

# ***COLLEGIATE CONNECTION***

***Join the Herd: Become a Mastodon!***



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# Introductions

## Collegiate Connection Staff

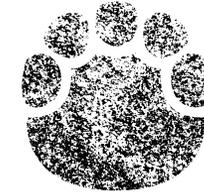
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- Jonathan Baker

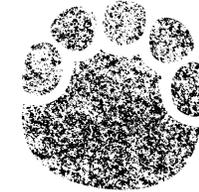


- **Coordinators**

- Jackie Murray



*\*Click the Footprints to take you to the Student Handbook*



*\*Click the Mastodon to take you directly to the Collegiate Connection Student Resource Page*

# *SETTING UP YOUR GOPFW*

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# Go PFW

- [GoPFW \(Link\)](#)
  - This account is your go to account for all things PFW
    - Paying your bill, academic supports, library etc.
- **New Tiled Look**
  - Each tile contains links to the various resources and tools that you need to access (paying your bill etc.)
  - Tiles with a padlock in the upper right hand corner are locked for your convenience by PFW
    - These tiles will be some of the most useful for you
    - Other tiles can be added, removed, and shifted as you deem necessary
- **Before Activation**
  - You will need your 900# or your PUID (found on your acceptance email that was sent to the address on your application)
    - If you cannot find it, call the Collegiate Connection Office and we can help
  - You will also need to download Microsoft Authenticator on your phone for IT security purposes



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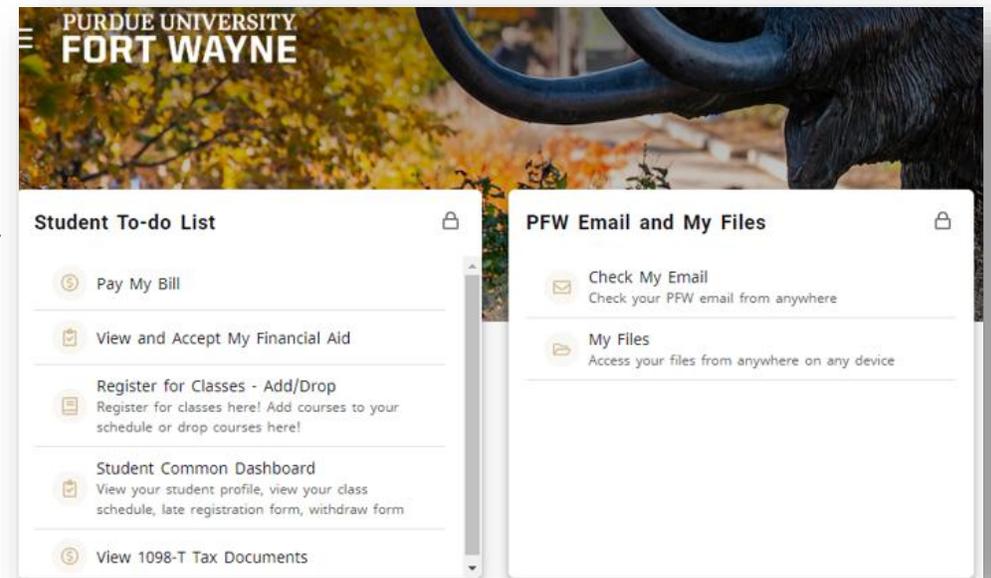
## Here for your tech needs.

Purdue IT manages many aspects of technology across the Purdue Fort Wayne campus, including accounts, email, networking, computer hardware, software. We also offer support for all these services through Knowledge Base, our Help Desk, and in-person training.



### PFW IT Services

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  - ❖ Email: [helpdesk@pfw.edu](mailto:helpdesk@pfw.edu)
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# Go PFW (Getting Set Up)

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- [GoPFW \(Link\)](#)

- Steps to Activate

1. To set-up your GoPFW account start by going to the [Account Management Service \(Link\)](#) directly

or

2. Go to [go.pfw.edu \(Link\)](http://go.pfw.edu) click on First Time Users then Account Management Service

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## FIRST-TIME USER

Home > First-time User

### NEED TO ACTIVATE YOUR PFW ACCOUNT?

After you have received your letter of Admission, to the university, you should complete the following steps to activate your PFW account.

