



Purdue Fort Wayne Announces Exemplar and Top 50 Recipients for 2025

Purdue University Fort Wayne has chosen its next classes of Exemplar and Top 50 recipients. These students not only excel academically, they go above and beyond in their communities.

Each year, college and school deans, department chairs, and/or faculty select students to be Exemplars. Those receiving this honor must complete an undergraduate degree during the fall, spring, or summer semester of the current academic year; have graduated with distinction or be tentatively qualified to achieve that status; demonstrate excellence in their areas of study; and have a record of community outreach in their field.

Since 2016, Purdue University Fort Wayne has also recognized a larger group of Mastodons for their enthusiasm and success in making the most of their full student experience. Called simply the Top 50, these individuals have high GPAs; excel in university activities, events, and organizations; and demonstrate strong community engagement across Fort Wayne and their

hometowns.

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Campus-wide Emergency Alert Test Scheduled for Friday



Purdue Fort Wayne will conduct a semiannual test of its emergency notification system at 1 p.m. on Friday.

In the event of severe or inclement weather, the test will be rescheduled.

Steps to follow during an emergency including a tornado are available by [clicking here](#) and scrolling down to the PROCEDURES section. Additional information can be found on the campus's [Safety and Security website](#).

If you haven't already, please consider signing up to [receive emergency mobile alerts](#), which arrive much faster and with greater reliability than automated phone calls.

Faculty, Staff Play Important Roles in Early Registration

Even if it's not considered an essential job function for every individual employed by the university, supporting students in their pursuit of a degree is at the core of what all faculty and staff do.

The early registration window for the upcoming fall semester will open for certain priority groups on Monday. A simple reminder to students about this opportunity might be just the word of encouragement they need to press on if they have any doubts about a return to campus in August. Help make all members of the campus community feel valued and supported.

Good to Know

PFW to Host WNIT Game for Second Consecutive Year

The Purdue Fort Wayne women's basketball team will host a Women's National Invitation Tournament game on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Gates Sports Center. The Mastodons will welcome the winner of the Navy and Old Dominion matchup on Saturday.

PFW students can get into Tuesday's game for free and receive a free popcorn. Faculty and staff, as well as students in grades 1–12, will also receive free admission.

Student Research and Creative Endeavors Symposium is Friday

The 28th annual Student Research and Creative Endeavors Symposium will be held Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the skybridge between Helmke Library and Walb Student Union. More than 145 students will participate. All members of the campus community are invited to attend.

Registration Open for Annual History Undergraduate Conference March 29

The annual Undergraduate History Conference is an opportunity for history majors and other history students to present their research to an academic and community audience. Papers will be organized in three panels on a wide range of topics, including the history of the CIA, American expansionism, Mexican art, wartime baseball, Ku Klux Klan violence, the Civil Rights movement, Victorian bigamy novels, French fashion, and Soviet propaganda. Download the schedule [here](#).

Lunch will be provided to everyone who **preregisters for the conference**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Take Back the Night Mixer April 24

The **Take Back the Night Mixer**, sponsored by the Sexual Assault Prevention and Advocacy Program, is scheduled for April 24 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the atrium at Walb Student Union. The annual event is designed to create a safe, empowering space for students and community members to connect, share stories, and engage in meaningful conversations about ending sexual violence.

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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Faculty and Student Chamber Recital

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Today, 7:30–9:30
p.m.

This collaborative evening will feature the talented faculty of the Purdue Fort Wayne School of Music and their exemplary students...

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Mon., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Bachelor of Science in Interior Design Exhibition

Students from the Department of Art and Design will exhibit their senior projects as the culmination of their year-long interior design studio projects. The exhibition, which will be on display through April 27, will feature fresh and unique design concepts for residential and commercial...

In a Snap

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



Students showed off their special spuds on Tuesday during the Student Activities Board's annual St. Paddy's Day potato bar in sunny Alumni Plaza.

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