# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

# JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY CAREER SERVICES CENTER

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Major: Ph.D., Environmental Science

**Graduation Date:** December 2017

Hometown: Savannah, GA

### **Position:**

Natural Resource Specialist

### **Organization Name & Location:**

United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Jackson, MS

### **How Has The Career Services Center Helped You?**

The Career Services Center has played a vital role in my job search. In 2015 and 2016, the CSC took over 100 students to attend an internship/career fair in Atlanta, GA hosted by USDA-NRCS. I have never heard of NRCS until I attended this career fair. This experience allowed me to enhance my skills in the following areas: resume and cover letter writing, interviewing, networking and professional development.

### **Advice For Other Students:**

The career advice that I would like to give other students is to take advantage of the resources that are located on campus and to start looking for an internship or job early. Some students are not fully aware of the endless opportunities that CSC plays at Jackson State University. I would recommend that students read flyers, announcement boards, newspapers and their JSU student emails.