

# UPWARD BOUND

Summer Edition 2014



## Summer Academy 2014

This summer welcomed a new group of Upward Bound students to the college experience. Upward Bound offers an annual six-week Academy on the IPFW campus. The Academy provides an educationally enriching residential program, which introduces students from our high schools to the university environment while preparing them academically for institutions of higher learning. The major goal of the Academy is to enable our

students to successfully live in two worlds: their own, with its rich cultural heritage, and the other world of college life. Students who successfully complete the program with a C+ or better in each class will earn one unit of high school elective credit, which can be used at their respective high schools toward graduation requirements. Some of our rising juniors as well as our seniors will even receive college credit if they chose to take Philosophy this summer.

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## 2014 Summer Academy Academics

Summer academy has brought about new academic experiences for our students. We are grateful each and every year to have talented and dedicated teachers that provide the very best experiences for our students. "The teachers are wonderful with teaching and explaining things," said Atlantis Allen. We have teachers that come back each year because of how much they love the program and our students.

Anna Galdamez explained, "What I love about summer academy is the opportunity to continue improving myself academically." Our teachers strive to design their curriculum in a fun but rigorous way to continue to facilitate their development and growth for the future. "It [summer academy] gives me that experience that a college student will have," said Bianca Barcenas.

We had fantastic summer experiences this year with new and exciting programming, new additions to our team of teachers, new and innovative projects, and we were able to offer new classes like our dance class and Chinese language class. As Karli Van Cleave put it, "I will never forget this experience."

We thank everyone who was a part of summer academy this year and we look forward to next year.



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## Taylor University – Escape To Reality Course

Taylor University's Escape To Reality obstacle course is a "challenge by choice" understanding, where the participants and groups are given challenges throughout their experience on the course. Then our students are presented with the "full value contract" of working toward individual and group goals. As a result of the challenge course, it will provide our students a chance to bond not only with each other, but also with their RA's to develop a rapport with one another while experiencing some pretty difficult obstacle courses that rely on group participation and communication to successfully complete each test.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Team building
- Leadership
- Increase of respect for each other
- Decision making
- Improved communication



#### SA Banquet 2014

UB end of Summer  
Academy Awards  
Banquet winners.

#### Merit Trip 2014

It's time for some Selfies.  
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eyes of our students.

## DORM LIFE 101: MESSAGES FROM OUR STUDENTS

"ALWAYS bring toilet paper and food to the dorms."

-Bianca Barcenas

"Always be open to making new friends."

-Karli Van Cleave



"Bring pizza rolls and fruit!"

-Sandra Macias

"Bring toilet paper, food, and Q-tips."

-Tayah Luckadoo

"Bring plates, spoons, and forks, and necessary provisions." - Louie Sorn

## UB Welcomes New Staff Member, Mr. Tavis

Indiana University - Purdue University at Fort Wayne (IPFW) welcomes Tavis Rieger, who joins the Upward Bound Staff as the new Academic Advisor and Enrollment Specialist. Tavis is a dedicated teacher intent on developing the full person academically, socially, and physically into a successful leader who maximizes his or her potential. He brings experience from multiple educational settings - Alternative Charter, College Preparatory, and Traditional Public - expanded through various levels of athletics, club sponsorship, and age ranges.

Tavis is excited about the next phase of work with Upward Bound. He has recently completed his first summer with the program, which afforded the opportunity to lead an on-campus residential experience, teach classes, and

meet many of the program's talented participants. Next, he will partner with local educators and students in our focus schools, as we continue preparing another fantastic cohort of Upward Bound students for successful high school experiences, college admittances, and college graduations.





# TRIO Upward Bound Celebrates its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



TRIO Upward Bound celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, nationwide. On Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, IPFW declared this day to be their official TRIO Upward Bound day on campus. We have been on the IPFW campus for ten years having successfully graduated 131 TRIO Upward Bound students since its inception on campus.

We celebrated by inviting Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry, Dr. George McClellan, Ken Christmon, TRIO Upward Bound alumni, TRIO SSS students, IPFW, UB and SSS staff, and our current UB students to a variety of activities to commemorate our program. Here's to many, many more!





## UB Selfies!

Our students invented the selfie. What better way to see their summer academy than through their own eyes! The following photos are from various events, dorm experiences, field trips, and things they've participated in throughout the summer. From them, by them.





# Summer Academy Banquet 2014

## 2014 award recipients:



Roberto Medina – Spirit



Compassion Pippert – Merit



Nathaly Diaz – New Student



Romeo Morris - New Student



Audrie McGinnis - Spirit



Michelle James – Attitude



Helena James - Director's



Lorenzo Catalan - Citizenship



April Soe - Citizenship

## MERIT TRIP: PHILADELPHIA AND NYC



This year, Upward Bound headed east. Most of our students had never been to Philadelphia or New York City before, so our summer merit group was very excited to go with Philly and NYC as our destination.

From learning about the rich history that Philadelphia is known for and the concrete jungle that is New York City, our students came away from this experience with many new memories that they will remember forever.

