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## Workforce Southwest Washington Hires WSUV student as Paid Summer Intern

**Vancouver Wash.** (Aug. 5, 2022) – Alyn Rivera Vidals has joined Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW) as a paid summer intern.

Rivera Vidals is a Washington State University Vancouver (WSUV) senior studying Human Development and pursuing a minor in Spanish and a Certificate in Case Management & Administration. She will graduate in May 2023 and hopes to work with community groups supporting young adults in Southwest Washington. She brings expertise in young adult engagement and facilitation from her previous roles as a Peer Mentor and Ambassador at WSUV. Rivera Vidals also served on the Associated Students Judicial Board and possesses strengths in leadership and event planning and a people-centric nature. During her 200-hour internship through WSUV's Future Leaders Project, Rivera Vidals will be learning about grant writing, researching grants, working with youth and young adults and job shadowing WSW staff.

The <u>Future Leaders Project</u> (FLP) places students from historically underrepresented communities into paid summer internships, providing growth and professional development opportunities. FLP is an initiative of <u>Workforce Southwest Washington</u> (WSW), <u>Columbia River Economic Development Council</u> (CREDC) and <u>Washington State University Vancouver</u> (WSUV).

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<u>Workforce Southwest Washington</u> (WSW), a nonprofit organization, funds community prosperity by investing in services that help individuals gain skills to obtain good-paying jobs or advance in their careers and help companies recruit, train and retain workers. Since 2003, we've invested more than \$100 million in Southwest Washington. WSW is the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) designated by federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) legislation to oversee the public workforce system in Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and Clark counties.

Workforce Southwest Washington is an equal opportunity employer/program. Auxiliary aids are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Washington Relay 711.

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