

November 11, 2026



Salute Our Military-Affiliated Mastodons This Veterans Week

Purdue University Fort Wayne's Center for Veteran and Military Student Success is hosting Veterans Week, celebrating and recognizing the university's military-affiliated Mastodons. Throughout this week, military-affiliated students can enjoy complimentary breakfast and lunch, connect with fellow veterans over coffee, and discover local support services at the Veteran Community Resource Fair.

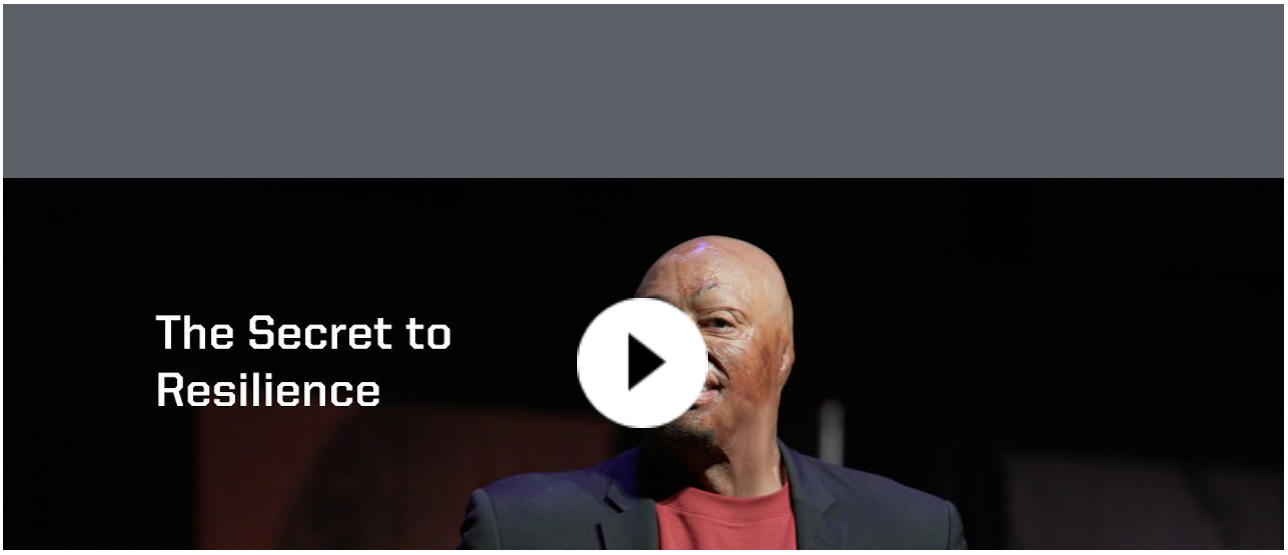
Additionally, the entire campus community is invited to visit the Science Mall today from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to view a special American flag display honoring the service and sacrifice of our nation's veterans.

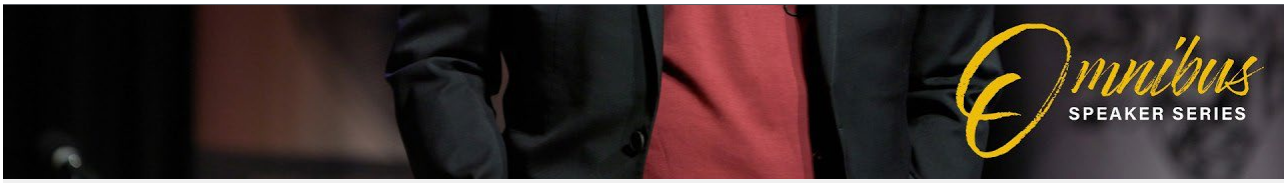
VIEW THE SCHEDULE



Mastodons to Host Horizon League Men's Soccer Championship Semifinal Today

With a 2–1 victory over Northern Kentucky on Nov. 3, the Purdue Fort Wayne Mastodons men's soccer team clinched the No. 2 seed for the upcoming Horizon League Tournament. The Mastodons finished runner-up in the regular season standings with 18 points in league play and will host the Wright State Raiders in a semifinal matchup TODAY at 4 p.m. at the Hefner Soccer Complex.





J.R. Martinez on Resilience, Purpose, and Showing Up | PFW Omnibus Speaker Series

What does it take to overcome life's challenges and find purpose through adversity?

