

# SWOSU Students Selected for Mission To Planet Earth Institute

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Two Department of Education students from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford will attend the Mission To Planet Earth summer institute, hosted by the Oklahoma Space Grant Consortium, in Norman. A third student has been selected as an alternate.

Jessica Egner of Shamrock (TX) and Emily Tydings of Enid will spend 11 days at the institute designed to prepare teachers to motivate students with a hands-on science, technology, engineering and math curriculum. In the event either of these students cannot attend, Paige Mawson of Weatherford will attend.

In addition to the summer institute, Enger and Tydings will attend a weekend “teaching with an iPad” seminar and be eligible for a four-day trip to NASA’s Johnson Space Center during the 2016-17 school year. This institute will enable participants to enhance their teaching by aligning the motivational activities with the national and state standard curriculum.

Computer Science Program Director Madeline Baugher, DOE Coordinator of Field Experiences Bruce Belanger, and DOE Assistant Professor Sherri Brogdon assisted the students through the application process.