

For Faculty and Staff

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#### ScholarshipUniverse Helps Students Broaden Their Horizons

When Lilian Frank left in January to spend the semester studying in the United Kingdom, the Purdue University Fort Wayne junior already had plans to spend the fall semester of her senior year studying in Japan. These trips came after Frank spent previous summers traveling to Italy and South Korea.

So, how in the world—no pun intended—could she afford all that?

Frank utilized the funding awarded from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, and as an Indiana resident, her status as a **21st Century Scholar**. Studying for a semester overseas also has a very similar cost to a semester on campus, and she learned to make the most of the opportunities that exist. They include using the Office of Financial Aid's ScholarshipUniverse

tool to find scholarship and grant options.

"It's about knowing where to look for scholarships," said Frank, an English major who is also earning an international studies certificate while minoring in art and design. "There is a plethora of study abroad scholarships. If you dig deep enough, there are some for specific countries that will cover that for you."

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#### One Week Left to Order Commencement Academic Regalia

Purdue Fort Wayne's 2025 Commencement will be held May 14 at 4 p.m. in the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. All faculty and staff are encouraged to attend and participate in this joyous occasion that is the culmination of our students' academic experience—and one of life's special moments. Faculty members who wish to participate in the ceremony can find the registration link **here**.

Faculty are asked to wear academic regalia (tams optional) for the ceremony. Anyone needing to rent regalia should use this **online form**; the university will cover the cost of rentals. As has been the case in recent years, everything will be shipped directly and include a return shipping label. Faculty are required to return the rented regalia back to Herff Jones. The deadline for orders is April 18.

## Good to Know

### Tembras Named Indiana Bandmaster of the Year

Daniel Tembras, associate professor and director of instrumental studies at Purdue Fort Wayne, has been named Indiana Bandmaster of the Year for 2025 by the Gamma Chapter of Phi Beta Mu, the International Bandmasters Fraternity. In addition to his teaching duties, Tembras serves as director of the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and the Symphonic Band.

#### Inaugural Summer Resource Fair Set for May 28

The Campus Support Staff Advisory Committee, or CSSAC, will host its inaugural Summer Resource Fair on May 28 from 3 to 6 p.m. on the skybridge between Walb Student Union and Helmke Library. Included will be vendors working on campus and other community resources.

### Egbert Receives Walk the Talk Award

Christina Egbert, senior business manager for financial and administrative affairs in the College of Visual and Performing Arts, has been named a winner of Purdue's annual Walk the Talk Award. Started in 2014, the awards are given to individuals system-wide for their outstanding dedication to Purdue's statement of integrity and code of conduct.

## Eventful

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities —check the full events calendar often to see what's happening on campus.

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#### Piano Studio Recital

**10** Today, 7:30–9:30 p.m. This program of varied piano music will feature the students of Hamilton Tescarollo. Admission is free...

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#### Opera Ensemble and Orchestra Present Gianni Schicchi

Sat., 2:30–4:30 p.m.

The Opera Ensemble, in conjunction with the University Orchestra, will perform *Gianni Schicchi* by Puccini, a comedic opera about greed and cunning deception. After a wealthy man dies, his relatives discover he left his fortune to a monastery and enlist the clever Gianni Schicchi to alter the will...

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#### Guitar Ensemble/Studio Recital

Tues., 7:30–9:30 p.m.

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This program will feature the PFW Guitar Ensemble ant students performing solo guitar works. A wide array of musical styles will be performed...

## In a Snap

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



Because of Tuesday's cold conditions outside, "Groovy Tie-dye," hosted by the Student Activities Board, moved indoors and became a groovy fabric pen event. Students played games, chose their favorite ice cream treat, and cast votes in the student government elections.

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