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## **Four Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Students Attend Conference for the National Organization for Mexican American Rights**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Four students from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi attended the 12<sup>th</sup> annual National Organization for Mexican-American Rights, Inc. (NOMAR) Training Conference and Business Meeting held Aug. 26-28 at Caesars Palace Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev.

The theme of the conference was “Hispanic Americans: Contributing to Positive Change in America.” Students attending were Norma Martinez, a senior chemistry major; Rebecca Pizano, a senior biology; James Sanchez, a senior biology major; and Philip Torres, a junior biology major.

NOMAR, a nonprofit organization, was formed 12 years ago to promote equal employment opportunity, education, and civil rights for all Hispanics, regardless of national origin. The organization’s focus is federal employment of Hispanics, who are the most underrepresented group in the federal government. NOMAR also seeks to address other issues unfairly impacting Hispanics.

The students participated in two days of networking, workshops and training featuring topics such as career advancement, the federal Hispanic Employment Program (HEPM), education issues, civil rights, opportunities in specific federal agencies and other issues of national interest. In addition, students attended informative sessions on achieving educational and career goals and met with representatives from federal agencies including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Park Service and the Environmental Protection Agency.

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