

Academic Affairs

Points of Pride Fall 2018





COLLEGE OF
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

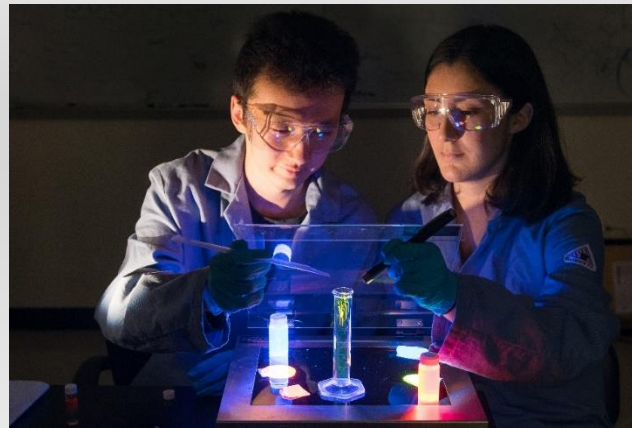


Vision:

Inspiring individuals to discover and apply
science and technology
for a better future

Core Values:

Integrity – Respect – Intellectual Curiosity –
Excellence – Hard Work



- **Liran Ma**, associate professor of computer science, received a grant from the National Science Foundation for a three-year collaborative research project focused on cyber training and enhancement of mobile security education.
- **Dr. Richard Denne** (geology) was invited to be the new Director of the Ralph Lowe Energy Management Program.
- Landon Hendrickson '18, a former biology major, chemistry and business double-major on the pre-health track was one of four TCU students to be selected as a Fulbright grantee. He will travel to Poland to teach English.
- CSE faculty members led by Professor **Steve Weis** (engineering) organized and taught a three-week "Foundations of Math and Science" workshop for non-traditional and Veteran students who are returning to school.
- The Department of Physics & Astronomy hosted more than 80 participants a conference on campus in August for the Texas Chapter of the American Vacuum Society.
- **Dr. Kayla Green** received the 2018 E.A. Nalley Award for Volunteer Service. Award will be given November 8 at the Clinton Presidential Center in Arkansas.





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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS



College:

- The Criminal Justice program was ranked the #1 program in Texas this year.
- The Washington Internship Program, housed in the Department of Political Science, continues to thrive and provide valuable opportunities for students to get hands-on learning in our nation's capital.
- The Political Science Department's Model UN program attended a summit in the Galapagos Islands.
- Members of the Department of Religion contributed to an incredibly successful Native American and Indigenous Peoples Day celebration, along with the placement of a monument on campus to the Wichita tribes.
- Our "Make Your Major Work" class, housed in the Department of History, continues to boast a 100% career placement rate for students who take the course.

Faculty:

- **Dr. Vanessa Bouche** (Political Science) was awarded the Young Leader Award by the Dallas Women's Foundation and was invited to the U.S. State Department Speaker's Bureau in Mumbai, Kolkata and Costa Rica.
- **Dr. Jack Hill** (Religion) was invited to be the new Director of the Ralph Lowe Energy Management Graduate Certificate Program.
- **Dr. Adam Schiffer** (Political Science) published his book: *Evaluating Media Bias*
- **Dr. Carrie Currier** (Political Science) spoke on a national Fox News interview on North Korean President Kim Jung-Un
- **Dr. Komla Aggor** (Spanish & Hispanic Studies) organized an international conference on Afro-Hispanic and Latin American Studies in Ghana.
- **Dr. Carol Thompson** (Sociology) won the Clifton Bryant Course Award given by the American Sociological Association's Animals and Society section.

Students:

- History major Jason Ford was awarded funding from the Regina Memorial Endowment to travel to Italy to research Anglo-Italian relations in Malta during World War II. Jason is working under the supervision of **Dr. Claire Sanders**.
- The Department of Political Science had students accepted to major law schools, including Harvard University, the University of Chicago, Georgetown University and the University of Texas.
- The Department of Philosophy had graduates accepted into Georgetown Law School and Notre Dame Law School.



