

Management Information System Newsletter

Texas A&M University — Corpus Christi, College of Business

Why Major in MIS

Nowadays, it is impossible for modern businesses to compete without the power of information systems. MIS skills are extremely important for business professionals. These skills encompass all business divisions including accounting, finance, management and human resources.

Some of the other reasons for majoring in Information Systems include:

Excellent Employment Rate:

Demand for Information System Professionals is high, rated as an area with one of the highest job growth rates by the U.S. Department of Labor.

High salaries:

MIS graduates are offered salaries higher than most other majors



Job satisfaction:

Information System Professionals increase the effectiveness of companies wherever they work at. They make noteworthy contributions to competitiveness and the welfare of the organization.

The rapid change in Information Systems challenge MIS Professionals to learn and advance their skills continuously. Information Systems are used by businesses at all stages of operations for gathering, processing, and storing data.

MIS professionals create, implement, and manage information systems to fulfill needs of managers, customers, and staff and to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organization.

Adapted from <http://www.ecu.edu/cs-bus/dsci/mimismiscareers.cfm>

Did You Know?

- * Job opportunities are best for applicants with a strong understanding of business and good communication skills.
- * Employment of computer and information systems managers is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through the year 2016
- * Many managers possess advanced technical knowledge gained from working in a computer occupation.

Campus News and Events:

- March 30, Last day to drop a class
- May 1, Last day of classes
- May 3-9 Final Examinations
- May 10-11 Grading days
- May 12, Spring Commencement
- May 10-25 Maymester
- June 4-July 6 Summer Session I
- July 9-August 9 Summer Session II

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Starting Salaries for Business Majors

- MIS:** \$55,619
- Finance:** \$51,503
- Economics:** \$53,90
- Business Administration:** \$46,372

Retrieved from <http://blogs.wsi.com/>

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES WITH A MIS DEGREE:

- Database Analyst
- User Interface Specialist
- Database Administrator
- IS Auditor
- Network Manager
- Records Manager Consultant
- Website Administration
- Network Administration
- Project Manager



How to Get an Internship

An internship is a great way to gain professional work experience. A variety of internships are available for students and recent graduates. Some are paid, some are unpaid, some are local, and some are international. An internship can be a good way to experience a real-life work atmosphere in your career field and help you decide if it is what you really want to do. It also provides an opportunity to try out a new job without making a permanent commitment. Sometimes, internships lead to full-time job offers. In some cases it helps you to gain college credits.

It is not too late to get an internship for the summer or fall semester. There are a variety of ways to start your search. First of all, It is essential to visit the College of Business Internship Coordinator, Shawn Elizondo, to get

information on internship opportunities and College of Business requirements. Also, the TAMUCC Career Services has information on potential internships. Through Internet searches, you can also find information on internships at various companies. In the College of Business, you may be eligible to earn some academic credits as long as the internship is approved by your college. You will need a college

You can earn college credit!

supervisor and agreement of your internship supervisor on evaluating your job performance. Keep in mind there is a deadline for earning college credits; therefore make sure to contact your internship Coordinator as soon as possible. Hopefully your internship will be a beneficial experience for both you and the company.

Tentative MISY Courses to be offered

In order to better help your planning for taking upper level MISY courses, here's the plan for what semesters each course will be offered (NOTE: this plan is subject to change):

Fall 2012

MISY-3340.001
SYSTEMS ANALYSIS AND DESIGN
MISY-4340.001
ELECTRONIC COMMERCE MGMT

Spring 2013

MISY-3330.001
DATA BASE MANAGEMENT
MISY-4330.001
WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT

Fall 2013

MISY-3320.001
BUS DATA COMM SYSTS I
MISY-4325.001
BUS DSS-EXPERT SYSTS

Spring 2014

MISY-3350.001
BUSINESS APP DEVELOP
MISY-4390.001

Current Topics: IT PROJ MGMT



Free!! Microsoft Software for students enrolled in MIS Courses

Our university has subscribed to the MSDN Academic Alliance. This service allows for students enrolled in a MISY course to download and use many Microsoft software products absolutely free!

To download the software, go to http://msdn08.e-academy.com/tamucc_mis and use your islander email address to login. If you don't have a password, just click on the "Forgot my password" link. For support, go to <http://barnacle.tamucc.edu/msdn-aa-support> or contact Richard Longoria at Richard.Longoria@tamucc.edu.



Internship Tips

- **Start looking early, and be aware of early deadlines**
- **Identify your career interests. For example, what do you know you want to do?**
- **Contact college advisers, career counselors**
- **Attend Career Fairs, prepare a short introduction of your skills.**
- **Contact employers (email or telephone)**

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Spotlight on: JP Morgan Chase & Company Internship

JP Morgan Chase & Company is currently seeking talented IT college hires for the technology internship program. They describe this program as an internship with a variety of different roles, with opportunities to gain technology experience across all business areas. They also indicate that the majority of their full-time Analysts coming from the internship program. Making an impression during the internship might be the first open door

What to expect?

They state that a "Technology internship at JPMorgan Chase will give you the opportunity to create solutions that have a wide impact on the world around you. You'll quickly learn about the business realities that define our technological solutions, and see how we play a part in providing clients with first-class service. Our social events calendar will give you opportunities to network with your peers. Service Sessions over the summer include Technology Innovation presentations and the Senior Speaker Series,

into your long-term career.

JP Morgan Chase hires interns for a number of technology jobs. To take the self-selection quiz, go to <http://techcareers.jpmorganchase.com/opportunities/internships.aspx>

"Interns are the future leaders of our Technology team."

which will help you to learn all about JPMorgan Chase."

