Jackson State University's Career Services & Student Employment Center Student Spotlight





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Anticipated Graduation Date: May 2015

Hometown: Shreveport, LA

Internship / Full-Time Placement: Duke University's Pratt School of Engineering

This summer, I had the honor to intern at the prestigious Duke University's Pratt School of Engineering. While at Duke University, I worked in the department of computer engineering and conducted research on the parallelization in the GPU (graphics processing unit). I had the pleasure to work with some of the world's most brilliant professors and students. The experience, through lectures and seminars, provided me the opportunity to expand my knowledge in the field of engineering. I feel so blessed to have had this opportunity to gain so much knowledge that will be utilized in my future endeavors.

How Has The Career Services and Student Employment Center Helped You? The career services at Jackson State University was a big help in aiding me in the composition of my resume. The career counselors helped me to develop the selfknowledge and awareness options needed to guide my future career direction. They also offered many workshops throughout the year that were very helpful, especially in the aspect of landing an internship or job. Career services is definitely an efficient mean of enhancing the employability for all students.

Advice for Other Students: There are four pieces of advice that I would give to others and I try to live by each day.

- Always strive to be on top but remember to stay humble
- Hard work and determination goes a long way.
- Always remember to network and gain connections.
- The fourth and final tip is that during the times of distress remember "Let no feeling of discouragement prey upon you, and in the end you are sure to succeed" - - Abraham Lincoln