



For Students

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New Hire Brings Relevant Experiences to Admissions Post

Though she only recently moved into her new office, there are already several indicators why Makenna Adams is a great fit for Purdue University Fort Wayne's Office of Admissions.

After transferring to PFW from Purdue West Lafayette for her final two years, Adams graduated in May with a degree in psychology, and during her senior year she worked the front desk in admissions. That experience exposed her to many of the questions a visitor might ask.

Like many students exploring the possibility of attending PFW, Adams faced those same questions earlier in her academic journey. That included discovering how many misconceptions she had.

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John Jensen, director of the Study Abroad Program and National Student Exchange.

Study Abroad Program Introduces Students to a World of Opportunities

The goal of the Study Abroad Program at Purdue University Fort Wayne is for students to gain a different perspective on the world. What often happens is they also gain different perspectives about themselves.

"I do recommend anyone considering studying abroad to do a lot of thinking about it because it can be a fantastic experience," said Bobby Way, a senior who spent the fall semester studying in Argentina. "I think about it every single day, and I try not to be that guy who always says, 'During my study abroad...' I don't want to overstate it, but it was generally so much fun."

By throwing him into "1,001 different scenarios where I didn't know what to do," the semester off campus—far off campus—pushed Way forward and helped him find more of who he is supposed to be. Now he's considering an international law career, recently took a post as a Spanish interpreter, and wants more travel abroad.

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PFW Celebrating Military Appreciation Day on Thursday

Purdue University Fort Wayne's annual Military Appreciation Day will be Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Science Mall.

The event will hopefully include a flyover from the 122nd Fighter Wing of the Indiana Air National Guard featuring two F-16s at approximately 11:11 a.m., weather permitting. The flyover is also subject to guidance from the wing. The significance of the timing is to remember the armistice that went into effect at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918, which signaled the end of what was at that time considered to be the "war to end all wars."

"We will have several activities that attendees can join including demonstrations of full military gear, a terrain display of a day in the field, a grenade toss, and a nonalcoholic Purdue Fort Wayne version of grog," said Nicole Welsh, senior compliance officer, Military Student Services. "There will also be an obstacle course that students can try, as well as food."

The event's goal is to bridge the gap between military and veteran students and more traditional students. **Military Student Services** annually works with more than 160 students.



Annual Constitution Day Observance Coming Next Week

Purdue University Fort Wayne's annual observance of Constitution Day will be held at Helmke Library on Sept. 17 starting at noon, 237 years after the original signing. Giveaways will include free pocket-sized copies of the Constitution, coloring pages, stickers, treats, and water. There will also be a Constitution trivia game hosted by the Department of Financial Aid.

Activities will kick off in the IDEASpace with a panel discussion on "The Roberts Court & The Constitution," hosted by the Department of Political Science. Participants include Benjamin Slomski, assistant professor; Georgia Wralstad Ulmschneider, professor emeritus; and Mike Wolf, professor, department chair, and interim director of the Mike Downs Center for Indiana Politics.

Starting at 2 p.m., there will be a reading of the Constitution by various members of the PFW university community outside the library along Mastodon Way.

The event counts toward students' **civics literacy requirement**.

The Constitution, whose preamble begins with the famous words "We the people," includes the seven articles that took effect in 1789. Twenty-seven amendments were added between 1791 and 1992; the first 10 are known as the Bill of Rights. The last amendment adopted prevents Congress members from granting themselves pay raises during the current session.

Good to Know

Party at the Pitch is Today

The fifth annual Party at the Pitch is set for today at the Hefner Soccer Fields. The Mastodon women's soccer team will play at 4 p.m. against Central Michigan, followed by the men at 7 p.m. vs. IU East. Admission for students, faculty, and staff is free with ID. The event, presented by Army ROTC, will have food trucks, a beer tent (21+), games, and student giveaways provided by the Student Activities Board.

Preliminary Work Starts at Site for New Student Housing Complex

Site work at the North Campus location of the new student housing complex has started with the installation of a perimeter fence on the property line, **shown here**. The posts have been installed and work has begun on other fencing materials. Travel on the roadways inside the site is now restricted to construction personnel only. Anyone who needs access to the Dolnick Center should use either the Dean Drive or Stellhorn Road entrances to get to the building from the south via Achievement Drive. This will also be the route for construction traffic.

Eventful

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

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Today, noon–1:15
p.m.

