

Inside Student Services

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Getting to Know...Matt Underwood



Job Title: Senior Vice President of Erath and Brown Counties

When did you start working at Ranger College? September 2021

The coolest place I have ever been: Spent six weeks in England with a study abroad program.

Favorite place to eat in Texas? Pappadeaux hands down!

Where can we find you on a Friday night? Probably watching the Yellowjackets play football or on the way to the ranch.

Favorite television or movie character: Norman Dale - Hoosiers

Guilty pleasure: Hunting and the Great Outdoors!

Favorite Ranger College Moment: Tuesday, January 11th!

Weekly Ranger Athletics Recap

The week in Ranger College Athletics was highlighted by performance of the Ranger Men's and Women's Track & Field Teams. Coach Chris Zent had four men compete and three women across ten events, with PR's or season bests in all but two events. Shelton Bass broke 50 seconds in the 400m, running the fastest time at Ranger since bringing back track and field - 49.71 (new PR), and 22.86 in the 200. Others with PR's include Chase Leatherwood in Javelin (47.15m - big PR), Adrian Reyes (16:18.15 in the 5000), Allen Price (4:30.68 in the 1500), and Nevaeh Sarabia in the 1500 (5:22.52). Purity Chelagat also added a 2nd place in her heat in the 1500 for a 5:10.52 finish.

The Ranger College Track & Field teams will be in action two weekends from now at the Masked Rider Invitational at Texas Tech.

In other athletic news, the Ranger Baseball and Softball teams clashed in 4-game series this week against Weatherford College. The Lady Rangers came up short in their outings versus the Coyotes, despite a valiant effort by the team and coaching staff. The Ranger Baseball team would take 3 out of 4 versus the Coyotes who came into the series ranked 17th in the country.

Consistency is Key by Vice President of Student Services, Ahmy Arca

In the Fall 2021 semester, the START initiative was created. Study Time All Ranger Team was produced to provide students an opportunity to access tutoring from Ranger College professionals comprised of counselors, professors, administrators, and staff. START takes place in the Ranger campus cafetorium on Friday mornings from 9-11am.

In addition to the academic benefits, START allows students to engage with fellow students and Ranger staff outside of their classrooms. These opportunities create strong, safe, relationship building which leads to retention and interpersonal communication development.



Director of Counseling, Gabe Lewis and Professor of Mathematics, Aria Dougherty assisting Ranger students in calculus.

ABC's for Teaching (Advanced, Brilliant, Creative) by Vice President of Instruction, Dayna Prochaska

Improved Student Engagement in Higher Education's Next Normal

<https://er.educause.edu/articles/2021/3/improved-student-engagement-in-higher-educations-next-normal>

More Than Just Books by Golemon Library Assistant, Mrs. Helen Cozart

A is for Academic Search Complete, Agricola, Alt Health Watch, Ancestry, and Artstor. These are just a few of the many databases we have available through the library. Academic Search Complete is a deep dive database for peer reviewed research on virtually any topic. Agricola is the Department of Agriculture's National Agriculture Library. Alt Health Watch is focused on complementary and holistic approaches to wellness. Those three are available through [Texshare](#). Ancestry is the world-famous

site for genealogy research. It is available through the [Texas State Library](#) free for Texas residents. Artstor is visual media from leading museums, photo archives, scholars, and artists organized for scholarly use and [available free online](#).

What to do this weekend: It is the closing weekend of [SXSW](#), the massive music and arts festival in Austin. You might also try the [Texas Food Truck Showdown in Waco](#).

Our current theme is Women's History. Well behaved women rarely make history, and we have stories to show it.

Supporting the Ranger College Family

Please consider donating to the Student/Employee relief fund. All funds received during this time will be used to support students and employees that have been affected by the fires this week.

You can [donate online](#) **and** email Gaylyn Mendoza gmendoza@rangercollege.edu to inform her that your donation is specifically for this cause.

OR

Complete the attached form and check the box " *Foundation Student/Employee Emergency Fund: I would like \$_____ of my gift designated to the Student/Employee Emergency Fund to provide assistance to our students or employees that are going through a tough time.*" **and** return the form to gmendoza@rangercollege.edu.

Motivational Quote of the Week

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BLOCK THE PATH.
THEY ARE THE PATH

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