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Economics Majors - Class of 2019

COLIN BONNETT
Major(s): Economics
Hometown: Lemont, IL
Groups/Organizations: Alpha Kappa Psi Business Fraternity, National Society of Leadership and Success, IWU Men's Basketball, Big Brother Big Sister
Post-Graduation Plans: Working as a Financial Advisor at IHT Wealth Management
Favorite IWU Memory: Passing through the quad all the time
What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department: Dr. Ghosh!

BRANDON CHANG
Major(s): Economics
Minor(s): Computer Science
Hometown: Carpentersville, IL
Groups/Organizations: Senior Committee, Habitat for Humanity
Post-Graduation Plans: Working in data science
Favorite IWU Memory: Hanging out in the quad with friends late at night watching an eclipse
What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department: The professors and their care towards teaching

MARK FALOTICO
Major(s): Economics
Minor(s): Entrepreneurship
Hometown: Arlington Heights, IL
Groups/Organizations: Sigma Chi, Alpha Kappa Psi, Big Brother Big Sisters
Post-Graduation Plans: Working as a Commercial Banking Analyst at BMO Harris Bank
Favorite IWU Memory: Second semester sophomore year in Dolan
What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department: Dr. Ghosh

ROWLAND FILBERT
Major(s): Economics and Pre-Med
Hometown: Pittsfield, IL
Groups/Organizations: TKE, Symphonic Winds
Post-Graduation Plans: Attending Medical School
Favorite IWU Memory: Going to Italy with IWU students during May Term my Freshman year
What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department: How helpful and friendly the professors are

BOB LADD
Major(s): Economics and Psychology
Hometown: Aurora, IL
Groups/Organizations: Intervarsity, ORL, Student Senate, Titan Ambassadors, Titan Band, Recording Crew, Senior Committee, Suspended Acapella, Omicron Delta Epsilon, Psy Chi
Post-Graduation Plans: Working for Alight
Favorite IWU Memory: Being able to speak at the new student convocation and welcome the class of 2022
What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department: The professors genuinely want the students to succeed and have helped me from the day I switched my major as a junior till now with everything, big or small that I need in order to do well.
ADA LIU  
**Major(s):** Economics and Accounting  
**Hometown:** Chongqing, China  
**Groups/Organizations:** Accounting Society, Chinese Culture Communication Club, Association For Women In Mathematics, Cypher Dance Club  
**Post-Graduation Plans:** Going to graduate school in Accounting. Currently have received offers from UIUC and Fordham  
**Favorite IWU Memory:** The Senior dinner in December!! When every single December graduate talked about their IWU life and meaningful moments, a bunch of beautiful memories also got back in my mind. We also talked and took a lot of photos.  
**What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department:** Dr. Durbal!!!! Definitely!!!! And the whole department is so welcoming! I love the way Dr. Durbal teaches. Even if getting a good grade is not an easy thing, I really enjoy her class!

HEIDI LUU  
**Major(s):** Economics and Accounting  
**Hometown:** Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam  
**Groups/Organizations:** Economics Society, Omicron Delta Epsilon, Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Lambda Delta, and the Park Place Economist, of course!  
**Post-Graduation Plans:** Working as an Assurance Associate at PwC US LLP  
**Favorite IWU Memory:** Working on the PPE, the Econ Society, and Research Honors with Dr. Durbal  
**What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department:** The classes here are my favorite, but I will certainly miss working on my 40-page research paper while sharing sweets with Dr. Durbal, chatting about life with Dr. Leekley, learning about all the riveting alumni stories from Dr. Seeborg, and spending time with my Econ people on the 3rd floor of SPH.

DREW PERSHING  
**Major(s):** Economics and Business Administration  
**Hometown:** Washington, IL  
**Groups/Organizations:** IWU Golf, SAAC, Young Life of Bloomington-Normal  
**Post-Graduation Plans:** Working as an Assistant Golf Professional in St. Louis, MO  
**Favorite IWU Memory:** Our golf team played an elaborate prank on me and another teammate where we were convinced that one by one, the guy in the hotel room next to us was kidnapping our teammates. We kept getting pics sent to us from the “kidnapper” of guys with pillowcases over their heads and tied to stuff. We were so close to calling the police!  
**What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department:** The professors were always so available. They were consistently in their offices outside of their posted hours and I could count on them to be there when I had a question or needed help.

LING ZHENG  
**Major(s):** Economics and Accounting  
**Hometown:** Chicago, IL  
**Groups/Organizations:** Alpha Kappa Psi Business Fraternity, Sigma Alpha Pi, Habitat for Humanity, Accounting Society  
**Post-Graduation Plans:** Working as a Risk Advisory Associate Consultant at RSM US LLP  
**Favorite IWU Memory:** Spring break in Arkansas volunteering with Habitat for Humanity  
**What I love the most about the IWU Economics Department:** Dr. Durbal