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At Indiana University Northwest, student success is at the core of all that we do. For many, we are the next step toward a more fulfilling future. And for all, we are enriching minds, advancing lives, and building better communities.

When our campus thrives, so does our region. Through our diverse working and learning environment, we contribute to the continuing growth, strength, and vitality of Northwest Indiana. That's why we must stand together and support our future leaders, professionals, and global thinkers—the people who will shape tomorrow's landscape for the better. Because together we can give our students the foundation, tools, and resources they need to realize their dreams.

As part of **For All: The Indiana University Bicentennial Campaign**, we're raising critical private support to offer access to educational opportunities and address regional priorities.
With your gift, we can expand our already substantial impact on Northwest Indiana.

Together, we can create a stronger campus and a more vibrant community, and fulfill our promise as the region's university.



### GOAL #1: EXPAND STUDENT SUCCESS AND REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

As the region's university, we have a responsibility to provide a personal, affordable education for all who seek it. We are preparing students to improve their lives and to become our future professionals and leaders.

At IU Northwest, many of our undergraduates are first-generation college students and adult degree-seekers who lack the funds to pursue higher education. But thanks in great part to the philanthropic spirit of our donors, scholarship assistance makes earning an IU degree possible for deserving students like Datianna Tillman.

A native of Gary, Indiana, Datianna admits that it was sometimes a struggle growing up in a single-parent household with two younger siblings. Despite her desire to attend college, she knew she wouldn't be able to cover tuition. However, her hard work and determination paid off, and Datianna was awarded the Sylvia Doyne Collins City of Gary Scholarship, which continues to carry her through her undergraduate degree.

Datianna's story is very common at IU Northwest—and it's exactly why scholarships are so important. Tom and Sylvia Collins established the Sylvia Doyne Collins Scholarship to inspire and nurture tomorrow's leaders in their hometown of Gary—and because they know what an important difference the gift of tuition can make. Like the Collinses, you can make an investment in the future by giving deserving individuals a transformative education.

Your support and commitment to our campus enables our students' success, and makes a world-class IU education, close to home, attainable for all. Together, we can create new generations of professionals who will thrive and contribute to the success of Northwest Indiana.

## IT STARTS WITH YOU

Undergraduate
scholarships empower
students from all
backgrounds to earn their
degrees and gain the
professional experience to
excel, so that they become
successful members of
our community.

## AT IU NORTHWEST

Our students need your support: more than two-thirds receive some form of financial aid.

Three-fourths of our alumni stay in the region, helping to further advance Northwest Indiana.

YOUR GIFT TO

## INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST

HELPS
PROVIDE
SCHOLARSHIPS
FOR DESERVING
STUDENTS

"MR. IU" GAVIN MARIANO

WHO
EARNED HIS
M.S.W. DEGREE

FROM IU NORTHWEST IN 2014

THE CRISIS CENTER

WHERE HE
EMPOWERS
FAMILIES
AND
STRENGTHENS
COMMUNITIES

an early
intervention
and youth
development
center in Gary

HELPING ADVANCE
OUR REGION
FOR GENERATIONS
TO COME



GOAL #2: DEVELOP WORLD-CLASS FACULTY AND SUPPORT THEIR RESEARCH

Academic excellence is the hallmark of the IU Northwest curriculum. And at its heart is our world-class faculty.

We feature a faculty of leading experts and award-winning educators. Nearly 65 percent of our full-time faculty are tenured or on a tenure track, with more than 80 percent having achieved the highest degree attainable in their field. Our professors have contributed to some of the world's top academic journals, exhibited their art in internationally acclaimed galleries, and been awarded Fulbright grants and other prestigious research and teaching awards. Through faculty-led research, hands-on learning, and innovative classroom projects, our students' minds and skills are continually strengthened.

Erin Argyilan, associate professor of geosciences, is only one example of an outstanding educator. She, along with her students, is leading research behind the mysterious holes developing on Mount Baldy, a site at the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. She discovered that the pockets in the dunes were actually formed around branches and tree trunks enveloped by wind-blown sand. Her work has caught the attention of scientists internationally, and has been featured by *National Geographic, Smithsonian Magazine*, and the Weather Channel.

With your support, we can continue to attract and retain world-class professors like Erin, and create the resources that enable them to teach and mentor the next generation. → IT STARTS → WITH YOU

Faculty endowments
and research grants
build and sustain the
work of our outstanding
faculty of teacher
scholars, who foster a
community of excellence
and continue to enhance
our reputation.

