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Quentin Brummet

Quentin is from Urbana, IL and a double major in Economics and Mathematics. He is a member of the Mathematics Society, a Calculus tutor and an Economics Lab Assistant. His favorite classes were Economics of Developing Countries with Professor Durbal and Wavelet Analysis with Dr. He. Upon graduation, he plans to enter the Ph.D. program in Economics at Michigan State University.

Katie Conway

Katie hails from Westmont, IL; she is a double major in Economics and Business Administration. She really enjoyed her Business Law class with Professor Marvin. Upon her early graduation, she works in the Finance and Accounting Rotational Program at CNA Insurance in downtown Chicago. She is having fun in the real world and is enjoying herself. Her future plan is to earn an MBA and possibly a joint degree with law.

Lane Coonrod

Lane, whose hometown is Quincy, IL, is an Economics major and Mathematics minor. He has been a member of Student Senate, IWU Cross Country, and IWU Track & Field. He enjoyed all his History classes while at Wesleyan. His future plans include working as an actuary at Allstate Insurance Company, continuing running and, hopefully, traveling. He feels that the Economics faculty at IWU would make for a really good kickball team.

Chris Davis

Chris, who is from Oak Brook, IL, is an Economics major with a minor in Psychology. At IWU he was a member of 9X9 Filmmaking Club, Student Senate and the Varsity Baseball team. Some of his favorite classes were Fundamentals of Astronomy

and Managerial Economics. He took a job with Van Kampen Investments after his early graduation as an internal sales consultant. He looks forward to developing his career niche in the firm and plans to stay in the Chicago area for few years before moving to warmer climates. He offers his deepest gratitude to the IWU Economics department for being so supportive of his desire to graduate a semester early.

Bryan Duling

Bryan, a double major in Economics and Business Administration, is from Clinton, IL. He participated in IWU Track & Field and the Student Athletic Advisory Council. He has also worked in Admissions and was a teaching assistant for Human Biology and a tutor for Economics. His favorite classes were Money & Banking and his Senior Seminar. He plans to work in a consulting firm.

Marcus Dunlop

Marcus, originally from Maywood, IL, is a double major in Economics and Business Administration. He also was an early graduate. He was a member of the football team, Risk Management and Finance Society, as well as Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He enjoyed Money and Banking as well as Portfolio Management while at IWU. He will be working in investment banking at Goldman Sachs in New York, New York.

Michael Feeney

Michael, a double major in Economics and International Studies with a concentration in International Development, is from Monticello, IL. He participated in Theta Chi Fraternity, 2007 IWU 4 Nets Campaign, and the Technos International Conference. On top of that he also served as an International Studies research assistant. His best

classes were Perspectives in International Health and The Anti – Hero. After graduation, he will be working for Archer Daniels Midland with the intention of acquiring international assignments with the company before attending graduate school.

Allison Fisher

Allison is from Oswego, IL and is a double major in Accounting and Economics. She is a member of the Omicron Delta Epsilon honor society, Accounting Society, IWU Track and Field and IWU Cross Country. Her favorite classes were Managerial Economics with Tony O. and Senior Project with Dr. Mike Seeborg. She plans to take her CPA exam this spring and summer and start working as an Audit Associate at KPMG in Chicago this fall.

Russell Flinchum

Russell is from Chicago, IL and is an Economics major and double minor in Environmental Studies and German. His best class was his Senior Seminar with Professor Seeborg. His future plans are to go hot air ballooning around the world and probably go to graduate school or work for a green business. Contrary to popular belief, he thinks there is always a free lunch at the soup kitchen.

Jesse Furmanek

Jesse, who hails from Orland Park, IL, had the opportunity to study abroad in Australia fall semester of senior year. In his free time he enjoys playing Frisbee.

Kunaey Garg

Kunaey is an Economics major and a Business Administration minor from Kolkata, India. He is a Resident Assistant, a member of the Residence Hall Association, SASA and an Economics 100 tutor. His favorite classes were Money and Banking and Financial Management. Upon graduation, he hopefully looks forward to working in finance or consulting.

Alex Gikas

Alex comes from Munster, IN. As an Economics major, he really enjoyed Professor Durbal's Economics of Developing Countries. He says, "It was a real eye opener to observe the economies of other countries, and why some countries have ten or some billionaires while the rest of the country's population lives in shambles." While at IWU he participated in the Sigma Pi Fraternity, student ambassadors, and Interfraternity Council. He also enjoyed being a party DJ, and partaking in Muay Thai Kickboxing and Brazilian Jiu Jitsu.

Dan Haeger

Dan, from Wheaton, IL, is a double major in Economics and Physics. His favorite classes at Wesleyan were Statistical Mechanics and Mathematical Methods. Dan will be pursuing his PhD in Materials Science at UC Santa Barbara, where he will make use of his ability to "bend steel with his bare hands" (according to Dan).

