

The poster features a dark red background with a pattern of lighter red diagonal stripes radiating from the center. A large, dark red rectangular frame is centered on the page. Inside this frame, at the top, is a horizontal bar containing the text 'INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST'. In the center of the frame is the main title 'COMMENCEMENT 2020'. At the bottom of the frame is another horizontal bar containing the date 'THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021'.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST

**COMMENCEMENT
2020**

THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

O! say, can you see by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there;
O! say, does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave,
O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave?

HAIL TO OLD I.U.

Come and join in song together,
Shout with might and main;
Our beloved Alma Mater,
Sound her praise again.

Chorus

Gloriana, Frangipana,
E'er to her be true;
She's the pride of Indiana,
Hail to old I.U.!

—*Joe T. Giles, Class of 1894*

TO THE CLASS OF 2020

Dear Graduates:

Congratulations!

Today's Commencement ceremony recognizes the culmination of your years of hard work at Indiana University Northwest. With the love and encouragement of your family and friends, you have arrived at this wonderful day of celebration. The strength of that support helps all of us achieve our highest goals and deserves our deepest gratitude as we mark this milestone occasion.

You are unique to our history, having adapted very rapidly to the enormous challenges of a pandemic with tremendous leadership and resolve. Your professors and mentors at IU Northwest have helped to instill in you the skills that have enabled you to overcome those challenges, and these same skills will serve you well as you face a global future of competition, change, and unexpected circumstances.

Given the extraordinary resilience and dedication that you and the members of your class have demonstrated in these unprecedented times, I am confident that you will go on to make major contributions—in a wide variety of areas—that will bring pride to your alma mater and improve the lives of all people. As a graduate, you are extending the great traditions of IU Northwest and are part of your university's rich and living history. Wherever you go, IU Northwest will always be your alma mater and will always welcome you back.

Today's Commencement is especially historic as we pay tribute to **Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie**, who has presided at IU Northwest Commencements during his presidency, which began in 2007 and will conclude with his retirement this spring. With the utmost appreciation and respect, we salute President McRobbie's leadership and his innumerable contributions to our campus.

I encourage you to visit commencement.iu.edu for interactive features to enhance your participation in today's Commencement ceremony, and to tag your social media posts with **#IUNorthwestgrad2021**.

Again, congratulations and best wishes for the greatest success in the future.

Most sincerely,



Chancellor Ken Iwama



COMMENCEMENT HONORING 2020 AND 2021 GRADUATES

INDIANA UNIVERSITY NORTHWEST

Thursday, May 13, 2021
10 a.m.

MICHAEL A. McROBBIE, President of Indiana University, Presiding

PRELUDE	Indiana University Brass Quintet
<i>THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER</i>	Led by Despina Liaskos President, Indiana University Northwest Alumni Association
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS	President McRobbie
	Ken Iwama Chancellor, Indiana University Northwest
INDUCTION CEREMONY	Donna B. Spears Indiana University Trustee
PRESENTATION OF THE GRADUATES	Chancellor Iwama
STUDENT ADDRESS	Bridgette Camille Kelly Master of Science in Education Class of 2021
CHARGE TO THE GRADUATES	President McRobbie
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES	President McRobbie Assisted by Chancellor Iwama
INTRODUCTION OF GRADUATES	Kenneth Schoon Professor Emeritus of Science Education
<i>HAIL TO OLD I.U.</i>	Led by Ms. Liaskos
POSTLUDE	Indiana University Brass Quintet

SCHOOLS AND PROGRAMS

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Mark Hoyert, *Dean*
Nelson De Leon, *Associate Dean*
Jonathyne Briggs, *Associate Dean*
Kristin Huysken, *Assistant Dean for Student Success*
Kevin McElmurry, *Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, School Representative*

School of the Arts, page 9

David Klamen, *Dean*
Patrick Johnson, *Assistant Professor, School Representative*

School of Business and Economics, page 10

Cynthia S. Roberts, *Dean*
Charlie Hobson, *Professor, School Representative*

School of Education, page 11

Mark B. Sperling, *Interim Dean*
Sharon Pratt, *Assistant Professor, School Representative*

College of Health and Human Services, page 12

Linda R. Delunas, *Interim Dean*
Lauren Ryan, *Clinical Assistant Professor, School Representative*

Library

Latrice Booker, *Dean*

With honor to the First Nations people of Indiana, on whose ancestral homelands and resources Indiana University Northwest was built.

