

TRIO

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

TRIO Visits Cleveland



TRIO SSS headed to Cleveland, Ohio for this year's fall break cultural trip. The group visited the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Museum of Natural History. Students encountered interactive exhibits about the history of rock 'n' roll and icons who helped define musical movements. TRIO student, Bryant Williams, shared that he enjoyed learning about the roots of rock 'n' roll and was inspired to see the substantial contributions of African-American artists like Little Richard,

Chuck Berry, Ike Turner, and Bo Diddley who laid the foundation for modern music. Bailey Berndt was excited to add to her record collection an album that reminded her of her childhood.

In the planetarium at the Museum of Natural History, students viewed the movie, "Our Dark Universe," that took them on a journey beyond the borders of our own Milky Way Galaxy. Students also were given a tour of the night sky by a museum astronomer where they learned

how to spot planets and constellations in the night sky. Students also enjoyed exhibits featuring dinosaurs, animals, geological specimens, and even a rock from the moon.

The museum is Ohio's largest museum devoted to the natural sciences and one of the top 10 natural history museums in the United States. This trip had something for the artist, the scientist, the musician, and even the animal lover.

TRIO Celebrates National First-Gen Day



IPFW's TRIO programs participated in a nationwide event celebrating first-generation college students on November 8, 2017. This celebration commemorated the 52nd anniversary of the signing of the Higher Education Act of 1965 which helped establish supports for students in the United States who are the first in their families to attend college.

IPFW TRIO programs hosted a birthday party with cupcakes for campus first-generation students, staff, and faculty. The culmination of the event included a group photo of all those in attendance!

Did you know? Over half of IPFW's student population is the first in their families to pursue college degrees?

TRIO Upcoming Events



Like learning about other cultures? Want to share with others what makes your culture so great? Consider attending the next TRIO Cultural Conversations.

Students will explore culture from a social and biological perspective—learning about what makes each of us connected and unique all at the same time. Students will also get a chance to find out more about themselves by getting detailed information from Ancestry.com about their own DNA!

Jan. 29

Mar. 26

Feb. 26

Apr. 23

All meetings are in KT G30 from 3:30-4:30 pm.

TRIO Spring Workshops

Credit Cards/Identity Theft

Monday, January 29
12:00-1:00 pm in KT G30

Scholarship Essay Writing

Monday, February 26
12:00-1:00 pm in KT G30

Car Buying

Monday, March 26
12:00-1:00 pm in KT G30

Personality Types

Monday, April 23
12:00-1:00 pm in KT G30

TRIO Students Shine at B.F.A Exhibits



TRIO SSS students Rachel Hayre-Edwards and Emily Salisbury completed their senior fine arts projects and presented them at

Visual Communication and Design’s BFA exhibition on December 1, 2017, at Wunderkammer Gallery. Rachel’s project centered around a children’s camp inspired theme—complete with a project workbook and colorful display. Emily’s project incorporated her love of fitness, photography, and design and featured a cohesive collection of work out and weight training products specifically designed for women. Both student’s projects highlighted their graphic design strengths and included projects they are passionate about working on in the

future. TRIO is so proud of all the hard work and dedication Rachel and Emily put in over the last year to complete such amazing projects.



TRIO Goes to Washington



TRIO SSS is going to Washington, D.C. this summer on an exciting tour of our nation’s capital (tentatively July 29-August 2). Students interested should stop by the office to complete an interest form. As with all TRIO events, this trip is free for TRIO students selected. Students will be chosen for the trip based on available spaces, involvement, grades, attendance, and essay. All students with a confirmed spot will be notified in early 2018 and must attend a mandatory trip orientation this spring.

Trip Highlights:

- U.S. Capitol Building
- Holocaust Museum
- Arlington National Cemetery
- JFK Memorial
- WW2 Memorial
- Mount Vernon
- Vietnam Veterans Memorial
- Korean War Memorial
- Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial
- National Achieves
- Smithsonian Museums
- White House

TRIO Students Go International

Italy



Who? Miranda Hall

Where? Rome, Italy

How? Submitted an application to travel abroad with the Department of Fine Arts as part of an art history course. Miranda covered her expenses by earning an Indiana TRIO study abroad scholarship and a scholarship from the Department of Fine Arts. Miranda also

saved money from working on and off campus, and had some help from her parents.

