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Accelerate Indiana Internship Program



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The Accelerate Indiana Internship Program exists to promote businesses in Indiana through job creation and helping to keep talent right here in Indiana. IWU does this by inviting IWU students to apply for internships at selected Indiana businesses and organizations and paying them on behalf of the business which hosts them. Up to twenty businesses in Indiana are granted an IWU student to intern for their business or organization. The intern is financially supported by the Lilly Endowment, Inc. for the fall, spring, and/or summer academic terms.

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OUTSTANDING INTERNS

At the end of each season the Career Development department hosts an Internship Banquet where an intern **from the Accelerate Indiana Internship Program is awarded the “OUTSTANDING INTERN” award for that semester.** The award is given to an intern who has demonstrated excellent professional skills, gone above and beyond in their efforts towards the company they are interning, and represents IWU in a well-mannered way.

FALL 2017 | Lindsey Hoogstra

“Lindsey has been such a joy to work with this semester that we asked her back for the spring! Her work ethic and attitude is unparalleled. She is a quick learner, is unafraid to ask questions, and will complete any task given to her with a smile on her face. She played a key role in helping with post-event research, marketing list building, and reporting this semester. We cannot wait to have her back in the spring, and she absolutely deserves the ‘Outstanding Intern’ award.”

- Eva Jackson, Emplify



(Ed Illig, VP of Marketing—representing Emplify on behalf of Eva Jackson)

SPRING 2018 | Amanda Gray

“During her time with Fusion Creative, Amanda has always shown great willingness to learn new skills/ disciplines and to allow herself to be stretched. And we’ve given her a lot to learn in the past year. She is a responsible employee and an organized worker. She always keeps a positive attitude even when facing a challenge. We’ve been privileged to have Amanda for three semesters, a full year. It’s been a lot of fun to get to know her and know that she is a very loyal friend. She would do anything for her friends. She is also crazy punctual.”

- David (CEO) & Melissa (Digital Specialist) Gafford, Fusion Creative



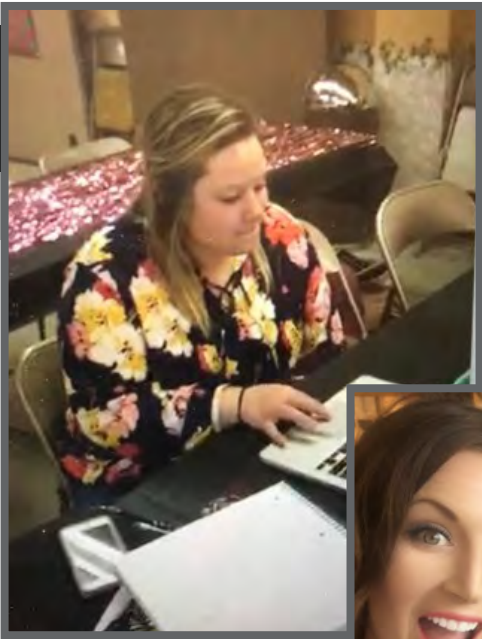
SUMMER 2018 | Luke Brautigam

“Luke has been an exceptional intern for many reasons. His attitude, work ethic, and abilities have set a new bar for interns at my office. I am constantly impressed with his upbeat attitude each and every day he comes in the office. No matter the situation he stays positive and looks for the silver lining. Luke’s work ethic is impressive, to say the least.

He works hard and goes above and beyond on every task that I give him. Not only does he get projects done quicker than I anticipate, but the quality of his work exceeds my expectations every time. The attention to detail that Luke gives his work is much appreciated. Luke also has a gift for communication and interpersonal relationships. Luke has an amazing ability to communicate and connect with customers and coworkers. His outgoing personality along with his ability to actively listen is a wonderful asset that will help him succeed in the future. It has been an absolute pleasure to have Luke in my office.”

