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News from the Dean's Office

October 25, 2018

A Major Initiative

At the September Faculty Assembly, I announced the following 5 leadership priorities for the 2018-2019 academic year:



1. Respond boldly to deepening financial crisis
2. Expand efforts to protect SLA turf
3. Launch a major initiative to increase majors, minors, and partnerships
4. Re-examine allocation of resources in a fair and systematic way
5. Pilot career communities initiative

Of all the leaderships goals I've set for the school, goal #3, *increase majors, minors, and partnerships*, is the most crucial to our future success.

Before the fall semester began, I challenged chairs and program directors to work with their people to come up with no-B.S. Action Plans to increase enrollments in all three areas. In October, joined by our wonderful SLA advisors, we came together for a half-day retreat focused on this task. On November 2nd, we will review the resulting plans, and work to implement the best of our ideas immediately.

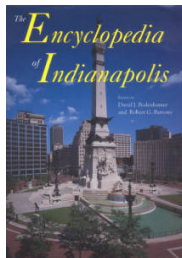
This is exciting stuff, but it's not just we who are excited. The university administration and the deans of schools like Kelly, Herron, Engineering, and Health and Human Sciences are also excited. They want to join us in this important effort.

Given the talent and creativity of our faculty and staff, I know we will be successful. If you have ideas you'd like to share, please don't hesitate to shoot me an email.

As always, thanks for everything you're doing.

Best wishes,
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TOP HEADLINES



Polis Center To Update Resource for Indianapolis' Bicentennial

Last week, the Allen Whitehill Clowes Charitable Foundation, Inc. announced a grant in the amount of \$276,542 to The Polis Center in the IU School of Liberal Arts to create the *Digital Encyclopedia of Indianapolis*.

The first *Encyclopedia of Indianapolis* edited by David J. Bodenhamer and Robert G. Barrows was published in hardback in 1994. Through its 1,600 entries and 300 illustrations, *The Encyclopedia of Indianapolis* covered the city's inception through its remarkable transformation into a leading urban center.

David Bodenhamer, director of the Polis Center, will lead the effort to update the *Encyclopedia of Indianapolis* and make it a digital product that will serve as a sustainable, dynamic, and reliable source of information about the city. The history and people of Indianapolis will be detailed in factual and interpretive articles on major topics including business, education, religion, social services, politics, ethnicity, sports, and culture. The project is timely for the upcoming Indianapolis Bicentennial in 2020-21.

Congratulations, David and The Polis Center, though we know more funds need to be raised to complete the project.



Robert Barrows to Receive Eli Lilly Lifetime Achievement Award

This week, the Indiana Historical Society announced its 2018 Eli Lilly Lifetime Achievement Award recipient as Robert Barrows, the School's former history chair.

The award goes to an individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the field of history. In publication, teaching, and service, Barrows has made outstanding contributions to the understanding of Indiana's history. For more than a decade, Barrows served as an editor at the Indiana Historical Bureau.

Barrows also has been a mentor to many IU School of Liberal Arts' history graduate students, serving on more than 60 master's thesis committees prior to his retirement last year.

His accomplishments are many and he will be honored during IHS's annual Founders Day dinner, Monday, Nov. 5, at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, located at 450 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis.

For more information about this event, call (317) 232-1882 or visit www.indianahistory.org.

Announcements

Research Strategic Plan Refresh

The IU School of Liberal Arts is participating in a campus-wide initiative to “refresh” school-based strategic plans for research, scholarship, and creative activity (RSCA) at IUPUI. Schools are asked to identify 1) specific priority areas of excellence within their area, 2) metrics by which research progress is measured, and 3) peer institutions that serve as a basis for comparison.

Preliminary progress reports will be gathered by the end of calendar year and shared with other schools and campus leadership in advance of a research summit, scheduled for February 11, 2019. The research summit will be a forum for schools to share ideas and priorities that have emerged during the discussions. The IUPUI plan is for this to become an annual process.

