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WHAT AN EXCITING TIME FOR THE TRIO UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM AT IPFW

We are proud to announce that both UB programs received notification from the Federal Department of Education that our grants will be renewed for another five years. Over 2.5 million dollars coming to our community to work with students and guide them towards their goal of earning a college degree. We are excited to continue providing impactful services for our students and look forward to seeing their successes today and in the future.

First and foremost I want to thank the staff for all their hard work in making this program the success it is today. Here is a glimpse at what these grant awards mean to the UB programs:

2.5 million dollars that will allow hundreds of first generation students to participate in the program, exposing them to the challenges they will face as a first generation college student. The program will work hard to make sure all our students have the tools and knowledge to overcome those hurdles and be successful not only in college but in life as well.

2.5 million dollars will provide over 700 hours of tutoring services for our students. This will give them a common place to meet with other students and teachers to not only complete homework, but to receive extra support in understanding lessons and concepts they need help with.

2.5 million dollars means nearly 250 hours of Academic Themed Saturday sessions, where teachers can expand on lessons and provide remediation for students in Math, Language Arts, and Science and provide students with study skills.

2.5 million dollars equates to 150 days of summer academy and students living on campus experiencing a real college setting and preparing themselves for the obstacles students face in college every year. Students who have chosen to give up their summer because they understand that to be successful they must be willing to make sacrifices and do whatever it takes to prepare themselves for college.

2.5 million dollars that will help in taking students to college visits, leadership conferences, and cultural activities that they would not be able to attend otherwise. This year alone we will have visited over 10 different universities, sent over 25 students to conferences like the National Girls in Stem and the Men of Excellence conference, we have provided nearly 30 cultural experiences that ranged from plays, to cultural dinners, tango dance lessons and even participating in programming at the Fort Wayne Museum of Art. Not to mention the several hours of community service our students perform throughout the year.

Upward Bound is more than just a program; we are a family, striving towards the same goal—success in college and in life. I am proud of the students and all their hard work. They have made a commitment that college preparation and success is their number one goal.

-Nicholas Gray, Program Director



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MERIT TRIP 2017 NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

This summer, eligible summer academy participants earned a trip to the music city: Nashville, Tennessee. On the way there, we stopped at the Louisville Slugger Museum and Factory in Kentucky. We saw how baseball bats were made and learned about the history of the game. Then, we headed to Nashville. We went on a ghost tour around the city. Most students will tell you they were not scared, but our pictures on Facebook may tell you different (check them out!).



The second day started with a tour of Fisk University, it was rich in history and culture. We stopped in their chapel and saw one of the most unique pipe organs in the world! The rest of the day was all about music. We went to the Country Music Hall of Fame & Museum. Even if one wasn't a fan of country music, there were plenty of interesting things to see, like Elvis Presley's Cadillac and a beautiful gown that Taylor Swift wore to an award ceremony. Students got to see the authenticity of country music. Afterwards, we went to the historic RCA Studio B where famous artists like Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton recorded music. One of our students, Dariyonte Brown, sang the Star Spangled Banner on the marked X where famous country singers have sung! We ended the night with line dancing at the Wildhorse Saloon. We had a delicious southern style buffet and then students (and some of the staff!) got down on the dance floor. It was lots of fun.

We went to the Belle Meade Plantation on the third day. The plantation was originally 2,600 acres and is now 9 acres. It was beautiful and interesting to learn about the families that lived there. Most of the furniture that was original to the house was still there for us to see. After, we went to Tennessee State University. We ended the hot summer day with a dinner cruise on the General Jackson Showboat.

On the last day, we stopped at the border of Tennessee and Kentucky—Land Between the Lakes recreational paradise. Find the full album on our Facebook!



CAMP YALE



Typically, the first Friday activity of Summer Academy is Camp Yale— a teambuilding camp through the YMCA. Students participated in challenges that helped them get to know their peers and solve those problems together. They also had the opportunity to do zip-lining! Camp Yale is a lot of fun and offers students the chance to work and get comfortable with each other before moving in with them during residential stay! Though they are not in class during Camp Yale day, they learn communication, leadership, and problem-solving skills and step out of their comfort zone—undoubtedly a learning experience.

OLYMPIAD AT IUPUI



Indiana TRIO hosts an overnight Olympiad every summer—this year’s took place at IUPUI. Students participated in various physical and educational competitions. Some of the physical activities were volleyball, basketball, and tug of war, while some of the educational activities included an academic bowl, a debate team, and more. Winners received a trophy. Congratulations to the students who won 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes on the different competitions!



UPWARD BOUND GIVES BACK

St. Henry Community Center and Garden



During both the academic and summer component, UB students give back to the community. Every summer, our students volunteer at St. Henry Church. Students can work in the garden, which includes gardening, painting, and new this year: teaching children how to plant and garden. Students also worked in organizing the thrift store.

