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2015-2016 GRADUATES
We are pleased to introduce and congratulate the 2015-2016 graduates of the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. You’ll meet many of these exceptional individuals, who are the next generation of philanthropy professionals, scholars and philanthropists, in these pages. Read about our graduates’ plans and aspirations to lead with purpose, and in turn improve philanthropy to improve the world.

There are over 1.6 million nonprofit organizations in the U.S. alone, and they need well-prepared leaders and staff to continue making an impact on millions of lives across the globe. Because Lilly Family School of Philanthropy students are exceptionally prepared to meet the demands of today’s philanthropic environment, our graduates are sought-after professionals who work throughout the United States and around the world. Our graduates work in leadership, management, and direct service positions in functional areas such as fundraising, grantmaking, and program management. Their work influences religion, education, social services, health, arts and culture, animals and the environment, developing countries and many other worthwhile causes.

We invite you to learn more at: www.philanthropy.iupui.edu/grads
WILLIAM CLEVELAND

I seek a tenure-track position that balances teaching and research. I plan to continue my research focusing on corporate finance and structure for charities, and I am particularly interested in the donations received by charities and how charities structure their organizations.

ELIZABETH DALE

After a busy year in 2015 of completing coursework, defending my dissertation proposal, conducting fieldwork, and teaching at IUPUI, my wife, Sarah, and I moved to Seattle, where I began as a tenure-track assistant professor in nonprofit leadership at Seattle University in January 2016. I currently teach courses in fundraising, board governance, nonprofit marketing, and philanthropy. We have enjoyed getting to know our new city, building our nonprofit network in Seattle, and are enjoying the wonderful scenery of mountains and water in the Pacific Northwest.

HENG QU

I will be an assistant professor in the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University, where I will devote my time to research and teaching in the field of nonprofit management and philanthropy. My research interests lie in the areas of nonprofit finance and the economics of philanthropy.

ANGELA SEAWORTH

During my doctoral program, I founded the Center for Philanthropy & Nonprofit Leadership at Rice University. That has been an incredible experience for which my Lilly Family School of Philanthropy studies prepared me. After graduation, I am excited to become the vice president of development at Strake Jesuit College Preparatory in Houston, Texas.
**REBECCA BUXTON**

Building on experience in fundraising and nonprofit leadership, I am seeking a position on the East Coast so I can be closer to my family in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. I am specifically interested in fundraising and strategic leadership in the arts, healthcare, and higher education.

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**NAOMI CASALE**

Receiving my Master of Arts in Philanthropic Studies has given me the educational impetus to continue with my passions of serving marginalized communities and pursuing social justice.

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**IAN ERMATINGER-SALAS**

I will be heading to sunny California after finishing my degree. An advocate for access to higher education, I plan to work in higher education development or in a civic engagement role, though I’m still exploring all the opportunities available.

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**HELENE FLAXBEARD**

After graduation, I will be moving to Washington DC to work for the American Red Cross. I will be a part of the inaugural class of the Campus Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) program which aims to train and develop leaders for executive or management-level positions within the organization. I look forward to putting the theories taught at the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy into practice as a developing nonprofit professional.
ROBERT HARRIS IV

Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy increased my ability to develop relationships and provided me with a better understanding of corporate social responsibility. I hope to use my master’s degree in philanthropic studies to advance the mission of an institution and assist in creating the space necessary for important dialogue to take place in our communities. I walk away from my coursework with the understanding that philanthropy and diversity are connected. Good stewardship in our field, in part, means a professional commitment to both.

WINTERBOURNE HARRISON-JONES

I am a fourth generation ordained minister in the Baptist tradition holding degrees and professional credentials from Fisk University, Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Harvard University Graduate School of Education, and the Universidad de Salamanca in Salamanca, Spain. As a scholar, ecclesial leader, and now author and editor, I investigate how homiletic and philanthropic resources within Christian traditions are valuable for interpreting and responding to such pressing public issues as economics, educational disparities, race, class, and structural inequality. After graduation, I will continue my studies and extensive travels working with faith-based organizations, grass roots nonprofits, and inner-city congregations on leveraging their resources towards efforts of community transformation.

