History

- Take Flight is a 1-5 day job shadowing program that was created by the UNT Career Center five years ago.
- The program provides students with the opportunity to visit companies and organizations to explore careers, network with professionals, and to learn about career options related to their major.
- It began as a pilot program during the summer of 2010 and fully launched spring break 2011.

2015

- Take Flight 2015 involved 25 students that participated in January over the winter break.
- 61 students participated during the spring semester.
- 2 students shadowed at more than one employer.
- These 84 students were matched with 19 employers in the DFW area.
- To assess Take Flight 2015, an online survey was sent to all participating students.
- Findings show that students report positive experiences that have given them opportunities to explore career path options and to learn about professions that are related to their academic majors.

Students

- Students by Major:
- Students by College/School:

Employers

Take Flight 2015 – Job Shadowing Program
UNT Career Center – Experiential Education & Student Employment Team Project

Presenters: Wayne Campbell, Corey Davidson and Missy McCormick

Take Flight 2015 Student Testimonial

Take Flight 2015 job shadowing event - Heard it Through the Grapevine

Audiology

It was an amazing experience! The staff was super friendly and made me feel comfortable...and I absolutely loved every minute of being at the clinic. I was able to watch the audiologist interact with different patients of different ages, and different hearing disabilities. I wasn’t even half way through my shadowing day when I realized that audiology was definitely the right field for me. The Take Flight program helped sway me into my passion! I plan to go to either UT Austin or Texas Tech for graduate school. If everything goes well and I get accepted, I should have my doctorate in the next 5 years. I want to start off working in the medical field for a few years and later move to private practice.

Take Flight 2015 – Environmental Protection Agency

On March 17 and 18, EPA Region 6 hosted its 1st Annual University Job Shadowing Program event. The 12 UNT students that attended had an opportunity to:
- Learn about the application process for government jobs.
- Learn about resume building.
- Engage in hands-on experiences with various EPA staff and regulatory programs.
- Observe a tribal summit conference call.

Student Participant Survey Responses “LEARNED”

Follow up survey emailed to the participants (n=61) 42 responses/response rate 69%. The word “learned” occurred most frequently in the student survey responses.

Quotes below are representative of the self-reported survey responses showing varied learned experiences:

- DENTON COUNTY GIS UNIT: “I learned what exactly GIS Analysts do and why they do it.”
- ECHO: “I learned about Echo’s business model.”
- EPA: “I learned how science and engineering are applied to the mission of the EPA.”
- FASTENAL: “I learned about job opportunities.”
- HEART TO HEART HOSPICE: “I learned more about bereavement and how to talk to people that are going through the grieving stages.”
- HOMEWOOD SUITES: “I learned how to properly inspect rooms and the hotel.”
- MARKETWAVE: “I learned what it means to be an integrated marketing company...” and “I learned what kind of projects an account executive or member of the creative team may be working on.”
- NASHER: “I learned more about the field of museum education for all ages.”
- TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE: “I learned about the park, the wildlife, and that wild boars are overpopulated there.”