Three Rivers Festival: International Village



The International Village has also become an event our students volunteer in annually. During the Three Rivers Festival, this village welcomes the community to learn about other countries and their customs & foods, watch cultural dances, and more. Upward Bound helped set up tables and chairs, flags, and face-paint.

EOA (EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ASSOCIATION) LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES



Girls in STEM is the Midwest Association of TRIO conference for TRIO women. TRIO Ladies were chosen to participate in a weekend leadership conference at Central Michigan University that engaged them in careers in which women are underrepresented.

“The GIS conference significantly impacted my confidence. When I walked in the conference room and encountered people that wanted to succeed as much as I did, I felt that my presence was meant to be there. I’ve always had doubts of becoming a surgeon because I’m female and Latina/African American. I’m aware that the journey will be more difficult for me, but this conference made me believe that I can still do it. It enforced a happiness for myself and made me realize that I can be more than what I think.” -Brittany James



Men of Excellence is the Midwest Association of TRIO conference for TRIO men. TRIO Men were chosen to attend the weekend conference at Kent State University in Ohio. The theme this year was Be R.E.A.L. (Responsible, Educated, Authentic, Leader). The conference was inspired by former President Obama's My Brother's Keeper Initiative.

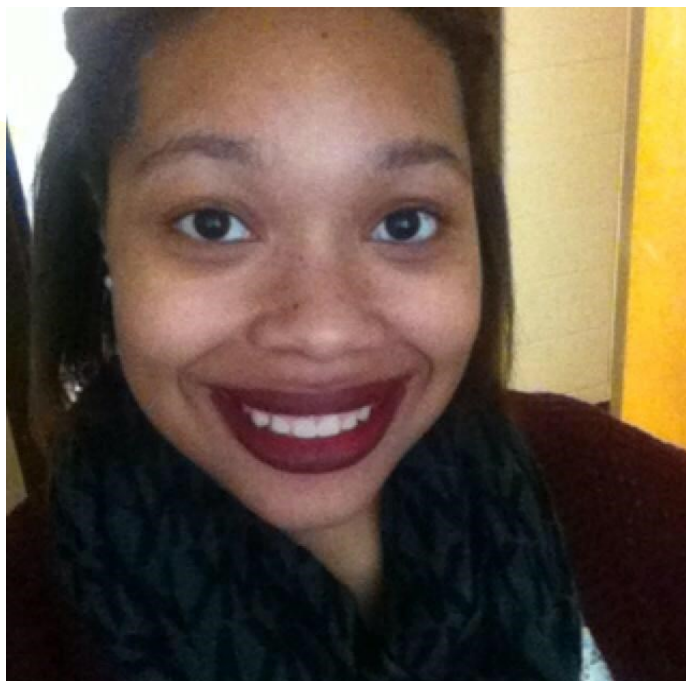
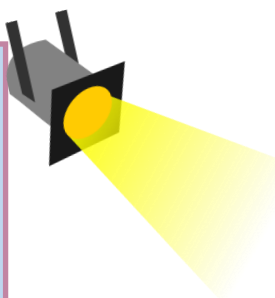
“I gained an insight that being a man, so to speak, is not bound by a uniform definition, but rather tied to what makes each and every one of us different: in other words, being a man means being true to yourself and your wife and children, being a leader when the people surrounding you are too afraid to step up, knowing the difference between success and failure and being able to take the higher ground; even when no one is looking, and finally, seeing the differences between people disappear to the point where we respect one another without thinking about it. This is what it means to be a man, and this was the message I still carry with me today.”

-Mario Arriaga

Alumni Spotlight:

TAYLA TULLOCH

UB CLASS OF 2013



[Q1] WHAT ARE YOU DOING NOW?

I am currently attending my last semester of undergraduate. College (undergraduate): Indiana State University
College accepted (medical school): University of Massachusetts

[Q2] WHAT WAS THE MEDICAL SCHOOL APPLICATION PROCESS LIKE?

It's just like a college application, only you have to pay a lot more in application fees. For me, there was also an in person interview that I went to once I got accepted.

[Q3] WHAT IS YOUR ADVICE FOR STUDENTS WHO WANT TO PURSUE MEDICAL SCHOOL?

If it's what you're passionate about, DO NOT let anything or anyone stop you! Also, don't be afraid to ask for help if you need it!

[Q4] WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE PHRASE, "THAT'S TOO MUCH SCHOOL!" WITH REGARD TO THE YEARS IT TAKES TO BECOME A DOCTOR, DENTIST, LAWYER, ETC.?

I agree, it is a lot of school, but to be a person in the medical field you have to know a lot of information and learn new skills and that takes practice. Don't be discouraged when someone says that, because it will be so worth it in the end!

