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Amy West. (Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness).
Amy poses in front of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C., where she worked through the Spitze Public Policy Legislative Internship during the summer of 2013 after her sophomore year. This internship provides $5000 funding for one Bumpers College student who is working with agricultural policy in a legislative or congressional office.

Megan Lankford (Horticulture).
Pictured at the Botanical Gardens of the Ozarks (BGSO). Megan landed her dream job before graduation as Lead Gardener at BGSO. She began working there to fulfill her 3 month internship requirement in her sophomore year and stayed on part time throughout school leading to the offer to go full time after graduating. She received an American Society for Horticultural Science Scholars Scholarship, one of only two recipients in the U.S. of this award for 2014. Megan also received the Outstanding Graduating Senior of the Horticulture Department award.
Christina Crowder (Food, Human Nutrition, and Hospitality). Christina poses in front of a garden in Beauvais, France, where she completed an international program at LaSalle Polytechnique University. Christina studied sustainable culinary nutrition by connecting nutrition, sustainability and health through experimental learning in the university’s culinary platform and while traveling France. Christina took this trip the summer right after she completed her senior year coursework. She received a Bumpers College International Programs Office scholarship, Honors College Airfare Study Abroad Grant, and funds from the Food Science Department.

Christina was named the 2015 Outstanding Dietetic Student in the State by the Arkansas Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics! The Bumpers College’s School of Human Environmental Sciences has produced the last three state winners.

Christina Crowder. Pictured at the Experimental Biology Conference in Boston in March 2015 presenting a poster from the article in this issue. The same poster went on to win 3rd place in the Food Science research poster competition and 2nd place in the Ozark Food Processors Association competition (graduates and undergraduates).
**Sarah Mayfield. (Food Science).** Pictured in her lab. Mayfield won the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences Honors Student Board Outstanding Thesis competition. Mayfield traveled to Belgium, world-renowned for its chocolate, to develop CLA-enriched chocolate bars and chocolate spread in the University of Ghent’s Cacaolab, where she worked with professors Ashok Patel and Koen Dewettinck. A SURF grant, an Honors College International Research Grant, and funds from Bumpers College and the University of Ghent supported her research.

**Bonifacio Lopez Torres. (Food, Human Nutrition, and Hospitality).** Pictured at the city of Heilbronn, Germany (left) and at the The Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe in Berlin (right) during his one semester study abroad exchange trip funded in part by the Silas Hunt Distinguished Scholarship. Lopez Torres says this experience expanded his knowledge and guided him to narrow down his research project, seeing how cities like Madrid, Paris, Antwerp, Berlin and Hamburg are cities that attract so many tourists. This trip encouraged him to do his project on the promotion of tourism because he wanted to know more of the process that it took for destinations to keep a positive growth and continuous benefits for their cities.
Kate Ross, Maria Isabel Barrenechea, and Mallori Sando. (Food, Human Nutrition and Hospitality). Pictured at the peer-reviewed research poster session of the Arkansas Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics in Little Rock in April, 2015.

Kate Ross (left) and Mallori Sando. (Food, Human Nutrition and Hospitality). Pictured in the Dietetics class of Dr. Cynthia Moore taking body mass measurements.