

IUPUI DIVISION OF
UNDERGRADUATE
EDUCATION



FOR ALL

The Indiana University **Bicentennial Campaign**

FOR ALL WHO KNOW THE POWER OF A STRONG START

We know that a brighter future for Indiana depends on higher education. And to realize that future, we must do more than simply offer degrees. We must support, guide, and surround students with plentiful resources that meet the needs of their individual educational journeys.

At the IUPUI Division of Undergraduate Education, we are the gateway for new and first-year students, supporting them through the transition to their academic school of major choice. We promote on-time graduation for all undergraduate students at IUPUI. We are guides and mentors, advisors and counselors—a coalition of people who work every day to ensure that the next generation thrives.

And with your help, we can be the single most powerful force for change in the lives of IUPUI students. We will help them overcome financial need and shortfalls in academic preparation. We will elevate their college experience, helping them explore possibilities that might otherwise go unseen. We will continue to offer innovative programming and effective services, providing an even stronger foundation for their educational and career success.

Join us as we raise critical private support as part of ***For All: The Indiana University Bicentennial Campaign.***

Because together, we can fulfill the promise of a stronger Indiana and a more prosperous world for all.



FOR ALL THE OPPORTUNITIES WE WILL CREATE

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Undergraduate scholarships build a dynamic, highly talented student body and help equip our students to create a stronger, richer society.



GOAL #1: INCREASE SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

First-year students are at the most critical and vulnerable point in their educational experience. They've gained entrance to an excellent university, but then must navigate the rest of an often-complicated journey.

Here at the Division of Undergraduate Education, we help all traditional and nontraditional students build a strong foundation and move toward completing their degrees.

Through scholarship support, we can help our undergraduates overcome countless challenges—whether they're first-generation collegians from a lower socioeconomic background, returning adults balancing classes with a full-time job, or transfer students missing out on early intervention services. We can see these students graduate and thrive, together.

The world is calling for us to mentor and develop a dynamic generation of professionals who will shape the next century. These future leaders become graduates like **Naseer Bade '99**, founder and CEO of Federal Merchants Corp, an Indianapolis-based business that provides government agencies with IT products and

solutions. The small business enterprise reached \$4 million in sales in 2014 and shows no signs of slowing down. Not only is Bade's company feeding the economy in Indianapolis, it's also hiring students from IUPUI. His success strengthens our communities while providing new opportunities for the next generation.

"I credit my success in business and finance to the foundation I built at IUPUI."

—Naseer Bade '99
Founder and CEO, Federal Merchants Corp

Undergraduate scholarships can open doors to many students like Bade: students who will make the most of every opportunity they have to achieve. But their success depends on us. When we match our students' talent and intelligence with the opportunity to focus on their studies—rewarding their ambition with the chance to dive into their work—we're doing far more than transforming lives. We are, through the achievements of our students, creating a stronger future for their families, their communities, and the state of Indiana.



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Innovative programs and support services shape our students' journeys, improve their learning outcomes and degree completion rates, and ultimately prepare a talented workforce that will improve the socioeconomic welfare of Indiana and beyond.

FOR ALL WHO GUIDE US TOWARD SUCCESS

GOAL #2: SUSTAIN INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Higher education is an essential thread in building stronger communities. And only when we deliver the best possible educational experience can we produce the brightest contributing members of society.

That's why our centers of responsibility work each day to improve coordination between the 17 schools that confer undergraduate degrees at IUPUI—to ensure that every student is engaged in high-quality academics and high-impact, innovative programs.

Through these centers, we assist our students as mentors, tutors, organizers, and advisors, at the times when they need the most guidance and support. With your investment, we can continue our excellent track record of meeting undergraduates' needs and seeing them flourish as they enter the next step of their successful lives.

University College (UC)

Among the more than 20 student services housed in UC, we offer first-year seminars, themed learning communities, bridge programs, student-focused advising, tutoring, and multiple peer-mentoring initiatives—all in an effort to ease the transition for first-year students and give them a sense of the possibilities they'll find at IUPUI.

Degree Completion Office

The path to higher education isn't always a linear one. And through the many services in our Degree Completion Office, we help returning students—those who have previously earned some college credit—pick up where they left off and move forward.

