

For Faculty and Staff November 10, 2026



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 on Nov. 5, 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



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

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 on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 4 p.m. at the Hefner Soccer Complex. **Tickets for that game can be purchased now**.



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, on Wednesday the entire campus community is invited to visit the Science Mall 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 EVENT SCHEDULE

Student Government Association Allocations Timeline

Student Government Association is gearing up for the annual allocations process. The timeline for 2026–27 cycle is listed below. If a department is interested in receiving funding from SGA for the 2027–28 fiscal year, please pay close attention to this schedule.

Use the **allocations request form** to submit a request. Submissions can be made beginning

Thursday at 8 a.m. through Dec. 18 at 5 p.m.

Fall 2026

- Official Timeline Announced | Tuesday, Nov. 10
- Submission Window Opens | Thursday, Nov. 12
- Deadline for Budget Request Submissions | EOB Friday, Dec. 18

Spring 2027

- Preliminary Review of Submitted Requests | Tuesday, Jan. 12
- Deadline for Approval of Committee Nominees | Monday, Jan. 25
- First Allocations Committee Meeting | Friday, Jan. 29
- Departmental Budget Presentations | Feb. 5–March 5
- Allocations Committee Final Deliberations | March 19–26
- Deadline for Committee Deliberations | Friday, March 26
- Budget Recommendation Available to Senate | Monday, March 29
- SGA Senate Debate and Approval | Monday, April 5
- SGA Student Body President Review | April 6–9
- *Chancellor and Vice Chancellors Review | April 12–26

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 know of a student who is struggling financially, please encourage them to **learn more about the grant and apply today**!

Please do not nominate a student on their behalf. Students must apply for funding themselves.

Open Enrollment for 2027 Benefits Closes Today at 6 p.m.

Today (Nov. 10) is the final day for Purdue University and Purdue Global benefits-eligible employees to complete open enrollment for 2027 benefits. All benefit elections must be completed and submitted in Benefitfocus by 6 p.m. ET. **Read the details**.

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
11
Wed., 7:30–9 p.m.

Student/Faculty Chamber Recital

This unique, can’t-miss performance will feature various student and faculty collaborations...

NOVEMBER
14
Sat., 5–7 p.m.

Trumpet Studio Recital

It’s trumpet time! Join us for a boisterous, fun program featuring a variety of pieces performed by our trumpet faculty and students...

In a Snap

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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