- Nick McKinley, Nick McKinley State Farm





ABBY TUTTLE

MARY KAY | ERIN COLE

MARKETING



“My favorite part of Interning with Erin this summer was being able to be creative. Erin really valued my opinion and gave me a lot of freedom for all of my tasks. I was able to gain many insights and perspectives when **it comes to marketing”**

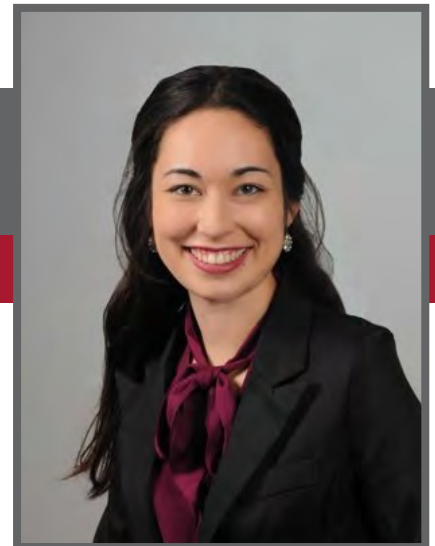
- Abby



ALISA TRUDEL

HOOSIER SHAKES | GREG FIEBIG

MARKETING



“What I loved about Hoosier Shakes was their passion and love for theater and getting Marion involved in it. It was also great working with Dr. Greg Fiebig. He is a great boss who gives just enough direction to allow me the creative freedom to create my best **work as a designer and marketer.”**

- Alisa



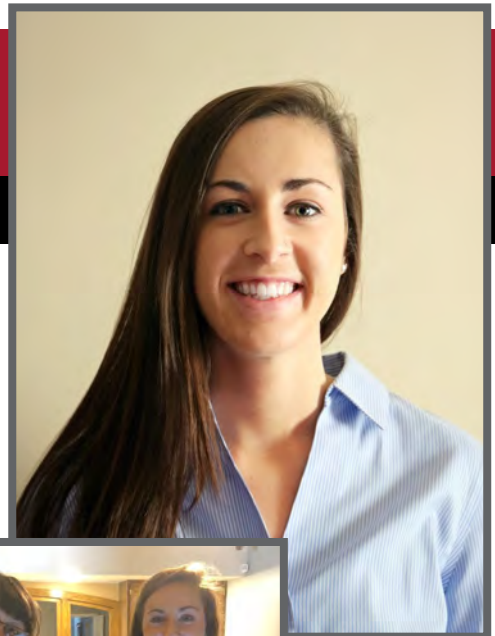
ALLI LAUBACH

THE PREUSZ GROUP/ SHRED SHED | JON PREUSZ

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

“Interning with the Preusz Group has provided me with an opportunity to delve deeper into the Marion community.”

- Alli



AMANDA GRAY

FUSION CREATIVE | DAVID & MELISSA GAFFORD

MARKETING

“The best part about my internship experience is simply learning all of the different skills on how to make an effective website that drives traffic and grows a business. Since day one I have been learning and that has been amazing to reflect on in my school work and other projects that have been able to work on.”

- Amanda



BRENNA HALL

INDIAN CREEK CHRISTIAN CHURCH

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

“I had the privilege of working at Indian Creek Christian Church this summer. I was able to complete both my marketing and business administration internships at the same time. The staff at The Creek were absolutely amazing. I got to work in every department of the operations team and learned a lot about the career field I am going into.”

