



# QUESTION OF THE MONTH

# WHERE/HOW CAN YOU GET EXPERIENCE AS AN UNDERGRADUATE THAT WILL HELP YOU GET A CAREER IN THE FUTURE?

- Robert Nelson (2012) said: If you're interested in research and graduate school, spend your summers participating in REUs (Research Experience for Undergraduates). Requirements vary but you can often apply as early as your sophomore year!
- Corey Harguth (2014) said: For those interested in broadcast: Start with CEOTS. ISU is lucky to have a program such as this to give our potential broadcasters a chance to practice on air. Otherwise internships are the best thing you can do. If you can, I would suggest doing multiple internships whenever and wherever you can get in. The more you can get your name out, the better.

## ANSWERS TO THE QUESTION (CONTINUED)

- Mike Holts (2004) said:
- NWS Job - do student volunteer and learn as many tasks as possible that are done in the office as those will help you on the first step of the nws hiring process. If you can get into the SCEP program that is even better (dunno if they even still do that). Having nws references will help with second part of the hiring process. Grad school helps a lot too.
- TV - networking is just as important as the experience... intern at any of the fine tv stations to the south and make a good tape. Go to conferences and meet as many other tv folk as you can. Practice on CEOTS.
- Private forecasting - get practical forecasting practice at either/both of the above. Can also look into shadowing/interning for a private forecasting firm. Frees-Notis would probably be the nearest option but there are plenty out there.