**Note:** These steps are not for Purdue Fort Wayne Employees who are also students. Employees should use their existing employee username to access student systems.

1. In a web browser go to the [Account Management Service](#) page.
  1. You will see a screen of information describing the account activation process.
  2. Read the information.
2. Click **Continue**.
  1. You will be presented with the Ethical Guidelines for Computer Users.
  2. If desired, click **Print** or **Email me a copy**.
  3. The guidelines are also available in every student handbook/planner.
3. Read the terms then type **Yes** in the text box, if you agree to the terms.
4. Click **Continue**.

Option 1

Or.

Option 2

Username

Password

LOGIN

For security reasons, please **log out** and close your Web browser after using this service.

[First-time users](#) [Change password](#)

[Forgot password?](#) [Terms of use](#)

[Trouble signing in?](#) [Account services](#)

## Welcome to Purdue Fort Wayne!

Activate your account to get access to:

- goPFW, the Purdue Fort Wayne portal
- E-mail, the official means of correspondence at Purdue Fort Wayne
- Online course work
- Online file storage
- Campus WiFi
- Campus computers
- Campus printing

Before starting, know the following:

- Your birth date
- Your 9-digit Purdue Fort Wayne ID number (900#) OR your Purdue ID number (PUID)

Activation of an account by anyone other than the account holder, **including a student's parent, partner, or other relative**, is a violation of the [Ethical Guidelines for Purdue Fort Wayne Information Technology \(IT\) Users](#) and [FERPA](#), a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records, and other university policies.

This process may take 10-15 minutes to complete. If you need help, contact the [Help Desk](#).

**!! Click Continue !!**

Continue

Cancel

# Go PFW (Getting Set Up)

## ■ [GoPFW \(Link\)](#)

### ■ Steps to Activate

1. Read & agree to the Ethical Guidelines and select “I have read and agree...”, then click Continue (*seen on next 2 slides*)
2. Next slide enter your last name, birth date, and your **PUID Number or #900**, then click continue (*seen on next 2 slides*)
  - Both PUID and #900 are found on your acceptance email
3. The following slide will have your username, **SAVE YOUR USERNAME** and email address someplace safe (*not shown on slides*)

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## GoPFW Set-Up Steps

1. Agree to Ethical Guidelines
2. Enter Last Name, Birthday, & **PUID/#900**
3. Write down & save your **username**
4. Create & save your **password**
5. Create security questions/answers
6. Attempt to log into your GoPFW
7. Set Up Microsoft Authenticator (**Push Notification**)

1

Usage Policy

2

Verify Identity

3

Set Password

4

Complete

Please read and review the following policies before continuing:

- [Purdue University Fort Wayne IT Ethical Guidelines](#)
- [Purdue IT Acceptable Use of IT Resources and Information Assets](#)

I have read and agree with the policies listed above. \*

**!! Click !!**

**!! Click Continue !!**

Continue

Cancel

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To activate your account you must first prove your identity. Please enter your last name, birth date, and either your 9-digit Purdue Fort Wayne ID number **or** your 10-digit Purdue ID number.

Last Name: \*



**!! Your Last Name !!**

Birth Date: \*



**!! Your Birthdate !!**

Purdue Fort Wayne ID  
number (900 Number):



**!! Your 900# Number is Found on  
Your Acceptance Email !!**

**OR**

Purdue ID number  
(PUID):



**!! Your PUID Number is Found  
on Your Acceptance Email !!**

- By clicking continue, you are certifying that you are the person whose information appears above.
- If you are not the person above and click the continue button, you will be in violation of university policy and federal law. ([Why?](#))

**!! Click Continue !!**



Continue

Cancel

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- [GoPFW \(Link\)](#)

- Steps to Activate (*Continued...*)

