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During the program, the following organizations presented sessions and many interviewed students for a variety of paid accounting internships: Abbott, Crowe LLP, Deloitte LLP, Ernst & Young LLP, Grant Thornton LLP, KPMG LLP, PwC LLP, and Sikich LLP.

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More than two dozen minority accounting students spent part of their winter break learning skills to help advance their future careers. Last week they participated in the Illinois CPA Society's highly competitive Mary T. Washington Wylie Internship Preparation Program, which provides three days of training, resources and

mentorship for selected applicants. The primary goal is to prepare students with the

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the 2019 Mary T. Washington Wylie Internship Preparation Program:

Name	School	Hometown
Maram Abdullah	Western Illinois University	Decatur
Robert Addo	University of Illinois at Chicago	Chicago
Zeeshan Ahmed	DePaul University	Northbrook
Morayma Barron	University of St. Francis	Joliet
Daisja Burns	Purdue University Northwest	Chicago
Davonte Carson	Ball State University	South Holland
Carmen Flores	College of DuPage	Glendale Heights
Bernard Forson	University of Illinois at Chicago	Chicago
Rabella Giyo	Judson University	Hoffman Estates
Manuel Gonzalez	Harold Washington College	Chicago
Amari Hall	University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign	Chicago
Emani James		Calumet City
Starletta Keene	Southern Illinois University Carbondale	Kenosha, WI
Grant Losper	Judson University	Peoria

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Lucas Simon	Triton College	Chicago
Brittany Sims	University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign	South Holland
Jeren Stewart	Augustana College	Peoria
Cierra Walls	Governors State University	Calumet City
Lorenzo Watson- Lemarche	Monmouth College	Chicago
	Western Illinois University	
	Aurora University	

The Internship Preparation Program is funded by donations to the CPA Endowment Fund of Illinois' Mary T. Washington Wylie Opportunity Fund.

Mary T. Washington Wylie, the first African-American female CPA in the country, was a trailblazer for minorities in the accounting profession. This program bearing her name advances diversity within the profession by building skills and presenting new opportunities for minority accounting students to be successful.

The CPA Endowment Fund of Illinois is a 501 (c) (3) charitable organization founded in 1998 by Illinois CPA Society members. The fund was created to assure a strong, talented, and diverse CPA profession by encouraging students to choose accounting as a career choice and become a CPA. By supporting students, particularly those in

need, the fund seeks to help students achieve the CPA credential through

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