

# College of Business Administration

Texas A&M University-Central Texas

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## Congratulations Spring Class of 2022!

Congratulations and welcome to the Alumni Family graduates! This chapter in your life has closed and it is time to open new doors. What's next? Pursuing a Masters, Doctorate, serving in the Military, entering the workforce? We would love to keep in touch and hear about your continued success.

If you are interested in sharing your plans after graduation with COBA, please email Jennifer at [Jennifer.deleon@tamuct.edu](mailto:Jennifer.deleon@tamuct.edu)

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## Alumna In the News: Carol Gould Goes the Extra Mile to Help Students

Meet Texas A&M University-Central Texas alumna, Carol Gould. She earned her degree in Business Administration in 2011 and later decided to pursue her childhood dream of teaching.

Gould has taught first graders, second graders, and now teaches fourth graders at Hay Branch Elementary School. Before her children were able to attend school, Gould worked as a licensed child care provider. Once her children were enrolled in school, she made sure to take any volunteering opportunity she could.



Over the years, Gould was frequently asked by some of her friends to help their children with assignments and homework. A defining life moment for her came when two of her friend's children struggled to pass their state assessment prior to graduation. Realizing the greatest challenge for the students was reading, she decided that she needed to be part of the education system. Specifically, she wanted to ensure students who struggled in reading were supported prior to attending High School.

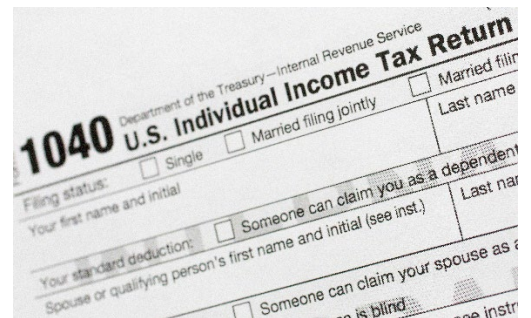
"I simply wanted to help make a difference for struggling students. Therefore, I became a teacher." -Carol Gould

## COBA Students Volunteer with Tax Assistance Program VITA

During this past tax season, over 25 accounting students volunteered with United Way of Central Texas to prepare tax returns, free of charge for those who make \$55,000 or less. The program specifically helped persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English.

Each VITA volunteer took a 16-hour training course and became an IRS-certified volunteer to provide basic income tax return services to the community of Bell County. The team successfully submitted over 300 returns with a 99% acceptance rate.

"Students said they were nervous, but VITA built their confidence as they were able to apply what they learned in class. They were able to give back to the community and they saw the immediate impact." Dr. Anthony Fulmore



## Thinking about adding a certificate to your resume?

Talk to one of our advisors about the programs we offer.  
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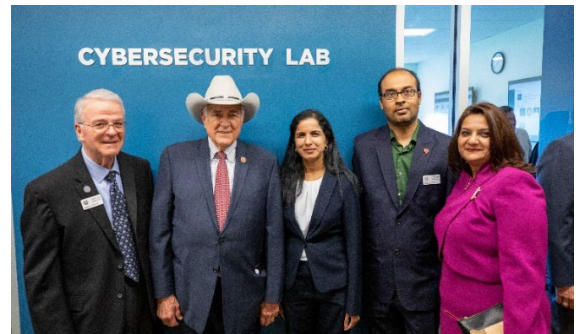


Undergraduate  
Cybersecurity

Graduate  
Accounting Information  
Systems and Controls  
Analytical Financial  
Management  
Cybersecurity  
Healthcare Administration  
Information Systems  
Leadership in Sustainability  
Organizational Effectiveness  
Strategic Human Resource  
Management  
Tax Compliance and Planning

## Cybersecurity Camp

June 3, 2021 was the kick off of our first Cybersecurity Camp. This is a free weeklong camp offered to local high school students. The students participating in the camp will gain an understanding of basic cybersecurity concepts, explore cybersecurity careers, and learn the importance of safe online behavior.



## Cybersecurity Lab Grand Opening

On April 21, 2022, the College of Business Administration at Texas A&M University Central Texas celebrated the Cybersecurity Lab Grand Opening. The Cybersecurity Lab is one part of the Center for Cybersecurity Innovation (CCI), the first center in the college. Chair & Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems, Dr. Anitha Chennamaneni expressed, "It had always been our vision that the CCI would be the hub where different industry leaders could join us with a common purpose: advancing cybersecurity research, education, workforce development, industry partnerships, and outreach".

