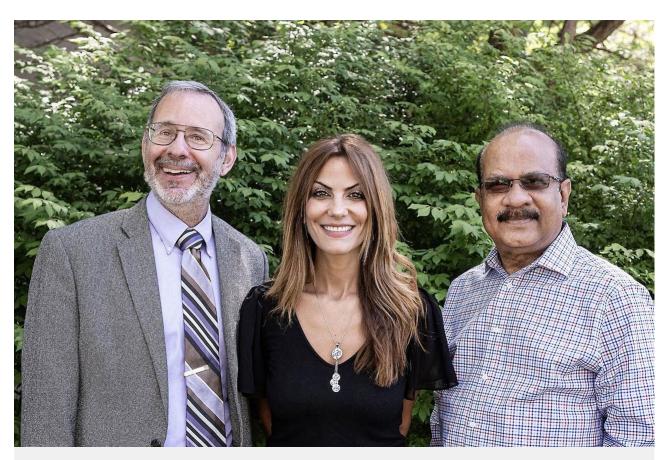


For Faculty and Staff

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Ron Friedman, dean of the College of Science; Farah Combs, Honors Program director and senior lecturer in Arabic; and Ahmed Mustafa, professor of biology.

#### Three Professors to Represent PFW in Bangladesh

Because of his success as a biology professor at Purdue University Fort Wayne, Ahmed Mustafa is renowned for his addiction, physiology, aquatic biology, and pharmacology classes. His aquatic life lab research, which centers on preventing diseases with alternatives to drug therapy, is among the most popular on campus.

But Mustafa is possibly even more revered in his home country of Bangladesh, though he moved to North America in 1995 and started teaching at PFW in 2001. Over the last decade, Mustafa has developed a relationship with Daffodil International University in Dhaka, Bangladesh, visiting almost annually whenever he visits his family. In 2022, Mustafa was honored as "A True Friend of

Daffodil International University."

Representatives of Daffodil have also visited PFW, including early in the recent spring semester when Emran Hossain, chief executive officer, came to Fort Wayne for a day. On behalf of Sabur Khan, chairman of the board of trustees, Hossain then invited Mustafa to make an official visit and bring colleagues.

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CSD graduate student Kaylee Bobay works with a client at GiGi's Playhouse.

# CSD Graduate Students Provide Free Speech Therapy at GiGi's Playhouse

Graduate students in Purdue University Fort Wayne's Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders program have collaborated with Gigi's Playhouse in Fort Wayne to provide free speech therapy services for their participants. Gigi's Playhouse is a Down Syndrome Achievement Center with worldwide locations. Under supervision from CSD faculty, students offer free speech therapy for clients to work on skills such as producing speech sounds correctly, social skills, and using functional language.

Izzy Wissel and Kaylee Bobay conducted mock interviews with clients ranging from children to

adults, and Dre Kline, Lydia Steffen, Molly Sinovic, Maddie Ludwig, and Sydnee Meredith worked with individuals. CSD students worked with participants enrolled in Gigi U, a program designed to teach communication and job skills, goal setting, and public speaking.

#### **News Spotlight**

A sampling of external news coverage of Purdue University Fort Wayne.

#### Lost weather balloon launched in Midwest later found in New York State

Hudson Valley Post | Sunday

### Purdue Fort Wayne offers automatic enrollment for 2025 seniors

FOX 55 | June 4

## Purdue University Fort Wayne eyes 2026 opening for new student housing

The Journal Gazette (subscription required) | June 3

### In a Snap

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



Before beginning drills on Tuesday, young participants have a friendly fieldhouse scramble for the ball during the Jon Coffman Basketball Kids Camp. The camp is coached by PFW players and staff.

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