

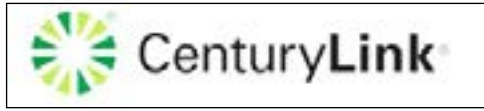
# THE TIGER PATHWAY



Dallas Police Department – The department has created an atmosphere of ethical, caring behavior. The 3,640 sworn officers and 556 civilians, who make up the department, take special pride in helping to make Dallas a safe place to live, work and visit.

FOX News – KTVE, Channel 10, is the NBC affiliate television station for the Eldorado, Arkansas and Monroe, Louisiana areas. Its main studio is located in West Monroe, Louisiana and owned by Mission Broadcasting and operated by Nexstar Broadcasting.

## PARTNERSHIPS



Century Link – A company offering products for ones home or business including network and data systems management, Big Data analytics and IT Consulting. It has centers in North America, Europe and Asia.



Omaha Schools A+ Schools - The school's graduates are on many impressive lists of accomplished leaders. Students are prepared for life and appreciate the idea of diversity. The average teacher has taught for 11 years and many have won the Nebraska Teacher of



HBCU Hub – An APP developed and owned by Johnathan Swindell, a GSU student. The APP has information on HBCU's and the next go to APP for the Smart phone.



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## Professional Week kick off event

GramFam, get ready for a gift from JC Penney's, Grambling State University's SGA, and the Office of Career Services. These partners are launching the "Suit Up" campaign kicking off "Professional Week" on campus.

First up was the dorm room make over. Two freshman students, Cierra Jackson and Shawna Robinson received "free" items for their dorm rooms.

Any interested freshman student had an opportunity to submit a video wearing Grambling State Gear and state why they made GSU their choice.

### SUIT UP

On Sunday, September 17, JC Penney's will close its doors and reopen at 6:30 p.m. for persons to get 40% off of items to assist with Professional Image. (Exception only is makeup.)

Students please invite your friends and family members to attend. The entire community is invited.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. Grambling State University students, faculty, and staff may bring their ID for quick sign in.

Transportation will be



CIERRA JACKSON  
 MONROE, LOUISIANA



SHAWNA ROBINSON  
 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA



Shown above are sample items sponsored by JC Penny to be given to the winner of the video contest.

provided for students by the store and sign in and the SGA. You simply will receive a discount come to the GSU table at sticker.





## The Director Speaks

DR. SHELIA J. FOBBS



Welcome new and returning students to Grambling State University (GSU).

The Office of Career Services would like to say thanks for choosing GSU as your school of choice.

Please note in this newsletter that we are having a number of great sessions that will get you ready for our upcoming Career Fairs. We have many companies that are coming to do sessions, giving pertinent information on what you can do to be successful with their company. These sessions will also help you grow in your career of choice

Therefore, make sure you pay attention to any Tiger Works notifications. If you are not a member of our network, go to our website and sign up or you may come to our office to get the information.

Lastly, do not forget to update resumes for all upcoming activities.

Our Mission which is to enhance the overall educational experience of our students by assisting with educating the “total” student. This includes personal and professional development.

It is the Center’s goal to give many professional experiences that will mimic those found in everyday life.

Our doors are open for we understand, “One Never Gets A Second Chance to Make a First Impression”.

See you soon!!

## Getting ready for an internship

ALTHA MADISON  
Career Service Office

Obtaining an intern or multiple interns increases your chances of employment sufficiently after graduation. The opportunity for you to receive an offer for an internship is how you brand yourself.

Branding consist of your social media image, believe it or not companies research your digital footprint. Another internship branding piece is your resume.

Research has shown resumes are a vital role in obtaining an interview. Hiring mangers review resume

for errors which can cause them to be placed file 13 (trash).

Your resume represents who you are before you meet your potential employer.

Consider your internship as a 10 week interview process with corporations, companies, and agencies to evaluate who you are overall. The employer will be observing behaviors such as promptness, how you present yourself (dress & hygiene), interactions with peers, how you communicate, willingness to learn the job and innovativeness.

So the highlight of this



ALTHA MADISON  
COORDINATOR, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

information is for you to come to The Office of Career Services and began your journey to a wonderful career. There are unlimited internship possibilities, but first you must have the desire to chase after your dreams.

## CAREER SERVICES CALENDAR

COME TO OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES - SUITE 130 JACOB T. STEWART

### AUGUST, 2017

Thursday – August 31 – “Career Services – Meet Up” JTS Lobby, 3 – 5 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER, 2017

Tuesday – September 5 – “CS to the Neighborhood” Holland Hall. 6-7:30 p.m.

Thursday – September 7 – Grambling Hall, “The Brand In you”. 11-12:30 p.m  
Brian Lowe, Professional Sports Marketing and Media.

