College of Human Environmental Sciences

**STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

Student organizations enhance leadership skills and help students network for the future. Below are some organizations that HES has to offer.

- CHES Ambassadors
- CHES Student Council
- CHES Scholar Leaders
- International Facility Management Association
- Merchandising and Apparel Design Association
- American Society of Interior Designers-Student Chapter
- Human Development and Family Science Club
- Early Childhood Education Club
- Club Managers Association of America
- Hospitality Days
- Nutritional Sciences Club

**INTERNSHIPS**

Internships are a requirement for CHES majors. Internship opportunities have allowed students to travel to places such as:

- Bolivia
- Paris
- Italy
- New York
- Africa
- London
- Washington D.C.

They have worked for companies such as:

- BCBG
- Tiffany & Co.
- State and federal governments
- J. Alexander’s Restaurant
- Vera Wang
- Victoria’s Secret
- Marriott Hotels
- The Broadmoor Hotel

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The College of Human Environmental Sciences awards generous undergraduate general and departmental scholarships to entering freshmen and transfer students, as well as continuing students each year. Scholarships are also available to help students with expenses related to both internships and international experiences/study abroad.

**LIVING AND LEARNING COMMUNITIES**

Village CHES is home to residents who are students in the College of Human Environmental Sciences. Students take common courses and participate in faculty-led activities outside of class, resulting in academic support and lasting friendships.

The Outstanding Undergraduate Student for 2008 in the College of Human Environmental Sciences was Melissa Grace Oliver. She majored in human development and family science with an option in child and family services and a minor in psychology. Melissa, who went on to study for a master’s degree in marriage and family therapy, believes the CHES Outstanding Student must represent the college’s commitment to develop dynamic leaders, engaged citizens and effective professionals.

To view the most current list of majors visit: admissions.okstate.edu/majors
RESEARCH

Both freshmen and upperclassmen have the opportunity to participate in research projects. For example:

- A collaborative product development and limited production study was undertaken by OSU with the goal of developing limb body armor using soft, anti-ballistic materials to provide protection against small arms and shrapnel, compatible with the standard Interceptor vest issued to the U.S. Army and Marine Corps. QuadGard® was the result.

- CHES entered into a collaborative agreement between the Stillwater Public Schools and the Child Development Laboratory to provide an alternative educational program in a full-day, mixed-age Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten classroom. The purpose of the project was to provide a model Early Childhood Education classroom for Human Development and Family Sciences students to observe children’s development and exemplary teaching practices.

FAST FACTS

- OSU is one of only 13 programs in North America to receive the endorsement of the American Apparel and Footwear Association for curriculum and facilities.
- The Interior Design program is accredited by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA).
- The School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration features an international hospitality learning experience in Switzerland each summer.
- Early Childhood Education graduates have a 100 percent job placement rate.
- Nutritional Sciences graduates who majored in dietetics have a 95 percent pass rate for the registered dietitian exam.

FACILITIES

Students in this college receive hands-on experience in labs such as Taylor’s Dining, The Atherton Hotel, The Rancher’s Club, fashion and interior design labs and working with children in the Child Development Lab.

The Atherton Hotel at OSU has a rich history of serving Oklahoma State University, Stillwater and the state of Oklahoma. The Atherton Hotel is a part of the College of Human Environmental Sciences serving as a “learning laboratory” for the education and experience of future hospitality professionals. For more than 75 years, the School of Hotel and Restaurant Administration has been providing an outstanding education for our future hospitality professionals.

The Patricia Kain Knaub Center for Student Success was established in 2004 for the students in the College of Human Environmental Sciences to provide:

- Developmental academic advising — freshmen/sophomores/first-year transfer students.
- A foundational first-year experience to facilitate transition of students to a large university.
- Strong leadership development experiences through the Freshmen Scholars program, revised and upgraded orientation courses, and academic learning communities.
- Career development opportunities to effectively link educational experiences with career goals and career destinations.

The Ranchers Club is also a part of the College of Human Environmental Sciences. The restaurant offers students an exceptional experience in an innovative setting. Meticulous in every detail, the Ranchers Club has become the place to dine in north central Oklahoma.

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