Indiana University communications and marketing professionals will be gathering still images and video for use on university social media and websites, as well as for other marketing and news purposes.

Your participation in this public ceremony grants Indiana University permission to use your likeness in such material.

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INDIANA UNIVERSITY BRASS QUINTET

Daniel Lehmann, *trumpet*

Bethany Vaughan, *trumpet*

Yu-Hsuan Chen, *horn*

Adam Bell, *trombone*

Nate Seman, *tuba*

COMMENCEMENT TRADITIONS

Today we celebrate the fifty-fourth and fifty-fifth Commencement exercises of Indiana University Northwest, representing the culmination and proud recognition of our graduates' academic achievements.

The ceremony is rich in academic tradition and protocol and includes a Commencement address by the president, remarks by other speakers, the conferral of degrees, and the induction of graduates into the IU Alumni Association.

ACADEMIC ATTIRE

All candidates for degrees and those who hold these degrees, including university officials, faculty, and visiting dignitaries, are attired in traditional caps and gowns.

Caps

Candidates for degrees wear square caps (called mortarboards) adorned with tassels that reflect the school from which they are graduating. These tassel colors, which are largely standard across the United States, are:

Arts and Sciences—White
Business and Economics—Drab
Dental Education—Lilac
Education—Light Blue
Health Professions—Kelly Green
Labor Studies—Nile Green
Nursing—Apricot
Public and Environmental Affairs—Peacock Blue
Social Work—Citron

Gowns

The gowns for bachelor's and associate degree recipients have a closed front and open sleeves. The master's degree gown has extremely long, closed sleeves, from which the arms extend through a slit at the wrist; the end of the sleeve is square, with an arc cut away just above the bottom. The doctoral gown has have velvet panels down the front and voluminous bell-shaped sleeves, on which there are three velvet bars.

Hoods

Master's degree candidates wear hoods, which are not actually head coverings but stoles, edged in velvet and lined in satin, which flow down the wearer's back. The color of the velvet edging reflects the academic discipline; the satin lining reflects the institution granting the degree. Thus, Indiana University hoods are lined in cream and crimson. Doctoral hoods, worn by many faculty members, use the same system of color symbolism but are longer and wider than master's hoods.

Honor Cords

Indiana University is proud of all of its graduates, and is especially proud of those who have excelled academically. Candidates who are graduating with distinction, high distinction, and highest distinction are entitled to wear honor cords (sometimes called fourragères) pinned to the left shoulder of the gowns. In addition, on some campuses, qualified students are entitled to wear gold medallions indicating that they are graduating with honors. The requirements for graduating with honors are different for each school.

Honor Cords for Honor Societies

Graduates who are members of nearly 60 nationally recognized honor societies may wear their societies' honor cords or medallions during Commencement.

Honor Cords for Veterans and Service Members

Graduating students who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces wear red, white, and blue cords.

THE HISTORY OF ACADEMIC ATTIRE

The academic costume of today has a history of nearly eight centuries. Students in the medieval universities of Paris, Bologna, Oxford, and Cambridge organized themselves into guilds; their usual garb, a long gown, was probably necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings. Scholars, who were generally members of church orders, wore these robes along with hoods to protect their shaved heads. Later, they wore skullcaps to protect their heads, and the hood developed into a cape that they could pull over their heads for extra protection in unpleasant weather. As additional universities were founded, their faculties adapted distinctive forms of the gown and hood for bachelors (apprentices of arts), masters (teachers), and doctors (teachers who had completed postgraduate studies), which were marked mostly by differences among the hoods. These differences were regulated by strict rules; tailors who departed from the authorized design could be punished. Finally, when caps and hats came into fashion in the fifteenth century, the hoods became ornamental, draped over the shoulders and down the back.