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Tuesday – September 12 – “First Impressions” - 5:30-7:30 p.m., JTS 331

Tuesday – September 12 – “CS to the Neighborhood” – Truth Hall, 6-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday-September 13 – “Social

Etiquette and Business Protocol” 5:30-7:30 p.m. JTS 331

Thursday-September 14 – “CS to the Neighborhood” Truth Hall-6-7:30 p.m.

Sunday – September 17 – “Suit Up” – Pecanland Mall-JC Penney’s – 6 -10 p.m.

Tuesday – September 19 – “Chat, Chew, and Fashion Revue” -2-7:30 p.m. McCall Dining Hall

Wednesday – September 20 – “The Particulars of Resume Writing” 1-2:30 p.m.  
Dr. Mica Gould, English Professor

Tuesday – September 26 – “CS to the Neighborhood” – Douglas Hall, 6-7:30 p.m.

Thursday – September 28 – “CS to the Neighborhood” – Douglas Hall, 6-7:30 p.m.

## Grambling student selected by ESPN

### MEDIA BUREAU

Miniya Shabazz has been a Grambling State University student less than 24 months and she’s already an editor with the campus newspaper, a reporter with the university media bureau and she’s been published in area publications. Now she’s become a part of the ESPN family.

Shabazz, 20, has joined The Undeafated’s Rhoden Fellowship program. The sports journalism program focuses on identifying and training aspiring African American journalists from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

Shabazz, a native of Silver Spring, Maryland, is one of only six college journalists chosen for the prestigious opportunity. The Undeafated is ESPN’s multiplatform initiative for sports, race and culture.

As a Rhoden Fellow, Miniya



Miniya Shabazz, ESPN intern, looks at copy in the The Gramblinite office.

will report, write and record for The Undeafated. The program includes regular conference calls discussing story ideas, reporting, writing, producing podcasts and advising with William C. Rhoden. This award-winning sports columnist recently retired from The New York Times then joined The Undeafated as a columnist, editor-at-large and director of the fellowship program.

Miniya Shabazz, GSU Student, selected for ESPN fellowship Shabazz, raised in Laurel, Maryland, started her college journalism career as a freshman, contributing to the campus newspaper, The

Gramblinite, then quickly became its news editor. She is a student member of the National Association of Black Journalists and an active member of the Alpha Theta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. When she learned she had been selected, she found it hard to believe.

“I was filled with excitement and disbelief to be selected... because of the well-known and reputable brand of ESPN,” said Shabazz.

“I knew instantly that when I got this opportunity that it would be beneficial to my career because of the nuance of gaining experience with writing and reporting on

## CAREER SERVICES CALENDAR

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### OCTOBER, 2017

Tuesday – October 3 – “Lunch and Learn” 12-2 p.m. Black and Gold Room, Favrot Student Union and Atrium, PWC Talent Outreach Program (Pricewaterhouse Coopers, an accounting firm), Daja N. Jackson, Senior Manager

Thursday – October 5 – “Celebrating the Work of Lonnie Smith”, 6 – 10 p.m. Black and Gold Room (Banquet)

Wednesday - October 4, 2017 – “Criminal Justice Career Fair” 10-2:00p.m., Black and Gold Room.

Thursday - October 5, 2017 – “50th Anniversary of the Lonnie Smith Career and Athletic Fair”- 10-2:00p.m. – Hobby Assembly Center.

Wednesday -October 18, 2017 – “Time Management”, 3-4:30p.m. Grambling Hall.

### NOVEMBER, 2017

Wednesday – November 1 – “Communication Matters”, 12-1:30 p.m. Grambling Hall.

Thursday – November 16 – “Developing the Business in side of you”. Small Administration 12-1:30 p.m. Grambling Hall.

### SPRING, 2018

#### FEBRUARY, 2018

Thursday – February 1 – “Graduate School Day”-1-4 p.m. Office of Career Services, JTS Lobby.

Wednesday – February 7 – “Everything Starts with You – Attitude, Body Language and Positive Expressions Equals Interpersonal Skills”, 4-6 p.m. Grambling Hall.

Thursday – February 8 – “From Cub to Tiger, An Athlete Symposium”, 4-6 p.m. Grambling Hall.

Tuesday - February 20, 2018 – “College of Business Career Expo”- 10-2:00p.m. JTS Bldg.

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 – “Spring Graduate and Professional School and Career Expo – Hodby Assembly Center, 10-2:00p.m.

Tuesday – March 20, 2018 – “Internship Workshop” – 5:30-7:30p.m. Grambling Hall.

Thursday – March 22 – “Internship Fair and Leadership Institute – 10-2 p.m. Black & Gold Room.

Tuesday – April 10 – “Back2Basics Event - 3-4:30 p.m. Grambling Hall.

