The Texas A&M School of Law saw eight of its students take off for Washington, D.C. and Austin, Texas, this month as part of its Residency Externship in Public Policy Program (REP-PP). These Aggie law students will spend the semester working throughout the federal and Texas governments.

**BRITT BRANDON**, Texas Railroad Commission  
**TIE SHE’ CHAVIS**, U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security & Government Affairs  
**STUART CAMPBELL**, Texas Health Services Authority  
**SEAN GROVE**, Office of Governor Greg Abbott  
**JESSICA LESNAU**, U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Immigration Litigation  
**KOURTNEE MCINTURE**, Texas Hotel & Lodging Association  
**HENRIK STRAND**, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality  
**LOLA WILSON**, Senate Committee on State Affairs, Texas Legislature  

In addition to experiencing policymaking first hand, REP-PP students are engaged in a three credit substantive seminar  

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led by two expert adjuncts, who happen to be alumni of the law school - Stephen Vina in Washington, D.C., and John Medlock in Austin, Texas. Medlock and Vina lead the students through weekly in-depth discussions of ethics, processes, demands, and expectations that public sector lawyers routinely face.

This program will help me integrate into the “working world” before I graduate law school. I know it will give me the opportunity to further develop my professional interpersonal skills and improve my legal writing and analysis.

-Lola Wilson, 2L

The seminar also provides REP-PP students a chance to build their Aggie Network. The seminar courses are held in the Federal and State Relations Offices of the Texas A&M System so students get to meet Aggie leaders like Scott Sudduth and Valerie Offutt in Washington, D.C. and Sarah Hicks and Michael O’Quinn in Austin, Texas.

They also partake in the REP-PP Speaker Series that provides students the opportunity to discuss careers, advice, and substantive policy issues with key policymakers at the federal and state level. (See Upcoming Events for a list of scheduled speakers.)
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Texas Railroad Commission, Office of General Counsel

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Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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Senate Committee on State Affairs
Texas Legislature
**UPCOMING EVENTS - AUSTIN**

**JANUARY 19, 2017** - SEAN OPPERMAN, Committee Director, Senate Committee on State Affairs, Texas Legislature  
**JANUARY 23, 2017** - JONATHAN SMABY, Executive Director, Texas Center for Legal Ethics  
**JANUARY 30, 2017** - STEVEN, SCHAR, Policy Advisor, Office of Texas Governor Greg Abbott  
**FEBRUARY 6, 2017** - GEORGE GOOCH, CEO, Texas Health Services Authority  
**FEBRUARY 15, 2017** - ORANGE & MAROON DAY  
**MARCH 9, 2017** - SHANNA IGO, Deputy Director for Legislative Services, Texas Municipal League  
**MARCH 13-17, 2017** - SPRING BREAK  

**UPCOMING EVENTS - D.C.**

**JANUARY 26, 2017** - SAM RAMER, General Counsel & Vice President, Symplicity  
**FEBRUARY 9, 2017** - TODD GEE, Assistant United States Attorney, Washington, D.C.  
**FEBRUARY 13, 2017** - ALAN DORHOFFER, Deputy General Counsel & KENNETH COHEN, Staff Director, U.S. Sentencing Commission  
**MARCH 13-17, 2017** - SPRING BREAK  
**APRIL 6, 2017** - SUSAN DUDLEY, GW Regulatory Studies Center & Distinguished Professor of Practice Trachtenberg School of Public Policy & Public Administration  

**UPCOMING EVENTS - FORT WORTH**  

NOTE: NEW FILING DEADLINES FOR PROGRAM PARTICIPATION  

**MARCH 23, 2017** - OPEN HOUSE FOR RESIDENCY EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN PUBLIC POLICY  
Come By Professor Rich’s Office, Room 108, to Learn More About the Program  
**MARCH 29, 2017** - LAST DAY TO ENROLL IN FALL 2017 DRAFTING FOR PUBLIC POLICY  
CLASS (REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN SPRING 2018 PROGRAM)  
**APRIL 14, 2017** - APPLICATIONS FOR SPRING 2018 RESIDENCY EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM IN PUBLIC POLICY DUE  
**APRIL 20-21, 2017** - STUDENT INTERVIEWS (IF REQUIRED)  
**APRIL 24, 2017** - STUDENTS NOTIFIED OF ACCEPTANCE  
**APRIL 28, 2017** - MANDATORY MEETING FOR STUDENTS ACCEPTED INTO PROGRAM  

For more information and to follow the 2017 REP-PP Class, visit  
law.tamu.edu/rep-pp  

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