4. Create a password following the required guidelines, **SAVE YOUR PASSWORD**
  - Click Submit Password and Activate Account
    - You will get a confirmation saying that the account is now active
5. Security Questions/Answers
  - These will be used if you ever forget your password and need them reset
  - Make sure you scroll down all the way to answer all of the questions
6. You can now officially use your GoPFW account: try logging into your GoPFW account using your saved username and password
  - Certain off campus high schools have a saved ISP already
    - Therefore you will not have to complete the Microsoft Authenticator step while on the school network
    - However you will need to use Microsoft Authenticator at home

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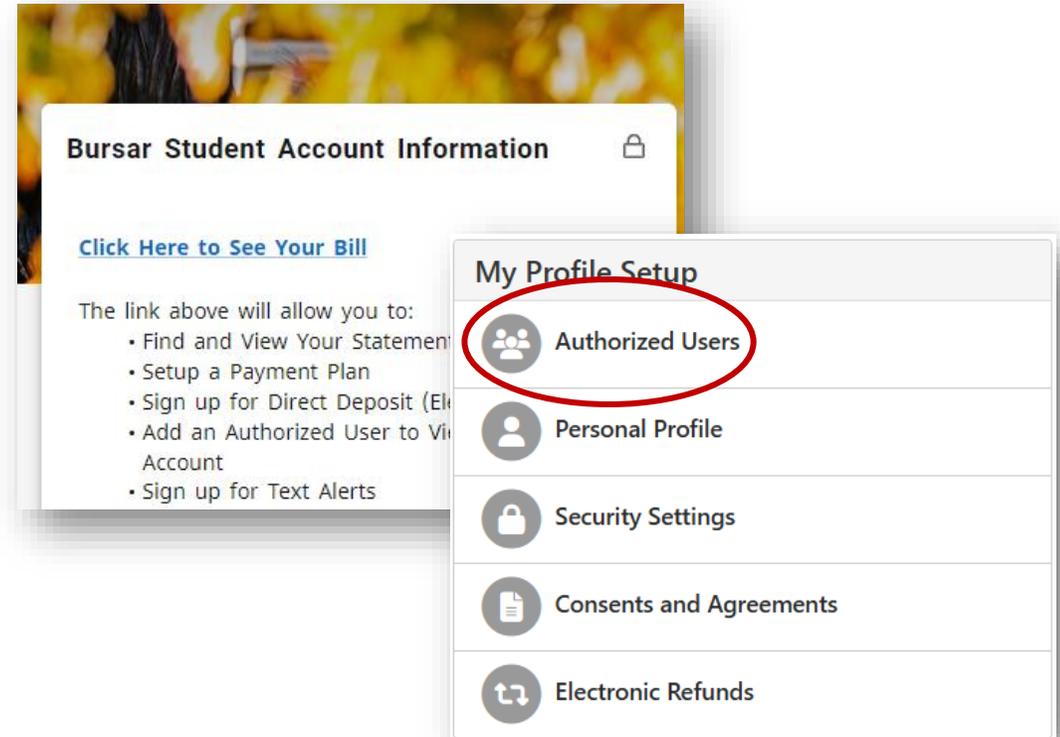
## PFW IT Services

- ❖ **If you have ANY issues or if you are missing your Bursar, Student To-Do List, Account Information, or Academic Support Cards contact PFW IT Services, you will need your 900#**

*ADDING AUTHORIZED  
USERS (PARENTS / GUARDIANS)*

# Authorized User Set-Up

- [GoPFW \(Link\)](#)
  - Setting Up Authorized User in GoPFW, allows your parent/guardian the option to log into your account and pay your bills
    1. Navigate to your Billing Student Account Information card
      - Click to view your bill
    2. Once on the Bursar home page, on the righthand side, select “Authorized Users”
    3. Select the “Add Authorized User” tab
      - Add your authorized user’s email address in the text box and select “Continue” *(seen on next slide)*
      - Read through the agreement thoroughly and select “I agree”
      - Your authorized user will receive 2 emails with instructions on how to access their authorized user account *(seen on next few slides)*



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## Authorized Users

Authorized Users

Add Authorized User

You can give others (parents, employers, etc.) the ability to access your account information. In compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), your student financial records may not be shared with a third party without your written consent.