The academic hat was adapted from the headgear worn by ordinary people and began as a symbol of the master's degree. It took various forms: some caps were stiff and some were soft; some were square and some were round with a tuft in the center. The modern tassel is an elaboration of the tuft, and the mortarboard style comes to us from Oxford.

When academic costume came to America in 1754, styles were quite varied. In Europe, they still are, but in the United States, standardized rules for academic regalia were enacted in 1895 with the passage of the Intercollegiate Code (updated in 1932 and 1959). The code, created by an intercollegiate commission, prescribed the cut, style, and materials of the gowns and the colors that were to represent the different fields of learning.



GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE RECIPIENTS

This Commencement program includes lists of graduates whose degrees were conferred in fall 2019 and graduates in the 2020 spring and summer terms. Degrees were conferred after the completion of all requirements was verified.

College of Arts and Sciences

BACHELOR OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Arturo Miramontes
With Distinction
Elgis LaMont Streeter Jr.

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Kyle Allen
English
Alondra Avalos
Psychology, Spanish
Taylor Danielle Beckman
Anthropology, Sociology
Shardae R. Benton
Anthropology
Shena L. Benus
History
Michaela Louise Berlin
French
Nicholas Bibeau
Political Science
With Distinction
Heidi Bilderback
Anthropology
With Highest Distinction
Natalie D. Blanchard
Biology
Molly Elizabeth Bonner
History
Dylan Brock
English, Psychology
Alexis Lianna Coffman
Psychology
Jocelyn Caton Colburn
Psychology
Monserrath Contreras
Spanish
Sylvia Amanda Corey
Anthropology, History
Jayla Crump
Psychology
Jazmin Cruz
Political Science
Kerstin M. Decker
Psychology

Alize Renee Dickey
Psychology, Sociology
Emma Madison DiPasquo
Psychology
Brianna Gabrielle Dittmer
Economics, French
Jeanne Marie Drwiega
Psychology
Hannah Louise Eldridge
Political Science
Madeline Estrada
Biology
Nicolas Estrada
Economics
Ciara Margret Furlong
English
Isabel Renee Gamez
Geology
Alyssa Marie Garvey
History
Henry Brennan Georgas
Economics
With High Distinction
Kaitlyn N. Grubbe
Psychology
Falcia B. Gutierrez
Psychology
Sandra Kathryn Hayes
Psychology
Michael Henderson
English
With High Distinction
Ceili Marie Henson
English
Citalli Herrera
Psychology
Victoria Marie Hinton
African American and African
Diaspora Studies
Michaela Houghton
English
With High Distinction
Ryan James Huber
History, Political Science
Cheyanne Huizenga
English
Sondos A. Issa
Mathematics
Jacob Tyler Ivers
Geology

Ameedah Z. Johnson
Psychology
With Distinction
Vickie Marie Kennedy
Anthropology
Daniel Larsen
History
Nicholas Carlyle Larson
Anthropology, Geology
Angelica Macias
Psychology
Jayleen Maldonado
Psychology
Muhammad Abdullah Malik
Biochemistry
With Distinction
Christopher Maniel
History
Kayleigh Marie Margis
English
Branden Martens
Anthropology, History
With Distinction
Emily McLean
Anthropology, History
With Distinction
Jorge Medina Huaman
Anthropology
Annabella Nicole Melvin
English
With Distinction
Ethan M. Miller
English
Petar Mircheski
Political Science
Cara Nebel
Psychology
Rachel Nesbitt
English
Maisa Mostafa Nour
Psychology
Samantha Allison Nowakowski
Biology
Stephanie O'Drobinak
Psychology
Ashley O'Malley
Psychology
Elvia Perez
Psychology
Jessica Peterson Rogers
English
Brooke Phelps
English, Psychology
Niko Piña
Philosophy, Psychology
With High Distinction

