

For Faculty and Staff

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Pictured from left to right are Carson Morton, Pia Briz, Heather Tierney, associate professor of economics, and Josh Fairchild.

# PFW Team Places Highly in Federal Reserve Board National Competition

As part of a class taught by Heather Tierney, associate professor of economics, seniors Carson Morton and Pia Briz and junior Josh Fairchild worked since before the fall semester to enter a video in a national competition called the College Fed Challenge and sponsored by the Fed. Teams of three to five students assume the role of advisors to the Federal Open Market Committee in the conduct of monetary policy.

The PFW squad was notified recently it finished in the top 18 out of 119 universities from across the country, placing among the top three in the Federal Reserve of Chicago District, only behind

the University of Michigan and alongside the University of Chicago. Tierney has taught the class at PFW since 2016 and also guided a PFW team to the national semifinals in 2022.

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## Purdue Fort Wayne Celebrating 25th Year with *FIRST* LEGO League

Purdue University Fort Wayne will celebrate its 25th year of involvement with the *FIRST* LEGO League by hosting the Northern Indiana Semi-State Tournament on Dec. 14 in the Lutheran Health Fieldhouse at Gates Sports Center. There will be 48 teams of students ages 9–14 hoping to advance to the Jan. 11 state finals in Speedway.

Including judges, referees, and more than 100 volunteers, there will be approximately 2,000 people participating from the opening ceremonies at 8:30 a.m. until the awards ceremony, which starts at 6 p.m.

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## Allen County gets federal grant to help with battery recycling

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#### In a Snap

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Students participated in a panel discussion and lunch with College of Liberal Arts majors and faculty entitled "Thriving Not Just Surviving" on Monday. Damian Fleming, associate professor of English and linguistics, moderated the conversation, which focused on tips and tools for succeeding academically and personally.

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