What? “The sights were beautiful, the food was delicious, and art was everywhere! We stayed in hostels that are run by nuns giving us a true experience of what it might be like to live there.” Miranda encourages all students not to let money hold you back from reaching your goals but to push through the challenges and take advantage of opportunities that present themselves now. “If you don’t do it now, when will you?”

South Korea



Who? Angie Brice

Where? Seoul, South Korea

How? Angie knew she would love to go to South Korea some day and was excited to find it as an option through an existing IPFW Study Abroad program. She visited the Office of International Education and began plans for the trip with eight other students.

What? Choosing a destination already affiliated with IPFW can make study abroad a reality for those who don’t believe they have the funds to do so. These destinations offer study abroad opportunities at an affordable price. Angie loved learning about the history, culture, language, and economy of South Korea; and one day, she hopes to return as an English teacher. Angie encourages other students to take that leap of faith and travel somewhere far away—because for her, traveling to South Korea was the best experience of her life!



Who: Hugo Matta (front left) & Juan Beccera (back right)

Where: San Jose, Costa Rica

How? A group from Hispanos Unidos petitioned IPFW’s Student Travel Funding

Committee for funding and hosted fundraisers for other expenses.

What? The group volunteered at a children’s daycare and explored culture, economy, and the lives of native Costa Ricans. Hugo and Juan were compelled to help others around them while completing a once-in-a-lifetime trip. Hugo said the trip impacted our lives as students while also allowing us to motivate children in Costa Rica to follow their dreams! Hugo encourages students to get involved in student organizations and learn what resources are available on campus because you never know what great opportunities it might lead to.



Who? Jessica Camarena

Where? San Lorenzo, Ecuador

How? Jessica received an email from the Department of Biology about an opportunity to travel abroad and assist with medical care as a part of the Global Health Initiative program.

How? Jessica participated in multiple fundraising events including selling doughnuts to reduce the cost of the trip.

What? Jessica traveled with 11 other IPFW students to a medical clinic in Ecuador to assist in surgeries and attend to patients in need of medical attention. Jessica realized how fortunate we are here in the U.S. to have medical care we often take for granted. She also learned about general surgery and how one person can make a significant impact on others. Jessica urges students to always be grateful for what you have. “If you ever have the opportunity to travel to another country and help others, take that opportunity.”

TRIO Students Visit Amish Country



Experiencing a new culture doesn't always require a flight out of the country. This summer TRIO students explored the history and rich traditions of the Amish and Mennonite communities of northern Indiana. A visit through the Menno-Hof museum in Shipshewana led students through exhibits that displayed the hardships of early Amish and Mennonite families that ultimately led to their migration to the Midwest. Traditions and customs of the Amish and Mennonite people were explained through the museum's interactive exhibits.

To complete their experience, TRIO students also enjoyed a traditional Amish meal served family-style at Das Dutchman Essenhaus in Middlebury and browsed hand-crafted Amish items and baked goods in the shops surrounding the restaurant. Lorenzo Catalan was interested to learn more about the Mennonite community because his family was brought to the United States by the Mennonite Church. Guerda Julien thought the trip was inspiring, educational, and informative. She was particularly surprised by the diversity in both the Amish and Mennonite communities.



TRIO Students Help Run Restaurant



Hospitality Management majors Hannah Becker and Selena Andrade got an hands-on experience in the restaurant business this semester. Both students worked at the Athens Greek Tavern—a 100% student run restaurant overseen by IPFW's Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management. Both learned about what it takes to run a business and helped with all aspects of the restaurant from the menu to the décor.

This year's restaurant theme included tastes of Greece and the Mediterranean!



