

Indiana State Names 16 Networks Scholars

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Five area students are among the 16 incoming Indiana State University freshmen named to the second class of Networks Scholars this spring.

The following students were named Networks Scholars: April Bennett of Paris, Ill; Scott Garrigus of Terre Haute; Sean Harmon of Terre Haute; Amber Williams of Lyons; and Shanna Switzer of Marshall, Ill.

The Networks Scholars Program, funded by part of a \$20 million grant from the Lilly Endowment Inc., provides chosen students with a \$20,000, four-year scholarship. Networks Scholars are expected to participate in one paid internship, an international experience, work with faculty and executive mentors and participate in leadership development opportunities.

Ronald F. Green, dean of the College of Business, congratulated the scholars and wished them success in their first academic year.

"The Networks Scholars program is a wonderful opportunity for students who are interested in careers in financial services," he said. "The benefits of the scholarship are numerous, but the specialized attention to career preparation will give these students a tremendous advantage as they begin their professional careers."

Bruce McLaren, associate dean of the College of Business, said, "We are extremely pleased to welcome our second class of Networks Scholars to the College of Business. I am particularly pleased that they have chosen Indiana State University to further their education. We care looking forward to engaging these sixteen students in leadership development activities as they prepare for a career in the financial services industry."

Liz Georgakopoulos, executive director of Networks Financial Institute, said she is looking forward to seeing these 16 students develop strong leadership capabilities in the financial services industry.

"The Networks Financial Institute and Indiana State University are proud to name these sixteen students as Networks Scholars," she said. "ISU and Networks are excited to have these hard-working students join our program."

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