PAULA JENKINS

This has been an incredible journey and is one of the best decisions I have made. Ever. As a seasoned practitioner I was interested in gaining more knowledge about the philanthropic aspects of the sector. What I received in return was so much more than that. My studies have enabled me to be a more effective and informed fundraiser, leader, teacher and mentor who will truly impact social action in my current role as Indiana University Foundation’s Vice President for Development for the Bloomington campus.

SARAH KING

During my time at the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy I had the opportunity to serve as a graduate assistant for IU School of Nursing’s Office of Development. It was in this experience that I realized my passion for development in higher education. I was recently honored to accept a position in annual giving at Purdue University Research Foundation. I look forward to a future in which I can make a difference at both Purdue University and Indiana University, two universities that have given so much to me.
LAURA KLAUM

After two decades of service in higher education and nonprofit associations, I wanted to acquire better understanding of donor motivations as well as the nonprofit sector’s far-reaching historical and economic impact. Earning a master’s degree in philanthropic studies (and, simultaneously, a graduate certificate in nonprofit management) provided me with capabilities to have a positive impact on many areas within a nonprofit beyond fundraising. In addition to my development role at IUPUI, I now teach a nonprofit events management course and hope to contribute to the community in a positive way via nonprofit volunteerism.

LAURIE BURNS MCROBBIE

First Lady, Indiana University; Adjunct Faculty, Informatics and Computing; Senior Advisor, IU Foundation

ALLISON MITCHELL

After graduation, I will relocate to Boston, Massachusetts, to pursue a position that combines my passions for strategic planning, leadership development, research, and international collaboration. I am seeking opportunities to work directly with organizations to cultivate an inclusive culture of creativity and empowerment and to explore innovative ways to harness the energy of philanthropy to address society’s most significant challenges. Having also cultivated interests in fundraising, gender studies, and succession planning during my studies at the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, I look forward to finding ways to incorporate these into my future work!

LUANA NISSAN

As a strategist and education consultant, I look forward to using the knowledge and skills learned at the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy in my work with K-12 schools and youth organizations that want to develop a vision and plan for holistic youth civic engagement and philanthropy education. This background will also inform my work at Park Tudor School as I assume the role of director of community engaged learning for PreK-12.
MICHELLE SOUCY

For the past 20 years I have held executive director and senior management roles in the nonprofit sector. The opportunity to gain knowledge in the executive master’s program and the nonprofit management certificate has been valuable. I am currently the executive director at the Phi Sigma Foundation. I plan to continue leading this organization towards making the largest impact it can.

ALEXANDER SVENTECKIS

After graduation, I plan to remain in Indianapolis to begin my career in philanthropy. I am especially drawn to corporate social responsibility, economic development organizations, and other ways in which business and philanthropy intersect in order to best blend my marketing background and the philanthropic principles and practices I have learned.

ANDREW TAKAMI

As a working professional, I plan to use the skills and experiences gained through the program to strengthen my ability to impact my work within higher education, the nonprofit sector, the church, and beyond. I feel privileged to add this degree to who I am personally, and I dedicate this achievement to my mother, who passed away shortly after I enrolled. She, like my mother-in-law who passed away the following year, was so excited about my desire to pursue knowledge as a way to advance myself and provide for my family; my wife and three children, who I dearly love and appreciate, have sacrificed towards this achievement, and I am grateful to them.

LIZA TAYLOR

Upon completion of an internship, I will use my Master of Arts in Philanthropic Studies, Certificate in Nonprofit Management, and Certificate in Negotiation and Dispute Resolution to further develop philanthropy in our communities through philanthropic consulting. I plan to leverage my knowledge to engage both donors and organizations who seek to maximize their legacy and impact in the areas of leadership, strategic planning, board development, fund giving/fundraising, and volunteering. I am also interested in curriculum development and teaching to advance philanthropic training in high schools and universities.
E. Estherre Wohlenhaus

Upon graduation, I will be continuing in my position as program assistant at The Clowes Fund. I joined the Fund in 2014 and currently work to support the grant making process through a variety of administrative and knowledge management duties as well as some program officer responsibilities. I am looking forward to the opportunity to grow within my current role, and to further explore how I can continue to serve the organization and the community well.