Adding an authorized user is your written consent that an individual may view your account information and make payments on your behalf. Please note that authorized users DO NOT have access to your stored payment methods, academic records, or other personal information.

Email address of the authorized user

parentemail@example.com

Would you like to allow this person to view your billing statement and account activity?

Yes  No

Would you like to allow this person to view your 1098-T tax statement?

Yes  No

Would you like to allow this person to view your payment history and account activity?

Yes  No

Would you like to allow this person to receive your payment plan communications?

Yes  No

Cancel

Continue

### Agreement to Add Authorized User

[Redacted]

I hereby authorize **Purdue University Fort Wayne** to grant parentemail@example.com full access to my accounts, including ability to view all billing statements, payment history, and/or make payments accordingly. My payment methods and credit card and/or checking account information will remain confidential and hidden from all other users. I understand that I am still primarily responsible for ensuring that all my accounts are paid on time and in full.

Access to my accounts also includes the ability to :

- View my 1098-T tax statement
- Receive my payment plan communications

This agreement is dated 21-Oct-2025 3:06:07 PM EDT.

For fraud detection purposes, your internet address has been logged:

192.5.48.33 at 21-Oct-2025 3:06:07 PM EDT

**Any false information entered hereon constitutes as fraud and subjects the party entering same to felony prosecution under both Federal and State laws of the United States. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.**

Please check the box below to agree to the terms and continue.

I Agree

Cancel

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Hello and welcome!

You have been granted online access to view billing information for the following account(s).

You can now make payments on behalf of this student, schedule, automate future payments, and more.

To access the student's account, please log in using the site and username shown below. For security, we are sending the initial password for this account in a separate message.

### Access Information

Student Name: [Redacted]

Username: [Redacted]

For Authorized User login, please go to: [https://tweb1.pfw.edu/C20091\\_tsa/web/login.jsp](https://tweb1.pfw.edu/C20091_tsa/web/login.jsp)

Do not respond to ebill@pfw.edu; send inquiries to bursar@pfw.edu.

Sincerely,  
Your Purdue

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Kettler Hall  
o: 260-481-6824

Hello and welcome!

The student listed below has granted you online access to his or her billing information.

You can now make, schedule, and automate payments on behalf of this student.

Please log in using the password shown below. For security, the other login information for this account is sent in a separate message.

Purdue Fort Wayne has contracted with TouchNet PayPath, a third party company that processes credit and debit card payments. This allows students to pay tuition, fees, fines and other student account charges, conveniently, online with a credit or debit card. Effective with the Summer 2018 semester, students who use a credit or debit card to pay tuition, fees, fines and other student account expenses will be charged a 2.85 percent processing fee (minimum of \$3.00) by TouchNet PayPath.

You can avoid paying the convenience fee by paying online with an e-check, which is an electronic debit to your checking or savings account. This payment can be made over the Internet through go.pfw.edu. To avoid the convenience fee, choose the electronic check option.

You also can avoid the convenience fee by mailing a check, money order or delivering a check, money order or cash to the Bursar's Office. Always include your student ID number on the check.

### Access Information

Student Name: [Redacted]

Temporary Password: [Redacted]

Please Access go.pfw.edu

For general information, please visit our website at pfw.edu/bursar or call 260-481-6824.

For Authorized User login, please go to: [https://tweb1.pfw.edu/C20091\\_tsa/web/login.jsp](https://tweb1.pfw.edu/C20091_tsa/web/login.jsp)

Do not respond to ebill@pfw.edu; send inquires to bursar@pfw.edu.

