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Internship changes LCC’s Dominguez’ view on education



Luna Community College student Joseph Dominguez intends to transfer to Highlands University and eventually enter law school.

About a year ago, Luna Community College student Joseph Dominguez was at one of those points in his life where he wasn’t sure about his educational future.

After one semester as an intern with the U.S. Census Bureau in Seattle, Dominguez is more focused than ever. Dominguez, a 2009 Robertson High graduate, served as a supervisory survey statistician during the fall semester in Seattle. It was the first time he was away from home.

“This internship gave me real world experience, which has helped me to form and develop into a person that can better understand the demands of a career,” said Dominguez.

Dominguez, a criminal justice major, will transfer to Highlands University next semester and one day wants to be a civil lawyer.

“The internship matured me,” said Dominguez. “I don’t waste time anymore; it made me appreciate my life in general and made me more appreciative of my family.”

It didn’t take Dominguez too much time to realize the difference between small town Las Vegas to urban Seattle.

“I had to walk about 25 minutes from my hotel room to the bus stop,” said Dominguez. “And then there was a 45-minute bus ride to downtown Seattle. It was rough mentally to be away for the first time. It made me realize how good we have it in a small town.”

As part of his job, Dominguez supervised five states and gathered information in community surveys which helps communities attain government funds.

For more on Dominguez, see Monday’s Luna Light.

Luna CC Half Hour Radio Show ends four-year run

The Luna Community College Half Hour Radio Show, which aired over the last four years on KNMX Radio Station, ended this past week.

“I want to thank KNMX owner Matt Martinez and his staff for the kindness he has shown to Luna Community College during the time we had this show,” said LCC Public Information Coordinator and host Jesse Gallegos. “It ran for four years at no cost to the college.”

During the span of the show, Gallegos interviewed many students, staff, faculty, administrators and community members.