

THE MENTOR

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Upcoming Events!

04/11

Spring Recognition Ceremony 6:00-8:00pm DeVault Alumni Center

04/15

Little 500 BBQ
4:00-7:00pm
La Casa

04/19

Women's Little 500 Race
4:00pm
Armstrong Stadium

04/20

Men's Little 500 Race
2:00pm
Armstrong Stadium

04/29-05/03

Final Exams

A Word from the Director

Hello FASE Nation,

Wow, we are approaching the end of another academic year! It seems like yesterday that we just returned from Spring Break. Many of you are already preparing for finals, summer internships, graduation, or your first career position upon leaving IU. For students who are preparing for graduation, this is certainly an exciting time for you.

Regardless of where you may fall on this spectrum, the FASE and 21st Century Scholars Programs want to be a part of your special moment. On Thursday, April 11, we are honoring students at our annual Spring Recognition program to acknowledge their special achievements accomplished during their undergraduate years. If you will be graduating, this spring or summer, or will be a December graduate, the Office of Mentoring Service and

Leadership Development would like to honor you with a special gift from us. In addition, the department will be recognizing those participants who have been a part of the FASE Mentoring or 21st Century Scholars programs. To RSVP simply click on the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RSVP-20130411>.

Recently FASE just completed its first round of interviews for future peer mentors. There are a few slots available if you wish to apply for a position. If you are interested in applying contact the FASE office for additional information. Currently we are looking for young men who will be rising sophomores in Fall 2013.

The FASE Advisory Board (FAB) will be planning a Little 500 barbeque to be held at the Latino Culture Center (LACASA). The program will take place from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The event is free and there will be plenty of food!

Patrick D. Smith

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Office of Mentoring Services
& Leadership Development



Community Service Award

On Saturday, April 6th the FASE program was recognized for their hard work within the Bloomington community. The reward was presented by La Unidad Latina Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc. in partnership with the Union Board. This was the first time Noche Dorada was held at IU and happened to coincide with the 10th anniversary of the La Unidad Latina Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc. at the Indiana University-Bloomington campus. This year the celebration was opened to the larger campus community in order to recognize both the contributions of Latina and other minority/diversity groups to the empowerment of non-privileged community members. FASE was given the award for community service specifically for our work on the Martin Luther King Jr. Cover Bloomington Project and Can Drive. This project was held on January 21st. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this project, and a big thank you to La Unidad Latina Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc. and the Union Board for this recognition of hard work.



New 21st Century Advisor

I was born and raised in the Nation's capital - Washington, DC where I attended American University and received a B.A. in Sociology, leaving with a vow to do something to affect students' lives and futures. In 2004 my family and I moved to Bloomington in order for me to complete Graduate studies in Sociology.

During my graduate career, I had the privilege of being an Assistant Instructor of Introduction to Sociology for 4 years, as well as teaching Critical Reading and Writing for the New College Student with the GROUPS Program for 3 years. My work as an Introduction to Sociology Instructor resulted in the honor of receiving the Edwin H. Sutherland Award for Excellence in Teaching from the Department of Sociology.

While I enjoyed teaching immensely, I have always had an interest in directly helping college students find their academic path; this interest developed into a passion that allowed me to assist several students in choosing majors, minors, careers and graduate school programs - before officially becoming an Academic Advisor! I knew it was time for a career change. So I took off my Graduate Student/Assistant Instructor hat and put on the Academic Advisor hat. I was an Advisor in University Division for 2 years before finding my place here in the 21st Century Scholars Program!

I consider myself to be a "Passion-based Advisor". By this, I mean that I encourage and support students to focus on developing their interests into passions, and their passions into Majors and Minors. As the Academic Advisor for the 21st Century Scholars Program, I am here to assist students with class selections, major/minor/certificate exploration, understanding campus resources - both academic and otherwise, internships, summer planning and much more. I hope to encourage 21st Century Scholars to use our office as a resource beyond the first year of transition, feeling that we are a support to them beyond tuition. I am interested in helping to further build a community of Scholars who are connected to the program, as well as each other. To know that I, as an Advisor, am here throughout each Scholar's academic career at IU Bloomington, and hopefully beyond will help me feel fulfilled each day. I am honored and excited to be here!

Who's That Mentor?

Angela Ratigan

Senior

As a senior studying Art History and Classical Archaeology, I've put my interests to good use outside of the classroom. For the past two summers, I have gone to Crete, the largest of the Greek islands, to work on the excavation of Gournia. This site is a Minoan palace dating to the Aegean Bronze Age. I had the chance to work in a trench, at the research center, and explore the rest of the island and see its beauty. After I finished the excavation season, I stayed and completed research for my Honors Thesis, enjoying some of the best apples I will ever eat. I'm now finishing that project, a 110-page exploration of male identity specific to the inhabitants of

the island during the Bronze Age.

I've been blessed with a great support system at IU in both the Art History and Classics Departments. My teachers have nominated me for awards and urged me to pursue my interests in graduate school. I will be attending Indiana University-Bloomington again in the fall, this time as a Masters student in the Art History department.

Fortunately, I've had exceptional mentors throughout my life. I am the youngest of six children and have a wonderful family, many of whom I would consider mentors. In fact, that's why I was so excited to become a peer mentor; I know how good an experience it can be to have a competent mentor, and I was excited to pass along my knowledge. I particularly I enjoy programs that allow mentors and proteges to come together as a collective, such as we do at our bowling events. And there's always pizza.

New Mentor Spring Orientation



On April 6th, our new class of mentors gathered together for their first training.



Need a Job? Looking for an Internship?

Even though the school year is well underway, many students are still in need of a job or internship. If this sounds like you, be sure to check out Career Development Center Arts and Sciences Career Services at www.iucareers.com.

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