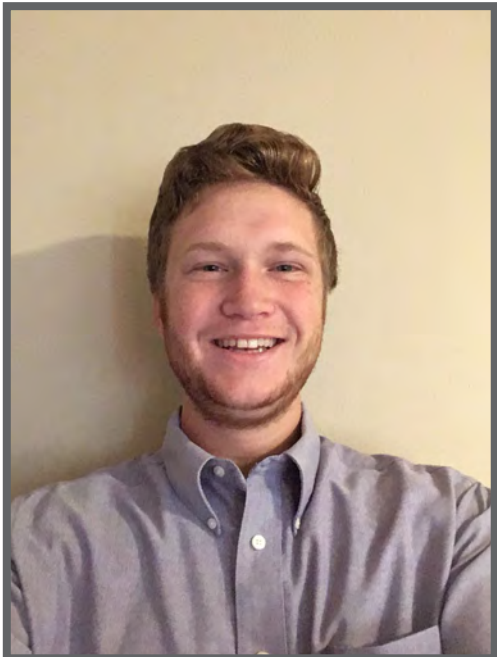
- Brenna



DOMINIC THOMAS

STICKSNLEAVES | YAW ANING

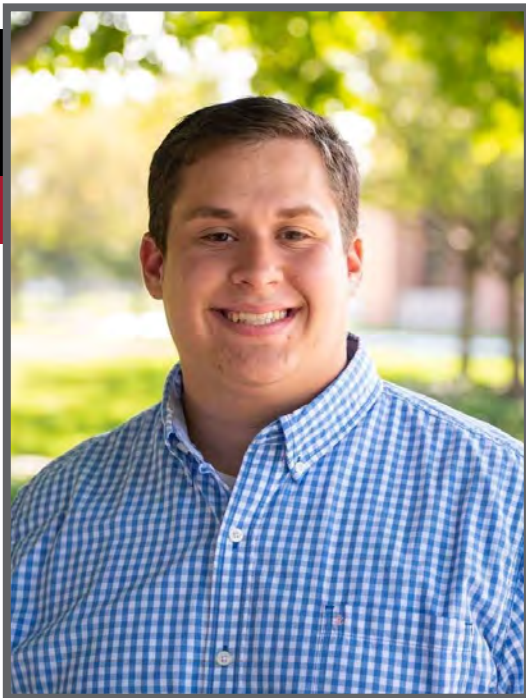
MARKETING



“The best part of my internship experience has been the time of learning and growth that has come in just 6 short weeks of working here.”

- Dominic





ETHAN MCLEROY

TRUSTMARK COMPANIES

MARKETING

“The thing I enjoyed most about working at Trustmark Companies was the willingness of staff to pour into me. On a day-to-day basis there were individuals within the company that were committed to growing me in my business knowledge, as well as my personal skills. Along with that, my supervisor wanted me to experience as many marketing related things as I could, so she had me doing much of the work on my own with guidance along the way. The internship was very hands-on and I learned **things that go beyond information in the classroom.**”

- Ethan



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- Evan



GRANT SCHWEISTHAL

ONEINDIANA FINANCIAL GROUP | KIM GORE

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



“The best part of my internship experience was getting to learn a vast amount of knowledge about the insurance and financial service industry. Getting an opportunity to create useful branding tools for the company financial advisors has been a great experience. Developing the company newsletter each month has given me a chance to apply my creative side and to gather data on the results of client responses. I have been able to use my marketing knowledge and apply them to real-world projects that have helped **me to sharpen my skills as a business marketer.**”

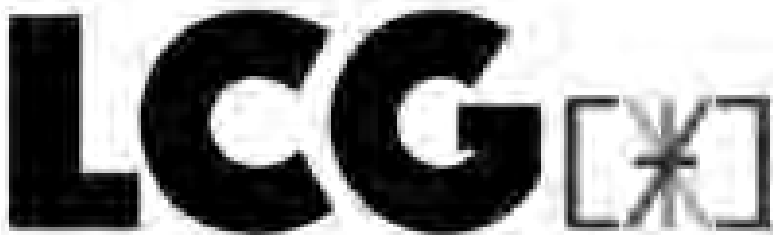
- Grant



HUNTER TERRELL

LOWMILLER CONSULTING GROUP | JASON LOWMILLER

FINANCE



“My favorite part about interning at LCG is sales. I love adjusting my approach to different businesses to achieve better results. I would highly recommend this internship to self-driven interns who are seeking a real-world business **experience.**”

- Hunter

JACK MENNEN

INDY ELEVEN | MIKE HENN

MARKETING

“This summer I had the opportunity to be a sales intern at Indy Eleven. My supervision was a pleasure to work for and taught me so much about the industry. I enjoyed this internship and **learned so much more than I ever expected to!**”