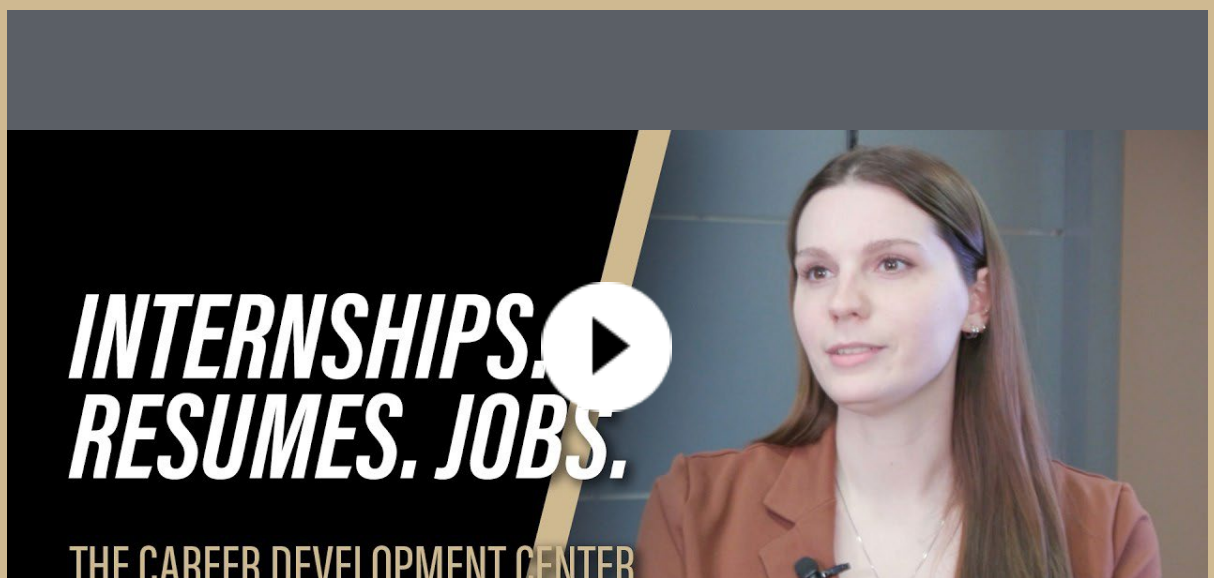
Before taking the stage for the Purdue Fort Wayne Omnibus Speaker Series, Army veteran, actor, author, and motivational speaker J.R. Martinez discussed resilience, service, and the power of human connection.

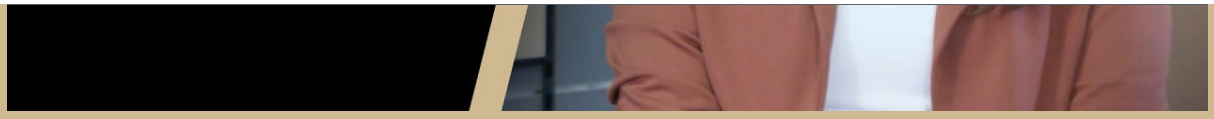
Drawing from his own experiences, Martinez shares why resilience is built through everyday challenges, the importance of showing up even when you feel unprepared, and how purpose and community can help guide life's journey.

Martinez also reflects on lessons learned from the military, his work hosting the Medal of Honor podcast, and why a commitment to service can provide meaning long after a particular chapter of life ends.

WATCH VIDEO

Mastodon Minute





From Résumés to Internships: How PFW's Career Development Center Can Help

Do you need help with résumés, internship searches, interview preparation, or career planning? In this episode of Mastodon Minute, Aly Kennedy highlights the many resources available through Purdue University Fort Wayne's Career Development Center.

Discover how PFW students and alumni can take advantage of these valuable resources to build confidence and prepare for their future careers.

WATCH VIDEO

PFW Receives $10,000 PATH Scholarship Grant for Student Financial Assistance

Purdue University Fort Wayne has been selected to receive a $10,000 grant through the Ellucian Foundation's 2026 PATH Scholarship program to help students facing financial hardship remain enrolled and continue working toward their educational goals.

If you are struggling financially, please **read more about the grant** and apply today!

Freshmen and Others up Next for Early Registration

Monday, starting at 8 a.m., freshmen and others will finally have their chance to take advantage of the opportunity to register early for the spring 2027 semester. For this priority group, patience has been a virtue—but now there's no time like the present!

Early registration is a great way for students to get the classes they want at the times they need. It's also not too late to meet with advisors who can answer questions and make sure everything is still on track.

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.

NOVEMBER
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Thurs., 11 a.m.–2 p.m.

ThanksStudentsGiving

The EMSE Engagement Board invites you to a FREE Thanksgiving style meal served by PFW faculty and staff in the International Ballroom...

NOVEMBER
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Fri., 7–9 p.m.

Friday Nights at Walb

Unwind your week at Friday Nights at Walb with a fun night full of fun, hosted by the Student Activities Board...

NOVEMBER
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Tues,, 11:30 a.m.–1:20 p.m.

From Ramen to Riches 2026

This financial wellness lunch and learn will help you prepare for financial success! Join us for free ramen and add-in varieties. Then, Fort Financial will show you how to avoid and pay off debt, build a budget, save, improve credit, and more. Followed by an interactive trivia game + a PRIZE...

Mastodon Moments

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



Traditional dances from Chad and Sudan were among the many performances from around the world featured at the annual International Global Celebration in the Walb International Ballroom. Before the acts took to the stage, plenty of international food, drinks, and desserts were served.

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