Le Yang

Upon graduation, I would like to find a full-time position in the specific area of higher education. I am interested in prospect research for a development team, applied research or international programs related openings.

Brittany Jenkins

I plan to begin my career in the philanthropic sector in North Carolina or the Washington metropolitan area. Currently, I am actively seeking a development position with an organization that addresses my passion for social justice issues such as education, poverty, economic empowerment, re-entry, and mass incarceration.

Kayle Lewis Cadwell

I am currently a resource development associate and bookkeeper at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington. I am working to help raise $6 million for a capital campaign aimed at building a new club and renovating another. My ultimate goal is to help promote staff renewal and employee retention practices at nonprofits.
ADRIENNE NORDMAN

In September 2015, I accepted a position at ArtMix: art redefining disability as the vice president of development. I was recently awarded the 2016 Plater Medallion for Civic Engagement at Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) for my involvement in the community while in graduate school. My career interests include fund development and population health within the health and hospital and nonprofit sectors.

MELISSA WALL

Since graduation, I have taken a position as the research associate at Achieve. I use my knowledge and skills gained from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy and School of Public and Environmental Affairs to do research on cause work and often the behaviors of millennials. After some time in the field, I hope to pursue a Ph.D. in Education Policy.

KELLY WALLACE

As of May 2016, I have over six years of nonprofit experience, a master’s in philanthropic studies and a master’s in nonprofit management. I am currently employed full-time at Kiwanis International in Indianapolis, Indiana and enjoy working with service leadership programs around the globe. My professional background has focused on youth, and I am most interested in program management and nonprofit consulting in the future.

JACQUELINE ACKERMAN

Shortly before receiving my graduate certificate this spring, I began a new position as the assistant director for research and partnerships with the Women’s Philanthropy Institute at the IU Lilly Family School of Philanthropy.
G. DAVID CAUDILL

Along with completing the graduate certificate in philanthropic studies, I also will be earning a master's in public affairs in nonprofit management from the School of Public and Environmental Affairs at IUPUI later in 2016. With the completion of these two distinguished programs, my mid-career shift will hopefully land me in a leadership position in development with an advocacy or charitable organization with a mission dedicated to the LGBT community, arts and culture, and/or education. I was born a Hoosier, so I hope to remain in Indianapolis, but am willing to accept challenges in other regions of the country.

ANDREW CHRISTENBERRY

After graduation, I hope to find employment in nonprofit consultation/research. Living, studying, and working in downtown Indianapolis has been an absolute joy. I am now looking forward to carrying the knowledge I have gained at the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy with me into future opportunities.

KATHLEEN CORDELL

During my time in the philanthropic studies program, my interests in the field broadened to include the implications that nonprofit organizations have on their communities. I will be continuing my job search following graduation, looking for positions focused on program management and development.

ALEXANDRA KIRCHNER

Upon completion of the graduate certificate program at the IU Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, I plan to keep my Hoosier roots and stay in Indianapolis. I would like to pursue a career in community development or youth programs. I am passionate about Indianapolis, and I am excited to see the city continue to grow and develop in the coming years.
**DIANA SMALL**

I plan to pursue my master’s in nonprofit leadership at Seattle University and continue at The Better Fundraising Company in my role as project manager while I earn my degree. I also plan to work with small nonprofits in the Tacoma area, helping them with annual fund and development planning.

**JOSHUA CLARK**

I am a passionate being who is interested in working with missions related to education, environmental preservation, and the arts and humanities. I am searching for collaborative efforts in improving the health of the community through program development designed to reach optimization.

