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A partnership between the Arkansas Tech University (ATU) Department of Communication and Journalism and the ATU Office of Athletic Communications is creating enhanced opportunities for broadcast journalism students. [Read more](#)

Southeast Missouri State University

Eleven students from across Mexico have spent four weeks immersed in the Southeast Missouri State University community, participating in the Intensive English Program (IEP) and experiencing American culture as part of the Proyecta Program. [Read more](#)

Western Illinois University

Memorial Hospital in Carthage has collaborated with Western Illinois University to create the Rural Health Coach Program. This new program concept began with an internship partnership between Western and Memorial Hospital. [Read more](#)

Grants and Gifts

Arkansas Tech University

ATU has earned a federal grant that will allow the institution to enhance its support for veterans of the U.S. Armed Services. Veterans Upward Bound will provide student success resources to 125 veterans at ATU each year. [Read more](#)

Bemidji State University (Minn.)

A \$187,500 grant from the George W. Neilson Foundation will continue Bemidji State University's (BSU) Neilson Foundation Internship program through the summer of 2022. The grant supports 15 paid summer internships for BSU students—14 in for-profit enterprises and one at a not-for-profit organization. Grant funds cover 50 percent of an intern's salary, up to \$2,500, with employers contributing the remainder. Since 2012 the program has funded 111 internships. [Read more](#)

Black Hills State University (S.D.)

Black Hills State University (BHSU) alum Stacy (Trezona) Goodman, Class of 1999, and her spouse Matthew Goodman recently established a scholarship fund for political science and history majors at BHSU. The couple says the Goodman Scholarship for Critical Political Thought was inspired by both their personal ties to South Dakota and their professional experience in Washington, D.C. [Read more](#)

Governors State University (Ill.)

Governors State University is the recipient of Health Resources & Services Administration grants totaling almost \$2 million. The university is using this funding to help students engage in hands-on learning through outreach that allows them to serve their immediate community and region. [Read more](#)

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Lock Haven University (Penn.)

Lock Haven University (LHU) has ranked first among The Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education universities for performance in the 2017-18 academic year. The achievement will provide LHU a total of \$2,592,046 in funding. [Read more](#)

Northwest Missouri State University

Northwest Missouri State University recently was awarded a \$93,336 grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, bringing the University another step closer to constructing a new outdoor classroom for its Horace Mann Laboratory School. [Read more](#)

University of Arkansas - Fort Smith

A \$30,295 grant from the Blue & You Foundation will help dental hygiene students at the University of Arkansas – Fort Smith provide preventive dental services to children in low-income families in the Fort Smith area. [Read more](#)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

A University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UA Little Rock) professor has received a \$50,000 commitment to create a partnership to continue a KUAR public radio show dedicated to humanities and literary arts in the South. The Arkansas Humanities Council signed a memorandum of understanding to award J. Bradley Minnick, associate professor in the Department of English, \$10,000 a year for the next five years to continue the "Arts & Letters" radio program. [Read more](#)

Winthrop University (S.C.)

- Winthrop University History Professor Eddie Lee ('83) has devoted much of his career to the study of history—particularly the history of South Carolina, his home state. To continue his legacy and support budding historians, Lee's friends and former pupils have established a scholarship for Winthrop graduate students. Six history professors, five current elected officials, a dozen educators and numerous entrepreneurs have contributed to the scholarship to date. [Read more](#)
- An anonymous donor has given more than \$35,000 to the Student Veterans of Winthrop within the last two years. So far, the group has purchased a couch, a refrigerator and a wide-screen television for the Student Veterans Center, located in the basement of Bancroft Hall. The donor also purchased a set of American military flags for ceremonies and the accompanying poles/bases. [Read more](#)

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Awards and Honors

Arkansas Tech University

Arkansas Tech University has received a 2017 University Service Award from the League of United Latin American Citizens Council 750 in Little Rock, Ark. [Read more](#)

California State University, Los Angeles

California State University, Los Angeles was recently honored with the prestigious Eddy Award for its leading role in promoting economic development across Southern California. The award is presented annually by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation. [Read more](#)

California State University, Stanislaus

The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) honored California State University, Stanislaus President Ellen Junn with two awards at the NAEYC Annual Conference. Junn received two leadership awards for her work in childhood development and inspiring diverse

emergent leaders. She was also recognized for her work in diversity and inclusion throughout her career. [Read more](#)

Saginaw Valley State University (Mich.)

The American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) has recognized Laurie Reed, lecturer of physics at Saginaw Valley State University, for her exceptional commitment to undergraduate teaching. A long-time member of the association, Reed has been named an AAPT Fellow for 2018. Criteria for selection includes "exceptional contribution to AAPT's mission, to enhance the understanding and appreciation of physics through teaching." [Read more](#)

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Reporters from KUAR, University of Arkansas at Little Rock's public radio station, won nine Diamond Journalism Awards, a regional competition sponsored by the Arkansas Pro Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. Additionally, one UA Little Rock student, Jackson Carter, a graduate student in the School of Mass Communication, received first place in the multimedia project category for his work, "Forgotten—An In-Depth Investigation into the Arkansas Foster Care System." [Read more](#)

Western Illinois University

- Joseph Rives, Western Illinois University-Vice President for Quad Cities and Planning, has received the Management/Leadership Recognition Award from the Illinois Association for Institutional Research. [Read more](#)
- Western Illinois University Associate Professor of Communication Christopher Carpenter has been recognized as one of the top 1 percent of the most productive communication scholars. [Read more](#)

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Spotlight

Angelo State University (Texas)

- Dr. Matthew Gritter of the Angelo State University political science faculty has published a new book that explores attempts to reform the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as food stamps. Titled "Undeserving: SNAP Reform and Conceptions of the Deserving Poor," the 102-page book is published through the Rowman & Littlefield independent publishing company in Lanham, Md. [Read more](#)
- Dr. Javier Flores, vice president for student affairs and enrollment management at Angelo State University, has been invited to join the Board of Directors for Education Reach for Texans, an organization that supports former foster care youths in their pursuit of higher education. [Read more](#)

Arkansas Tech University

ATU and the City of Russellville have taken intentional steps to ensure that students feel connected to the city in which they live for nine months each year. The ATU Mayoral Advisory Board will meet twice per semester to provide insight on the student experience to the City of Russellville and to gain a greater understanding of what the community offers for students. [Read more](#)

Black Hills State University (S.D.)

- Cadet Tate Jackson, a sociology major at BHSU from Parmelee, has been selected for the U.S. Army All American Bowl and Combine as a Cadet Marshall in San Antonio, Texas, in January. Jackson was chosen out of more than 6,000 applicants because of his leadership abilities,