Sincerely,  
Your Purdue Fort Wayne Bursar's Office

Kettler Hall, Room G57 | 2101 E. Coliseum Blvd. | Fort Wayne, IN, 46805-1499  
o: 260-481-6824 | f: 260-481-5495 | e: bursar@pfw.edu | pfw.edu/bursar

# Authorized User Set-Up

- [GoPFW](#) (*Link*)
  - Setting Up Authorized User (*continued...*)
  - **Good Things to Remember:**
    - Temporary passwords are only available for 24 hours after you receive them & are case sensitive
      - If you are using the same device that you received the email on, you can copy/paste it into the textbox when setting up your password.
    - If you are ever locked out of your account, or your password expires, please reach out to the Bursar's Office
    - Now that you are an authorized user, you will be in compliance with FERPA. You will be able to speak with our office about your student's billing information
      - You are granted access to:
        - Viewing your student's balance
        - Paying your student's bill online with card\* or electronic check.
        - 1098-T tax forms

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## Bursar

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- ❖ Email: [bursar@pfw.edu](mailto:bursar@pfw.edu)

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# *PAYING YOUR BILL*

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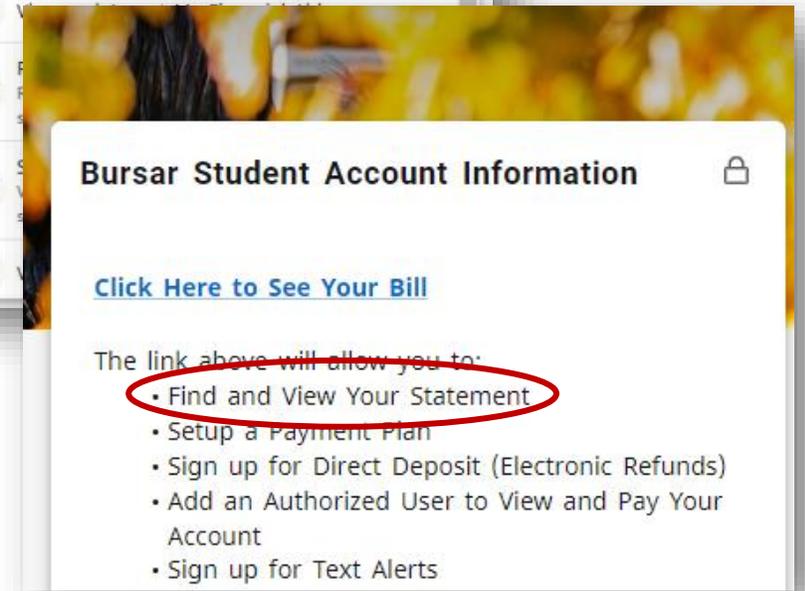
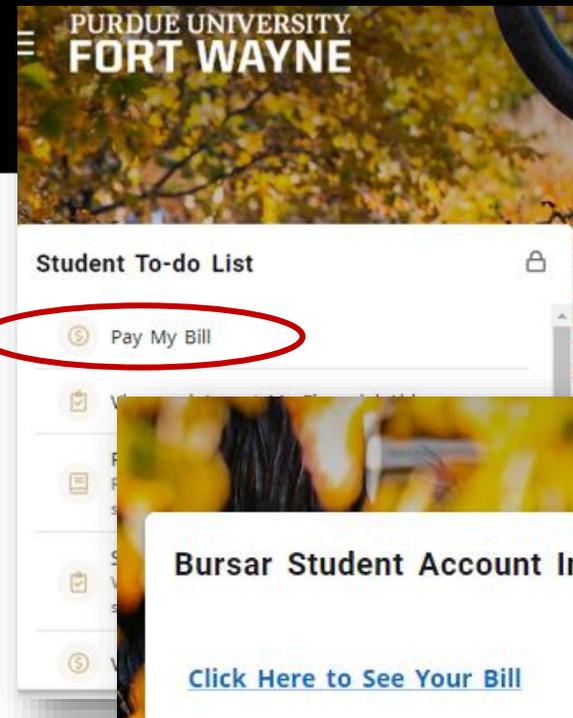
# Navigating GoPFW

## ■ Student To-Do-List

- Where you will find your most commonly used links
- If you have any questions regarding your class schedule, paying your bill, etc.

