



### NSF IRES Program Summer 2013

Dr. Erick Jones, an Associate Professor in the Department of Industrial and Manufacturing Systems Engineering at the University of Texas at Arlington is traveling this summer to Queretaro Mexico as part of the National Science Foundation funded International Research Experience for Student program. The program is in collaboration with the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM) and is conducted every summer since 2011. This year the program supports six UTA engineering students to perform research and gain cultural experience in an international setting that will



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develop them into a future engineering workforce with no borders. Students perform research in a real-world environment with industry partners such as Kellogg's, InterDeli, Werner Enterprises, TRW and other industries situated in Mexico. The students are provided with advanced Spanish education to increase the effectiveness and ability to communicate with potential international employers. Students also stay with host families gaining first hand cultural experiences.

Meet the IRES team:



Listed from left to right: (Marco, Sam, Billy, Diego, Eryka, Yasmin, Mekdi)