Propaganda or News? Examining Media Reports about US Immigration

In this Civics Literacy event, participants will learn techniques helpful for distinguishing between propaganda and neutral information in seemingly legitimate news sources. Then, in small groups, all will examine depictions of United States immigration and border issues and discuss how the media...

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Students of Color Open House

You're invited to visit the Multicultural Center for their annual open house. Meet the staff of TMC and learn about services and programming

Thurs., 11 a.m.–2
p.m.

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Fri., noon–3 p.m.

Mastodon Internship and Career Fair

This event is open to all students and alumni from PFW and IUFW for no charge. Employers will be recruiting for internships, co-ops, part-time, and full-time jobs...

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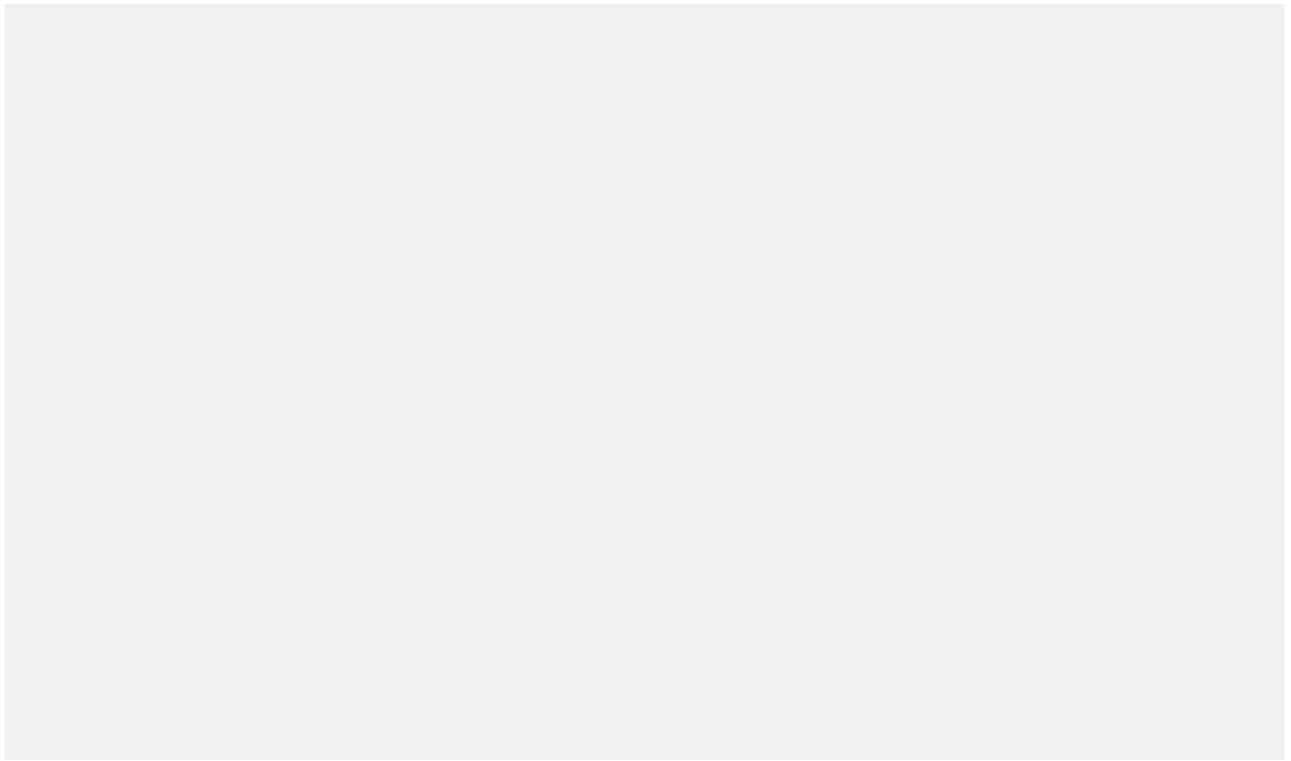
Mon., 4–6 p.m.

SAB Painting and Pudding

Enjoy some free pudding, grab a canvas and paintbrush, and let the creative juices flow...

Mastodon Moments

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





The first Fall Cricket Fest was held on the new pitch across Venderly Bridge on Friday. The multiday tournament, sponsored by International Education and WellRec, will also be held the next two Fridays.

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