



'The Big Give' Presents Big Opportunities to Make a Difference

The lead-up to Purdue University Fort Wayne's annual Day of Giving—dubbed “the Big Give” for 2023—has reached its moment of truth. With fewer than 14 hours to go until the opening bell, many who have already decided to support the success of PFW students via a donation of \$10 or more are eagerly awaiting the strike of midnight to make it official. For those who are still on the fence, it's not too late to learn more and help get the 24-hour campaign on Wednesday off to a great start.

Visit PFW's [Day of Giving website](#) for additional information and to catch a glimpse of how the generosity of anyone who understands the direct correlation between PFW student success and the success of northeast Indiana can make a mastodon-sized difference.



Steve Carr, director of PFW's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

PFW Center of Excellence Sponsors New York Film Premiere

Until presenting the context, it may sound unusual that Purdue University Fort Wayne is sponsoring a New York City film premiere.

German Concentration Camp Factual Survey was commissioned in April 1945 to be shot by newsreel cameramen accompanying Allied troops as they liberated Europe. The film was shelved until an abridged version was featured on the PBS show *Frontline* in the mid-1980s. Now the restored version will be shown at the [Museum of the Moving Image](#) in Queens on April 30. PFW's Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies is helping make that possible.

"For years, people thought the last reel of the film was lost, and this is the first time many will see the completed version in an actual theater," said Steve Carr, director of the Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies. "As the only academic center in the state exclusively devoted to the Holocaust and other genocides, I think our institute offers an important perspective on the importance of documenting atrocity."

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Lizi Brumbaugh, a music education major from Angola, works with a student saxophonist during a recent Fusion Band practice at Memorial Park Middle School.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

PFW, FWCS Students Share the Joy of Music through Fusion Band

When a group of Purdue Fort Wayne music education majors started working with middle school band participants from Fort Wayne Community Schools in January, nobody knew exactly how it would turn out. On May 2, both sides get to show how much they have grown during a free concert at 7 p.m. in Walb Student Union's International Ballroom.

Simply put, The Fusion Band rocks!

Made possible through an Amplify Art grant and under the guidance of John Egger, the School of Music's director of music education, the project lets 16 PFW music education students teach 50 middle school band members from across the district. During the spring semester, the group gathered for two hours every Tuesday evening for 12 weeks at Memorial Park Middle School. Everyone benefited.

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Open Forum on University Budget Scheduled for Wednesday

Purdue Fort Wayne is nearing the end of its annual process of preparing the budget for the next fiscal year.

Faculty and staff are invited to join the university's senior leadership on Wednesday for an open forum on the budget. This session will take place at 1:30 p.m. in Neff Hall, Room 101. The discussion will include a review of key priorities and a preliminary revenue outlook for 2023–24. It will also be [livestreamed via Zoom](#).



Carl Drummond, vice chancellor for academic affairs, presents the 2022–23 Outstanding Research Award to Nodir Adilov, professor of economics.

BUSINESS AND INNOVATION

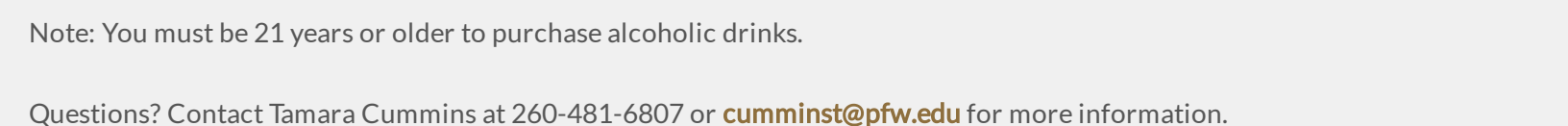
Purdue Fort Wayne honors Nodir Adilov with Outstanding Research Award for 2022–23

Nodir Adilov, a professor of economics, has received the Purdue University Fort Wayne 2022–23 Outstanding Research Award. An on-campus ceremony and reception took place on Friday afternoon.

Adilov's work, which spans the fields of space economics, media economics, industrial organization, energy economics, and applied economics, has been featured in prominent national and international media outlets such as *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Financial Times*, and *The Washington Post*. He and his co-authors have also appeared in leading economic and policy journals, which included the publication of their findings on the first theoretical economic models of space debris.

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Reserve Your Seat for Inaugural Chancellor's New Alumni Dinner



The Mastodon Alumni Community invites faculty and staff to join our graduates, family, and friends for the inaugural Chancellor's New Alumni Dinner in Expo II at Memorial Coliseum. Menu choices include chicken, beef, and vegetarian plated meals, and a cash bar option.

2023 Graduates | \$10
 Adults | \$25
 Children (3–12) | \$10
 Children (2 and under) | Free

Note: You must be 21 years or older to purchase alcoholic drinks.

Questions? Contact Tamara Cummins at 260-481-6807 or cumminst@pfw.edu for more information.

In addition, you're invited to join the alumni after-party in Expo III. Listen to the band A Night to Remember, enjoy an appetizer, grab a cocktail at the cash bar, and snap a pic for your socials at the photo station. Graduates will also receive a free commemorative gift.

[REGISTER FOR THE DINNER](#)

Data Analytics: From the Social Sciences to Industry



Kyler Hudson, a senior merchandising data analyst at Vera Bradley and Ph.D. candidate at the Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, will present a talk entitled "Data Analytics: From the Social Sciences to Industry" on Wednesday from noon to 1:15 p.m. in Kettler Hall, Room 246.

His presentation will focus in part on the use of global information systems and spatial analytics in academic and policy research; exploring patterns in voting behavior and setting voting districts; examining spatial patterns in crime, health outcomes, and education; and also its use in business.

Hudson is an IPFW alumnus who graduated with degrees in political science and history. In 2018, he was granted a Fulbright Student Award to travel to Western Canada to research rural-urban political polarization.

The talk is sponsored by the Anthropology Club, Data Hub Club, and the Pi Math Club. Free pizza will be provided.

Featured Events

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. Some opportunities are exclusive to university employees and their families. Check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

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 Thurs., 10–11 a.m.

Employee Well-being at Work: Plant Appreciation

As part of National Garden Month, the Employee Well-being at Work events in April are focusing on plant appreciation. Participants will receive a plant starter gift that includes a seed packet and small pot...

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 Thurs., 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Giving Voice Choral Concert

The choral concert highlights music of traditionally underappreciated and underrepresented composers and poets. This concert will feature University Singers, Chamber Treble Singers, and Choral Union, with choral...

APRIL
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 Fri., noon–3 p.m.

Biology Senior Seminar Poster Symposium

Biology seniors have been hard at work this semester—in the classroom, in the lab, and in the field. See what they've been working on at the senior capstone project presentation...

In a Snap

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

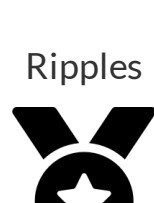
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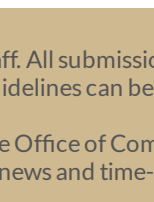
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