- The College Advising Corps advisors helped high school seniors earn more than \$82M in institutional aid and scholarships
- Climbed 18 places in the 2019 US News & World Report 2019 Graduate Schools of Education rankings
- 100% Teacher Placement
- Students in teacher prep program graduate with 500 plus average hours of experiences in diverse educational settings
- College of Education awarded more that \$10K in Study Abroad scholarships



COLLEGE OF
EDUCATION





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COLLEGE of COMMUNICATION



- Communication Studies alumnus Colten Meisner's undergraduate honors thesis, "When Product Loss Minimizes Product Harm: The Reframed Narrative of Blue Bell Creameries' 2015 Listeriosis Crisis," was recently accepted for publication in the Western Journal of Communication. Colten is now pursuing his MS degree in Communication Studies at TCU.
- Two student-produced short films, "The Broken Man" and "Sophia," were broadcast by KERA-TV on September 27 to the nation's fifth largest television market. "The Broken Man," written by FTDM major Daniel Ryan Hooks and directed by FTDM alumnus Tyler Germaine (2017), shows how a special gift can motivate an ailing man to do good. "Sophia," written and directed by FTDM major Jack Inguanti, depicts one man's journey to realize how good he really has it. More than 30 undergraduate students were involved in each project.
- Students in the Department of Journalism's multi-platform capstone course traveled to Washington, D.C. in August for a week-long practicum on Russia's Interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election held at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). The group's report, "Digital Warfare: Russia's Attacks on Democracy," can be accessed at: <https://www.tcu360.com/2018/09/digital-warfare-russias-attacks-on-democracy/>. The 10-member group was led by **Professor Jean Marie Brown**.
- Roxo, the student-driven advertising and public relations agency at TCU, accepted more students than ever before to work for the agency (Fall 2018). The agency currently has 30 Roxstars, including a graduate assistant, who is working on video creation in a leadership position.

College - **Dr. Debbie Rhea** was recognized with the 2018 Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Achievement as a Creative Teacher and Scholar.

The first class of nine students started the inaugural Ph.D. in Health Sciences program in August (two in Communication & Disorders, two in Nursing, one in Social Work and four in Kinesiology). Enrollment was almost double what was projected.

COSD - **Ms. Irmgard Payne** received TCU's 2018 Deans Teaching Award.

The Miller Clinic, with the support of Fort Worth Scottish Rite, provided a literacy clinic to local children experiencing speech and language difficulties.

Chandler Schoonover '10 and Mindy Anstey '98, habilitation of the deaf and hard of hearing graduates of the Davies School of Communication Sciences & Disorders, were honored as 2018 Teacher of the Year by Weatherford ISD and Birdville ISD, respectively. **Dr. Ahmed Rivera Campos'** poster was selected as a highlighted presentation at National Black Association for Speech-Language and Hearing Convention.

Kinesiology - The Sport Science Center and **Dr. Jonathan Oliver's** work was featured in an ABC article, "Head trauma may be possible to diagnose with substances in the blood, study says" by Selma Patel. Two graduate students from the Motor Behavior Lab, supervised by **Dr. Adam King**, presented research at two national conferences this summer in the areas of motor control in Denver and biomechanics in Rochester, Minn.

Nursing - Undergraduate TCU Nursing students Ellie and Emily Sullivan honored with a volunteer spotlight by the Mercy Clinic. **Dr. Dennis Cheek** was elected president of the International Society of Nurses in Genetics. **Dr. Kathy Baker** was selected as the 2018 Distinguished Alumna for The University of Texas at Austin School of Nursing. This award recognizes alumni that have had a significant and sustained impact in nursing education, scholarship and clinical practice.

Social Work - BSW student Stacie Thomas was named the Cook Children's Hospital Volunteer of the Year. **Dr. Mary Twis** is presenting to a group of 40 Cook Children's social workers to provide information on how to identify human trafficking victims, how to connect potential victims with local resources and how to build a hospital system protocol for responding to potential cases of human trafficking.



