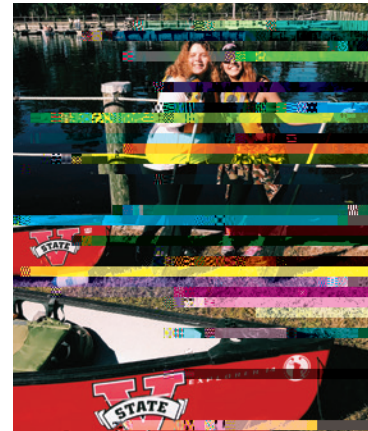
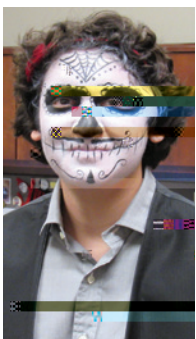
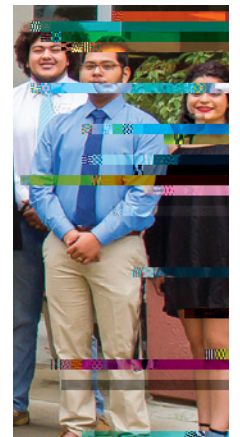


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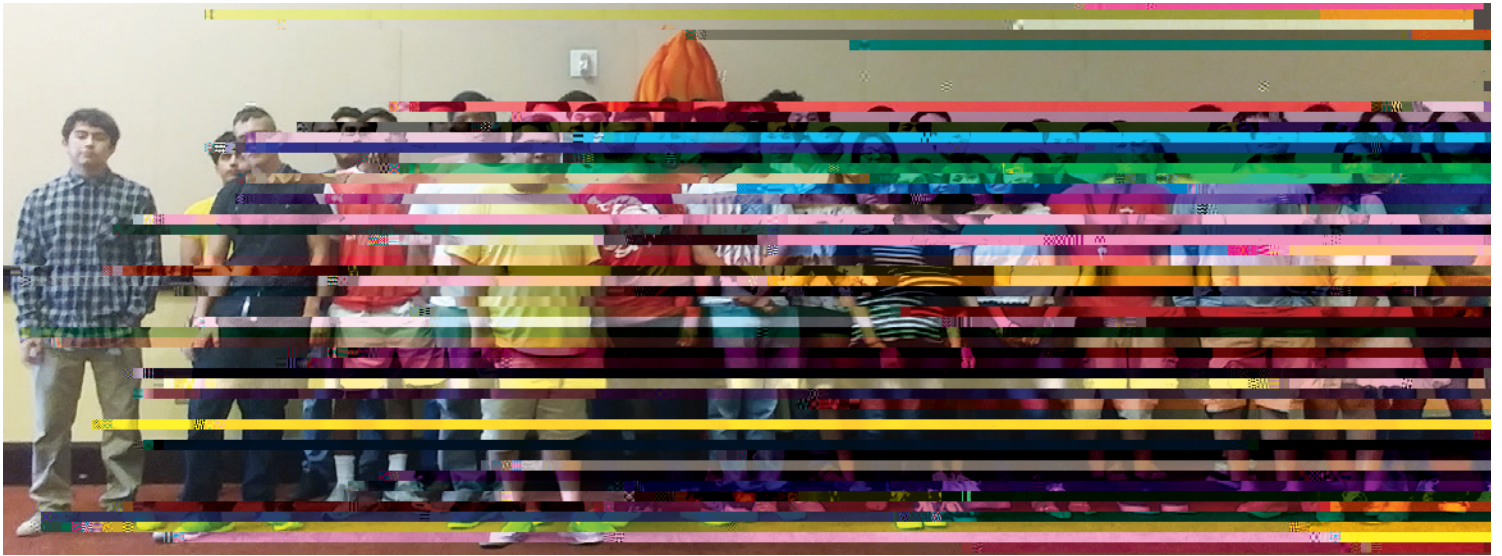
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## Director's Message

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As a CAMP alumna, it is my pleasure to serve our students, and Valdosta State University as CAMP Director. As CAMP concludes



## CAMP Orientation

On August 8, 2017 C.A.M.P. students and their parents attended the program's orientation. While at the orientation, the students learned the ins and outs of being a Blazer as well as learning their responsibilities to the program. The event, which is held in the parents' native language, also provides an opportunity for parents to meet the program staff, socialize with other parents, and learn about resources available through C.A.M.P.



