

SCOTT COLLEGE OF BUSINESS STUDENT NEWSLETTER

FALL 2020



In these times of uncertainty in a rapidly changing world, it is more important than ever to keep connected in every way that we can.

These are the words we started off out last newsletter with in Spring 2020. We had no idea just how much was going to change.

AFIRM is committed to continued excellence in student success. We can achieve that with new and innovative ways to teach F2F, online, and hybrid. Our team of faculty and instructors continue to come together and bring new and exciting innovative ideas on how we will fulfill student needs and issues.

All instructors have dedicated and listed Virtual Office Hours. Students can be in contact not only during class, but during the week as posted.

All instructors have reviewed and adapted face to face classes to address the potential of student absences due to illness or quarantine.

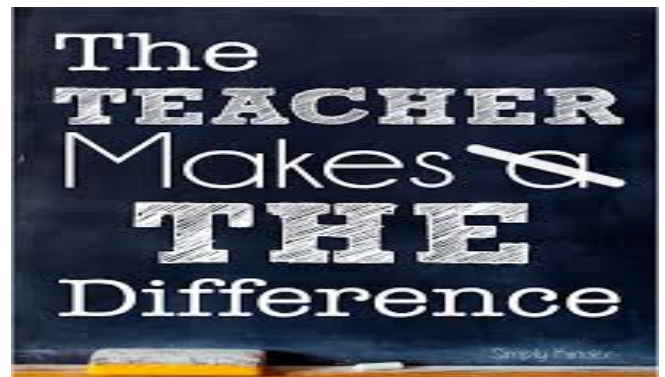
All instructors have reached out to their students with encouragement and guidance.

We as faculty and staff have embraced the responsibility of making sure all students are feeling confident and secure as they continue their education.

All Faculty and Staff are working in direct coordination with Student Services to address all student issues.



[Please do not forget to check the Scott College of Business website for up to date information as well.](#)



Every semester, we would like to spotlight a faculty member. This semester we would like to spotlight Blake Reed.

As many of you may know, Dr. Robert McMahan retired this year. We are thrilled to welcome our newest instructor that will

be teaching BLAW and BUS 263, Mr. Blake Reed.

Blake is a graduate of Terre Haute North. He is an alumni of Indiana State University. He majored in Business Administration and graduated Magna Cume Laude. His family has significant history with Indiana State University. His father, Steven Reed played basketball at Indiana State University and graduated in Business, and went on to obtain his Masters in Hospital Administration at IUPUI. His Mother graduated from Indiana State and began teaching. His wife, Elizabeth Reed graduated from Indiana State University's Nursing Program. Both sisters, Emily and Mallory Reed graduated from ISU, Emily in graphic design and Mallory in education and is now in counseling at Shackamack Schools. Grant, his brother is currently attending Indiana State University.

He has two children, Brann and Emmet. Brann is 7 and Emmet is 4. Elizabeth has since "retired" from her career in healthcare after 13 years and assists him at his private law office Abel, Sheehan, Reed LLC. Elizabeth focuses on his criminal defense practice.

After ISU, Blake attended Law School at Valparaiso University, graduating Magna Cume Laude. He has been practicing law since 2012. He is currently a managing partner at Abel, Sheehan, Reed LLC. His practice includes family law, criminal defense, and some contracts and business law. He is also a certified family law mediator and parenting coordinator. He taught back in 2014 at Indiana State University, filling in for Dr. William Wilhelm while he was on sabbatical. He came to choose the teaching position at ISU, as his family has significant history with ISU. ISU provided him with the tools necessary to succeed in graduate school and forge a path in the legal community.

When asked what his advice to students would be, he stated, "My advice to students is to take an active role in learning. Studying course material is one thing, but I think it is imperative to gain experience in your field of study. Not only does this help distinguish yourself from other students emerging into the job market, but permits real work application and experience to the material that you are studying at ISU. As an instructor, I think that it is crucial to provide the students with applicable situations that they may encounter in the workforce. I try and use numerous examples and hypotheticals to illustrate class material so students can see how it is applicable to real life experiences and situations.

I am happy to give back to a University that has provided so much for my family".

