NMSU STUDENTS JOIN INDUSTRY

We had a record of 11 students who completed the requirements for a minor in insurance during the spring semester. We know of five students who have already joined the industry including:

Thomas Anderson    Wells Fargo Insurance    Commercial Producer
Angela Tornowski    Pat Campbell              Account Manager
Anna Gallegos       AXA                         Sales
Tracey Kouba        USAA                        Claims
Gabriel Varella     Northwestern Mutual Life    Sales

Since starting the Minor in Insurance program at New Mexico State University we have added 48 new young people to the insurance industry.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT

“Scholarship golf tournaments results in green for NMSU students”

A total of $20,000 in scholarship money is going to NMSU students thanks to money raised at the 17th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament held by New Mexico Mutual and Independent Insurance Agents of New Mexico.

The tournament attracts many in the insurance industry and provides an opportunity for people to exercise, socialize and raise money for a good cause. Of the money raised, $10,000 went to scholarships in the Risk Management and Insurance Studies program.

Donations are essential to the success of our students!
Donors pave the way for the growth of the Insurance and Financial Services Center so that graduates continue to excel in the communities they serve.
Please consider making a charitable contribution to the NMSU Insurance and Financial Services Center. For more information please contact Dr. Andrea Tawney (575) 646-4917 or atawney@nmsu.edu. To make a secure online gift go to:

http://fndforms.nmsu.edu/giving.php

SUMMER INTERNS

We had 8 interns this summer at a variety of locations and jobs around New Mexico including:

- Mountain States Insurance
- Allstate Insurance
- Will Burke Insurance
- Association of Counties
- Northwestern Mutual Life
- Intrepid Potash

SPRING AND SUMMER INSURANCE CLASSES

During the spring semester we offered two insurance classes, Principles of Risk Management and Insurance, and Life/Health Insurance with a total of 49 students. We also had our Personal Financial Planning for Professionals class with 51 students. In the summer we had 63 students in the Principles of Risk Management and Insurance class (online).

In the fall we are offering two sections of our Principles class, and one section each of the Property and Liability Insurance and Business Risk Management classes.

RISK MANAGER IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM

The Spencer Educational Foundation awarded a grant of $2,750 to NMSU to fund the expenses for the “Risk Manager in Residence” program. During the spring 2011 semester, Mr. Douglas Borg, Director of Insurance and Associate Director of the Duke University Health System visited campus as the 2010-2011 Risk Manager in Residence. Mr. Borg also served as president of the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management in 2008.
MOUNTAIN STATES INSURANCE CHAIR
RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

PUBLICATIONS

Tim Query has continued his research activities including a paper written with Amanda Henry a former insurance student at NMSU who is now employed by Sandia Labs. This paper was an extension of her Honors Project that was supervised by Professor Query.


PRESENTATIONS

“Examining the Impact of Issuing Driver’s Licenses to Undocumented Immigrants and Other Socioeconomic Factors on the Percentage of Uninsured Motorists” (with Risa Kumazawa), Asia-Pacific Risk and Insurance Association, Tokyo, Japan (August 2011).

AWARDS

2011 - Stan Fulton Research Award – Given to the outstanding senior research faculty member in the NMSU College of Business.
In May Professor Tim Query and six NMSU students attended the Risk Insurance Management Society annual conference in Vancouver, B.C. One of the students was selected as an Anita Benedetti Student Involvement Program participant. This is a nationally competitive program that awards only 30 conference scholarships nationwide to deserving students.

The Rocky Mountain RIMS chapter provided $2,000 and the Arizona RIMS chapter provided $3,000 in financial assistance so that students could attend this conference.

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