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UT CASNR Chronicle, from the desk of Caula Beyl, Dean of the UT College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources



In Montana to Advance the Blackfeet Nation

Will Seeley didn't expect his studies would take him to Montana to work with one of the largest Native American tribes. This 2016 food science and agriculture business grad is helping the Blackfeet [plan for a sustainable future](#).

Successes



No. 1 in Warm Welcomes

In a survey about their campus experience, prospective students gave the College top scores among the fifteen colleges, departments, and units they visited. "An informed idea of possible experience

at UT," "breathtaking" facilities, and "my son loved the school" were among their comments.



Excellence Times Two

It's rare for college deans to remain involved in teaching and research. Rarer still for them to receive the highest honors in their fields. In the past year, two prestigious societies have named CASNR Associate Dean John Stier as Fellow for his career achievements. That's double honors. Well done, John.



A Nice Surprise from NACTA

This month, I learned that the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) bestowed its Journal Award upon *A Proactive Model for Recruiting Students into Agriculture Disciplines*. CASNR's former college recruiter Anna Adams and spring graduate Elena Smith joined me as coauthors of the article.

Happenings in the College



Advising Expertise for CASNR Students

Our new hybrid advising model is moving ahead. Two Student Success Advisors are in place and a third is expected before the year's end. These advisors will extend and enhance the one-on-one advising our faculty have always offered to prepare students to excel in all areas of their life. [More...](#)





As Craig Pickett Advances, We Say Farewell

It is with regret and pride that we at CASNR say farewell to our student life and diversity coordinator, Craig Pickett. In his time with us, Craig had incredible impacts upon our students and the College as a whole. [Learn more about his new endeavors and the many ways he's enriched our lives.](#)



Celebrate Ag Day with Us

Join fellow alumni, students, and friends four-and-a-half hours before kickoff time on September 30 to see what CASNR and other UTIA units are doing to help improve the lives of all Tennesseans. [More...](#)



CASNR Career Fair

At the fair on October 11, students can explore internships and jobs with a variety of organizations. Alumni interested in sending a recruiter may contact Emily Gray, ecgray@utk.edu.



Construction Science Career Fair

A dynamic event on October 12 for one of our most in-demand majors. Alumni interested in sending a recruiter may contact Charles Parker, cparke35@utk.edu.





Graduation Ceremonies

Join us for our graduate hooding on December 14 and commencement on December 15.

Click to view the full [CASNR calendar](#) or the [UT Knoxville academic calendar](#).

Making Our Mark



Taking Elevators to New Heights

Grain elevators are a rare sight in East Tennessee. In the Midwest, though, there are plenty, and that's where an interest in macroeconomics has taken Chance Wood (BS agricultural business and economics '12). Wood is using his expertise to train elevator owners and operators on how to be effective grain basis traders. [More...](#)



Exciting International Opportunities for Students

The number of CASNR students engaged in experience learning abroad has quadrupled during the last decade and continues to rise. Learn how our students took advantage of new research and internship opportunities in Belize and Guatemala this summer through two impressive programs. [More...](#)



Student Scholarships Really Make a Difference

When you give to a student scholarship, you may wonder, Does it really make a difference? The short answer is yes! Just let these CASNR students show you what your gift means to them. [Watch the video...](#)

These are only a few of our most recent highlights here at UT CASNR. Whether you're an alum, a current student, or a friend of CASNR, we're always excited to share this journey with you. You can also stay in touch by following us on [Twitter](#), liking us on [Facebook](#), or subscribing to our [YouTube](#) channel. We are looking forward to everything we have planned during the fall semester, and we hope you are, too!

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