"It was awesome to work in the field with Dr. Argyilan. She believed in me, taught me to persevere, and gave me access to the opportunities I needed."

—Cathy Brilmyer, Class of 2014
Field Technician, U.S. Geological Survey



#### GOAL #3: CREATE INNOVATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

At IU Northwest, we're proud to have created a campus culture where teaching, research, and community service intersect. But with increased enrollment and rapid technological advances, our current facilities are in need of modernization, to ensure that we continue delivering a first-rate education in state-of-the-art environments.

To meet these burgeoning demands, we've begun construction of a new Arts and Sciences building,

in partnership with Ivy Tech Community College. This three-story structure will house multiple programs, including fine and performing arts, as well as shared classrooms and an informal study area. Our ultimate vision for the building is to establish a creative cornerstone for IU Northwest, a place where students can collaborate and pursue their passions. It will also contain a state-of-the-art, 500-seat performing arts venue and a smaller black box theater.

We also aspire to develop a promising green space that will beautify our grounds, benefit our community, and enrich the campus experience. Tamarack Green, on the former site of Tamarack Hall, will include a pavilion, native plants, and a dry stream—transforming it into an area where the campus and community can study, relax, and congregate.

However, to build Tamarack Green and fully equip the Arts and Sciences Building as a world-class facility, we need you. With your support, these new developments will fully support the work of our students and faculty, while creating an environment that all of Northwest Indiana can enjoy.

Together, we can ensure that IU Northwest is recognized as a cultural center for all.

"I envision a state-of-the-art theater in which an impressive variety of cultural events can come to IU Northwest, further strengthening our campus and the cultural identity of this region. This space will house important social and educational events for decades."

-Mark Baer, M.F.A.
Assistant Professor of Theatre

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Supporting highquality facilities for our students enhances their learning environment and experience, and ultimately ensures student success.



GOAL #4: CREATE A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY

The future of patient care in Northwest Indiana depends on our campus' ability to attract and educate tomorrow's physicians and health care professionals, today. To fully meet this challenge, we must prepare highly skilled, compassionate individuals who will go on to care for children, families, veterans, and the underserved—right here, in our hometowns.

As the region's university, we're proud to be a leader in health care education. And we remain committed to healing patients by directly integrating our students—future nurses, doctors, dental assistants, radiographers, and social workers—into Northwest Indiana's local hospitals and health care clinics.

Nursing student April VanMilligan is only one of the many students at IU Northwest who is complementing her education with real-world experience. For April, that

means working the night shift on a critical care floor at a local hospital. As a patient care novice, she's learning firsthand what it truly means to be a compassionate, competent caretaker and nurse for very ill patients.

Like April, most individuals who pursue an IU Northwest education consider this region their home. So they're deeply invested in its people and their overall health, vitality, and quality of life.

Your support can attract aspiring healers and providers like April, who, in turn, can bring about local, long-lasting change. Together, we can do our part to meet the growing health care needs of our region and improve the well-being of Indiana's citizens, for the benefit of all.

## → IT STARTS ← WITH YOU

Through the College
of Health and Human
Services and our
collaboration with the
IU School of Medicine—
Northwest—Gary, we
prepare future health care
professionals to make
long-lasting contributions
within our communities.

"Becoming a nurse will fulfill my desire to help people and to give back to my community. I know that I can make a difference, and that's really gratifying."

—April VanMilligan, Class of 2017
Nursing Student

# FOR ALL WHO INVEST IN OUR FUTURE

This is the moment when you can make an impact for all. It's a time when your participation can move IU Northwest forward and contribute to our legacy. When we raise the bar for IU Northwest, we lift everyone in our region. But, we know this is only possible with your support.

Together, we can provide our region's students with access to personal, affordable education, regardless of their financial circumstances.

Together, we can empower our world-class faculty to discover new knowledge, as they inspire the next generation of leaders.

Together, we can advance our campus through a modern, fully equipped environment that sparks creativity and innovation.

And, together, we can bring hope and better health to the communities we call home.

By investing in our future, we can ensure that this campus will always be a place that shapes productive community leaders. A campus that ignites knowledge and creativity. And an institution with the passion, talent, and will to develop solutions that build a smarter, healthier region.

Because together we can fulfill the promise of stronger communities, a healthier Indiana, and a brighter tomorrow for all.



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