- Jack



JAMES BEYIOKU

THE BRANCH | ROB TIPPEY

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



“It is like being in a large family. Everyone is connected in a way that goes above and beyond whatever they are there to do. And at the end of it all, you **feel as if you’ve known them for your whole life.**”

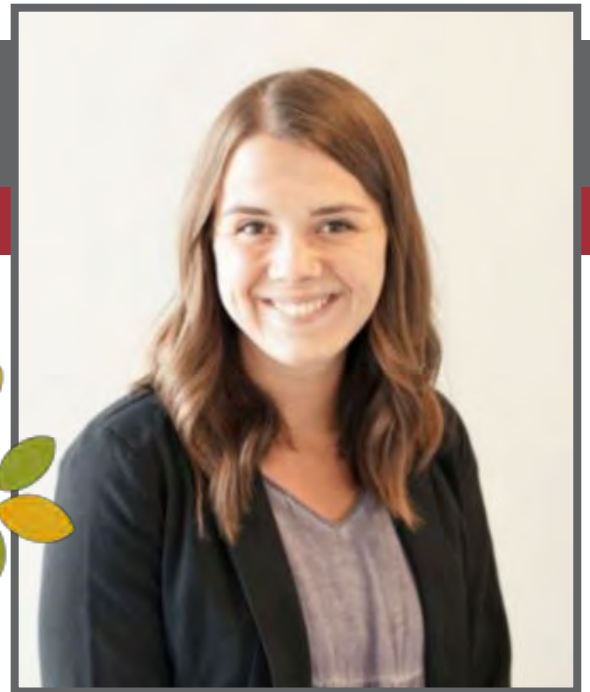
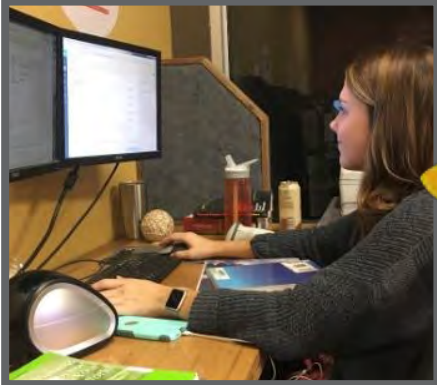
- James



JENNA BODEN

TREE OF LIFE BOOKSTORE | STACI GREENE

MARKETING



“The best part of my internship was learning how to work with different systems and within a **different environment than normal.**”

- Jenna

JOSIAH HARDACRE

THE REFINERY BUSINESS CENTER | RILEY TANGEMAN

MARKETING



“The best part about my internship experience was being able to work with other professionals on an event called **Grand in 60.**”

- Josiah



KAYLEIGH SIZEMORE

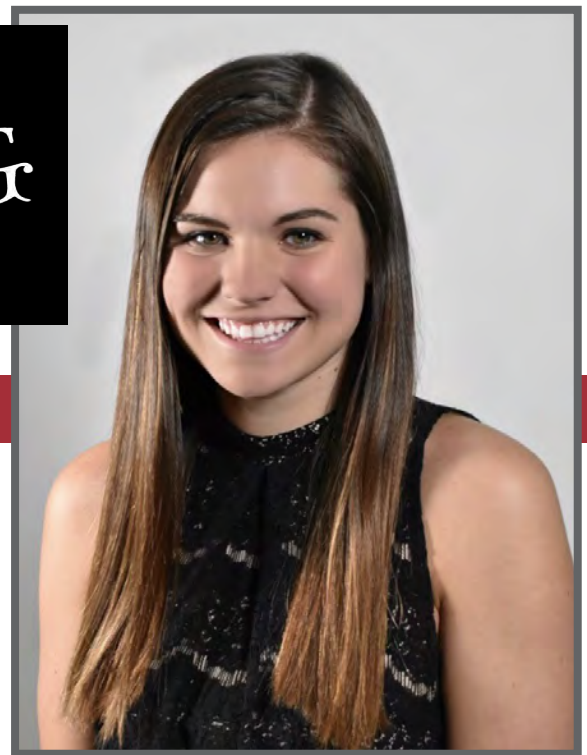
LARK'S SONG | MEGAN GILMORE

MARKETING



“The best part of my internship was being **involved with the work Lark’s Song is doing in Zambia**. Megan is wonderful, she let me jump into anything going on even though it was the middle **of the semester**. I’m very thankful for her **leadership and flexibility**.”

