Notes on the Contributors



Lauren Andreau

Lauren Andreu graduated from TCU in 2015 with her BA in Strategic Communication. She now works at Simpli.fi where she is able to help create effective advertising for local businesses.

Blake Barbour

Blake Barbour graduated from TCU with a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy in the winter of 2016. His academic interests include epistemology and law. In the future, Blake hopes to pursue a career in corporate or international law.





Jamie Bittle

Jamie Bittle is a graduate of TCU's Department of Engineering with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering. He is currently doing graduate work at the University of Colorado in Denver, where he is studying Electromagnetic Theory and Plasma Physics. An accomplished baseball player in high school, Jamie was heavily involved with TCU's Campus Recreation prior to his graduation.

Karin Cheng

Karin Cheng graduated from TCU in 2016 with her BS in Secondary Education English Language Arts. She is currently a graduate student in the TCU College of Education Language and Literacy program. She is most passionate about teaching English as a second language, but also enjoys teaching American literature. After graduating, Ms.



Cheng hopes to pursue a career teaching in a secondary level English classroom in an international setting.

Blair Guilfoile

Blair is a senior in Strategic Communication. She recently represented TCU, the John V. Roach Honors College, and the nonprofit Educational First Steps at the Philanthropy Lab National Conference held during the final week of June. She has interned with several local organizations, including Fatboy USA, Roxo, and BRAVO.





Autumn Hackett

Autumn Hackett graduated from TCU in 2016 with her BS in Nursing. She now works as a Labor and Delivery nurse at Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth. She plans to continue volunteering for organizations where she can implement the Health on a Budget curriculum.

Hana Jaafari

Hana Jaafari is currently a senior undergraduate student, majoring in physics with an emphasis in biology. She is president of two TCU organizations, Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) and the TCU chapter of the Society of Physics Students (SPS). Hana's research interests include molecular genetics and fluorescence spectroscopy. She plans on graduating in May 2017 with a BS degree and entering a graduate biophysics program, in order to ultimately become a physics professor who pursues biomedical research and inspires a love for physics in her students.



Krista Kee



Krista Kee graduated from TCU in 2016 with her BFA in Modern Dance and Political Science. Her research interests include analyzing how legacies of colonialism influence the presentation of race, gender, and national identity in dance as well as evaluating how dance can be used as an effective tool of cultural diplomacy. Krista is currently pursuing a MA in Dance Politics and Sociology at the University of Roehampton (London, UK) as a recipient of the Vice Chancellor's Scholarship. She continues to research dance through political and social lenses while living and dancing within London's vibrant arts community.

Meriel LeSueur

Meriel LeSueur is a senior biology major from Saint Charles, IL. She is currently working on completing both upper level Honors tracks, with her honors thesis in the effects of thyroid hormone levels on the immune response in fish. Upon graduation, she plans to pursue a degree as a doctor of veterinary medicine. When not in classes or doing science in the lab, she works as a veterinary technician assistant at a local emergency small animal hospital, is involved in several organizations around campus, and loves spending time baking and reading historical biographies.



Emily Mitchell

After graduating Summa Cum
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number of brands, including
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Cailin O'Mara



Originally from El Dorado
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Erica Pieper

After graduating Magna Cum Laude from TCU in May 2016 with a Bachelor of Social Work, Erica moved to New York City to pursue her Master of Social Work at Columbia University in the City of New York. She is currently placed in the Counseling Department at the New York County District Attorney's Office, and hopes to continue work to reform the criminal justice system. In her free time she enjoys reading, trying new food, and attending rallies for social justice!





Alayna Sublette

Alayna Sublette graduated from TCU in 2016 with a BS in Political Science and minors in International Economics and Spanish. Her research interests include international human rights and development. Alayna is currently an AmeriCorps VISTA in Dallas, where she is working to combat poverty in Texas, with a focus on food insecurity. In the future, she hopes to continue her research on humanitarian issues and apply what she has learned on an international scale.

Brien Twomey

Brien Twomey graduated from TCU in 2016 with a BBA in Business Information Systems. He now works as a management consultant for Accenture where he continues to identify the synergies between business and technology to best serve clients.





Kelsey Werner

Kelsey Werner graduated from TCU in May 2016 with a BBA in Marketing and Finance. Her research in customer co-creation was inspired by her work experience and Marketing classes at TCU. After graduation, Ms. Werner started working in the Marketing department at Frito Lay as a marketing analyst. In her free time, she enjoys reading, exercising, and cheering on her TCU Horned Frogs!

Sarah Westphal

Sarah Westphal graduated from TCU in May of 2016 with her BS in Middle School Math Education. After graduation, Ms. Westphal began to pursue her graduate degree in Curriculum and Instruction with an Emphasis in Mathematics from TCU and will graduate in May of 2017. Her research interests include special education, anticipating and furthering student thinking, and educational policy.