GA Contacts:

Nathan Divan

Hours: M 12-3pm & T-R 12-4pm

<https://indstate-edu.zoom.us/j/97840529311>

Branee Fyne

Hours: M&W 12-4pm & T&R 10am-4pm

<https://indstate-edu.zoom.us/j/6949424741>

Abdulla Alangari

Hours: T-F 11:00am-4:00pm

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77665319442?pwd=Ri82TXEzK2V5aDNmMWFGREpiUGh2QT09>



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Online Tutoring Available For Many Courses in Fall 2020

If you need a little extra help, sign up for an online tutor!

ISU still have tutoring available for the following courses:

Spanish, Latin, Italian (all courses)
AHS 340
ATTR 210
BIO 102, 241
BUS 180, 201, 205, 305
CHEM 100, 101, 103, 105, 106, 351, 431
ECON 100, 200, 201, 300, 301, 302, 303, 346, 353, 355, 370
NURS 207, 209, 218, 224, PHYS 105
PSY 101, 321, 356, 362, 375, 376

Email ISU-CFSS-Tutors@indstate.edu to sign up today! Tutoring is always free to ISU students.



Sycamores Care

Indiana State University is committed to the health, safety and well-being of our campus and community. The COVID-19 pandemic is a time of uncertainty for students, staff and faculty. Wearing a mask and social distancing to flatten the curve is critical, and we are committed to helping students achieve their academic goals with online, hybrid, and F2F instruction.

In unprecedented times of uncertainty, one thing is constant: Sycamores come together to support each other. The disruptions to daily life are being felt throughout the campus and community, and your donations to the following relief funds will directly address the needs of our students, staff, and faculty. Please help us support Sycamores who are most impacted by economic hardship and food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Student Emergency Fund – Donations to the Student Emergency Fund will support emergency needs of Indiana State students.

Staff and Faculty Relief Fund – Donations to the Staff and Faculty Relief Fund will support emergency needs of Indiana State staff and faculty.

Sycamore Food Pantry – Donations to the Sycamore Food Pantry will support its mission to alleviate the stress of food insecurity among all our students by providing an emergency food source, and by promoting healthy, sustainable meals.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Tyra Dowell is an accounting major and graduating senior from Cahokia, IL. She is from a huge family. She has a wonderful, hardworking mother and six siblings.

She chose ISU because of a couple of different situations. First, she came from a low-income and low test scores school. Indiana State University was generous enough to give schools like hers a fee waiver for a certain period of time. Before hearing about the fee waiver, she had never heard of ISU and wanted to go to a different school in Illinois. After being accepted by ISU, she went on a tour. This tour was an eye opener for her future. She loved the fountain, the student helpers, and the atmosphere made her feel like she was home. After the tour, she applied for the Networks Scholarship. When she found out that she was accepted into the Networks Professional Development Program, her mom and she were in tears. She knew this program was going to be a huge help to her, but not just financially. Since her freshman year, she has been involved in Alpha Kappa Psi, State DM, intramurals, many different business conferences, formals, a trip to Seattle, study abroad in Costa Rica, landed two different internships, held leadership

positions in Networks, and met the most amazing friends. However, the thing she is most grateful for when thinking about what ISU has done for her, is receiving and accepting a full time job before her senior year.

Michelle Reeson, Director of the Meis Center, has watched Tyra grow over the last four years. She stated the following with great pride.

“Tyra is a great student leader because she has this wonderful combination of intelligence, humor, professionalism, and genuine caring for the people around her. She is fearless, and will take advantage of every opportunity that she is presented, to learn more about the world around her”.

Tyra stated, “It is very refreshing to know that I chose a school and was invited into a program that really focuses on my success. I knew it was very important to my success to take advantage of everything that ISU offers. This includes finding leadership positions in clubs that you are interested in, going to career fairs, talking to your professors, and actually going to tutoring if you think you could use more help. Thanks to ISU and the networks program, I have accepted a full time audit position upon my May 2021 graduation at Deloitte in Indianapolis. I am one testimony of what ISU can and will do for their students. I am glad I chose ISU and I am excited to see what the future holds for me”.

Some Final Thoughts

We want to end this newsletter by letting you know we are here for you. We also know that if we work together as a Sycamore Family, we can rise to any crisis.

Please continue to take care of yourself and those around you.

Please stay safe and well.