

## Senior Shocked to Win Award at International Conference

Fortunately, Angel Bishop was able to beat a massive case of impostor syndrome in about 30 seconds. Bishop's story isn't just about the feeling of not fitting in somewhere, but rather overcoming the heart-racing shock of unexpectedly receiving an international award in front of a large crowd.

With students who have achieved individual research success in his lab, Steven Stevenson, director of the **FIRST Molecules Research Center** at Purdue University Fort Wayne, likes to reward them with a trip to a major conference. As he says, it's a chance to expose the students to a broader audience and give them an experience that can shape their future.

After Bishop, who's entering her senior year at Purdue Fort Wayne, discovered and identified a Carbon 102 molecule during her junior year, Stevenson invited her to accompany him to the Electrochemical Society's annual conference in Montreal this spring. Stevenson often presents at international conferences, but Bishop felt she was just along for the ride. Her plan was to present the work, do some sightseeing, meet new faces in the field, and enjoy the week.

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## Purdue Fort Wayne Waiving Application and Enrollment Fees to Encourage Students Still Undecided on Fall Semester Start

Purdue University Fort Wayne wants to reassure prospective students that there's still time to enroll for the fall semester, which starts Aug. 25. And as an incentive for those who may still be undecided about their college plans, the university is temporarily waiving its \$30 undergraduate application fee and \$50 enrollment deposit fee for all new freshman and transfer students.

The incentive began Friday and will run through 11:59 p.m. on Aug. 18. All an applicant needs to do is visit [pfw.edu/apply](https://pfw.edu/apply) and add the code **ApplyPFW** when prompted.

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## Volunteers Needed to Help Students Glide into Housing on Move-in Day

Like a well-timed cup of coffee in the morning, students arriving for the start of the fall semester is a great source of energy for the university community. Move-in day for Student Housing on the Waterfield Campus is Aug. 22, and volunteers are needed to help students start off on the right foot.

Faculty, staff, and student volunteers are invited to join the “PFW Student Housing Movers and Groovers” for one or two shifts: 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m. Faculty and staff are asked to **[sign up here](#)** to volunteer.

All volunteers will receive a meal and a T-shirt. This annual activity is a major undertaking by the university, and any support is very much appreciated.



## New 2025–26 Parking Permits Available Next Week

Displaying a valid faculty/staff permit allows the holder to park in an A lot on the Main Campus of Purdue University Fort Wayne during restricted hours. Green lines on the pavement can identify these spaces. Parking permits for 2025–26 will be available beginning Monday.

The annual cost for a permit is \$180.00 for benefitted employees and \$90 for limited-term lecturers and other part-time employees. Automatic payroll deductions will begin in September for eight pay periods (monthly) or 16 pay periods (biweekly). Current parking permits for 2024–25 expire Aug. 31.

A permit is not required to park in a B lot. The first levels of the parking garages are designated as A lots until 5 p.m., and AB thereafter. The remaining levels are considered B lots. Learn more about [parking on campus](#).

Applications may be **submitted electronically** through Qualtrics; paper payroll-dedication applications are not available. After the form is submitted, the permit may be picked up immediately, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the police station, located in the Support Services Building.



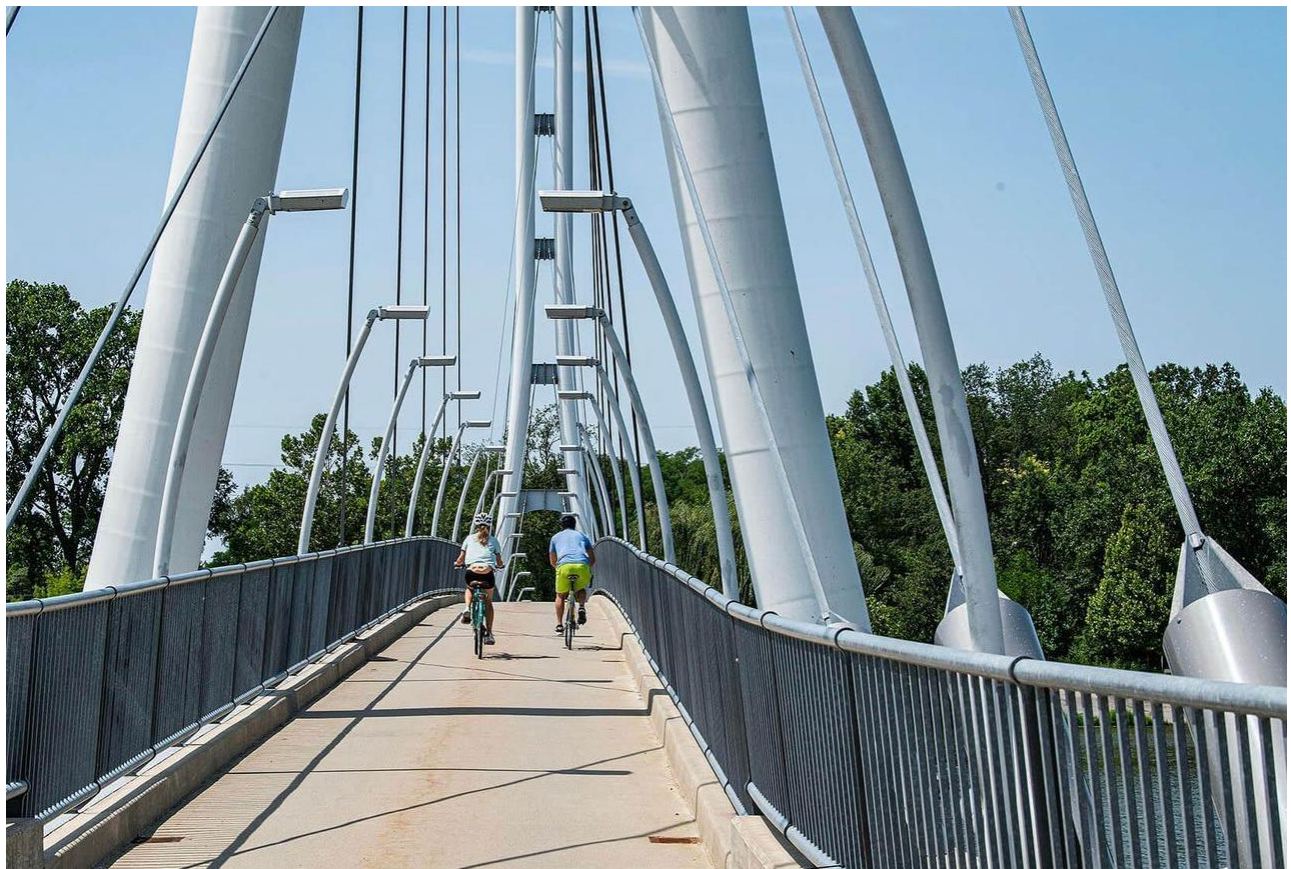
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A couple bikes across the Ron Venderly Family Bridge on Saturday. The bridge, which was dedicated in August 2009, spans the St. Joseph River and connects PFW's Main Campus with its West Campus along the St. Joe Pathway leg of the Fort Wayne Trails system.

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