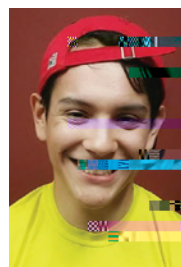
## President's Education Award Recipient Addresses C.A.M.P. Students

**B** the Director of the Teacher Institute for Evolutionary Science (TIES), spoke with C.A.M.P. students on her experience of growing up in Cuba and emigrating to the US, as well as her passion for science education. During her two-day visit, she also held a workshop for VSU faculty on the importance of understanding Hispanic/Latinx students and how to foster their success.



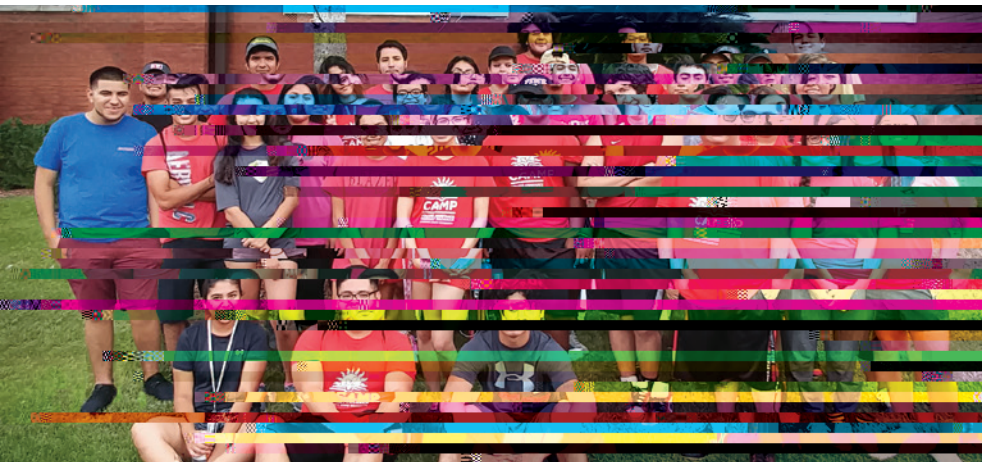
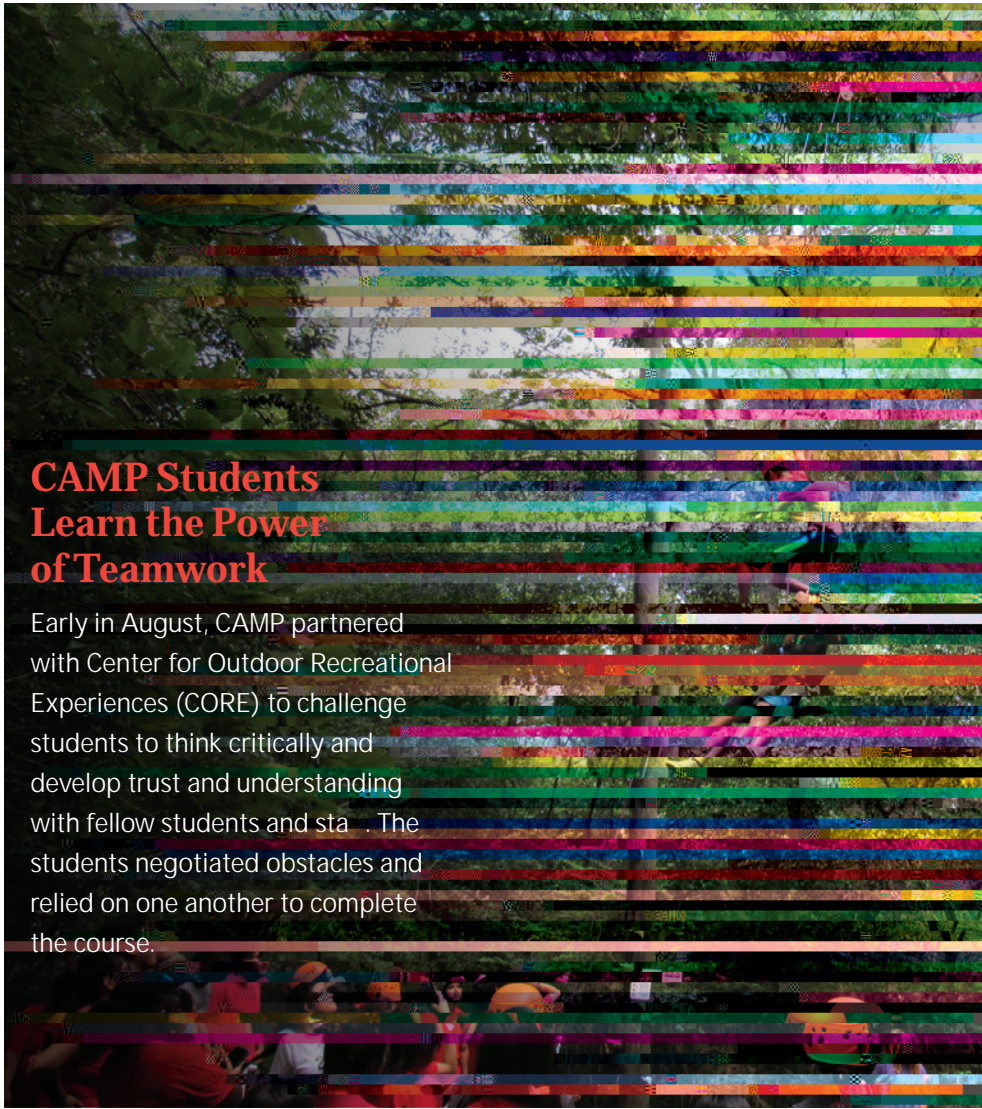
## CAMP Hosts Nationally Recognized Scholar

