

Indiana University of Pennsylvania Points of Pride



FACULTY, STAFF, AND STUDENT STARS

Enhancing Our Value to Our Partners

Members of the **Family and Consumer Sciences Student Association** and additional volunteers were able to sew and donate 40 surgical caps to the Sacred Heart Children's Hospital in Spokane, Washington. This special donation of handmade surgical caps will help children facing surgery cope with their anxiety of upcoming medical procedures.

IUP was chosen as the 2018 winner of the institutional award by Welcome to Indiana at its annual meeting in April. The award is part of the group's annual **Image Awards**.

For the fifth consecutive year, **The University Museum** staged a show at a downtown coffee shop and gallery, the Artists Hand Gallery and Espresso Bar.



Hundreds of members of the "Hawk family" attended the **Celebration of Crimson Hawks** event, which honored both fan support and IUP teams that earned the right to compete at a conference tournament or NCAA Division II regional championship level.

Members of the IUP football team helped out as buddies to participants at Indiana Area High School's **Spirit Day** for students with disabilities on May 4.

Erick Lauber (Journalism and Public Relations, Mid-Atlantic Addiction Research and Training Institute for Community and Behavioral Health), received a \$118,000 grant to streamline his project "Intensive Prevention Programming for Two Hard-Hit Counties in Rural Pennsylvania." The project is one of many activities conducted by Lauber's **Opioid Prevention and Community Health** (OPACH) initiative, part of the MARTI's larger Heroin Research and Outreach Program.

With the support of the **Sustainability Studies Program**, a group of students in Yvonne Branan's (Geoscience) Introduction to Sustainability Studies class devised a proposal to help with media outreach and a "pay-it-forward" initiative for a newly opened sustainable restaurant in downtown Indiana. The initiative is done by purchasing meals for individuals with financial need throughout the Indiana community. For the third year, **IUP's GenCyber program** is offering cybersecurity camps for high school students and teachers. The program is funded by National Science Foundation and National Security Agency to improve cybersecurity education.

In its first year, Cybersecurity National Action Plan: Investment in Expansion of CAE-C (Centers of Academic Excellence in Cybersecurity) Education Programs will offer a **cybersecurity skills enhancement camp** for middle and high school students.

Students in John Benhart's (Geography and Regional Planning) Technical Issues in GIS class are **reconstructing the urban geography of Indiana**, using historical maps and geographic information systems. Students are also doing base mapping and documenting existing environmental conditions at the proposed site of Confluence Park on the IUP campus.

Paul Nealen (Biology) conducted "Eavesdropping on the Brain" for local elementary students as part of the national **Brain Awareness Week**.



Faculty, Staff, and Student Stars

Jon Lewis (Geoscience) was selected as an Honorable Mention award recipient for the 2018 **Carnegie Science Award** in the University/Post-Secondary Educator award category.

Glenn Ishoy (Criminology) led a group of 10 students on a weeklong **trip to the United Kingdom** over winter break to learn about its criminal justice system.

Sarah Wieten (Philosophy) and graduate philosophy majors Brett Kimmel, Dani McCain, and Abby Panek participated in a research poster session at the **Pacific Division Meeting of the American Philosophical Association**.

Rachel Porter Fox (Communications Media) will spend a month as an **artist in residence** at the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art.

Distinguished University Professor Krys Kaniasty (Psychology) was a co-author of "Engagement in community activities and trust in local leaders as concomitants of psychological distress among Israeli civilians exposed to prolonged rocket attacks" in **Anxiety, Stress, & Coping: An International Journal**. Heather Powers (English) participated in a round table on the problem of ableism in popular culture and presented work during the 2018 **Popular Culture Association** annual conference.

Erin Conlin (History) and Stephan Schaffrath (Developmental Studies) presented on their experience with linking courses at IUP at the annual conference of the **Pennsylvania Association of Developmental Educators**.

Jeff Montgomery (IT Services) co-presented on "Case Study: Student Enrollment Analytics Modernization Across 14 Institutions in Pennsylvania State System" at the 2018 **Higher Education Data Warehouse** annual conference.

Todd Thompson (English) took part in the "Pacific Intersections" seminar at the **C-19: Society of Early Americanists biennial conference** on March.

Zach Clark (Student Cooperative Association) authored an article about effective assessment in student activities programs in the April 2018 edition of Campus Activities Programming, the monthly periodical of the **National Association for Campus Activities**.

The editorial staff of the Penn and the HawkEye earned multiple awards in the 2018 **Student Keystone Press Awards**, an annual competition sponsored and presented by the Pennsylvania NewsMedia Association.

Two junior Journalism and Public Relations Department majors, Kirsten Schlorff and Lily Whorl, represented **IUP Public Relations Student Society of America** at the National Assembly.

Applied Archaeology graduate students Samantha Taylor and Ashley McCuiston presented their research at the **Middle Atlantic Archaeological Conference**.

Katie Ott, a second-year graduate student in woodworking in the Department of Art, was awarded an educational grant from the Furniture Society to fund her attendance at a two-week **Feminist Art Conference** and Residency at Artscape Gibraltar Point.

Nick Katsiadass, Literature and Criticism doctoral student, won the **Michael Schoenecke Travel Grant** for the 2018 Popular Culture National Conference. He chaired the Literary Intersections panel and presented his work during the conference.

Five anthropology majors presented posters that highlighted their individual research during the **Society for Applied Anthropology's Annual Meeting** in Philadelphia. The 2018 Annual Meeting, themed "Sustainable Futures" brought to the forefront the ways in which anthropologists are tackling the most pressing issues of our times.

Zaakiyah Cua, a master's student in Applied Archaeology, is the 2018 recipient of the **Paul Goldberg Award**, presented at the 83rd annual Society for American Archaeology Conference.

Biology student Kevin Regan won second place for his poster presentation at the Penn State Behrend-Sigma Xi 27th annual **Undergraduate Student Research and Creative Accomplishment Conference**. He is part of an interdisciplinary collaboration between IUP biology faculty members and Western Pennsylvania Conservancy researchers.

Kara Goss, dietetic intern and master's student in the Food and Nutrition program, received the **Outstanding Dietetics Student Award** in the Dietetic Intern Category at the Pennsylvania Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics annual meeting and expo.

Logan Carnes, a music education and performance major, was selected as a semifinalist for the **2018 Leonard Falcone International Euphonium and Tuba Festival**.

Clinical Medical Health Counseling master's student Halla Kiser was selected for an \$8,000 **National Board for Certified Counselors scholarship**. This scholarship is awarded to counseling students from rural communities who commit to practicing in rural areas upon graduation. Halla, from central Appalachia, plans to return to her Saint Paul, Virginia, community with the intention of helping to provide better mental health care to people with addictions, including opioid addictions.