Alaina Polen
English

Jasmine Powell
Geology

Carlissa Mariah Ramirez
Psychology

Cyleste' ALysia Reed
Psychology

Aaron Albert Reese
Psychology

Tina Maria Ritchey
English

Morgan Beth Robertson
Psychology

Wellington Winston Rocha Tapia
Psychology
With Distinction

Xavier Nathan Avila Rodriguez
Spanish

Crystal Ann Rucinski
Psychology

Caroline Rutherford
Psychology
With Distinction

Michael D. Schoon
History
With Distinction

Andrea D. Smith
Political Science

Tyler Swets
History

Sunshine Rae Thompson
Psychology

Michael Truckey
Political Science

Cody Jordan Watkins
History

Veronica Wing
Psychology
With Distinction

BACHELOR OF GENERAL STUDIES

Heather Abbate

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Raven M. Baker

Trina Latrice Bell

Christopher Malcom Bolden Jr.

Liliana Brito-Castellanos

Danielle Virginia Cioffi

Jenifer Lynn Colville
With High Distinction

Sarah Elizabeth Connelly

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Ashley K. Cross

Lauren N. Davis

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Christopher Vincent Scott
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Gerald Glenn Doughty Jr.
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Madalyn Fiscus

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Christy Lynn Franiak

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Asha L. Ismael

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Gurpreet Kaur

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Taylor Shaffer

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Shaun S. Simmons

Telisha Deloise Smith

Lindsey Stewart
With Highest Distinction

Joseph Y. Tadros
With Distinction

Sabrina Mishelle Talavera

Vladimir Evans Thomas

Lauren Renee' Tillman

Mayela A. Velasco

Cassandra Washington

Irma R. Watts

Danei Alexandria Cleo Wesley

Leona Wheeler

Shawda Elise Wheeler

Lisa Ann Wright

Valerie C. Zulevic

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Mariah Allen
Biology

Jasmin Alvarado
Psychology

Kehinde Olusda Amodu
Computer Information Systems

Brittany Armstrong
Biochemistry
With Highest Distinction

Ethan Paul Aubuchon
Biology
With Highest Distinction

George Beshara
Biology
With Highest Distinction

Nicholas Bibeau
Computer Information Systems
With Distinction

Jack Buckley
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Biology

Andi Michelle Burezyk
Mathematics
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Mathematics
With High Distinction

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Biology
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Michael Gnezda
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Psychology

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Dina Mamdouh Hussein
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Jennifer M. Janik
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Ian Krause
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Zulema Celeste Martinez
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Psychology
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Christian Alexander Espino
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Business Administration

Molly Elizabeth Zisoff
Business Administration

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Management and Administrative
Studies

Abdulkader Atassi
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Stacey Marie Brown
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Zachary David Bryan
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Mihaela Daniela Condurately
Management and Administrative
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Sophia Marie Gibson
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Michael Gregory
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Charles Bernard Holmes IV
Management and Administrative
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Shemia L. Jackson
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Nicholas Michael Jernberg
Management and Administrative
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Autumn Marie Jessup
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Pravraj Krishna Kota
Management and Administrative
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Elijah Lares
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David Elliot Lasco
Management and Administrative
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Tara Ailene Leonard
Management and Administrative
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Randall Jonathan Oliver
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Shirlene Charmaine Olson
Management and Administrative
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Kamal Rahmani
Management and Administrative
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Joseph Dylan Ramirez
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Mohammed Ali Shabbir
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Amadou Sidibe
Management and Administrative
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Paul John Sikora
Management and Administrative
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Kelli Ann Strbjak
Management and Administrative
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Patrice Margret Szilvagy
Management and Administrative
Studies

Angel Vega
Management and Administrative
Studies

Simos Joseph Vega
Management and Administrative
Studies

Alan Christopher Whipps
Management and Administrative
Studies

Erica Williams
Management and Administrative
Studies

David Rashad Yancey
Management and Administrative
Studies

School of Education

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Allison Ashbrooks
Drew Michael Boetel

Cassie Nicole Bryant
With High Distinction

Andi Michelle Burczyk
With Highest Distinction

Valerie Elizabeth Cohs
Alison Caitlin Cruz

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Indiana University Northwest is to enhance the quality of life of the most diverse, urban, industrialized region of the state.