[Q5] HOW DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR CAREER PATH?

I decided that I wanted to be an anesthesiologist when I went to get my wisdom teeth pulled. I met an anesthesiologist and I thought that his job was so cool!

[Q6] HOW DID UB PLAY A PART IN YOUR LIFE IN HIGH SCHOOL AND IN COLLEGE?

It shifted my thinking (in a non indoctrination kind of way) and approach to every facet of life. I got good grades in school, I enjoyed my high school years and I ended up being the go to person for everyone who needed advice or needed bailing out of scrapes. I followed what I wanted to do in life and contrary to the social norm for my gender and ethnicity, I did better than I imagined. Everyone involved in the program, students included, encouraged me and gave me the confidence to go out there and get what I want out of life. I can't thank the wonder, incredible, and amazing staff at Upward Bound enough for everything they have done for me. But I will surely do my best!

[Q7] WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE YOUR HIGH-SCHOOL SELF?

Life is short! Life is hard! Don't waste a single minute of it on people who don't make you feel good about yourself. If you have friends who make you feel badly because they're too competitive or because they have problems and can't help projecting onto others, then dump them! Spend all of your time with people who appreciate you! People who respect you and who can appreciate your better qualities and who encourage you to grow and become your very best self. If you don't know anyone like this, look harder! I promise you, they're out there!

[Q8] WHAT IS THE ONE THING THAT SURPRISED YOU THE MOST ABOUT COLLEGE?

How quick it goes by! I was just thinking about all the events I missed out on because I decided to study for ten hours straight Friday-Sunday.

[Q9] WHAT IS THE ONE THING THAT SURPRISED YOU MOST ABOUT THE WORKING WORLD?

A friend and I were talking recently about what surprised us about the work world when we started in our first post-college jobs. I told her how surprised I was by how tiring it is to work a full eight-hour day (and I remember finally understanding why my mother was so tired after a day of work).

GOOD LUCK IN MEDICAL SCHOOL,
TAYLA!

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SUMMER ACADEMY AWARDS BANQUET

Congratulations to the following students for winning this summer's special awards!



Director's Award:
Naw Sar Do



Citizenship Award:
Moe Kyaw



Most Improved
Attitude Award:
May Shein



Merit Award:
Melanie Sanchez



New Student
Award:
Lin Khaing

SUMMER ACADEMY 2017



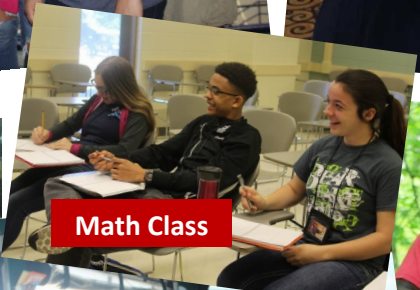
Tennessee State University



Etiquette Dinner



Community Service



Math Class



Trolley Ride in Nashville



Camp Yale Teambuilding

FALL PROGRAMMING



To receive a FALL stipend, students must complete:

- 20 hours of academic programming (tutoring, ATS)
- A mandatory college prep session
- An advisor meeting (ICEP)
- At least 3 ATS and
- either a college visit, leadership conference, or cultural event.

In order to receive credit towards your stipend, you must work. Simply attending will not grant you credit. We offer plenty of opportunities for you to complete these hours.

TUTORING
4- 6:00 PM

- Mondays @ downtown library
- Wednesdays @ IPFW Walb G08

{Starting August 28}

MANDATORY COLLEGE PREP SESSIONS

5:30PM @ IPFW

- ⇒ Seniors – 9/20, 10/18
- ⇒ Juniors – 10/11
- ⇒ Sophomores – 11/1

Academic Theme Saturdays (ATS)

Every other Saturday
9AM – 1PM @ IPFW
{starting Sept. 16}

Must attend at least
3

CHECK CALENDAR FOR SPECIFIC DATES!!

COMMUNITY SERVICE TBA

HOLIDAY PARTY
Thursday, December 14 at 6:00 PM



CULTURAL EVENTS: SIGN-UP REQUIRED (see Ms. Gladys)

<p>SEPTEMBER</p> <p>7th: Musical— Jekyll & Hyde 16th: Play—Baskerville: Sherlock Holmes Mystery 30th: Saddle Bound</p>	<p>OCTOBER</p> <p>12th: Cultural Dinner—Banh Mi Barista 20th: Play—Faith Healer 29th: Dia de los Muertos Celebration</p>
<p>NOVEMBER</p> <p>2nd: Musical—White Christmas 9th: Cultural Dinner—El Salvador 22nd: Night of Lights Fort Wayne TBD</p>	<p>DECEMBER</p> <p>1st: Musical—A Christmas Carol 7th: Botanical Conservatory Snow Days Exhibition</p>



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