**TAYLOR DOOLEY**

I believe in strengthening and investing in communities and in promoting fairness and justice in the nonprofit sector. I plan on taking the unique experiences I have had at IUPUI, which include being an undergraduate representative involved in the creation of new resources on campus, and investing the skills I have gained back into Indianapolis.

**JOHN FERGUSON**

I am currently in discussions regarding the creation of a new position within my current company, which would potentially greatly expand our charitable efforts and philanthropic endeavors, including environmental sustainability, equality, and development in each community we serve. My hope is to develop a new model for corporate giving and responsibility within the restaurant and beverage industry.
BRITTANY FLORENTINE

After graduation I hope to gain more experience in strategic planning by innovating theories and different styles of organizational leadership. My experience in helping businesses increase profitability by solving social issues, has motivated me to pursue my calling in consulting and sustainability. Using the experience from this career, I will pursue my ultimate dream of becoming a life coach, working with individuals who desire a positive life or career, infused with philanthropy.

STEPHANIE FULK

I am currently looking for a position in a faith-based nonprofit organization in Indiana that advocates and serves victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, and those in poverty through the love of Jesus Christ. Along with my major, my certificates and minors in nonprofit management, computer applications, international studies, and Spanish, have prepared and empowered me for a range of responsibilities. I would like hold a position in an area such as fundraising, program directing, or direct service.

NICOLE HUBBARD

Professionally, I want to study the socioeconomic conditions that perpetuate poverty in the United States to advocate for greater political change while working with community leaders and nonprofit organizations. I am currently looking for fellowship opportunities in Washington, DC.

GREGORY LAWRENCE

I am passionate about youth, education, and health, and plan to work with an organization whose focus is geared towards these passions. I have an interest in fund development and program management. My vision is to better the community by enabling others to be the best version of themselves.
HANNAH MEYER

After graduation, I plan to work at a disaster response nonprofit organization in Vincennes, Indiana. Eventually, I would like to get a master’s in education and work for an organization that focuses on youth and education.

ALEXANDRA REID

After graduation, I plan to stay in the Indianapolis area and work for a nonprofit that has a focus on social services. With my passion being mental health, I hope to one day create an organization that is not only primarily focused on providing counseling resources to the community, but making them accessible to everyone in need.

CLAYTON RITORTO

I chose to pursue a degree in philanthropic studies from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy because I knew it would allow me to fulfill my passion for serving others. My time with this school and my internship with the American Red Cross have taught me very valuable skills in volunteer management, event planning, and fundraising. After graduation, I intend to stay close to central Indiana and work for a nonprofit organization that will allow me to use my skills and knowledge to help make this world a better place.

ABE ROLL

After graduation, I plan on remaining in Indianapolis to pursue my master’s in public affairs here at IUPUI. While continuing my studies part-time, I will seek employment in the nonprofit sector, specifically working with my passions of animal welfare or sexual health advocacy. It is my hope to work in program development and implementation, with the ultimate goal of founding a nonprofit that brings comprehensive sexual education or low-cost animal care to communities where they are unavailable.
KIRATPREET SANDHU
After graduating with a degree in philanthropic studies from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy and a degree in women’s and gender studies from the School of Liberal Arts, it is my hope to join organizations and movements working to end gender-based violence in India. I am interested in law, human development, and the nonprofit sector as a whole, specifically as they each serve as powerful fields for the advancement of women.

CHELSEA SANDIFUR
After graduation, I will be moving to Lafayette, Indiana. There, I will further my education by earning my master’s degree in library science through IUPUI. I plan to use both degrees to pursue a career with a library and other nonprofit organizations.

THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ALSO 2015–2016 GRADUATES:

**Ph.D.**
Matthew Ehlman
Michael Kramarek

**M.A.**
Sara Griffin
Niamani Mutima
Holly Reeve
Joshua Tracey

**Graduate Certificate**
Elizabeth Halff
Elizabeth Niedermeyer

**B.A.**
Ashley Cookson
Niki DaSilva
Sarah Hanson
Caleb Nishida
Jessica Reckerd

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Aaliyah Boyd
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Samantha Milstead
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Amir Pasic
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