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1. Shout out to the Argus for providing riveting journalism in the form of the IWU Security Beat.
2. Thank you cross walk at Franklin and Emerson for making me feel like the biggest baddass everytime I pressed the button and stopped traffic.
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6. From the bottom of my heart, I would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Javorka for, I mean...do I really have to explain myself?
7. Thanks Darcy, for all the great conversations. Some I may have been mandated to attend, but I truly am thankful for you and all you’ve done. Wanna grab a beer after graduation?
8. Thank you Shirk Hula Hoop lady for brightening up everyone’s 6am practices.
9. Thanks quad squirrels, for always being there for me… except when it’s night and y’all turn into quad bunnies.
10. Thank You For Putting Up With My Bullshit.
11. Thank you, Quad Sperm, for reminding us that we can get by with a lot as long as our explanation is: “It’s art!”
12. Thank you athletes for reminding us everyday is acceptable for sweatpants.
13. Thank you Flingers for teaching us to never take good pizza or Flinger rolls for granted. We are so thankful that you are back in our lives.
14. Thank you to whoever invented the Chapel Hour. Wednesdays at 11am will always be my favorite nap time. Speaking of Wednesday, I’d like to thank Sudexo for providing me the stability of Wing Wednesday.
15. Here at IWU, I’m thankful for the lessons I’ve learned outside the classroom. Thanks, Saga Rose, for reminding us to always spray the waffle maker but more importantly thank you Blake Bradley for teaching me how to fold towels.
16. Thank you Professor O’Gorman who was there to listen to me in her office for over an hour and was ultimately the reason I was able to confidently make the decision and end up exactly where I want to be.

17. I want to thank my friends and my mentors for giving me the best four years of my life! I could not be the person I am today without every person that I have met and spoken to!

18. The caring, dedicated, passionate (and all-around-amazing) professors make IWU a great place to be. Thank you for challenging us, encouraging us, and guiding us these past 4 years. Thank you to all of the faculty members who put up with my attendance record and saw something good in me.

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20. Thank you Colin Stewart, Brandon Common, Dr. Jaggi, Dr. Burke, and Robyn Walter for truly making this experience so special for me!!!! I am incredibly thankful for you and your beautiful personalities, kindness, friendship, and mentorship!!!

21. The IWU experience is based on supportive and caring faculty and staff that are willing to invest time into you as not only a student but as a person and for that I am grateful.

22. Thank you all for contributing to and helping me become aware of the various identities that are a part of who I am as a person. With the help of you all, I discovered many more parts of myself during my time here at IWU; for that I am truly thankful.

23. Honestly, I would not be here today without the endless love and support from my family, my friends, my professors, my supervisors at work, the staff, and the random strangers that smiled at me on the quad. Your pure kindness is what drives me each and every day on this campus and reminds me to go out into the world and do good.

24. I love every part of my IWU experience. This place has nearly all of my favorite people and I will miss IWU dearly.

25. There are so many other professors and faculty I would like to thank for making my experience so wonderful. IWU has been an amazing place and I am so grateful for all of the support and love this school, the students, and the faculty have given me.

26. I couldn’t have expected more or gotten more out of an education during my undergrad experience at IWU. It was due in small part to the institution itself, and in large part to the people that make up the campus culture and support IWU students. I am forever grateful to the professors, staff, and students that contributed to my personal and professional growth these past four years.

27. Thank you to Dr. French for always having time to talk to me about anything and for allowing me to research with her.

28. Thank you to Kappa Delta for pushing me out of my comfort zone and helping me to become the leader I have always wanted to be.

29. Thank you to all that I have had the pleasure of crossing paths with during my time at IWU. You have all made my experience special and memorable and for that I am indebted.

30. Thank you to the IWU community for being my family away from home, for being incredibly supportive, and for giving me the strength and wisdom I need to succeed. I’m now ready to go out in the world and do well, but more importantly I’m ready to go out and do good.
Nitesh:

31. I would like to start off with thanking the Hart Career Center for teaching me how to button my coats properly. It’s truly an essential skill. Can never forget the always, sometimes, never.

32. From the beginning of freshman year to my final weeks of senior year, I’ve loved every moment here at IWU. Especially when I found out there is a beer fairy in library during finals. That was a true game changer... sometimes not in the best way.

33. IWU has given me the opportunity to become involved in academics, athletics, a sorority, and extracurricular activities and I could not be happier with my decision to attend this fantastic university.

34. This university is full of people and squirrels who have held me up throughout my four years here, and I can never thank them enough. Especially the squirrely run down i witness every week On Sundays after brunch,which reminds me of my drunk walks back from the bars. Going off of that, I would like to thank Titan Transport. Its truly an asset that adds real value to my experience here at IWU. Maybe for senior week we can look into extending those hours till 2 AM everyday?

35. Thank you for teaching me there is no limit to what I can accomplish. Due to the support at IWU, I have been able to make my dreams a reality.

36. IWU is a place filled with inspirational people, opportunities, and adventures. Thank you for helping us grow (physically through buffet style saga dining and intellectually) helping us find our passions!

37. However, I am so thankful to be surrounded by dedicated professors to keep me on task, and Darcy Greder for laying down the law! It was truly a wake up call everytime I received an email from either one. Although most of them were something good.

38. Every smile, every piece of encouragement made a world of difference to me and so many students. I gained knowledge and wisdom in aspects of my life that I never thought I needed growth.

39. To my professors for seeing in me what I didn’t always see in myself, and to the members of the Chapel for filling my life with more love and happiness than I sometimes know what to do with—thank you.

40. Everyday I am reminded of why I chose this school. In so many ways IWU has become more than a school to me, it has become home.

41. Saga Dave truly took care of me each time he asked me how is my dining experience today and taught me good attributes by chasing me outside of Saga for coffee cups those are the real memories i will never foret

42. And I am thankful for Saga Rose, Patty ---- yelling three medium's ready...., without them i would of had to eat cold eggs.

43. Thank you to all of the faculty who have helped me realize where my true passions lie and have helped me improve my writing, communication, and critical thinking skills immensely.

44. I feel so honored I am graduating from this beautiful school. Now, I just hope I can find a job and a girlfriend.

45. Thank you to those individuals for making me feel valued and encouraging me to be my best self. I have truly mastered the art of picking best food throughout the buffet at lunch everyday. Lastly, I would like to close with thanking my fellow classmates for providing this honor of standing here and delivering thank you’s on their behalf. Lets close out our senior year strong!!!