) Conference in West Palm Beach, Florida on October 26, 2018.

Nathan, who took Dr. Prilipko’s MGT 3453 Business Communication class in the Spring of 2018, conducted, recorded, and transcribed interviews with participants and performed analytical data analysis utilizing SPSS Software. This meta-analysis compared the results of two quantitative studies in which 107 and 215 participants reported a significant improvement in self-confidence after taking one or more Dale Carnegie courses.
Beta Alpha Psi invited representatives from CohnReznick to campus on Thursday, November 8th. Four representatives from the firm gave a group presentation on Technical Business Writing, which meets BAP’s essential skills requirement. The presentation began with some background on the firm, and members were told what to expect during recruitment in the upcoming Spring semester. After, they began the Technical Business Writing portion of their presentation.

Each member of the firm shared many useful and essential things to know about Business Writing; legal consequences, tone, effectiveness, perceptions, and many more. They gave many examples, encouraged members to ask questions, and shared their personal experiences with business writing in their professional careers.

To wrap up their presentation, the representatives from CohnReznick opened the floor to questions. The environment became a great place to learn more not only about CohnReznick, but also about professionalism in business writing as a whole.
Final Fall BAP Meeting

The last Beta Alpha Psi meeting of the Fall 2018 semester was held on Thursday, December 6th at 5 p.m.

Several members participated in the ugly sweater competition. Others brought canned goods to contribute to BAP’s canned food drive. At the meeting, the BAP Vice President, Walter Murray, presented graduating members with their hard-earned cords and stoles. Afterwards, a few announcements were made about what to expect in the spring semester (i.e. the Joint Meeting, Spring Showcases, and VITA Clinic).

At the end of the meeting, members voted on the ugly holiday sweater contest, and the meeting ended in the org room for our end-of-semester party.

Check out our previous Accountability newsletters to learn more about prior student and faculty successes, events, and accomplishments by visiting: http://accounting.mccoy.txstate.edu/dept-newsletters

Editor: Caroline Crider
Copy Editor: Brandy Clark
Photography: Amanda Craig
accounting@txstate.edu

McCoy College of Business
Department of Accounting
phone: 512.245.2566
www.accounting.mccoy.txstate.edu

Texas State University is a tobacco-free campus.

December Birthdays

Faculty
12/5 Dr. Jean Bradley
12/28 Ms. Ludmila Krylova
12/30 Dr. Linda Campbell

Graduate Assistants
12/18 Katelyn Disney

Do you have quick questions about your Fall or Spring schedule?

Come See Us!
Walk-In Academic Advising is available the following Fridays this Fall:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>August</th>
<th>November</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>02</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>07</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>05</td>
<td>14</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Check in between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. (Expect a 60-120 minute wait, with longest wait around lunchtime)