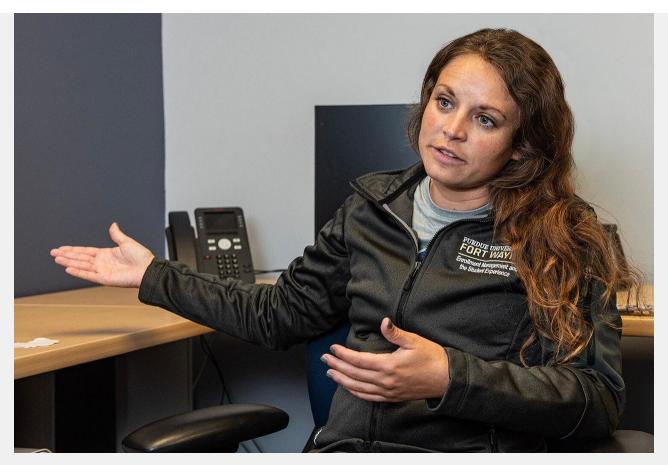


For Faculty and Staff

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Gia Casaburo, director of the Center for Student Counseling at Purdue Fort Wayne, sat down with Inside PFW to discuss the expanded services.

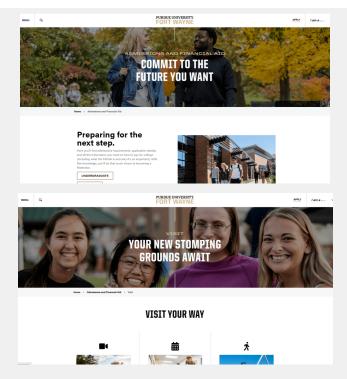
New Counseling Center Opening to Better Address Student Needs

As it strives to meet the individual needs of students campus-wide, Purdue University Fort Wayne is showcasing its new **Center for Student Counseling** with an open house from 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday. The center is located on the ground floor of Kettler Hall at the end of the corridor between the Department of Anthropology and Einstein Bros. Bagels.

The goal is to provide more services to students by offering greater flexibility and improved access.

"I think it's becoming more normal to voice if something is going on or to be more open about any mental health concerns you may have," said Gia Casaburo, the center's director who received a master's degree from the university in 2018. "I believe there is still a lot of pressure within being a college student, and sometimes there are concerns about sharing going on."

The expanded services are free to students, and they are allowed an unlimited number of counseling visits. The center will officially open on Monday, though some students have already started scheduling appointments, which can be handled by calling 260-481-6200 or by visiting the center's **new website**.



Academic Year Begins with Numerous Website Launches

The Office of Communications and Marketing, in close collaboration with campus partners, launched an impressive group of 15 new websites this week.

As part of the ongoing online communications project, these sites—some new and some reenvisioned—support undergraduate and graduate student recruitment and include critically important new sites that focus on safety and security and student counseling.

This launch comes at an ideal time. With the beginning of both a new academic year and the next student recruiting cycle, it was crucial to create new sites that are designed with the user experience front and center. Visitors will be met with critically important information that's well organized and easy to navigate—and that encourages engagement. Take a look at these new sites:

Admissions and Financial Aid Landing Page Admitted Students Apply Campus Safety and Security Center for Student Counseling Financial Aid Graduate Admissions International Admissions

New Student Programs Parent or Family Member Landing Page Request for Information Student Housing Transfer Student Admissions Undergraduate Admissions Visit

These sites provide a wealth of information, resources, and ongoing support for all users. The impact they will have on prospective and current students, their families, and the campus community is immense and reflective of the important and engaging work that takes place in each of these areas.

Campus Health Clinic Transition Finds New Provider in One to One Health

At its meeting on Aug. 4, the Purdue University Board of Trustees approved One to One Health opening a new and improved PFW Center for Healthy Living to replace the former Campus Health Clinic, which remains temporarily closed during this transition. The Center for Healthy Living is expected to open near the end of the fall semester.

