GREETINGS FROM JUPUI

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I am pleased to write that the new **RISE Scholarships** continue to be a popular giving opportunity in the **IUPUI IMPACT Campaign**. And even more exciting, the first RISE Scholarships are now being awarded to enable students to participate in the **R**esearch, **I** nternational, **S**ervice Learning, and **E**xperiential Learning (RISE) activities for which the scholarship program is named. So, we have the first stories of the impact of these scholarships!

Corey Stasen received the William and Rose Mays RISE Scholarship for Summer Session I (one of two the Mays have endowed for students in the Kelley School of Business). He is majoring in finance and international studies, minoring in psychology and economics, and is on track to graduate as a member of the Class of 2013. Corey is in both the Kelley Honors Program and the IUPUI Honors College and is president of Delta Sigma Pi for the 2012-2013 academic year. The RISE Scholarship funded his participation in the five-week International Business Study Abroad Program in Strasbourg, France.

Corey's experience was international not only in that he studied abroad but also in that the program involved students from other countries, including Mexico, Brazil, Portugal, Singapore, China, and France. Classes were held at the **Université de Strasbourg École de Management**. On long weekends off from class, he traveled with other students to Barcelona and Paris for sight-seeing.

In his blog about the experience, Corey writes that it was valuable learning how to be an effective cross-cultural manager and seeing first-hand how business is conducted in other countries. As a first-generation college goer, this was Corey's first time outside of the U.S. Studies have shown that first-generation college students are greatly helped by scholarship support to persist to graduation.

Just as former Executive Vice Chancellor **Uday Sukhatme** was preparing to depart IUPUI for his new post at Pace University, **Morgan Rhodes** became the first recipient of the **Indumati Sukhatme RISE Scholarship**. Uday established the inaugural RISE Scholarship in memory of his mother, whose international experiences and perspectives inspired the gift. It will be used to support **School of Science** students who wish to study abroad.

Morgan Rhodes earned IU credit while participating in a six-week health studies program this summer in Santiago, Chile. It included a clinical observation internship designed to give students insight into the Chilean health system. She also took a course in Spanish for Healthcare Practitioners so as to be better prepared to work in cross-cultural settings. Morgan is a senior, majoring in premed psychology, with minors in chemistry and Spanish. Upon graduation, she plans to go to medical school to pursue a career in child and adolescent psychiatry. The scholarship and the study abroad experience will clearly pave the way for a bright future for this IUPUI graduate.

The Herron School of Art and Design's first RISE scholarship, designated to benefit students enrolled in the painting program, went to **Bethany Mechelle Knuckles**. She received the **Lynn Thomsen Outstanding Artist RISE Memorial Scholarship** for summer study in Paris. Lynn was a 1979 Herron alumna who passed away in January 2008 at the too young age of 50. Her husband, Clifford Hull, established the scholarship to commemorate his wife's life as an artist and teacher and her

dedication to encouraging young people to experience the arts.

With the campus matching the income from the \$20,000 it takes to endow the scholarship, the **RISE Scholarship Endowment Campaign** has really gained momentum in just two years' time. Currently, **45 RISE Scholarships** are in place—10 in the Kelley School of Business, 12 in the Herron School of Art and Design, 13 in the School of Liberal Art's Center on Philanthropy, 5 in the School of Nursing, and 3 in the School of Science, plus 2 designated for public health.

In addition to individual donors, the RISE Scholarship Campaign has also attracted corporate and foundation support. **Citizens Energy Group** made a \$55,000 gift to IUPUI—\$40,000 of which will go to two RISE scholarships in the Kelley School of Business. **Powers & Sons Construction Company** also made a \$20,000 RISE scholarship gift to Kelley. Five of Herron's RISE scholarships came from the **Windgate Charitable Foundation**.

If you are interested in supporting the RISE Scholarship Endowment Campaign, you may donate online at http://impactcampaign.iupui.edu/rise.html.

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