Hayley Jones

Hayley hails from Sheboygan, WI and double majored in Economics and Political Science. She is a member of the College Dems, Equestrian Club, Kappa Delta Sorority and also worked at the Mellon Center. Her favorite classes were Labor Economics and Industrial Organization. She plans to attend law school next year.

Jim Kjelland

Jim, a double major in Economics and English Writing, came to IWU from Plymouth, MN. He is a tutor at the Writing Center and a member of the IWU Hockey Club. His best classes were his Economics Senior Project and his English Senior Seminar entitled Brilliant Failures. His future plan is to work for money.

Donnell McGhee

Donnell is from Hillcrest, IL. At Illinois Wesleyan he double majored in Economics and Business Administration. He also enjoyed participating in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and on the football

team. He also worked in the office of multicultural affairs.

Charles Montgomery

Charlie, from Peoria, IL, is a double major in Economics and Business Administration with a concentration in Finance. One of his favorite classes at IWU was Jazz History. He plans on working in downtown Chicago at the Cutler Group – a trading firm specializing in equity options.

Minh Nguyen

Minh came to Illinois Wesleyan from Hanoi, Vietnam. His original intent was to attend Tulane University, and he arrived to begin his semester three weeks late after the wake of Hurricane Katrina. He enjoyed Illinois Wesleyan so much that he did not return to Louisiana. He intends to return to Vietnam after he graduates.

Daniel Obie

Dan, from Mundelein, IL, is a double major in Economics and Business Administration with a concentration in Marketing. He served as the President of the American Marketing Association. Additionally he was a member of the Alpha Mu Alpha Fraternity and the Omicron Delta Epsilon honor society. His favorite classes were Strategy and Policy and Senior Project.

Stephanie Panozzo

Stephanie is from Rockford, IL and she is an Economics major. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority and belongs to Omicron Delta Epsilon and Phi Beta Delta honor societies. Her favorite class at IWU was Urban Economics with Dr. Margaret Chapman, in which she enjoyed utilizing economics to understand social issues. She spent a semester of her junior year at China and absolutely loved it. Although her future plans aren't concrete yet, she definitely looks forward to spending more time in China.

Azizuddin Rose

Azizuddin, a native of Chicago, IL, is an Economics

major. He served as Secretary of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and captain of Track and Field. He was also a member of Risk Management and Finance Society. He really loves economics because it provided him with a new way to view life; whether from a cost – benefit analysis or the opportunity cost of making an investment decision. His favorite class was Senior Project. He aspires to open a multi-billion real estate development firm.

Michael Rosin

Michael, from Morton Grove, IL is a double major in Economics and Business Administration, with a concentration in Marketing. He participated in IWU Varsity Baseball and the American Marketing Association. His favorite classes were Graphic Design I and Seminar in Marketing – Consumer Behavior. He would like to express his sincere appreciation to all the Illinois Wesleyan University professors (especially those who he had close contact with) who have spent their valuable time in and outside of the class to enlighten and engage him and his fellow students. Without their dedication and commitment to us and our education, we would have never had the experience that was IWU.

Matt Sheehan

Matt is from Bettendorf, IA. He is a double major in Economics and Business Administration. He is a member of Theta Chi Fraternity, IWU Cross Country and IWU Track & Field. His best classes were Economics 100 with Dr. Margaret Chapman and the Trial Class with Professor Kearney. His future plan is to attend law school.

Scott Swisher

Scott, from Palatine, IL, is a double major in Economics and Mathematics with a minor in Physics. He is a member of Student Senate and his favorite classes were History of Economic Thought with Dr. Margaret Chapman and Mathematical Statistics with Dr. Lee. Scott served as a research assistant for the Economics department for three years and tutored for the Physics department. He

also served as Technical Editor for the Park Place Economist and the Undergraduate Economic Review over the past two years. His future plan is to earn a PhD in Economics with a concentration in econometrics or macroeconomics.

Elizabeth Taylor

Elizabeth, whose hometown is Spring Valley, IL, is an Economics major and a Political Science minor. She is a member of Student Senate, flute choir, the Ambassadors Club, Titan Band, and Big Brother Big Sister. Senior year, she held the position of the Editor-in-Chief of the Park Place Economist. Her best classes in IWU were Latin 101 and Senior Seminar. She really enjoyed her undergraduate time at IWU as an Economics major and feels that the university is truly blessed and endowed to have such an excellent department. She plans to attend a law school.

Eric Van Hise

Eric is from Rochelle, IL and an Economics major. He is a member of the football team and the Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity. His favorite class was Senior Seminar. He plans on moving back to Rochelle, hopefully starting a career in law enforcement, corrections or probation.