

INDIANA UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

SUMMER 2022

A NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

REBECCA LAVE

Dear all.

Greetings from Bloomington!

The trees in Dunn Woods have mostly leafed out, the dogwoods are blooming, and the weather is lovely. Hooray for Spring at IU!

It has been another eventful year here with at IU with the continuing pandemic, a new president of the IU system, a new Provost leading the Bloomington campus, and the ongoing graduate workers strike. In the department, multiple students and faculty members have lost close relatives to COVID, but there have also been five babies born. I am proud of the way the Geography community has supported each other through good times and bad.



One new initiative I am particularly excited about is our scholarship to fund undergraduate research. Thanks to a generous starting gift from departmental alumnus Steve Scheumann, we have been able to offer financial support to enable our majors to conduct independent research with mentorship from Geography Faculty. To donate to the IUB Geography Undergraduate Research Scholarship, please visit our page on the IU Day crowdsourcing website: https://crowdfunding.iu.edu/support-iu-undergraduates-to-do-independentresearch-in-geography.

Last thing: if you have not been interviewed for the department's Oral History Project, please get in touch! We would love to include you. The interviews will be available online as part of IU's Bicentennial History Project, and we will also use them to write a history of the IU Geography Department.

Best wishes from Bloomington,

Rebecca Lave

WINNERS & FRIENDS OF **DEPARTMENT**

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PAUL W. AND MARIE K. BAUMANN SCHOLARSHIP

ERIN HARDMAN

Erin's current research extends outside of the Midwest into Catalonia, Spain where her focus is on succession movement that has gained support after 2008 financial crisis. After participating as a fellow for Thrive Indy this summer, Erin will be teaching English in Spain.

"I had a phenomenal time in the geography department. Every single one of my professors were amazing, kind, generous, and incredibly helpful. I value the relationships and connections that I have made in this department tremendously."





LIV DAVIS

Liv utilizes the intersection of climate change and human geographies to study the ever growing health and social inequalities further exacerbated by California wildfires. This summer she will be studying Celtic mythology and Irish history through the Irish Studies program. Liv will be returning in the fall to continue working on the Beat the Heat project at IU's Environmental Resilience Institute.

"I am the current Extreme Heat Coordinator for the Beat the Heat project at Indiana University's Environmental Resilience Institute where I work on both qualitative and quantitative projects to build community resilience to rising temperatures in Clarksville and Richmond Indiana."

VILLIAM R. BLACK LEADERSHIP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



OLIVIA CAMPBELL

Olivia is an undergraduate research assistant in the Geography Department researching global land titling projects through the World Bank. She will be making IU proud by attending the United Nations Climate Change Conference this fall as an IU Student Delegate. To unwind, Olivia spends time outdoors camping, hiking, and relaxing in her hammock.

"As a rising senior, I've spent most of my time at IU bouncing around different schools, departments, and majors, and the Geography Department is a true representation of the supportive and engaging environment I was grateful to come across."

WILLIAM R. BLACK LEADERSHIP MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP

NICOLE BENNETT

Nicole's research is focused on the digital space and data collected and used during humanitarian crises. In her free time, Nicole likes to travel to National Parks with her family, followed by a joint scavenger hunt to find the best pizza in each town. This summer Nicole will be an intern at the UNHCR Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland to research digital inclusion during displacement.



"I feel like our Department (Geography) stands out because of how welcoming and supportive everyone is. Each student is made to feel more important than just their academic achievements, which is a refreshing atmosphere in academia."

ROBERT N. JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP



ALEX DOYLE

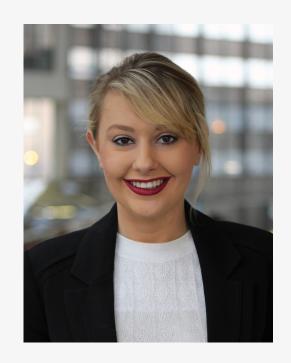
Alex is not only an avid gardener with his very own greenhouse complete with fruits and vegetables, but he also enjoys building computers in his free time. Alex is currently focused on GIS research while he completes his B.S. This summer, he will be taking a break from research to visit family in Uppsala, Sweden and will return to IU in the fall.

"Geography combines some of my biggest passions in life like technology and horticulture and gives me the freedom to shape my future career and education to align with my passions."

JOHN ODLAND GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

ALLIE WHITACRE

Allie is a Human Geographer studying the Palestinian refugee crisis with a focus on the social media representation of the West Bank and the Palestine-Israel conflict through tourist interaction. Allie's passion for social justice extends outside of classroom as she is a member of UndocuHoosiers, the Palestine Solidarity Movement, Seeking Refuge, and Reporters without Borders at IU, to name just a few. This summer, she will be writing a book chapter this summer on tourism to refugee camps in the West Bank followed by fieldwork in the West Bank this fall.



"The Department of Geography is unique in that there are so many subdisciplines and interests, as well as an emphasis on the critical connection between the physical sciences and the humanities. The department has given me lifelong mentors and friends, as well as invaluable experiences that have prepared me for my future career."

ADDITIONAL AWARD RECIPIENTS

Ian Brower
Poorabi Nanda
Kate Johnson

Norman J. G. Pounds Award
Kristen Hayden

Robert C. Kingsbury Award

Jacob Eckels

Outstanding Senior in Geography
Kylie Lewis

<u>Graduate Student Teaching Award</u>
Daniel Myers

Founders Awards
Tom Au
Isioma Nwayor

Geography Graduate Fellowships
Isioma Nwayor
Mahsa Khodaee

Robert N. Johnson Scholarship
Alex Doyle

<u>Lester Spicer Geography Poster Award</u>
Victoria Seest
Isioma Nwayor

FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, 2022

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David Chapman

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Sheila Culbert

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Darren Ficklin

Alan & Virginia Freeman

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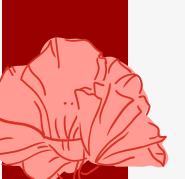
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