#### **EXPLORATORY STUDIES**

# COMPASS NEWSLETTER

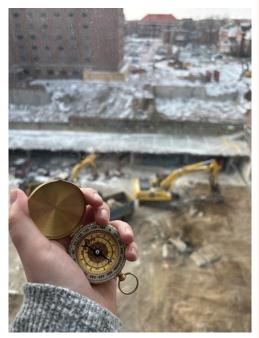
#### **ASC STUDY WORKSHOP:**

Do you have issues with procrastination or focusing on your studies? Do you want to learn more about the Pomodoro Technique for time management? Could your study skills be improved? The Academic Success Center is hosting four workshops this spring to support students in these areas:

- ☐ Enhance Your Study Skills Wed. Mar. 5 at 6:30 PM
- ☐ Finish Line Focus Wed. Apr. 2 at 6:30 PM
- ☐ Create Your Finals Game Plan Thurs. Apr. 17 at 6:00 PM
- ☐ Practice Your POMO Wed. Apr. 30 at 7:00-11:00 PM

Visit the ASC workshops website to learn more about the workshops and register to attend.

Website: <a href="https://www.purdue.edu/asc/workshops.html">https://www.purdue.edu/asc/workshops.html</a>



#### FAFSA:

Students who submit a FAFSA prior to Purdue's priority filing date of April 15th will receive maximum consideration for all types of financial aid that they may be eligible for.

#### CAPS:

CAPS enhances students' psychological health and effectiveness by addressing developmental, situational, and remedial concerns in the academic environment. Visit the CAPS website to learn more about the numerous programs, services, and resources available to Boilermakers.

https://www.purdue.edu/caps/

#### **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 <a href="Purdue Student">Purdue Student</a> Government website.

Scan or click the QR code below to apply now!



#### FALL REGISTRATION:

Registration for Fall 2025 is just around the corner. Be on the lookout for an email from your advisor to schedule your registration appointment. It is important that you come to your appointment prepared to talk about what majors you're considering and an idea of which classes you may want to take. After you've scheduled your appointment, mark your calendar, and set a reminder on your phone so you do not miss your meeting, as you might not be able to reschedule before the course request form submission deadline.



#### **MAJOR OF THE MONTH:**

#### **Hospitality & Tourism Management**

Are you considering one of the many business-related majors at Purdue? Do you also enjoy helping people and being creative? If so, consider Hospitality and Tourism Management in the College of Health and Human Sciences! Purdue's Hospitality and Tourism Management program is consistently ranked as one of the top hospitality programs in the nation. Emphasizing hands-on and experiential learning in the Union Hotel, John Purdue Room, and the Boiler Bistro, this major prepares students to work in a variety of management positions in hotels, restaurants, tourism bureaus, theme parks, and the athletic industry. Through a partnership with White Lodging, one of the leading hospitality companies in the nation, students also gain access to many internship opportunities. With a 98% job placement rate, students who graduate find employment as hotel managers, event planners, corporate recruiters, operations managers, and much more!





#### **SUMMER REGISTRATION:**

As a reminder, registration for summer classes is still open to all students. Some things to consider:

- Use your Spring PIN to register for summer courses. (You can find this in BoilerConnect under "Reports", click on your spring registration meeting notes, and download the attached copy of your spring Course Request Form (CRF). Your PIN is found on the top right -hand corner of your CRF.)
- It is CRITICAL you pay close attention to dates that summer courses are offered. There are many options for start dates and course length. We recommend not taking two 4-week courses at the same time because these are 16-week courses smashed into 4 weeks. It can be intense. See the module infographic below for more information on summer course module dates.
- If there is currently a major restriction on a class, please make sure to request an override.
- Retaking a class over the summer through Purdue either in person or online will replace the previous attempt in your GPA. Do not retake a class at another institution because transfer credits will not replace your former grade. Contact your advisor to learn more.
- <u>View the list of all online summer courses offered by Purdue in 2025.</u>
- Use the <u>Transfer Credit Course Equivalency Guide</u> if you want to take classes elsewhere over the summer. Make sure the course you take will transfer to Purdue as the specific course you want to take (e.g. MA 16010 instead of MA 1XXXX)





#### MENTAL HEALTH WEEK:

Mental Health Action Week (March 3rd–7th) aims to cultivate a community of care by equipping students with the tools they need to take regarding mental health, empowering students to prioritize their well-being, and uniting as one university to de-stigmatize mental health and healthcare.

For more information, you can follow the Purdue Student Government Instagram account.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

#### Joshua Fiore

Hometown: Valparaiso, IN

## Where is your favorite place to go on campus and why?

I love 3rd Street! It's always full of students bustling around—whether it's students hanging out, grabbing a coffee at Starbucks, or heading to the CoRec. It's also one of my favorite places to skate with friends and just enjoy the campus atmosphere.



### What was your biggest takeaway from your time Exploratory Studies? OR Why did you decide to start in Exploratory Studies?

Picking a major felt overwhelming, so I gave myself time to explore. I had always loved STEM, but I couldn't decide between Chemical Engineering, Cybersecurity, and Nursing. Instead of rushing into a choice, I started in Exploratory Studies, where I could take different classes, talk to advisors, and figure out what truly excited me.

What are some rewarding, enlightening, or just plain cool experiences you've had during your time at Purdue? (Consider internships, study abroad, organizations, research opportunities, volunteer opportunities, etc.)

Ironically, my most memorable Purdue experience happened thousands of miles away in the Czech Republic. I studied abroad at the Czech Technical University for a semester in Prague. It was my first time overseas, and while adjusting to a new country isn't always easy, it was one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. I made lifelong friends, kept up with my studies, and got to immerse myself in an entirely new culture—all while saving money! It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that Purdue's Study Abroad office helped make happen, and I couldn't be more grateful.

What piece of advice do you have for students currently in Exploratory Studies? OR What do you know now that you wish you would have known in your first semester?

The best way to make Purdue feel like home is to get involved. There are so many ways to do that—clubs, student organizations, intramural sports, learning communities—you name it. The key is to show up consistently. Even if you don't know anyone at first, that will change over time. Also, try not to spend too much time in your dorm room. There's so much happening on campus, and you don't want to miss out.

