



More than 2,000 graduates are eligible to participate in May commencement; this includes six associate degrees, 1,585 bachelor's degrees, 419 master's degrees and 76 doctoral degrees. A total of 799 of the undergraduates achieved Latin honors (3.25 grade point average or above) and 46 are graduating with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Paula Reed Ward '96 became the fourth IUP alumna to win the Pulitzer Prize when she and her colleagues at the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette were honored nationally for their work covering local news. She joins previous winners Susan Snyder '85 (2012), Alysia Burton Steele '97 (2006), and Madelyn Ross '71 (1986 and 1987).

Tracy Settle '80, president of IUP's Alumni Association, has funded the Global Engagement Scholarship. This scholarship will support several students who are participating on an education abroad program.

For the fourth consecutive year, IUP has been awarded funding from the National Security Agency and the National Science Foundation to offer a free week-long GenCyber summer camp for middle and high school students. IUP is the only school in western Pennsylvania that is part of this project.

Six students attended the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education's annual public policy event, where State System leaders, students, and alumni connect with Pennsylvania's General Assembly for insightful meetings in the state capitol.

Following a national search, Todd Garzarelli, who has more than 20 years of experience in intercollegiate athletics and higher education, has been selected to serve as IUP's director of athletics. Garzarelli will begin work at IUP on May 13.

IUP and Salus University have signed an articulation agreement designed to help students complete studies to become a physician assistant. This adds to the established 3+4 Optometry Agreement.

Dr. Josiah Townsend (biology), has been selected for a Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grant. His work will be in Honduras, conducting research leading to the discovery of new species and to support national biodiversity conservation initiatives, while teaching classes in ecology and biodiversity there.



Dr. Thomas Segar will join the IUP community as vice president for student affairs on June 17. Segar comes to IUP from Shepherd University and has more than 20 years of experience in higher education.

HONORING OUR OWN



R. Scott Moore (history) has been selected the 2019-20 Distinguished University Professor and for the University Senate's Distinguished Faculty Award for Research. Additional senate award recipients are David Martyniuk (creative arts), Gail Sechrist (service), and Jessica Mulvihill (staff award for service).

Seven graduates were honored with the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award: Kevin Bailey '86 M '90, vice chancellor for student affairs at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte; James Dill '77, deputy chief, Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General; Edward Keller '74, president and CEO, Beaumont Foundation of America; Skip Kingston '73 M'75, professor of analytical chemistry at Duquesne University; Amanda Lucidon '01, former official White House photographer, award-winning documentarian and New York Times best-selling author; Elaine Tselepis Sheetz '71, with careers in music, travel and food; and Robert Stewart '81, founder, InvestEdge.



A TRADITION OF PHILANTHROPY

IUP Giving Day generated more than \$158,000 from more than 855 donors in a 24-hour period. Matching funds from alumni Terry Serafini '61 raised the total to \$203,000.

IUP's 2019 Family Campaign brought in more than \$161,000 from 829 employees, benefitting 197 departments, programs, and scholarships. A total of 43 academic department and administrative areas had 100-percent participation.

More than 450 donors, volunteers, and students celebrated the Imagine Unlimited campaign's ongoing success at the 2019 Celebration of Philanthropy event. The campaign is at 83 percent (\$62 million) of its \$75 million goal. The event included the presentation of the university's inaugural Award of Excellence in Volunteer Leadership to Tim and Deb Phillips Cejka, '73.



The Cejkas with Driscoll

A COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

Hundreds of students, staff, and community members attended IUP's annual International Unity Day, which featured IUP's international students at booths representing 29 countries.

The Racial Justice Coalition for Change organized a Stand in Solidarity and Support following the March attack on two New Zealand mosques.

Close to 400 students, faculty and staff attended the Second City Works keynote program, "Leading the Change by Being Others Focused." Another 100 students and employees participated in diversity and inclusion workshops presented by the group.

It was standing-room-only for the Holocaust Remembrance Committee's presentation featuring four Holocaust survivors and three nationally known scholars.

IUP's Year of Free Speech programming ended with a concert and program by The Slants about its Supreme Court name trademark case. Programming throughout the year included videos, a student-organized roundtable discussion, a presentation by Jeffrey Rosen, president and CEO of the National Constitution Center; a program with Greg Lukianoff, author of *The Coddling of the*

American Mind: How Good Intentions and Bad Intentions Are Setting Up a Generation for Failure; a public reading of the Constitution; a program on censorship and comic books; and a discussion with a representative of the Pennsylvania American Civil Liberties Union on "Why Defend the Speech We Hate."

STUDENT STANDOUTS



Manges

Wethli

Branin

Anna Manges (biology major, geology minor) was selected for a Goldwater Scholarship. She is IUP's ninth Goldwater Scholar. Manges has worked with Dr. Thomas Simmons (biology) on research examining blacklegged ticks, which are known to carry Lyme disease, since her freshman year.

Daniel Wethli (philosophy and Asian studies double major) has been selected for a Fulbright Research Grant for study and research in the Hubei Province of Wuhan, China, and a Critical Language Enhancement Award from the Fulbright Program. Wethli is IUP's 16th student Fulbright recipient.

Aдриanna Branin (political science and religious studies double major) is the recipient of a 2019 Biden Courage Award, celebrating student heroes who are working to stop sexual assault. Branin was recognized for stopping a sexual assault by confronting six to eight men and removing the potential victim from the situation. The award was presented in New York City and the event was attended by former vice president Joe Biden.

IUP men's and women's basketball teams made history with the best combined record in the country by any university at any level of play. Both teams won PSAC championships and the women's team advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA Division II Elite Eight for the second consecutive year.

Six IUP students won research presentation awards at the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania University Biologists annual meeting.

Senior Carlee Benhart (regional planning) received the Women in Transportation Graduate Fellowship to attend Carnegie Mellon University.

Marian Lua (nursing) is the first IUP student selected for a Fund for Education Abroad scholarship. She will use the funding to participate in a study abroad course, "The Road to Santiago."