Harris College
of Nursing & Health Sciences

Mission: to enhance global health through education scholarship & innovation





COLLEGE of
FINE ARTS



- **Faculty** - **Harry Parker** has been named the 2018 Ronald A. Willis Scholar/Artist by the University of Kansas Department of Theatre. **Richard Gipson** (Professor of Music and Interim Dean of the College of Fine Arts, previous Director of the School of Music) received the Percussive Arts Society (PAS) Lifetime Achievement in Education Award. **Blaise Ferrandino's** (Professor and Chair of Music Theory and Composition) work was competitively selected for the 2019 Society of Composers, Inc. (SCI) National Conference.
- **Students** - **Kevin Day**, School of Music, was awarded First Prize in the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra's Young Composers Competition. **Maria Ochoa Garcia**, Fashion Merchandising, was named Intern of the Year by ExxonMobil. **Majesty Christian**, Graphic Design, received a prized internship at Disney's Yellow Shoes, the in-house creative agency for Disney Theme Parks and Resorts. **Audrey Travis**, School of Art, was named the 2018 winner of the Mercedes-Benz Financial Services Emerging Artist Award. **Amelia Bachofen**, School of Classical and Contemporary Dance, was accepted to the 2018 Institute for Dance Journalism and Advocacy at the National College Dance Festival in Washington, DC.
- **Alumni** - **Alejandro Gómez** (TCU '06 - violin performance) was appointed Associate Conductor of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra. **Garrett Wingfield** (TCU '14- music composition) won the 2018 Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award. **Taylor Quick** (TCU '16 - musical theatre) was cast in the national tour of ANASTASIA as Young Anastasia and Anastasia understudy. **Amanda Musser** (TCU '75 – music education) was recognized as the 2018 Orchestra Director of the Year by the Texas Orchestra Directors Association.



Neeley
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Meg Lehman is the new Program Director of Neeley Fellows Lehman, previously national employment recruiter in the Alcon Career Center, will lead the three-year, high-caliber academic program for top business students.
- Susan Sledge Named Director of BNSF Neeley Leadership Program Sledge, previously employer relations and career advisor in the Alcon Career Center, will lead the three-year transformational leadership development program for select business students.
- New Rankings Show TCU MBA is a Powerful Degree TCU Neeley is ranked Tier One for MBA and No. 19 for Executive MBA by *CEO Magazine*.
- TCU Neeley Launches Center for Real Estate The DFW Metroplex is one of the foremost real estate hubs in the country, making it the perfect place for a center to provide research, training and partnerships for students and professionals.
- TCU Neeley Seniors Featured in Poets & Quants' Best and Brightest Business Students 2018 Olivia Hartjen and Jose Barron are featured in an exclusive list that honors 100 of the most accomplished seniors majoring in business in the United States.
- TCU Entrepreneurship Competition for Social Businesses Awards \$78,250 to Winners out of 55 Teams Better access for autism treatment. Cold endurance masks for asthmatic children. Cleaner hospital sinks to prevent deadly infections. The TCU Neeley Entrepreneurship Center funds these ideas and more for the 2018 Values and Ventures® Competition.
- Neeley Fellows Celebrate a Decade of Accomplishments It has been a remarkable 10 years since the first Neeley Fellows class graduated and paved a high-caliber path for others to follow.
- TCU MBAs Win First Place in Big 12 Competition Big 12 bragging rights just got a little bigger. A team of super-smart TCU MBAs won First Place in the Big 12 MBA Case Competition, the first time TCU has won since joining the conference.
- AACSB International Recognizes TCU Neeley for Innovation in Leadership Development The BNSF Neeley Leadership program was honored in the Innovations That Inspire challenge for enhancing students' ability to lead themselves, lead others and lead change in business and life.
- Sales and Customer Insights Center Opens at TCU Neeley School of Business The center is uniquely dedicated to both the sales and customer aspects of marketing, to help businesses and students better understand and leverage the synergies in the buyer-seller relationship.
- Ronald C. Parker Awarded TCU Neeley's Bob Bolen Civic Leadership Award Parker, former president and CEO of the Executive Leadership Council and retired senior vice president for PepsiCo, is honored for his service to the community.
- The Economist Ranks TCU Executive MBA Top 20 in the World, Making it No. 8 in the U.S. and No. 1 in Texas TCU EMBA also ranks No. 3 in the world for faculty quality, No. 5 for program quality and No. 15 for student quality.
- Win a Competition, Get Hired by Deloitte Claire Nguyen, Eric Ngo, Anna McGraw and Iris Yang won third place in a Deloitte SAP competition, and walked away with job offers.

Mission: To develop ethical leaders with a global perspective who help shape the business environment. To develop and disseminate leading edge thought in order to improve the practice of business.





Four Honors Students Earn Fulbright Scholarship

Four Honors students earned the prestigious distinction of Fulbright Scholar. Claire Duerson graduated as an Honors Laureate with degrees in strategic communication and political science. She is teaching in South Korea through the Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program. Landon Hendrickson, a McDorman Scholar with degrees in biology and chemistry and a business double minor, is teaching English in Poland. Garrett Gomez graduated as an Honors Laureate with degrees in English and Spanish and Hispanic studies. He works as an English teaching assistant in Mexico. Jaclyn Mazzio graduated as an Honors Laureate with a degree in graphic design. She is in Malaysia, where she is teaching her community about healthy lifestyle initiatives.