- We engage the community in high-quality teaching and scholarship.
- We partner with communities to impact and promote social, economic, and cultural development.
- We inspire and empower a diverse body of students to be active citizens who apply their knowledge to transform their communities and the world.

ABOUT IU NORTHWEST

As one of seven IU campuses statewide, IU Northwest provides personal, affordable, and life-changing education in a high-quality academic environment where we value diversity, inclusiveness, scholarship, and cultural and regional partnerships.

Our nearly 4,000 students collaborate and solve problems, which is a powerful, adaptable preparation for ethical leadership and success throughout a satisfying life and career.

After this Commencement, IU Northwest will have conferred approximately 30,000 degrees.

IU Northwest serves the most diverse student body of any IU campus. Learners of all ages and backgrounds pursue their IU degrees at IU Northwest while balancing a variety of other work and life responsibilities. Most IU Northwest graduates remain in Northwest Indiana to live and work, and many attain prominent positions in business, government, education, industry, the arts, health professions, and other vital community sectors. IU alumni contribute significantly to the economic, social, and cultural quality of life in the region, and IU Northwest is proud to have played a role in preparing them to meet those responsibilities.

The campus is organized into five degree-granting academic units: the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Health and Human Services (which includes the School of Nursing, the School of Public and Environmental Affairs, and the Division of Social Work), the School of the Arts, the School of Business and Economics, and the School of Education. IU Northwest is also the host site for the Indiana University School of Medicine—Northwest—Gary, the only medical school in Northwest Indiana.

Students at IU Northwest have access to more than 70 undergraduate, graduate, and preprofessional degrees in business, health and human services, arts and sciences, education, public and environmental affairs, and continuing studies.

Master's degrees include business administration, public affairs, liberal studies, elementary and secondary education, educational leadership, clinical counseling, social work, and family nurse practitioner.

Evening and weekend classes, nearly 400 online course offerings, and study abroad options serve IU Northwest's diverse student body. Small class sizes (14:1 student-to-faculty ratio) ensure personal attention from a distinguished faculty of teaching scholars.

Community-based engagement is central to the IU Northwest academic mission and to the campus's relationship with Northwest Indiana's citizens and stakeholders. Students have many experiential learning opportunities that support regionally focused research and service projects related to schools, economic development, child welfare, environmental sustainability, and other critical issues. The relationship on campus between the College of Health and Human Services and the IU School of Medicine—Northwest—Gary creates innovative professional synergies that allow medical students to work collaboratively with undergraduate and graduate students in other disciplines, and with local professionals and organizations to help address the region's health concerns.

IU Northwest features an outstanding faculty whose dedication and expertise provide an important academic resource for Northwest Indiana. Through research that is often focused specifically on issues of regional importance, and through communication of that research through published articles, books, presentations, and various forms of community outreach, IU Northwest faculty help to advance the quest for an improved quality of life in the region.

While Indiana University's history in Northwest Indiana dates back to 1922, the present campus was established in 1959. Since then, IU Northwest has grown from a single structure to a 43-acre campus featuring more than a dozen buildings. Its latest addition, the 126,300-square-foot Arts and Sciences Building, features state-of-the-art classrooms and learning labs for all students, as well as studio spaces for ceramics, painting, drawing, digital media, and photography, a 500-seat professional mainstage theatre, and a 100-seat black box studio theatre.

IU Northwest offers students, faculty, staff, and community members a socially and aesthetically vibrant campus atmosphere. Student organizations, intercollegiate athletics, the Shadows and Echoes Sculpture Garden, gallery exhibits, theatre performances, and a variety of cultural programs create a dynamic environment for individualized learning and contribute substantively to Northwest Indiana's quality of life.

IU Northwest continues to pursue its mission of community-based engagement with the residents, businesses, and stakeholders of Northwest Indiana—and its mission to serve as an active educational partner and resource for the region. The university remains committed to exploring new and innovative ways to meet the needs and support the aspirations of its students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.





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