

The Mentor

**UPCOMING
EVENTS &
DEADLINES
events**

**SPRING BREAK
(MARCH 16-20)**

**Women of Color
Leadership
Conference
(April 3-4)**

deadlines

**WOCLC Registration
Deadline
(March 30)**

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director's desk



Wow, we are already mid-way through the spring semester!

As we approach day light savings time I want to take a little time to reflect upon Black History Month. This year, the Office of Mentoring Services and Leadership Development partnered with the African American Arts Institute to put on the "Black History Art Fair." Members from the IU and Bloomington community took advantage of the opportunity to showcase their talents. Artists such as Wayne Manns, Joel Washington, Soul Revue, the African-American Dance Company, and several others participated in the event. I want to thank everyone for coming out to support the program.

a few good men

The Men of Color Leadership Institute is a student organization that prides itself on creating opportunities for men of color on the IU campus and the Bloomington community. Not only do these young men hold the nine objectives that govern their organization in high regard they also understand the need to expand them beyond the campus to benefit the future leaders of IU Bloomington campus with the MOCLI Mentoring Program at New Technology High School. New Technology High School is a project based learning institute that opened its doors for the first time this year in Bloomington, Indiana. The MOCLI saw this as an opportunity to expand their services to the community at large.

"It's the school's inaugural year so they only have a freshman class," Dion Northern, Senior Telecommunications major here at IUB and president of the MOCLI said, "that means they don't have anyone else to model after." And this is where the MOCLI stepped in to provide that guidance.

"Our first project is going to be a collage," Northern said, "it will give the mentors and the protégés a chance to bond."

"We are also looking to expand the program to both Bloomington South and North High Schools." Northern said.

This Obama Portrait, by artist Joel Washington, was displayed at the Black History Month Art Fair last month. The painting is titled "Eletrick Obama"



Participants of this year's Men of Color Leadership Conference pose for a group picture.



Photo provided by: Jeff Cummins

Name: Jeff Cummins

Year: Freshman

Major: Political Science/
Economics

Career Goals: To be the best I can be at whatever I do

“Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged.”

- Ronald Reagan



Mentor spotlight: Austin Gibson
finding new ways to engage students

Q: How long have you been mentoring?

A: This is my first semester mentoring with FASE

Q: What is the most rewarding part of mentoring for you?

A: Seeing an individual grow from the experience and having that person say that I helped make a difference in their life.

Q: Tell me a little bit about your mentoring style

A: Every week my mentees pick something they want to work on, like working on interview techniques, or study skills and I find an activity based on what they tell me.



Annual Women of Color Leadership Conference

The Progression of Women in the 21st Century:
Higher Education, Health and Politics

When: April 3rd and 4th

Where: Kelley School of Business
in the Graduate and Executive Education Center

Speakers include:

Dr. Virginia A. Caine

Director of Marion County Dept. of Health and Associate Professor in the Division of Infectious Diseases at Indiana University

Judge Valeri Haughton

Monroe County Circuit Court

Wakisha Malone

Academic Advisor and Groups Student Support Services Indiana University

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Registration Prices

COLLEGE STUDENTS:\$25 IUB STUDENTS:\$20
UNIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS:\$50
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:\$15