## ■ Paying Your Bill

- You can pay your bill online, by mail, or in person on our campus
  - [Bursar Payments](#) (Link) for more details
- Online
  - Log into your [GoPFW](#) (Link)
    - Find your **Student To-Do List** tile (probably at the very top right)
      - Click on the Pay My Bill link and then follow the online instructions
    - Using the **Bursar Student Account Information** tile you can add an authorized user (parent or guardian) to view and pay your account
- Questions
  - Please feel free to reach out to the Bursar Office
  - Important Note due FERPA rights, **only students can request information** regarding their bills



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### PFW Bursar

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- ❖ Phone: 260-481-6824
- ❖ Address: PFW 2101 East Coliseum Blvd. Fort Wayne, IN. 46805
- ❖ Ground Floor of Kettler Hall (G57)

# *NAVIGATING GOPFW & STUDENT RESOURCES*

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# Navigating GoPFW

- [Brightspace](#) (*Link*)
  - This is Purdue's online learning management system and where instructors will share digital content, engage in online discussion boards, submit assignments, etc.
- Other Services on [GoPFW](#) (*Link*)
  - Transcript Requests
  - Academic Supports Card
    - Access to tutoring, supplemental instruction, and peer-facilitated group study sessions for various courses
    - Disability Access Center
      - Students with disabilities can work with the center to access reasonable accommodations and other support
    - Also includes the Testing Services Center and Counseling Services
  - [Mastodon Campus Store](#) (*Link*)
    - Find textbooks and course materials, as well as important software downloads and other necessities
  - PFW IT Services
    - Submit a Helpdesk ticket, IT resources, and Web Print for students
- **If you are missing your Bursar, Student To-Do List, Account Information, or Academic Support Cards, contact PFW IT ASAP**



## Academic Support Services

Learning Support

Tutoring Center  
Writing Ctr, Speech and Presentation Service,  
Math, Science and Music Tutoring, Foreign  
Language Lab

Counseling Services

Disability Access

Studio M - Audio  
Location: Walb St

## Transcript Requests

Request Official Purdue Transcript  
Official PFW transcripts must be requested through  
Parchment

Request Official IU Transcript  
Official IU transcripts must be requested through the  
IU Main Campus

## Information Technology

Submit a Ticket to the HelpDesk

Information about Wireless Access

IT Resources for Students

IT Services Online Forms

Student Computer Labs

Web Print for Students

# Campus Resources

- **Academic Supports** *(All Active Links)*
  - [Academic and Learning Supports](#)
    - Access to tutoring, supplemental instruction, and peer-facilitated group study sessions for various courses
  - [Writing Consultation & Support](#)
    - Provides writing consultations for academic papers
  - [IT Support](#)
    - Can help you set up and troubleshoot your GoPFW account and answer other IT related questions
  - [Helmke Library](#)
    - Can provide crucial research assistance from reference librarians
    - Online access to all university libraries and professional databases
    - Vast data resources at the library and online (you must have an active GoPFW account)
  - [Disability Access Center](#)
    - Students with disabilities can work with the center to access reasonable accommodations and other support
- **Mastodon ID Cards**
  - Can be picked up at the Information Desk in Walb Student Union (you will need your #900 and state issued ID like your driver's license)
  - For more information go to [Campus Credentials](#) *(Link)*

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## CURRENT COLLEGIATE CONNECTION STUDENTS

Looking for academic supports and resources, or just have a billing a question; click below to get the answers you need.



