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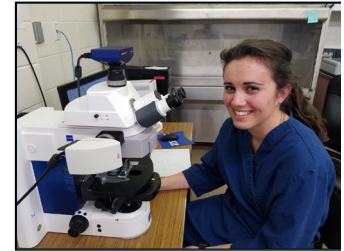
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The Andrew F. Giesen III Undergraduate Internship Program continues to successfully achieve the mission of early identification of talented undergraduate students who enter graduate school for the M.S., Ph.D. or DVM degree. During the Foundation Donor Reception at the PSA Annual Meeting in San Antonio Ms. Lesleigh Beers (2016 Class) was the featured Giesen Intern. Lesleigh is currently entering her second year of the M.S. degree under the leadership of Dr. Billy Hargis, University of Arkansas. She stated “there truly are not enough good things to be said about the Andrew F. Giesen III PSA Foundation Undergraduate Internship Program. This was my first introduction to the realm of academic research. Through the internship program I learned about experimental design and research protocol. This allowed me to conduct a small broiler chick trial that contributed to my undergraduate Honors Research Thesis, which resulted in a first author manuscript published in a peer reviewed journal. Without doubt, this allowed me to embark on the journey into research where I am entering my second year of the M. S. program with Dr. Hargis as my advisor. The opportunities provided for research, travel and networking with professionals have contributed significantly to my growth as a young professional.”



2018 Giesen Internship Program Corporate Partners and Interns are shown below.

BioResource International- Emily Anne Summers – North Carolina State University
Novus International- Sierra Kolan – Central Methodist University
Tyson Foods Animal Well Being- Rodrigo Lopez – California State University-Fresno
University of Georgia- Pravin Mishra – University of Georgia



The Andrew F. Giesen Undergraduate Internship Program, established to honor the memory of Drew Giesen (pictured at the left above), recognized his affection for and his service as a mentor to many young people during his distinguished career with Novus International. Dr. Chris Knight, the incoming Chair of the Poultry Science Association Foundation Board of Trustees was instrumental in establishing the Giesen Internship Program. Working with the Novus colleagues of Drew Giesen and his family, Wife Linda, Son Joe, Daughter Carrie and Sister Gwen for the initial contribution he secured the matching contribution from Novus International. This unique program continues to serve as the cornerstone for introducing the great scientific opportunities to many of our best and brightest students. As they continue through the graduate education system they become the leaders in research and teaching as well as the industry personnel necessary to continue feeding the world for generations to come.

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