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MOSO CAPS Industry Partners

The MOSO CAPS program would not be possible without the support of Industry Partners. These experts in their fields offer guidance to student associates, helping them explore career options relating to a student's identified profession.

Thank you to our first rotation MOSO CAPS Industry Partners!

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Morning MOSO CAPS student associates take a moment during a campus tour to pose in front of the lion statue located near the entrance of Billingsly Student Center.

The 5 Guiding Principles

There are five principles that unite, define, and guide the Missouri Southern Center for Advanced Professional Studies (MOSO CAPS) experience. These five principles, explain how CAPS connects students with careers and their community and include:

- 1. Profession-based Learning.** Instructors develop real-world, project-based learning strategies through collaborations with business and community partners. These interactions enhance the learning experience, preparing student associates for college and careers.
- 2. Responsiveness.** CAPS supports high-skill, high-demand careers through ongoing innovation in curriculum development, programs and services based on local business and community needs.
- 3. Self-Discovery and Exploration.** Student associates realize their strength and passions by exploring and experiencing potential professions. This allows them to make informed decisions about their future, while learning to exhibit leadership.

4. Professional Development. Unique experiences allow students to cultivate transformative professional skills such as understanding expectations, time management and other essential business values. These skills are critical to providing students a competitive advantage in their post-secondary education and professional careers.

5. Entrepreneurial Mindset. Instructors and Strand Coordinators create an environment where creative thinking and problem solving is encouraged. An innovative culture is key to fostering entrepreneurial learning and design thinking.

The five Guiding Principles are implemented by all CAPS programs nationwide and routinely used in decision-making processes and program success outcomes. For more information about the MOSO CAPS program, visit us online at <https://mosocaps.yourcapsnetwork.org>.

CAPSPrep Is In The Bag

Five weeks of fun, fast-paced professional learning!

It started with a handshake and campus tour and ended with student career presentations and a well-deserved CAPSPrep celebration.

The three MOSO CAPS strands met collectively every Monday, Wednesday and Friday during the first five weeks of the semester to explore and expand their professional skills.

During the 2.5 hour sessions, student associates set class norms, created resumes and LinkedIn profiles with the help of Alex Gandy with Career Services, had professional headshots taken by Curtis Almeter with URM, explored their top five Clifton Strengths lead by StrengthsFinder Coach Dr. Lynn Coffey, learned about project management using LEGO bricks alongside Kelly Reddin, went through etiquette training hosted by University Executive Vice-President Dr. Brad Hodson, discussed passion project ideas with Rikki Smith from Freeman Health Systems, and had the opportunity to get a behind-the-scenes tour at two of our CAPS Corporate Sponsors, Mercy Hospital and Liberty Utilities.



During the Liberty site tour, Will Endicott, Sr. Manager Business & Community Development, shared with afternoon CAPS students how the utility company created and collected energy.

The five weeks of prep helped to ensure student associates had the core competencies needed to succeed as they began their Industry Partner rotations on September 26th. The prep also provided students the opportunity to form relationships with fellow CAPS colleagues and strand coordinators, enabling them to build capital in their social network.

And, as any MOSO CAPS student will tell you, its often not about what you know, but who you know, when looking to advance to that next level in your career.

Interested in being a part of our CAPSPrep session or have an idea or activity to improve our students' success? Give us a call at 625-9680.

Business Strand Shout Out

"So far my industry partner rotation has been nothing but amazing. Midwestern Interactive is a very interesting company and has one of the best workplace environments anyone could imagine!"
– Brett

"Midwestern Interactive provides embedded teams for the strategic planning, design, development and implementation of software, apps, branding and content processes. They are a software engineering firm that exists to change the trajectory of your business with an unwavering desire to generate real results."
<https://linkedin.com/buildmidwestern>

Health Science Strand Shout Out

"I love how immersed I've been able to be in the [Mercy] hospital environment. I've been a part of a lot of first-hand patient care situations, such as taking histories and physicals, doing stroke tests and escorting patients. It's been so fun!" – Isabella

"Mercy Joplin's ER is available 24/7 with board-certified emergency medicine physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses and other clinicians training to provide life-saving care. As a certified Level II trauma center, the Emergency Department at Mercy Hospital Joplin is prepared to care for patients suffering a heart attack, stroke or physical trauma."
<https://www.mercy.net/practice/mercy-emergency-department-joplin/>

Human Services Strand Shout Out

"I love sitting in the court room and viewing the different types of crime that come in and out of the courtroom, and getting to see how the court system works."
– Brylee

"The Jasper County Circuit Clerk's Office is committed to providing exceptional service to the public and attorneys with an overall effort to promote excellence in Judicial Administration. The 29th Judicial Circuit Court handles over 17,000 new cases each year including traffic tickets, civil cases, misdemeanor criminal and felony criminal cases." <https://jaspercountycourts.org>

Second Day Selfie Challenge!

Listening to someone talk about a career can be engaging, but getting to fully explore a career through immersive learning experiences is life-changing! On our second day of the first Industry Partner rotation, we hosted a Second Day Selfie Challenge between the three MOSO CAPS strands. Below are just a few of the awesome images we received from our student associates!



ABOVE: Health Sciences strand student, Aiden, is spending part of his first rotation with the Joplin Humane Society exploring the world of animal care while also getting a peek into how non-profit animal shelters operate. Aiden is interested in becoming a veterinarian.

BELOW: Will, a Human Services strand student, has a passion for historical buildings. He is spending his first rotation with the City of Joplin in the Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services department exploring some of our area's local landmarks like the current City Hall. Will is interested in archeology and historical preservation.



RIGHT: Among the list of perks for Tanav, a Business strand student who is placed with Mercy's Integrated Marketing team, was the opportunity to meet Jeremy Drinkwitz, President of Mercy Hospital Joplin (left) and Dr. Mark McNemar, President of Mercy Clinic Joplin and Kansas (right). Tanav is interested in exploring the field of marketing and has talents in photography and building social media capital.



LEFT: Business strand student, Paili, is enjoying her placement with Heritage Tractor, learning about the agricultural industry and the various machinery, supplies and services needed to run a successful farming operation. Paili is interested in becoming a livestock grader for either the USDA or as an independent contractor.

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ABOVE LEFT: Health Sciences strand student, Karma, is using her time with the Mercy ICU to explore the world of healthcare. Her dream job is to become an Emergency Room Nurse, something she is eager to observe in future rotations.



ABOVE RIGHT: Kayleigh, a Human Services strand student, is interested in a career in criminal justice and public safety. Her first rotation is with the Jasper County Treatment Court where she is getting to watch the judicial system up close.