- Kayleigh



THRIVEFIT | DARIN MOON

“In my time as a ThriveFit coach and staff member, I have learned a lot about caring for clients, managing and creating events, and what it means to be part of a team working for a small start up company. No day ever looks the same at ThriveFit. Some days we may be planning events, hosting events, traveling to

interview athletes

competing at our competitions, and so much more. But the one thing that is always the same is the community of people who show up every day without fail, encouraging me as a coach and encouraging the other athletes. It makes every day **a good da no matter what is going on in life**.”

- Kayleigh



KELLY FRANK

JET PRO PILOTS | JASON WARDWELL

MARKETING

“Jason was a great supervisor. With a growing business, making sure I had a quality learning experience was a priority for him. The best part of my internship experience was designing an ad for NBA Business Insider.”

- Kelly



KYLE DOOD

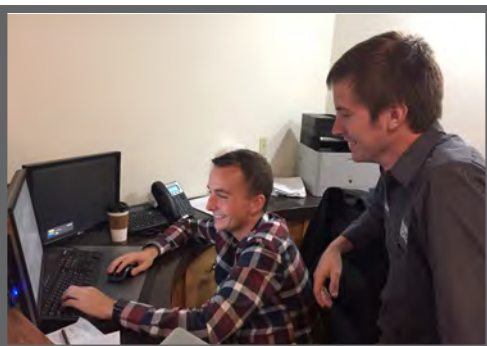
RELEVANT RENTALS | NATHAN SWEENEY

ACCOUNTING



“The best part about my internship experience is the freedom and diverse experience I received in the area of accounting, rental property management, and insight into how a small business operates. I enjoyed seeing how a start up business operates because I would love to start a business of my own someday.”

- Kyle



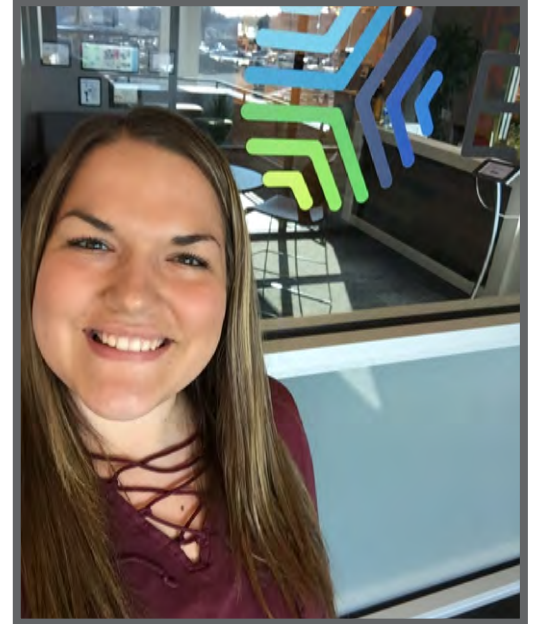
LINDSEY HOOGSTRA

EMPLIFY | EVA JACKSON

MARKETING

“The best part about my internship experience was the people, learning from them, and seeing how they use the employee engagement that they promote to other companies in our workplace. There is such a variety of personalities, yet everyone comes together and wants to help and spend time together. It is such a great community of incredibly smart and hard-working people.”

- Lindsey



LUKE BRAUTIGAM

NICK MCKINLEY STATE FARM | NICK MCKINLEY

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

“Interning at Nick McKinley State farm was an extremely enlightening experience and opened my eyes to the many aspects of what goes on in an insurance agent’s office. I had the opportunity to work with amazing people and observe how they invested resources and time into the Marion community.”