Center for Coordinated Undergraduate Initiatives

This center supports faculty and staff leaders in launching, assessing, scaling, and sustaining programs and services that enable students to make the most out of their undergraduate experience. From IUPUI Career Edge, a program that provides a step-by-step process connecting education to experience, to the RISE initiative that encourages experiential learning, to the Council on Retention and Graduation, the center champions the highest quality experience for all IUPUI undergraduate students.



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University College supports students through peer mentoring programs, academic advising, and career counseling services—helping them take full advantage of the university experience and become well-rounded graduates.

FOR ALL THE WAYS WE'LL INSPIRE

GOAL #3: CONTINUE TO INNOVATE PROGRAMS THROUGH UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

At University College, our faculty members, advisors, and peer mentors work every day to connect our students with the full breadth of opportunities available to them. And we are constantly developing new, inventive avenues to reach and inspire our many undergraduates.

A LEGACY OF MENTORSHIP

Daniel Popoola '12 credits much of his current success to University College's mentoring programs. Currently a doctoral candidate in behavioral neuroscience at Binghamton University, he says that most of his IUPUI memories center on his placement in the Bepko Learning Center. Through peer study groups and mentoring experiences, he was able to flourish academically. And those connections sparked a ripple effect that continues in Popoola's life today.

He has since mentored for the 21st Century Scholars, America Reads, the Howard Hughes Medical Magnet Program, the International Peer Mentoring Program, and Peer-Led Team Learning. As a graduate student, he has also guided matriculating students, student research interns, and aides who have served on his team. He sees mentoring as an opportunity to give back—to provide others with the direction he so appreciated.

“My time at University College significantly founded, defined, and sustained my success at IUPUI, which in turn has led me to where I am today. Admission to UC was the trigger for discovering who I am.”

—Daniel Popoola '12



NEW FORMS OF SUPPORT FOUND ON THE STAGE

Through UC's themed learning communities (TLCs), students from the class of 2018 recently took part in an ethnographic theatre performance entitled "My First Year: Fantasy Forest or Jaguar Jungle." Under the direction of Regina Turner, associate professor of communication studies, players relayed their experiences about transitioning to college-level academics and campus life—including class scheduling issues, financial responsibilities, and dealing with personal, familial, and romantic hardships.

By balancing these challenges (the "jaguar jungle") with more positive campus experiences (the "fantasy forest"), the characters find enduring friendships and greater confidence. And ultimately, they see that they aren't alone.

With your investment in University College, we will continue to provide premier academic support services that enhance the undergraduate experience for countless students like Daniel Popoola. We will institute even more innovative programs like Regina Turner's that shed light on the shared student journey. Together, we will maintain and expand IUPUI's high educational standards, and create the foundation for a thoughtful, well-educated workforce.



"First-year students have the difficult task of transitioning from one life to another. It always helps to know that others are having similar joys and difficulties. Theatre helps to accelerate and give meaning to the journey."

—Regina Turner

*Associate Professor of Communication Studies
School of Liberal Arts and University College*



Regina Turner

When you give to the

DIVISION OF UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

you're providing world-class **LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS**

THAT FORGE STRONGER CONNECTIONS BETWEEN

- students
- faculty
- academic advisors
- professional mentors

AND EMPOWER OUR STUDENTS

[as they complete their degrees]

and a **SMARTER WORKFORCE**

SO THEY BECOME PART OF **STRONGER COMMUNITIES**

PROPELLING INDIANA TOWARD A BRIGHTER FUTURE

FOR ALL WHO KNOW THE TIME IS NOW

The success of our communities depends on the achievement of every student at IUPUI. To see our undergraduates thrive, we must continue to support them along their journey. That journey begins with an investment in the Division of Undergraduate Education.

With your help, we will recruit talented individuals of all backgrounds and means. We will see that their ambition and drive to succeed are matched with opportunity and support. We will provide innovative programming and holistic assistance. We will open our doors wide to those seeking the best possible educational experience.

Because together, we can lay a secure foundation for every student. Together, we can meet students' needs and elevate their long-term trajectories. Together, we can prove that there's no greater return on investment than an education at IUPUI.

Join us, and help fulfill the promise of a stronger Indiana and a more prosperous world for all.



FULFILLING *the* **PROMISE**

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