

UMF Student Employee Spotlight

David Kimmel

*UMF IT Help Desk,
Mantor Library*

David Kimmel is a junior majoring in Political Science with a minor in Information Technology at UMF. Through the work study program, David has been working in IT since his freshman year, giving technological support to students and staff in the Mantor Library, as well as in various classrooms and departments around the UMF campus.

As a student working with work study funds, David is able to work within a flexible schedule that allows him to be a student first, and a worker second. Whether it be answering phone calls, helping students print last-minute final projects, or helping professors with in-class technology problems, David clearly enjoys his position and plans to "work there until the day I graduate."

Along with the social skills that go along with any customer-service job, David has gained many opportunities to enhance his skills in technology: "[this job] has helped me learn more about different hardware and software systems that I had no idea even existed."

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"I am building problem-solving skills and also technological and customer service skills that will help me in any career path I decide, even if it doesn't end up being IT."

While working at the help desk has helped strengthen his knowledge in the technology field, it has also left him with valuable hands-on opportunities that will aid him in any career he chooses to pursue: "It has changed my idea of what I want to do as a career. It made me want to pursue a career in Information Technology, and it has helped me become more knowledgeable about my online presence and other issues surrounding the technology we use every day."

*By Amelia McCannell
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