

Meet the 2014-2015 Fellows



Name: Taylor Slack
Hometown: Shreveport, LA
High School: Loyola College Prep
Univ/College: Texas Christian University
Major: Entrepreneurial Management/PT

A four year counselor at Sky Ranch summer camp, Taylor was a competitive gymnast who loves family, coffee, and reading in a hammock.



Name: Lane Gramling
Hometown: Upland, IN
High School: Eastbrook High School
Univ/College: Taylor University
Major: Christian Educational Ministries

Brand new to Sky Ranch, Lane enjoys hammocking, making his own coffee, and playing sports. He was born in Alaska and hopes to build his career in ministry.



Name: Mitch Guerra
Hometown: Waco, TX
High School: Midway High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Psychology

Mitch served three summers as a Sky Ranch summer counselor. He was a collegiate tennis player and loves dancing and reality TV.



Name: Amy Shaw
Hometown: Monroe, LA
High School: River Oaks School
Univ/College: University of Mississippi
Major: Business Management

Amy is a true Life Mapper – she was a camper for seven years and has served on staff for two summers, in Van and at Ute. She was a high school cheerleader who loves traveling, movie theaters, and anything on the water.



Name: Nikki Spina
Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA
High School: Fox Chapel
Univ/College: Grove City College
Major: Communications

Nikki's relationship started through the Sky Ranch Wilderness program where she served as a guide. She enjoys being outside, painting, and shopping.



Name: Elizabeth Sloan
Hometown: Lindale, TX
High School: Lindale High School
Univ/College: University of Oklahoma
Major: Communications

Although she graduated from an east Texas high school, Elizabeth is brand new to Sky Ranch. She lived in Canada for a time and is trained in ballet. She enjoys devotionals, family, Sonic, and going for long runs.



Name: Brandon Taylor
Hometown: Needville, TX
High School: Needville High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Wildlife & Fisheries Science

Brandon served at Sky Ranch for three summers on the A-team before becoming a Legacy Fellow. Although music isn't his strong suit, he can ride a unicycle and lick his elbow. He loves trying new things and being with friends.

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Name: Erik Swenson
Hometown: Carrollton, TX
High School: Creekview High School
Univ/College: Howard Payne University
Major: History and Political Science

A three year Sky Ranch A-teamer in Van and Ute, Erik enjoys hammocking, rock climbing, and random adventures. He was Mr. HPU, and has really stretchy elbows.



Name: Sarah Ellison
Hometown: Lubbock, TX
High School: Frenship High School
Univ/College: Texas A&M University
Major: Rec and Parks

Sara's Sky Ranch experience includes serving at the Van and Ute Trail locations. She is in a band and has her own company, and enjoys playing guitar, fly fishing, naps, and hammocking.



Name: Jessica Coats
Hometown: Carrollton, TX
High School: Creekview High School
Univ/College: University of Oklahoma
Major: Business – Energy Management

Jessica is a Sky Ranch Life Mapper – she was a camper for seven years and a counselor for one summer. She considers herself extremely competitive and likes to spend time playing the guitar, reading, and hanging out in coffee shops.



Name: Rachel Brighton
Hometown: Lancaster, PA
High School: Hempfield High School
Univ/College: Indiana Wesleyan University
Major: Pre-Art Therapy

A newcomer to Sky Ranch, Rachel enjoys concerts, exploring new cities, reading, and journaling. She is sensitive to caffeine in the late day, and her cousin sings with Rihanna.



Name: Michael Lawson
Hometown: Sherman, TX
High School: Texoma Christian High School
Univ/College: East Texas Baptist University
Major: Mass Communications

Michael first came to Sky Ranch as a camper, then as staff, serving as a counselor and on security. He loves hunting, fishing, watching movies and laughing with friends, and is considering the military after the Fellowship.



Name: Cayden Dare
Hometown: Tulsa, OK
High School: Sapulpa High School
Univ/College: University of Oklahoma
Major: Communication and Psychology

A two year Sky Ranch counselor, Cayden says his passion for basketball exceeds his ability to play. He worked for the Oklahoma Thunder and enjoys watching Ninja Warrior, fixing things, and mountain biking.



Name: Ashley Edwards
Hometown: Jacksonville, TX
High School: Homeschool
Univ/College: Dallas Baptist University
Major: Kinesiology

Ashley is new to Sky Ranch but enjoys outdoor activities like archery and canoeing. She loves her dogs like family and does a mean impression of Gollum from "Lord of the Rings".