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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan University alumnus Danny Kenny '13 has received the Tiri Tiri Prize as outstanding master's degree student from Australian National University (ANU) College of Asia & the Pacific.

Kenny earned a Master of Environmental Management and Development degree in December from ANU's Crawford School of Public Policy. The Tiri Tiri Prize is awarded to a student in the graduating class who achieved the highest academic excellence in the degree, including the best overall aggregate results.

Kenny studied at ANU this year as a recipient of a Rotary Foundation Global Grant. His grant – for \$50,000 – was the **largest Rotary scholarship** ever received by an IWU student. ANU is consistently ranked as one of the top 25 universities in the world for its master's program in environmental management and development.

An **environmental studies** and **Hispanic Studies** double major at Illinois Wesleyan, Kenny was the 2012 Lincoln Academy of Illinois Student Laureate; a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi national honor societies; Phi Beta Delta honor society recognizing achievement in international education; and Sigma Delta Pi, the national collegiate Hispanic honors society. He served as co-chairperson of the GREENetwork, a group of volunteer students, faculty,



Danny Kenny '13

staff and administrators addressing sustainability on the IWU campus. As a Weir Fellow, Kenny coordinated campus-wide efforts to establish a new community garden, named the Peace Garden, near the IWU campus.

Captain of the IWU men's varsity soccer team, Kenny continued his soccer career with the ANU Football Club. Kenny's success on and off the field at ANU was chronicled in **this story** from the ANU Crawford School of Public Policy. Kenny is a native of Wildwood, Mo.