## Chat, Chew and Review coming

The annual Chat, Chew and Fashion Review will be held Tuesday, September 19. It will again be held in the McCall Dining Hall from 12 noon until 7:30 p.m.

Come out and enjoy the various vendors and the latest fashions, while learning what should and should not be worn.

While you are eating your dinner, you will be entertained by music and fashion all in one location.



## GSU sciences students go to Meharry College

STAFF REPORT

The Grambling State University Department of Biological Sciences had five new students along with the six returning students who did internships at Meharry Medical College in Tennessee during the summer.

“Once our students are accepted into the program they remain for three years as long as they maintain a 3.00 g.p.a. or higher,” said LaQuetta B. Anderson, site coordinator at Grambling State University.

Anderson said GSU has been a part of the partnership program with Meharry since 2002. The first group of students from Grambling attended in the summer of 2003 and some of them have gone on to medical, dental, pharmacy and graduate school.

“I meet with students interested in the program at the beginning of the fall semester, pass out applications at the beginning of the spring semester and obtain official transcripts

for students that apply,” said Anderson.

The Bachelor of Science/Doctor of Medicine (BS/MD) Program is a component of the Meharry

Medical College Center of Excellence (COE) supported by a grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). The program is to increase the number of culturally competent African American physicians serving medically underserved populations as well as to assist with alleviating health care disparities.

Meharry has a formal agreement with ten other Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) besides Grambling State. The other schools includes Alabama A&M University, Albany State University, Alcorn State University, Fisk University, Hampton University, Jackson State University, Southern University, Tennessee State University, Middle Tennessee State University and Virginia



**Meharry students pictured from left to right are sophomores to seniors include Trace Payne; Jada Johnson; Raegan Nation; Enausha Abney; Jimmitriv Roberson; Endiah Green; Sharon Turner-Friley (assistant dean for special programs, student academic affairs, Meharry Medical College); Alexis White; Angelica Stewart; Khadijah Pearson; Jordan Powell and DeAndria Moss (not pictured).**

Union University.

Each school as a site coordinator who recommends students for the program, but the final selection is made by the project director and project coordinator at Meharry based on

the completed application, official transcript, and two letters of recommendation. Students are housed in apartments on the Tennessee State University campus and a shuttle service is provided.

## Grambling State University student interns with FDIC

STAFF REPORT

Faron Rush, a Grambling State University did an internship with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). He is a tentative bachelor of arts degree candidate in computer information system and business management in the spring of 2018.

“My 10 week internship consisted of reviewing and analyzing the reporting of Capital, Securities, Earnings,

and Liquidity disclosures for each assigned bank,” said Rush.

He said his main field office was located in Madison, WI but he would travel often to nearby cities to complete the same task. All expenses were paid by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). They paid for housing, car rentals, offered me a government credit card, and bi-weekly pay checks. The FDIC is a independent feder-

al government agency. Their main task is to regulate banks and provide guidance when conflicts are present.

To begin his internship, the FDIC flew Rush into the nation’s capital for a one week orientation. During the week he had the opportunity to network with senior executives, top students from across the country, and other federal government agency employees. Rush was provided a blue print of his 10 week

summer and assisted with the transformation into the company.

Rush said during his employment he was exposed to bank accounting practices, regulatory methods, and bank strategies from FDIC Senior Examiners. After each bank examination he was tasked with providing a written comments summarizing each bank economic position and details of their FDIC’s CAR-MELS ratings.

## GSU students attend Allen Institute

STAFF REPORT

Twenty Grambling State University (GSU) students visited Lithonia, Georgia on February 15-18, for an educational experience. The excitement began when Grambling had been selected to participate in the Allen Entrepreneurial Institute International (AEII) Camp Exposure.

The initiative is designed for college students to have a better understanding of entrepreneurship and leadership. The GSU team comprised of 10 each male and female students and two chaperons – Dr. John Nwoha and Andrea Dixon. The students came from various majors including Chemistry, Computer Information System, Computer Science, Economics, Engineering Technology, Management, and Marketing.

Students were selected through an application process that included pitching a business in a Pitch competition or other activities during Entre-



**Grambling State University students stand in front of Ms. Rebecca's House (a Southern Antebellum Mansion on the Allen Institute campus).**

preneurial Technical Assistance Workshops. Others were selected based on their interest in learning about entrepreneurship.

The GSU group were met by equal number of students from three Southern University System campuses – Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and Shreveport. In total there were 40 students and five chaperons.

The group was taken on a tour of Miss Rebecca’s House

- A Southern Antebellum Mansion located in the AEII camps. This mansion is the site of many TV shows include the Green Leaf.

A healthy learning environment was established when the students from the various campuses lived and worked together for a two day experience. The group attended meetings where they were taught various areas of business, leadership, and entrepreneurship.

