



# 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-independent-research-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

Professor and Chair

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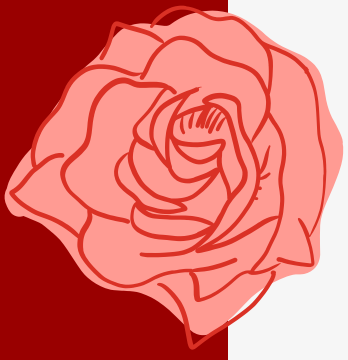
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# PAUL W. AND MARIE K. BAUMANN SCHOLARSHIP

## 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."*





# WILLIAM 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."*

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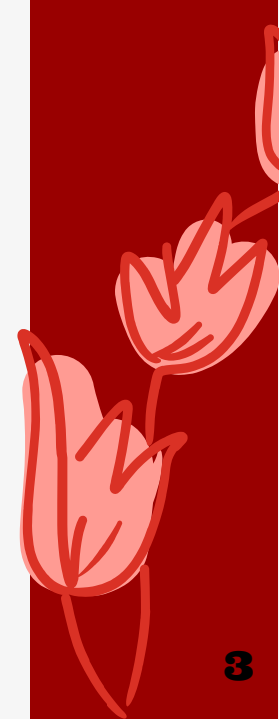
# WILLIAM R. BLACK LEADERSHIP MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP

## 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."*

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## 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

## Thomas F. Barton Award

Ian Brower  
Poorabi Nanda  
Kate Johnson

## Founders Awards

Tom Au  
Isioma Nwayor

## Norman J. G. Pounds Award

Kristen Hayden

## Geography Graduate Fellowships

Isioma Nwayor  
Mahsa Khodae

## Robert C. Kingsbury Award

Jacob Eckels

## Robert N. Johnson Scholarship

Alex Doyle

## Outstanding Senior in Geography

Kylie Lewis

## Lester Spicer Geography Poster Award

Victoria Seest  
Isioma Nwayor

## Graduate Student Teaching Award

Daniel Myers

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## FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, 2022

James & Marry Babb

Rudy Banerjee

Emmalean Baumann

Barbara & Paul R. Baumann

Donna Black

Rachel Van Bokkem

Joanne Breedlove

Blanche & David Buerger

Edwin & Michelle Buswell

Angele & Paul Byskosh

David Chapman

John Clark

Sheila Culbert

Joseph & Sharon Dearing

Bonnie Dodyk

Daniel & Donna Dull

Darren Ficklin

Alan & Virginia Freeman

Frederick Frisby

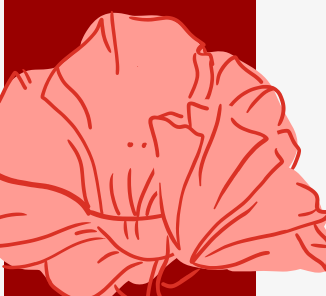
Quentin Gilly

Roger Henderson

Susan Hume

Tae Hee Hwang

Steven Jansen



# FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY, 2022

Karen Kiefer	Richard Piecewicz
Daniel & Linda Knudsen	Bruce Pigozzi
Daniel Knuth	Richard & Susan Polen
Daniel Koch	Jo-Ellyn Reisinger
Andrew Krmeneč	Beatriz Richter
Sally Letsinger	Steven Scheumann
Zachary Machunda & Phyllis May-Machunda	Susan Schwartz
Robert Martin	Eric Schweitzer
Paul McGinley	Marsha Selmer
Sarah Gettie McNeill	Nanda & Pamela Shrestha
David Meltz	Marcia Sullivan
Dan Myers	Wenjie Sun
Craig & Cynthia Nelson	Antonio Tebesceff
John Nichols	Louis Trapasso
John & Bonnie Owen	Stephen Volan
Mary & Stephen Pawlow	Susan McKinney & Eric Wilcox
Bill & Kathleen A. Pershing	Richard Wright
	Landon Yoder