TRIO Launches Second Book



TRIO SSS at IPFW did it again! In October, TRIO students, family members, faculty, and staff gathered to celebrate the release of ***Every Student Has a Story: Personal Narratives from First-Generation Students, Volume II***

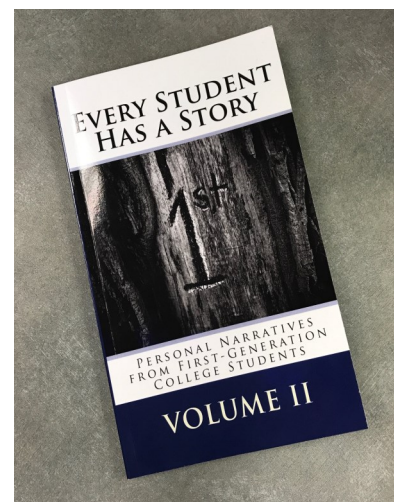
written by IPFW TRIO students. As a part of the book launch, Selena Andrade, Krystal Bendele, and Cordell England read their stories to the audience. This year's student stories ranged from difficulties in classes, to struggling with choosing a major, and even dealing with the loss of loved ones. Students shared from the heart what struggles they have faced in their journey to become the first in their family to earn a college degree.

The evening also included a first-generation student panel, Q & A session, and book signing.

TRIO is proud of all our 2017 authors and the amazing work that went into

writing and telling their stories! Any TRIO students interested in participating in the third book project can attend TRIO Writing Circle events this spring to learn how to effectively write a compelling essay.

Copies of the book are now available on Amazon.com with proceeds going back to help fund continued writing and publishing efforts of first-generation college students.



Student Authors:

Selena Andrade
Krystal Bendele
Bailey Berndt
Jessica Camarena
Lorenzo Catalan
Kristin Costello
Jo'Male Collier
D'Jara Culpepper
Cordell England
Riley Erck
Kayla Frick
Miranda Hall
Guerda Julien
Tiffany Lackey
Tayah Luckadoo
Megan Pearsall
Breanna Rene Putt
Gabriela Romo
Yin Thet



IPFW Hosts Indiana TRIO Alumni



On Saturday, July 29, 2017, over 100 TRIO alumni from the Fort Wayne area descended on IPFW's campus for a day of celebration. Students and staff involved with TRIO programs from IPFW, Ivy Tech Northeast, and the University of St. Francis came together to reconnect and catch up with other TRIO students and program staff. Attendees enjoyed a lunch, summer games, and had an opportunity to advocate for TRIO programs by writing postcards to elected representatives encouraging them to continue to support TRIO programs in northeast Indiana.

Fort Wayne is well-suited to host this first annual Indiana TRIO Alumni Event—having been home to a total of eight TRIO programs over the years including Upward Bound, Student Support Services, Educational Talent Search, and the Educational Opportunity Center. Events like this highlight the impact TRIO programs have on students, families, our community, and Indiana. Next year's Indiana TRIO Alumni Picnic will be held at Purdue University Northwest.

TRIO Welcomes New Students

This year TRIO SSS at IPFW welcomed over 50 new students to the TRIO family. TRIO New Student Orientation was held several days before classes began and helped introduce students to each other and to TRIO Peer Mentors (shown in red). Students participated in a first-generation panel discussion and team-building activities.

Throughout the fall semester, new students met with their TRIO peer mentors at monthly meetings with team-building activities organized by the peer mentors. Students also benefited from one-on-one peer mentoring sessions throughout the entire fall semester.



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TRIO Resource Center Opens



This fall TRIO opened a resource center in Kettler Hall Room G30. The room can accommodate small TRIO events but functions primarily as a study area for TRIO students. The room is open to TRIO students every weekday and provides a welcoming space for students who want to study or meet other TRIO students! This room gives

students a place to build community and strengthen relationships with peers on campus. If you haven't already stopped by, consider checking it out at one of TRIO's next Coffee Hour events: every Wednesday from 9-10:30 am.



Save the Date:

TRIO Awards Luncheon

Monday, April 9, 2018

12-1 pm in Walb Ballroom

Lunch provided. RSVP in the TRIO office.



Congrats to TRIO Club for winning 2nd Place in the 2017 Chancellor's Chili Cook-off!

Want to get more involved with TRIO Club? Attend an upcoming meeting:

TRIO Club Meetings
Thursdays
12:00—1:00 pm (KT G30)