The group was taught how to pitch their businesses using theatrical performance. Dinner was a session on dining etiquette which is expected of an entrepreneur at a higher level.

The second day the group attended a field trip to the newly opened Allen Institute Business Incubator. The students worked in teams to develop a business model for the incubator.

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## Clothes closet available for Grambling students

STAFF REPORT

The Office of Career Services has a Clothes Closet for those students that need “professional attire”. The clothes in the closet were donated by several donors in the Grambling community.

“I am very please with this service and a Huge Thank You to all of our donors,” said Dr. Shelia J. Fobbs, director of the Office of Career

Services.

Dr. Fobbs said she wanted to remind everyone, especially students, that One Never Gets A Second Chance to Make a First Impression!

The director said several pairs of jeans were donated to the closet as well.

“In that jeans are not considered as professional wear, while supplies last, students may come by and register with Career Services and get a free

pair of jeans,” said Dr. Fobbs.

The Clothes Closet is a service found in the Office of Career Services that was started by several organizations.

“We really appreciate the community for their support of this initiative,” said Dr. Fobbs.

Clothing items have been donated by members in the community and organizations namely, faculty, Links, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc., and

Alumni. These ladies started the initiative by donating gently used clothing for males and females. The clothing covers all areas of fashion.

The Office of Career Services holds a clothing drive during the Spring of the year for additional items. Students must complete an application and simply shop.

Career Services is located in the Jacob T. Stewart building (JTS) - Suite 130.



## Students awarded NAACP scholarships

STAFF REPORT

Jessica Clinton and Keely Heggart, both Grambling State University students received \$500 from the NAACP Lincoln Parish Chapter. They were amongst six area college students receiving scholarships during an event recently at the Ruston Civic Center.

Neither Clinton nor Heggart took the scholarships for granted, each saying the awards helped teach them the importance of setting goals.

Clinton, 18, a visual and performing arts major, plans to earn her degree and give back to her Ruston family and the Ruston community. She has learned that setting goals are important to success.

“Stay focused and do not let anyone detour you,” she said.

Heggart, 18, a social work major also from Ruston, aspires to work with abandoned children, providing them with

love while helping the children discover their purposes in life.

NAACP member Brenda Williams, the gift info processing coordinator for GSU, helped choose the 2017 scholarship recipients.

“The students submitted applications and completed all criteria required of them, which is the most important step,” said Williams.

The applicants were required to provide church, community and school recommendation letters; have some evidence of community involvement and indicate how they promote diversity.

The two young women applied for the scholarships through church mentors.

Karen Lewis, a Sunday school teacher at St. David Baptist Church, notified Clinton. Jack Houston, a deacon at Zion Hill Baptist Church, informed Heggart.

## Saluting students for internship success

STAFF REPORT

SUMMER 2017

### Interns

Jane Harrison was selected for a summer internship with the Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP) at the University of Iowa.

Cherita Wilson received an award that funds a course to receive a loss prevention foundation certification.

Jeffery R. Gardner and Davon M. Williams worked with the

Air Force Research Labs, New York, Mahalia L. Jackson and Lakiesha Jackson worked with Air Force Research Labs, Dayton, Ohio. Michael D. Hendrix Nationwide—Columbus, Ohio Mahalia L. Jackson worked with CSRA. Shreveport, Prentiss Charles Smiley (CIS) AB Investment Company.

Amber Fields worked with University Health Conway in Monroe and Justin Willis

worked with Congressman Abraham.

SPRING 2017

### Interns

Busby Sanars, Desmond Hill, Sammu DeSilva and Jarett Triplett.

FALL 2017

### Interns

Jeffrey Clough, Klylena Mitchell, Jeffrey Gardner, Alickson T. Alexander and Muneer Alsubai.



Grambling State University students sat in on a talk by Mr. Allen at the Allen Entrepreneurial Institute.

## Allen Entrepreneurial Institute

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The session taught students how to collaborate while working across disciplines. The teams were randomly selected to include students from both institutions and a mixture of majors.

At the end of the field trip, students rehearsed their skits for the closing performance to be held in the evening. The closing theatrical performance was followed by a formal four course dinner that enabled students to practice

the dining etiquette they learnt the previous day. Allen and his staff were actively involved in all the events including the dinner.

The time at AEII came to an end on Saturday, February 18. There were more sessions with motivational speakers and business leaders.

The last session was a presentation by an entrepreneur who started his business as a student and is now selling in major stores such as TJ Max and others.

## Career Center activities at a glance



Pictured top right: Faron Rush, a GSU student stand in his as an intern with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). (top left) Students register a job station during a Career Fair (above) A student explains his resume to a company representative. (bottom right) GSU students work in computer lab at the Allen institute. (below) Grambling students receive information from company rep during a Career Fair.