*STUDENT PARKING,  
FERPA, AND STUDENT  
CONDUCT*

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# FERPA & Grades

## ■ Federal Law: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

- Designed to protect the privacy of students' education records and personally identifiable information
- Parent Access
  - Any student enrolled in any post-secondary institution FERPA rights transfer from the parent to the student
    - Which means **parents will have limited access to student information** (billing and course registration), **students will need to take the lead** regarding their PFW accounts
- For a listing of student rights and what is protected, please visit PFW's [FERPA \(Link\)](#) page

## ■ Grades

- All grades earned through PFW Collegiate Connection will be reflected on your permanent college transcript
  - If you are struggling in your courses you have options:
    - **Seek out academic support resources** either at your local school or on PFW's campus to help you or you can withdraw from the course up to a certain date, check the [Student Resource Page \(Link\)](#) for more information
  - If you earn a grade of a D+ or lower, then you will not be eligible to enroll at another Collegiate Connection course for one enrollment term



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GRADE	-	GPA	-	PERCENT
A+		4.0		97-100
A		4.0		93-96
A-		3.7		90-92
B+		3.3		87-89
B		3.0		83-86
B-		2.7		80-82
C+		2.3		77-79
C		2.0		73-76
C-		1.7		70-72
D+		1.3		67-69
D		1.0		65-66
F		0.0		0-64
P		Pass		

# Student Conduct and Benefits

## ■ Student Conduct

- Students are expected to uphold and conduct themselves in a way that is responsible and encourages honesty, integrity, and respect among Purdue Fort Wayne students and the campus community
- For more information on student expectations including academic integrity visit the [Office of Student Conduct & Care \(Link\)](#) or the [Collegiate Connection Student Handbook \(Link\)](#)

## ■ Additional Benefits

- Students in Collegiate Connection are PFW students, and have the same access to resources and benefits as any on-campus student
  - Over **85 student organizations and clubs** (everything from Actuarial Society to Military Science and Leadership to Table Tennis Club)
  - Free admission to all PFW home games
    - Including the games played at Memorial Coliseum (with ID)
  - **Access to the Gates Athletic Center** (indoor track, basketball/volleyball courts, fitness and weight areas)
  - Admission to **all PFW music, theatre, fine arts, campus, and department sponsored events** (depending on the event Free - \$5)
  - **Eligible for a student ID** which is used by numerous area businesses for discounts



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# *INDIANA COLLEGE CORE*

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## Indiana College Core (ICC)

### ▪ PFW College Core Certificate

- Is a certificate issued by **PFW** that demonstrates that a student has earned 30 general education college credits
  - These credits will transfer as a block to any public university or college
  - However, if a student fails to meet the 30 credits the course credits earned will be articulated on a course to course basis by the university
- Courses and Exams
  - Credits can be earned taking a mixture of dual credit courses and AP exams
    - But students must earn a C- or meet the minimum AP requirement for the credits to count
    - 15 of those credits must be earned through PFW
  - Credits must be earned in specific categories such as Quantitative Reasoning, Written Communication, and others



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## Indiana College Core (ICC)

### ▪ PFW College Core Certificate

- Creating a Plan
    - Students will need to meet with their PFW ICC advisor on a semi-regular basis
      - This is to make sure that students are taking the correct courses and to make sure they are making sufficient progress towards completion
    - [MyCollegeCore.Org](https://mycollegecore.org) (Link)
      - Students can make their own unique plans using the online tool with each school's courses listed
        - Courses do change and are updated by the Indiana Commission for Higher Education
- ### ▪ ICC is not a Guarantee
- That a student will be accepted to a specific college or university
  - That the credits will be accepted by a private university
  - That students will not still have to take additional coursework for the general education requirement at their chosen university

## Other Helpful Links

- [ICC Resource Guide](#)
- [TransferIn](#)



# Information About PFW



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# Purdue Fort Wayne

## ■ About the University

- Founded as a partnership between Indiana University and Purdue University Fort Wayne
  - The 2 schools split in 2018 into separate universities, we are now officially a Purdue campus

## ■ Academics [Degree Programs at PFW \(Link\)](#)

- Currently **over 200 programs** spread across 6 different schools and colleges
  - Programs range from Graphic Design or Music Industry to Computer Science or Civil Engineering
- Undergrad enrollment is about 5,500, student to faculty ration is **12:1**, generally smaller class sizes

## ■ [Admissions \(Link\)](#)

- Take the next steps and learn about becoming a full time Mastodon after High School

## ■ [Athletics \(Link\)](#)

- NCAA Division I

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