

# THE COMPASS

## *Exploratory Studies Newsletter*



### Registration

#### **Pre-Registration for Fall 2024 ends Monday, April 8th at 5 PM**

Be sure to schedule an appointment in BoilerConnect with your advisor before the deadline to submit your Course Request Form (CRF).

#### **Schedules will be released on Thursday, April 18th at 5 PM**

The Registrar will email all students when schedules are ready for viewing.

#### **Open Registration opens Monday, April 22nd**

Open registration is divided by time tickets. **Please use this video** to learn how to find your time ticket. The first round of Open Registration ends Friday, May 31st. Open Registration then re-opens on Monday, July 22nd and remains open until the last day to add a particular course.

### Drop Deadline

#### **The last day to drop a course for the spring 2024 semester is April 12th at 11:59pm.**

Students may **submit a request to drop a course** by using the scheduling assistant, which can subsequently be approved by their advisor.

After dropping a course, students will receive a grade of "W" on their transcript, which stands for withdrawal. Note that a grade of "W" is not seen as a negative. Most students have some W grades on their transcript, as it is perfectly normal to withdraw from some courses during college.

### Purdue Day of Giving

#### **PDOG (Purdue Day of Giving) is on 4/24/2024!**

Did you know we could win \$\$ for the EXPL program? Just submit your most creative post (picture, GIF, or video) to [ssquirek@purdue.edu](mailto:ssquirek@purdue.edu) for the possibility to get showcased on our @purdueexplorers Instagram. Some examples could be singing the chorus of "Hail Purdue" or most creative selfie. Show us what you got!

### Spring Family Weekend

Purdue hosts a Spring Family Weekend on April 12th-14th. There are several events for you and your family to participate in. Be aware that some events do have an additional expense. Check out the **Spring Family Weekend website** for all the opportunities for you and your family, and be sure to stop by our **Exploratory Studies event** on Friday, April 12th.

## Student Spotlight: Faith Jaquess



**Hometown:** Newburgh, IN

**Current Major:** Kinesiology

### What was your biggest takeaway from your time in Exploratory Studies?

My biggest takeaway from Exploratory Studies is that you will never stop exploring and growing. Life keeps coming at you and there is always an opportunity to explore and learn something new.

### What are some rewarding, enlightening, or just plain cool experiences you've had during your time at Purdue?

The most rewarding thing I have been a part of here at Purdue has been Exploratory Studies fellows. I enjoyed my time in Exploratory Studies, and I credit a lot of my success to the time I spent doing self-reflection in my EDPS 105 class. I have loved connecting with students who are in the same position I was coming in as a freshman at Purdue. I love sharing my advice and knowledge with the students.

### What piece of advice do you have for students currently in Exploratory Studies?

Do not stress as much about finding a specific job or career. Take your time, do some self-reflection and figure out what you are passionate about. Then find a major that supports that passion. Use this time to learn about yourself.

## Spring Fest & Grand Prix

Spring Fest is being held on April 13th. Visit the [College of Ag. website](#) to learn more about the event, and be sure to check out the [Bug Bowl!](#)

The 67th annual Purdue Grand Prix is happening April 20th. Check out the [Purdue Grand Prix Foundation website](#) for more information & tickets.

## Holds on Your Account

**Below are possible holds you might have on your account that could prevent Fall 2024 registration:**

**Bursar:** Call the Bursar at (765) 494-7570.

**Immunization:** Call PUSH at (765) 494-1837.

**Parking Violations:** [Pay parking citations here.](#)

## Major of the Month: Soil and Water Sciences:

Are you interested in environmental science and conservation? Do you enjoy travel, being outdoors, and doing hands-on work? If so, consider majoring in Soil and Water Sciences! This broad major in the College of Agriculture provides you with knowledge in biology, chemistry, soils, hydrology, and natural ecology, which can lead to a variety of environmental careers – from being a naturalist doing environmental research to being a policymaker or planner for local, state, and federal governments. Soil and water scientists work on the front lines to provide data and plan solutions in water conservation, sustainability, the restoration of ecosystems, and much more. Occupations typically involve a mixture of field work, such as surveying and collecting samples, laboratory analysis, as well as office work involving compiling data and writing reports. This is a great option for students seeking an environmentally-oriented major with a strong emphasis in science.

## PSG Openings

Are you interested in government and policy? Want to get involved in the Purdue Student Government? Exploratory Studies has an opening for a senator now! You can find more information by visiting the [Purdue Student Government website.](#)

Scan or click the QR code below to apply now!