## Undergraduate Research Council



## CAMP Students Learn the Power of Teamwork

Early in August, CAMP partnered with Center for Outdoor Recreational Experiences (CORE) to challenge students to think critically and develop trust and understanding with fellow students and staff. The students negotiated obstacles and relied on one another to complete the course.





## Czech Study Abroad

CAMP students traveled to the Czech Republic this May to study abroad. The host institution Palacky University, located in Olomouc, accommodated



## VSU Holds its First Cesar Chavez Blood Drive Challenge

CAMP student D



## Día de Los Muertos

CAMP cohosted Día de Los Muertos on-campus with the Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion, seven student clubs, the fraternity Sigma Lambda Gamma, and the faculty and staff organization MESA. CAMP introduced the Blazers to the celebration and traditions of Día de los Muertos. The students created altars that were displayed on an altar, as well as the accompanying room décor. They performed renditions of songs, recited poetry, showcased their artwork, and danced traditional dances. The celebration centered around promoting our students' heritage and highlighting cultural differences at VSU.

## **CAMP Joins the National Long-Sleeve Shirt Drive**

CAMP student [redacted] led the effort at VSU to raise awareness for farmworkers and to bring to light some of the difficulties they endure, specifically prolonged hours working in the sun and exposure to pesticides. Every year the Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs (AFOP) sponsors the drive during National Farmworker



## CAMP End-of-Year Banquet

The program recognized students and families on April 20, 2018 for their academic achievements and community involvement throughout the year. Guest speaker Noe Alcantar, a CAMP alumnus and local entrepreneur in central Georgia, spoke to the students about their achievements and what CAMP did to set him up for success later in life. Alcantar encouraged the students to keep their motivation and strive to earn their degrees. The program recognized those who excelled and persevered during their first year at VSU. In addition, the program recognized the "Outstanding CAMP Student" who was the overall top student in academics and involvement, the "Academic Improvement Award" to the student who most improved their academic standing, the "True Grit" award for the student who persevered and fought to stay at VSU, Academic

