



*Becky Palu is an assistant professor specializing in genetics and molecular biology.*

## New Fall Semester Course Teaches Students How to Write Research Papers

While the majority of Purdue University Fort Wayne academic departments encourage undergraduate students to conduct research projects, it's in the College of Science's DNA. Students earning degrees in CoS majors often expect to utilize what they've learned at the next level, which would include a significant amount of time writing research papers.

Becky Palu, an assistant professor who specializes in genetics and molecular biology, is offering a fall semester class focusing on course-based research and teaching students how to effectively conduct the work and write papers. The course will primarily be offered to seniors and graduate students who likely have basic experience working in a lab.

The course can give PFW undergraduate students a bit of a head start, because unless they are assisting faculty, most are not exposed to research writing until reaching graduate school.

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## Purdue Fort Wayne to Host Sept. 21 Gala Celebrating Multilingual Populations

With over 70 languages spoken in northeast Indiana and a proud history of serving as a resettlement destination for countless families, this region stands as a positive example of cultural and linguistic diversity throughout the Midwest. At the heart of this vibrant community are more than 7,000 multilingual learners enrolled in area schools, guided by dedicated educators.

To pay tribute to the efforts of these educators and the families who benefit from their efforts, the Teaching English as a New Language program and the **Three Rivers Language Center** in the School of Education at Purdue University Fort Wayne will host a gala on Sept. 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union.

The inaugural Multilingual Northeast Indiana Gala will shine a spotlight on the impact educators make in the lives of their students, and how that fosters the growth of northeast Indiana.

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## New PFW Portal Is Now Live



After a year of planning, a new goPFW portal that offers a better experience for employees and students is now live. A major goal during development of the new portal was to simplify and enhance the entire experience, adding functionality and efficiency to the application.

Users can see the big changes by visiting [go.pfw.edu](https://go.pfw.edu).

## Become Disability Zone Trained This Semester

As an essential element of the Disability Access Center's mission and vision for the Purdue Fort Wayne campus community, the center is hosting four Disability Zone Training sessions this semester for PFW and IUFW faculty and staff.

Disability Zone Training provides an overview of frameworks for understanding disability status in the U.S., examples of everyday ableism, and research-based strategies for being in solidarity with the disability community to create a more disability inclusive culture on campus.

Each three-hour session will take place in the IDEASpace at Helmke Library. They are open to the first 40 participants per session.

Join the 300 faculty and staff who have already completed training by registering for one of the following dates:

- Upcoming in-person training sessions in the IDEASpace:
  - **Sept. 24, 9 a.m.–noon**
  - **Nov. 6, 9 a.m.–noon**
- Virtual training session:
  - **Dec. 3, 9 a.m.–noon**

Contact the Disability Access Center at [dac@pfw.edu](mailto:dac@pfw.edu) if you have questions.



# In a Snap

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



*A job seeker hands off her résumé at the annual job fair hosted on campus by U.S. Rep. Jim Banks, R-IN, in conjunction with Purdue University Fort Wayne and WorkOne Northeast. The event took place Wednesday in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union. More than 60 employers who collectively were looking to fill more than 1,800 job openings were in attendance.*

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