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## March 2015 CRL Highlights

The Center for Research and Learning (CRL) publishes *CRL Highlights* to keep the academic community and the community at large informed about research activities, opportunities and development on the IUPUI campus.

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## IUPUI Research Day 2015

Research Day provides an opportunity for the IUPUI faculty, staff and students, and their academic, industrial and governmental partners and the broader community to come together and learn more about the research enterprise at IUPUI, explore new collaborations and lay the foundation for new partnerships.

When: Friday, April 17, 2015, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM  
Where: IUPUI Campus Center, 420 University Boulevard

- [Click here to register](#)  
<https://crm.iu.edu/CRMEvents/ResearchDay2015/>



## CRL RISE Scholarship Recipients

The inaugural class of IUPUI Center for Research and Learning RISE scholars was chosen earlier this month. Selected to receive a \$1,500 award in support of mentored undergraduate research, scholarship and/or creative activities were: Nhan Do, School of Engineering and Technology; John Flood, School of Liberal Arts; Evan Rouse, School of Science; Michael Roy, School of Liberal Arts; and Melanie Scheive, School of Science. Made possible by the generous donation of Dr. Kathryn J. Wilson, Founding Director of the Center for Research and Learning, and her husband, Daniel R. Wilson, these awards are meant to foster broad participation in mentored scholarship across our campus.

The undergraduate awardees will work through the Center for Research and

Learning and under the guidance of their faculty mentors to complete their respective projects. These students will be eligible to use their experience to qualify for the independent research component of the RISE to the IUPUI Challenge initiative, a program aimed at encouraging and recognizing high-impact learning experiences that occur outside the classroom, including international study, service learning and experiential internships, in addition to research.



2014-2015 CRL Ambassadors  
Phillip Witcher, Lynette Taylor,  
Zhen Wei "Max" Yong, Tsungai  
"T.J." Chingombe, Evan Rouse,  
Charnelle Free, Piia Virtanen,  
Abdul Khan and Zahir Sheikh

## Up Close and Personal

Ambassadors are an integral part of the work we do at CRL. As such, we would like to take time to spotlight the dedicated individuals who volunteer their time and effort, serving as ambassadors for our center. Next month, we will feature three more CRL ambassadors.

**Full name:** Charnelle Anita Free

**Major/Minor:** Psychology major, Africana studies and medical humanities minors

**Class standing:** Graduating senior

**Hometown:** Columbus, Ohio

**Scholarly/Research interest:** Pain disparities

**Why is being a CRL ambassador important to you?**

Being a CRL ambassador is important to me because being in this position allows me to reach out to students, share my experiences with others about CRL and help fulfill its vision.

**Full name:** Tsungai Janet Chingombe

**Major:** Chemistry (BSc)

**Class standing:** Senior

**Hometown:** Harare, Zimbabwe

**Scholarly/Research interest:** Pharmacy/Pharmacology

**What is being a CRL ambassador important to you?**

Being a CRL ambassador is important to me because it allows me to share my experiences as an undergraduate researcher with other students, encouraging them to explore the world of research and tap into the many opportunities in academic growth and professional development that the CRL has to offer through its programs.

**Full name:** Zahir Usman Sheikh

**Major/Minor:** Biology and neuroscience majors, chemistry minor

**Class standing:** Senior

**Research interest:** Neuroscience/Neurology

**Why is being a CRL ambassador important to you?**

Being a CRL ambassador is important to me because the CRL has had an incredible impact on my life. I want others to experience what I have experienced. Scientific research has undoubtedly helped me grow personally and professionally. If I can lead another student to the numerous opportunities available at the CRL, I will feel accomplished



## Spring 2015 ePortfolio Showcase

IUPUI's first ePortfolio Showcase will be held Friday, March 27, 2015, 1:00-2:30 PM. The event will feature outstanding student electronic portfolios (including ePDPs) that highlight learning at IUPUI both in and out of the classroom.

» RSVP to:

<http://lhsi.medicine.iu.edu/index.php?cID=409>



## IUPUI : Fulfilling the Promise

IUPUI offers the promise of hope. We offer the promise of lifetime success and the never-ending quest of curiosity. We offer the promise of being something bigger than oneself and helping Indiana (and beyond) to thrive. We are IUPUI.

» <https://youtu.be/1ahX9X-5PsY>

IPREP Fellow Sage Bates,  
Fulfilling the Promise  
<http://iprep.iupui.edu/>



## Share your news with CRL!

The Center for Research and Learning wants your input! We seek news to recognize the achievement of student research scholars, promote student organizations and share ideas. Please contact us at [crlstaff@iupui.edu](mailto:crlstaff@iupui.edu).



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