The IU School of Liberal Arts Research Advisory Committee and the Dean’s office have already begun discussions to identify these areas and we invite input from the faculty chairs and center directors to help us shape our planning and goals. Faculty who have ideas,

comments, or questions can contact Jeff Wilson, Associate Dean for Research at jeswilso@iupui.edu .

The image shows a digital signage advertisement. The top section features a photograph of a man in a hat and vest standing in a field with a drone flying in the sky. The text reads: "Barbara D. Jackson Lecture in Anthropology", "Digitizing the Past: Ancient settlement patterns, public archaeology, and virtual heritage in Oaxaca, Mexico". Below this, it specifies: "Location: Hine Hall, Room 206", "Date: Nov. 1st", and "Time: 6:00pm-7:30pm". To the right, under "Upcoming Events", are three items: "Frederick Douglass Symposium" on Thursday, October 25 at 9:00 AM in Hine Hall, Indiana Room; "Liberal Arts Talks: Are Public Universities Corrupt? by Peter Rangazas" on Thursday, October 25 at 4:00 PM in CE 307; and "Rufus and Louise Reiberg Reading Series" on Thursday, October 25 at 7:00 PM in Basile Auditorium, Herron... The bottom section includes the IUPUI School of Liberal Arts logo, weather forecasts for Today (63/41 °F, Mostly sunny), Tomorrow (56/35 °F, Mostly sunny), and Wednesday (51/33 °F, Mostly sunny), and a date/time stamp: "Monday, October 22, 2018 11:24 AM". Social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram are also present.

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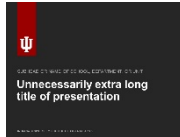
Have you noticed the new content on the digital monitors in the elevator lobbies of the basement, second, and third floors?

The new look includes upcoming events, day and time, and even the weather. It is intended for the promotion of sponsored IU School of Liberal Arts events and student groups, as well as select IUPUI campus announcements.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to advertise your event digitally. Download pre-designed

and branded PowerPoint templates, create your own ad, and send it ladsign@iupui.edu. Or, you can fill out the online Digital Signage Request Form and your ad will be created for you.

Read more about the process and guidelines at Digital Signage on the SLA website.

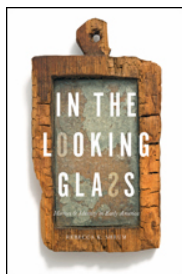


Download the Official School of Liberal Arts PowerPoint Template

Are you delivering a presentation or lecture soon? Whether your presentation is here on campus, out-of-state, or internationally, you are encouraged to use the official IU School of Liberal Arts PowerPoint template. Use it in the classroom, at events, and when you travel to speak at conferences.

You can find it now in the Tools and Resources section of the Marketing and Communications webpage. For easy access, go to Faculty and Staff Presentation Resources for instructions to make it your default template on your PC or Mac computer.

You're Invited



Reading at the Table Series

The annual Reading at the Table series is well underway for the current academic year and did you know that you don't have to be a member of the University Club to attend?

This is such a fun format for our colleagues to share their published work. This year's series is particularly special because all of the featured authors are from the School of Liberal Arts. David Bodenhamer and Rob Rebein have already presented their work, but don't miss the upcoming opportunities:

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Rebecca Shrum: In the Looking Glass: Mirrors and Identity in Early America

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Wendy Vogt: Lives in Transit: Violence and Intimacy on the Migrant Journey

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Rosa Tezanos-Pinto: La presencia hispana y el español de los Estados Unidos

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Mitchell Douglas: dying in the scarecrow's arms: Poems

Registration is available to University Club members and non-members alike. A buffet lunch is available for \$13.00.

The events are co-sponsored by the IUPUI Office of Academic Affairs and the IUPUI University Club, located on the 2nd floor of the Tower/Hine Hall in Room 200.

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