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- UTSA seniors and twin brothers Travis and Rustein Merriweather were selected to attend former President Clinton’s Global Initiative in Washington, D.C. Their proposal would create sustainability initiatives at UTSA including a farmer’s market and a green design expo.
- English undergrad Victor Hernandez-Jayme won 2nd prize in the Elie Wiesel Foundation Prize in Ethics, earning a $2,400 award and trip to New York to speak to Mr. Wiesel about his essay.

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