Danielian Enjoys Role as Office of Admissions ‘Closer’

It’s pretty clear that the Office of Admissions has had a very busy summer with record participation in new student orientation, preliminary numbers suggesting an increase in enrollment, and a new standard of almost 1,600 students deciding to live in Student Housing.

Those results have required a significant personal investment from staff, student workers, and everyone involved—and the work continues year-round.

One of the examples is Roy Danielian, the assistant director of admissions, who arrived on campus in 2009. Danielian uses that experience as the recognized “closer” by his co-workers. With his personal, low-pressure style, he has a knack for making prospective students and their parents feel comfortable. It’s not that he guides them to what he wants, but he helps them make their decision.
PFW Supports Region Via Annual Job Fair, Year-Round Outreach

More than 75 employers promoting more than 1,000 job openings participated in the 2023 Rep. Jim Banks Job Fair in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union on Wednesday. The employers represented a variety of industries, including manufacturing, healthcare, government, finance, retail, transportation and logistics, and professional, scientific and technical services.

The Purdue Fort Wayne university community has helped host this event for 30 years. Hear from PFW's main facilitator for the fair, Sean Ryan, director of the Office of Engagement, as he describes why these and similar efforts are important.

WATCH VIDEO

Employee BBQ Thursday Moved to Classic Ballroom
All faculty, staff, and Move-in Day helpers are invited to a BBQ today from 3 to 5 p.m. to celebrate the start of the fall semester. Due to the possibility of inclement weather, the event will be in the Classic Ballroom at Walb Student Union—a change from Wednesday evening’s update—rather than the Alumni Plaza as originally scheduled.

Feel free to stop by to socialize, grab a bite, and enjoy a cold drink.

Become Disability Zone Trained This Semester
As an essential element of the Disability Access Center’s mission and vision for the Purdue Fort Wayne campus community, the center is hosting four Disability Zone Training sessions this semester for PFW/IUFW faculty and staff.

Disability Zone Training provides an overview of frameworks for understanding disability status in the U.S., examples of everyday ableism, and research-based strategies for being in solidarity with the disability community to create a more disability inclusive culture on campus.

Each three-hour session will take place in the IDEASpace at Helmke Library. They are open to the first 40 participants per session.

Join the 200 faculty and staff who have already completed training by registering for one of the following dates:

Aug. 31, 9 a.m.– noon  
Sept. 27, 1–4 p.m.  
Oct. 19, 1–4 p.m.  
Nov. 8, 9 a.m.–noon

Contact the Disability Access Center at dac@pfw.edu if you have questions.

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**Featured Events**

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. Some opportunities are exclusive to university employees and their families. Check the full events calendar often to see what's happening on campus.

**AUGUST**

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Today, 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

**Mastodon Market**

A wide range of items will be available including fresh produce, delicious desserts, plants, and more from local farms and vendors...

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Mon., 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

**Campus Kickoff**
Kick it with Student Activities Board! We have inflatables, free food, and an awesome T-shirt...

AUGUST

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Tues., noon–1:30 p.m.

Andy the Mini Therapy Horse

Take a break and spend some time with Andy, a mini therapy horse and he loves getting pets, hugs, and pictures...

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

- Cad Amsler, custodian | Building Services

Transfers

- Jackie Murray, Collegiate Connection coordinator | Collegiate Connection

News Spotlight

A sampling of external news coverage of Purdue University Fort Wayne.

AI usages evolving constantly, local schools explain usage

Local and state media | Aug. 9
As the climate crisis grows, experts discuss how to help climate refugees

wfla.com Tampa | Aug. 10

In a Snap

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.

The annual New Faculty Institute orientation took place at the Steel Dynamics Keith E. Busse Mastodon Alumni Center on Tuesday. New faculty learned about university procedures, the services PFW offers, and how to navigate the physical campus via a scavenger hunt.
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