Honors Student Interns with Texas Representative Pete Sessions

Caroline Weber, an Honors student majoring in strategic communication, spent six weeks of her summer in Washington, DC as an intern in the office of Congressman Pete Sessions. Among other office related duties, Weber handled constituent inquiries, assisted legislative staff with policy research, and guided Capitol tours.

Honors Explorations: How Washington D.C. Works

In July, Honors students traveled to Washington, DC to learn about politics, media, and more. The four-week excursion was led by TCU faculty members **Dr. Diane Snow, Dr. Wendy Williams, Aaron Chimbelle, and Russell Mack**. Using a “City-as-Text” approach, students “read” Washington D.C. with the help of the Osgood Center for International Studies, who helped facilitate guest speakers, tours, discussion groups, and activities.

Honors Explorations: “Where Are All the Women?”

New to TCU this year, this course focused on an examination of the attrition of women in the STEM fields (science, technology, engineering and mathematics.) In June, a group of six students traveled to London with trip leaders, Dr. Diane Snow and Lauren Nixon. Students attended classroom lectures, engaged with guest speakers, and toured many aspects of London and beyond.

Dr. Lynn Hampton Recognized with Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award

Honors faculty member Dr. Lynn Hampton was recognized at Fall Convocation with TCU’s inaugural Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award. Those who receive this award are celebrated for providing TCU with the critical voices necessary for change and for their sustained actions to transform TCU by making it an even more diverse, equitable and inclusive learning environment and place of employment.



School of Interdisciplinary Studies

- Comparative Race & Ethnic Studies
- Idea Factory
- Intensive English
- Ranch Management
- Strategic Academic Programs
- Women & Gender Studies



- **CRES awarded major curriculum grant from Fort Worth ISD**
- The Fort Worth Independent School District awarded a major curriculum grant (\$86,000) to a team of interdisciplinary CRES researchers to revise and enrich the FWISD K-12 curriculum with Latina/o Studies.
- **CRES faculty engagement with arts community**
- A recent example of the way **CRES faculty and staff** are widely engaged as public scholars is **Dr. Stacie McCormick**, who led the talk-back for the Stage West's production of the award-winning Off-Broadway play *An Octoroon*
- **WGST student research dedicated to improving social atmosphere for men on campus**
- JR Hardy, a senior Women & Gender Studies major, developed a curriculum for a 10-week consciousness raising discussion group with his fraternity Pi Kappa Phi. Using the knowledge and experience he has gained in the Women & Gender Studies department, JR meets with a group of 8-10 fraternity members to discuss toxic masculinity, gender expectations, sexual violence, and rape culture. Participants learn from short films and readings, field trips, and class visitors, while sharing openly and honestly with each other about their experiences of gender at TCU and beyond. JR will graduate in the spring as one of WGST's first majors.
- **WGST graduate student presents on feminist literary history in the UK**
- Sofia Huggins, a PhD candidate in the English Department who is pursuing a **graduate certificate in Women & Gender Studies**, completed archival research in the UK this summer, courtesy of a WGST graduate research award, to support a dissertation chapter on "The Battle of the Sexes: The Bloomer Costume on Stage and in the Press in the Mid-1800s." Sofia presented her research at the British Women Writer's Conference and is working to host this national conference at TCU in 2020.
- Patrick Rutikanga, **IEP 2017**, was awarded a TCU scholarship to commence the Master's in Developmental Trauma in the Purvis Institute of Child Development this fall semester. Mr. Rutikanga is an orphanage administrator from Rwanda, a leader engaged in the national effort to empty the orphanages and to train adoption families.
- Rumen Cvetkov, **IEP 2002**, School of Music 2006, accepted a professorship at a university in Spain this fall. Bulgarian born violist Mr. Cvetkov is a world-class musician.
- The **IdeaFactory**, which imparts "design thinking" to students across the curriculum to cultivate innovation, entrepreneurship, and strategic leadership in student-generated projects, helped a student to launch "Fades for Grades," a program aimed at changing barbershop conversations to help motivate African-American boys in academic achievement.