



## How We Work

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*How much do you really know about Purdue Fort Wayne? The “How We Work” series explores some of the untold stories about the university’s daily operations, its support for students and employees, its engagement in the community, and its various achievements. In some cases, you may even come to the realization that “I didn’t know Purdue Fort Wayne did this!”*



*Michael Kirchner spoke at this year's Military Appreciation Day at Purdue Fort Wayne.*

## Military Student Services Strives to Increase Reach

One of the essential functions of **Military Student Services** at Purdue University Fort Wayne is to help past and present service members transition into higher education. That can mean several different things, including assistance with applications for

education benefits, making connections with other campus and community resources, and cultivating a supportive environment by providing positive training for faculty and staff.

It's estimated more than 200 military-affiliated students are taking classes on campus this fall, but there might be more. Some may not know about the office, or they are not using their benefits for their own education, according to Michael Kirchner, director of Military Student Services at Purdue Fort Wayne.

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## Student-Photographer Capturing Highlights of PFW Journey

As someone who grew up in the Philippines, Aurea Alconera says, “Outside America, people would always say America is a dream come true.”

Alconera has found that sentiment to be accurate, especially during her time at Purdue University Fort Wayne. Now she's documenting her experiences as a Mastodon with her camera to show others how great PFW and America are.

The junior and other PFW first-generation college students will be highlighted at a **“First-Generation Celebration”** on Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Classic Ballroom at Walb Student Union. The event will include lunch, photos, and a panel discussion.

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## University Posting Policy Reminder

Does your office routinely post flyers or posters? University posting policy oversight resides with the Office of Student Life. The full policy can be found [here](#).

A few key points are listed below. If you have student workers who oversee the posting for your office, please pass this information along to them as well.

- All posters and flyers must have a date of posting—a DOP—in one of the lower corners (i.e. DOP 9/7–9/21).
- Do not post over other people’s flyers. Do your best to shift posters on the boards and kiosks to create room for yours without obstructing another.
- Do not use staples to post on bulletin boards or kiosks. They cannot be removed without some manual labor, so please do your best to use pushpins. There are extra pins at most locations.
- Post one individual event flyer per bulletin board or kiosk.
- Do not post on walls, doors, or glass surfaces unless it is your own office space.
- Do not leave flyers on tables.

If you have any questions regarding the posting policy, contact Alex Backer, executive director of student engagement, at [ambacker@pfw.edu](mailto:ambacker@pfw.edu), or Gail Lugo, administrative assistant, at [glentzeg@pfw.edu](mailto:glentzeg@pfw.edu).

## Featured Events

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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.

NOVEMBER

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Thurs., 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

## Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography

Francine's Friends mobile mammography coach makes getting a preventive mammogram quick, easy, and convenient. Call 260-483-1847 to schedule your appointment or to check on the availability of appointments. You may also stop by the mobile unit the day of the event...

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NOVEMBER

10, 11

Fri. 7:30 p.m. & Sat. 2:30 p.m.

## Two Opera One-Acts: *Slow Dusk* and *Signor Deluso*

*Slow Dusk* takes place entirely on the front porch of a farm in the Sandhills of the Carolinas and tells the tragic story of Sadie and Micah, star crossed lovers. *Signor Deluso* is filled with laughs, jealousy, and farce. Through a series of misunderstandings, the lovers Céline and Léon...

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NOVEMBER

10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18

8 p.m.; 2 p.m. only on Nov. 12

## Urinetown, The Musical

In the not-so-distant future, a terrible water shortage and 20-year drought has led to a government ban on private toilets and a proliferation of paid public toilets, owned and operated by a single megalomaniac company: The Urine Good Company. *Urinetown* is a tale of greed, corruption, love, and...

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*Check out the new faces in new places.*

## New Hires

- Zach Baker, administrative assistant | Doermer School of Business Student Success Center
- Sarah Bennett, account clerk | Administrative Business Services
- Brian Chambless, custodian | Student Housing
- Cassandra Freewalt, administrative assistant | Department of Chemistry
- Amy Lowden, financial analyst | Accounting and Budget
- Dale Ruppert, lab technician | Department of Mechanical Engineering
- Lindsay Tucker, custodian | Building Services
- Patrick Zickgraf, groundskeeper | Grounds

## In a Snap

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



Biology major and student senator Allyssa Hennessey serves up a fluffy dessert to Ron Friedman, dean of the College of Science and professor of physical chemistry, at the well-attended Student Government Association Pie-a-Professor event on Wednesday.

News Center



Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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