Marisabel Sanchez claimed, "New York is obviously the complete opposite of Fort Wayne."

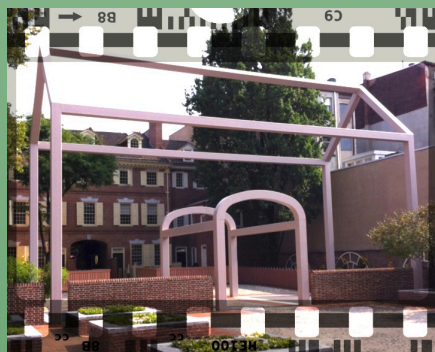
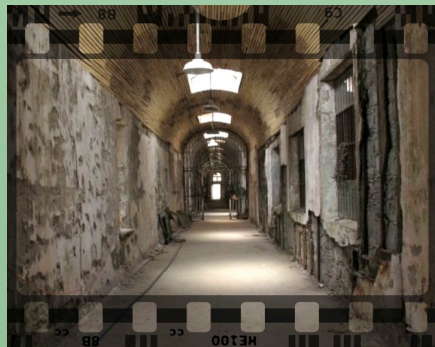
Part of the trip consisted of visiting Temple University as well as Lincoln

University. We also visited various places in and around each city that proved to be interesting, educational, and inspirational.

One of the most popular comments was that our students definitely want to return again one day. They later spoke of meeting people from all over there world and weren't afraid to strike up conversations with as many people as possible. They expressed how thrilled they were to meet people from England, Spain, and many other countries.

We were very happy to have had the opportunity to take our students east. Especially when our students experienced so many new things that they truly appreciated.



**PHILLY 2014****MERIT TRIP 2014  
SHOUT-OUTS**

"My favorite memories were from the boat ride in the NYC harbor and the ghost tour in Philly. I will take back those memories and cherish them for the rest of my life."

–Kham Nom

"I loved meeting people from around the world."

–Sandra Macias

"My favorite memories from the trip were becoming closer with everyone in Upward Bound by getting to know them as we took the same journey together."

–Tin Oo

"My favorite [memory] was the Philadelphia Museum of Art. It was beautiful and I wish we had more time exploring and looking at the art."

–Yin Thet

"I enjoyed going to Times Square because of all the art and the beauty of the buildings."

–Brenda Diaz

"[The trip] opened my eyes to the real world. I've always lived in the view of others and T.V. but now the trip really did help me realize the importance."

–Thamay Paw

"I loved everything, but most of all I really like the views in New York. They were amazing."

–Bianca Barcenas

"In New York, I loved walking and seeing giant buildings and the lights and the people! It was cool and crazy."

–Tayah Luckadoo







**NYC 2014****MERIT TRIP 2014  
SHOUT-OUTS**

"My favorite memories from the trip include moment in which, we as a diverse UB family, submerged ourselves in the diversity of both New York and Philadelphia. By doing this, I met so many cool people from entirely different continents."

—Anna Galdamez

"I could not believe how big NYC is. It looked as if every single centimeter of the city was filled with buildings."

—Erika Vazquez

"I had the most fun time in New York. It wasn't the attractions, it was the people I met from all over [the world]."

—Latoyia Blunt

"I love all of the different places that we traveled to. They all have their own unique view and history."

—Tagay Htoo

"I take back a new outlook on the world and getting a look at history."

—Natasha Mesing

"The view [in New York] seemed as if it were painted by the most creative and experienced artist, adding the best and smallest details to capture the full beauty."

—Lorenzo Catalan



# UB Academic Programming

## Tutoring Opportunities

Tutoring will be available every Monday afternoon at the downtown Fort Wayne ACPL from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Individual tutoring will be available beginning on Wednesdays from 4-6 p.m. in the Upward Bound office.

Tutors are available in:

- Math
- English
- Science
- Spanish

Attending tutoring will count for one hour of academic programming per session.

School Tutoring: Students can receive programming hours for school tutoring. This can only count for up to 5 hours of academic programming credit. Speak with your advisor.

## Academic Theme Saturdays

ATS Saturdays will be held at IPFW in Kettler Hall. Students will attend classes in math and English. These classes will be held from 9:00-11:45 a.m.

Attending ATS will count for 2.5 hours of academic programming.

**UB students must complete 20 (fall) / 25 (spring) hours of academic programming to receive their stipend. In order to receive credit towards your stipend, you must work. Simply attending will not grant you credit.**

## Skills Workshops

SAT Prep workshops will be available on Wednesdays from 4:30pm-5:30pm

Study skills workshops will be held on ATS Saturdays from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. in Kettler Hall.

Attending these workshops will count for one hour of academic programming per session.

## Online SAT Prep

Students can sign up for the online SAT/ACT prep website [www.number2.com](http://www.number2.com). Please make sure you enter [graynw01@ipfw.edu](mailto:graynw01@ipfw.edu) as your coach's email so that UB can count it towards your academic programming credit.

This can only count for up to 5 hours of academic programming credit.

**If you have any questions, please contact your advisor.**



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