The university is working hard to provide excellent services for all those who choose to receive care at this on-campus location. The new center will offer a wide range of services to treat common illnesses, manage chronic conditions, provide preventive care, and promote overall health. Additionally, the center will offer comprehensive lab services—preventive screenings and diagnostic testing—via One to One Health's Tier 1 lab services.

This location at Walb Student Union, Room 234, will remain closed during a renovation of the space, and while new clinical staff is being hired. Some employees and students will need to make alternate arrangements during this time. If you require continued care through a Lutheran Health provider, call toll-free 833-546-4968 to explore options. To request a copy of medical records, call 260-435-7013.

Referrals for in-network care may also be initiated via **anthem.com** or by calling member services at 855-502-6365. Additional information about the Purdue health plan and your specific benefits may be found in SuccessFactors by clicking on Benefits Enrollment; by contacting Human Resources at 260-481-6840 or **hr@pfw.edu**; or Amy Jagger, HR benefits director, at 481-6096 or **jaggera@pfw.edu**.

A sneak peek open house featuring professional renderings of what the remodeled space will look like is being planned for the near future. Stay tuned for more details.

During the transition, health coach Lindsay Bloom will continue to lead wellness education sessions.

BBQ to Wrap Up First Student Move-in Day on Thursday



At the end of the first student move-in day on Thursday, there will be a BBQ for faculty, staff, and helpers from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Alumni Plaza outside Walb Student Union to celebrate the start of the fall semester.

All faculty and staff are invited to stop by to grab a bite and a cold drink.



Volunteers Still Needed to Help Make Our Students Feel Welcome during Move-in Days

It's two of the fastest-moving days of the year, but also two of the most fun.

Move-in days for Student Housing are Thursday and Friday, and your help is needed. Volunteers will greatly help students get off on the right foot.

Faculty, staff, and student volunteers are urged to join the "PFW Student Housing Movers and Groovers" during two shifts, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and from noon to 3:30 p.m. Faculty and staff are asked to **sign up here to volunteer**.

There will be a variety of assigned, needs for all abilities, and each volunteer will receive a meal, as well as a T-shirt.

Mastodon Market Returning to Campus on Thursday



The Mastodon Market will return for its fourth year on Thursday under the skybridge between Walb Student Union and Helmke Library. The market is where students, staff, and community members can find vegetables, fruit, plants, desserts, or information. At times there will also be live music and a food truck.

Sponsored by Well-being and Recreation, the market's goal is to provide convenient access to fresh produce and related products. It is especially helpful for those students who lack personal transportation as the campus is in the middle of an area with limited access to affordable and nutritious food.

The market runs Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. until Sept. 28. This year's early vendors include Plowshares Food Hub, Taye's Treats, Hot Dog Boyz, Markitgifts, and Honey Plant. Each vendor has its own payment method.

Q Center Parents' Group Callout Meeting

Are you the parent or guardian of an LGBTQ+ youth? Do you want to learn more about how to support your child and others like them? The Q Center wants to hear from you.

This fall, the center is launching the Q Center Parents' Group, which is for parents who want to be stronger allies for their kids. The first meeting will be held on Sept. 7 from noon to 1 p.m. in the IdeaSpace at Helmke Library. Participation is open to any PFW or IUFW faculty and staff.

For more information, contact qcenter@pfw.edu.

Employee Development Series Begins in September

Registration is underway for the fall 2023 **Supervise for Success** employee development program. Scheduled to launch in September, this eight-week, certificate-based program is designed to help participants build self-awareness and learn how to lead for success. Employees will engage in case studies, problem solving, and other activities that enhance and develop key leadership skills.

Upon completion, participants will receive a certificate acknowledging their accomplishment.

Full program details are available **here**. Contact Dimples Smith at **smid@pfw.edu** or 260-481-6681 for questions or additional information.

REGISTER HERE

In a Snap

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



Awaiting the arrival of a friend to discuss the upcoming semester, computer science student Shatarupa Ghosh enjoys some shade and a summer breeze.

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