

2021 RMI Week EVENTS

The UNT RMI program's annual RMI Week went to a month-long event this past year to accommodate the COVID environment and unique scheduling challenges. None-the-less, the series of RMI-related events was once again spectacular!

Risk Management & Insurance Career Fair

During the RMI career fair, students met with representatives from the risk management and insurance industry to learn about internship and career opportunities. With over 30 industry employers, the RMI career fair was in full bloom.



UNT Emergency Operations Lunch-n-Learn and Behind-the-Scene Tour

Did you know that UNT has a "code red" room buried deep in the bowels of the UNT Coliseum? RMI students were given access to a special guided tour of the UNT Emergency Operations Center and saw what would happen if a crisis were to strike the campus.



Risk Management & Insurance Alumni Q&A Session

UNT RMI alumni Emily Ruggiero (Lockton), Stacy Rodriguez Troung (Chubb), and Schuyler Holder (Charles Schwab) returned to campus as part of the event's festivities. They shared their experiences and advice with RMI students during a Q&A panel session.



Risk Manager on Campus

The RMI program once again hosted a high-profile risk manager on campus for the week. Sponsored by the Spencer Educational Foundation, Mr. Reggie Texada, Director of Risk Management for Univision Communications, Inc., devoted his time to this year's program by serving as our 2021 Risk Manager on Campus. He was in high demand, speaking to multiple classes and the Gamma Iota Sigma monthly meeting and sharing his significant risk management and insurance experience with our future risk managers and young insurance professionals.



UNT Gamma Iota Sigma Receives National Recognition



UNT's Beta Zeta chapter of Gamma Iota Sigma, the International Risk Management, Insurance, and Actuarial Science Collegiate Fraternity, received

the prestigious International Chapter Award at the 50th GIS Annual International Conference held in September 2021. UNT's chapter is one of only 15 of the 97 GIS chapters nationwide that excelled in all categories, including Alumni Relations, Chapter Management, Community Service, Member Development, and Public Relations.

The chapter also received the Excellent Chapter Award, ranking them in the top 6% of chapters recognized for overall engagement during the 2020-2021 academic year.

Congratulations to the 2020-2021 UNT GIS Betz Zeta Executive Board for their achievements!

Inaugural North Texas GIS Roundtable Event

In early February, UNT's GIS organized and hosted an inaugural North Texas GIS Roundtable event. GIS officers from Baylor University, Texas Christian University, the University of North Texas, and the University of Texas - Dallas participated in the first North Texas GIS collaboration. Participants discussed important topics of mutual concern, such as campus recruitment and outreach initiatives, group and local chapter goals, and how to combine chapter efforts to promote the GIS brand throughout the North Texas region. The next roundtable event is slated for this coming August.

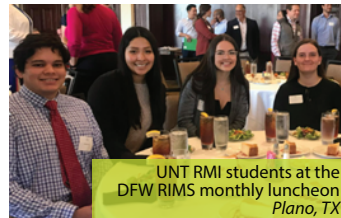
2021-2022 Industry/Donor Sponsored Scholarships and Awards

We want to thank the RMI industry and donors for their support of our students. Just a few of the many scholarships that were awarded to our students during the 2021-2022 academic year include:

- Dallas Fort Worth RIMS Chapter
- Insurance Council of Texas
- National African-American Insurance Association Dallas Fort Worth Chapter
- The Texas Risk and Insurance Professionals Society (TRIPS)

Conference Attendance

In addition to local conferences, eight UNT students attended the 2022 RIMS Conference in San Francisco this past April. With the lift of the travel ban by the University, several trips are planned for the coming year, including the Insurance Council of Texas Property & Casualty Symposium (Austin), the Houston Marine & Energy Insurance Conference (Houston), the Institutes CPCU Society (San Francisco), Gamma National (Charlotte, NC), along with a number of regional and local events. Lots of great opportunities for our students to network, network, network!



UNT RMI students at the DFW RIMS monthly luncheon
Plano, TX



National RIMS Conference
April 2022, San Francisco, CA



IIAD Jim Millerman Conv.
November 2021, Irving, TX



DFW RIMS Fall Conference
September 2021, Grapevine, TX

STUDENT LIFE

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HIGHLIGHTS

UNT RMI Program Advisory Board Additions

This year we welcome two new corporate partners to our advisory board - Hanover Insurance and Liberty Mutual Insurance. The board now stands at eight strong, and we can't thank our advisory board members enough for their efforts and continued support in making the UNT RMI program a special experience for our students!



Dr. Steve Poe's Retirement



After 31 years of mentoring and teaching financial planning and insurance students at UNT, Dr. Steve Poe retired during the upside-down world of the pandemic. While retired from UNT, Dr. Poe remains active in a variety of consulting, ministry, and

volunteer opportunities in the Denton area. Dr. Poe was named Professor Emeritus by the University in 2021. His presence and guidance in the department is sorely missed, and we wish him all the best for his retirement.

Dr. Glen L. Taylor, 1930-2021



It is with a heavy heart that we note the passing of Glen L. Taylor, Professor Emeritus, at the age of 91. During his 45-year tenure at UNT, he was instrumental in development of the business school as well as the risk management and insurance program. The Glen L. Taylor Professorship/Chair in Insurance was established and named in his honor. Our sincerest condolences to Dr. Taylor's family, friends and former students, of which there are many.

Two UNT RMI Students Receive International Recognition



Graduating seniors Emily Giles (L) and Daniel Landaverde (R) were recognized as Anita Benedetti Student Involvement Program (ABSIP) scholars this past spring. Sponsored by the Spencer Educational Foundation, the ABSIP annual award recognizes 36 outstanding RMI students from around the globe, and recipients of the award were invited to this year's RIMS conference held in San Francisco, CA, with all-expenses paid. Congratulations!

Multiple Students Win National Awards for Risk Management Essay Competition



Four of our students were nationally recognized this past year for their success with insurance industry essay competitions - that's a number of winners very few programs ever achieve. Madison Terzich (L1, above) placed second in the 2021 The Institutes CPCU Society Student Essay Competition with her paper focused on parametric insurance, and she was recognized during the CPCU Society's In2Risk annual conference in Orlando, Florida. Meanwhile, three additional students won awards in the Wholesale & Specialty Insurance Association (WSIA) white paper contests during the 2021 fall and 2022 spring competitions. Michael Whitmire (L2, above) placed third in the 2021 fall contest, where he addressed the topic of pandemic risks. Enzo Terrell (L3, above) and Rylie Mooney (L4, above) won the first and second places, respectively, in the 2022 spring contest. The topic of Enzo's paper was "Insurtech in the M&A Landscape," while Rylie wrote about the "Impact of the Talent Crisis on the Insurance Industry." Work well-done by all - congratulations!

2022 RMI Week: Oct. 24-28

Mark your calendar for these special events (details to follow)

Oct
24

Luncheon presentation: The US Economy and Near-Term Implications for the Insurance Industry (sponsored by the Travelers Institute)

Oct
25

RMI Career Fair



Oct
28

GIS 10-year Anniversary Celebration