- Luke



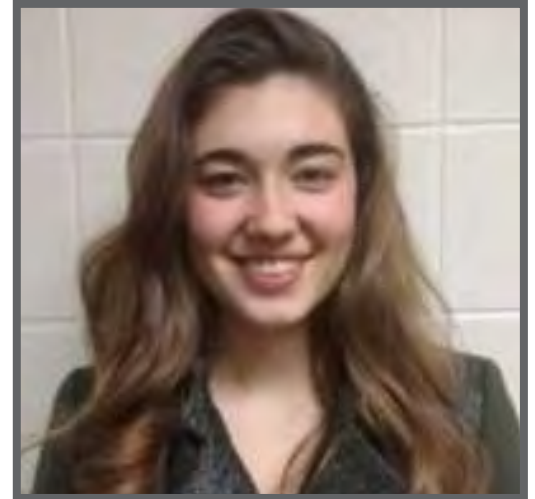
LYDIA MORGAN

THRIVEFIT | DARIN MOON

MARKETING

“The best part about my internship was the various skills I developed: communication, team skills, photography, videography, and marketing. My supervisor was very encouraging and willing to walk me through the learning process. He allowed me to take full responsibility and initiative when it came to work tasks.”

- Lydia



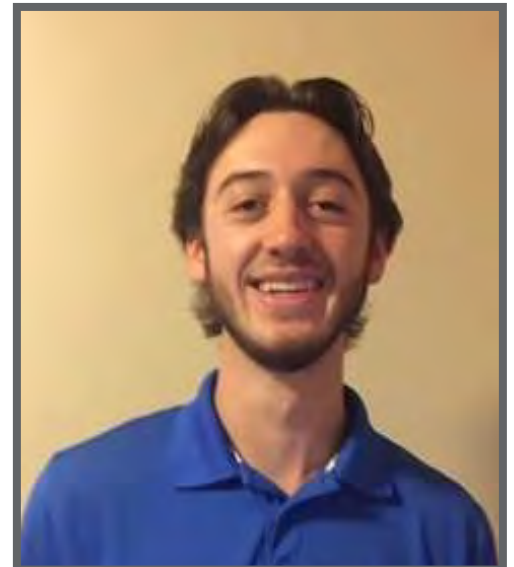
MATT CLARKSON

ENTERPRISE

MARKETING

“What I loved about Enterprise is the fast pace work environment. This internship was a great opportunity for me to gain experience in the workplace and it prepared me to finish my senior year at Indiana Wesleyan University.”

- Matt



MICAYLA CHRISTENSEN

PROJECT LEADERSHIP MANAGEMENT

“Project Leadership actually found me and interviewed me to be an intern for them. However, after working for this generous organization, I have found that I appreciate their ability to be a part their community in an uplifting way. Not only are they advocates for the young people of this community, but full-on supporters of and fighters for every single student that lives in Grant County and I am proud to be a part of that.”

- Micayla



MORGAN LEHNAR

CROWE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS | LAURA CRONKHITE

ACCOUNTING



“Interning at Crowe gave me first-hand experience of what it will be like to work at a public accounting firm in the future. I got experience in both audit and tax work and was able to travel to companies for audits and work in teams to help complete public and private company audits and individual tax returns. I had so much fun getting to know the other interns and **employees of the company!**”

- Morgan

RACHEL GIBSON

SUMMIT CPA | KIM MOORE

ACCOUNTING

“This past summer, during my internship at Summit CPA, I got a feel for what it would be like to work in the audit department of a small CPA firm/company. The internship allowed me to gain valuable hands-on experience with 401k audits and I was able to relate my work to accounting concepts I have learned in class thus far. My supervisor paid special attention to make sure she explained the importance of every task as I completed it which made me feel as though she really cared about me and wanted to help me learn.”

- Rachel



ROBERT DUNBAR

INDY ELEVEN | MIKE HENN

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

great knowledge and understanding on how business works in the professional sports industry. My internship this summer has been an amazing experience where I have learned many **applicable things for my future.**

- Robert



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- John Maxwell

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