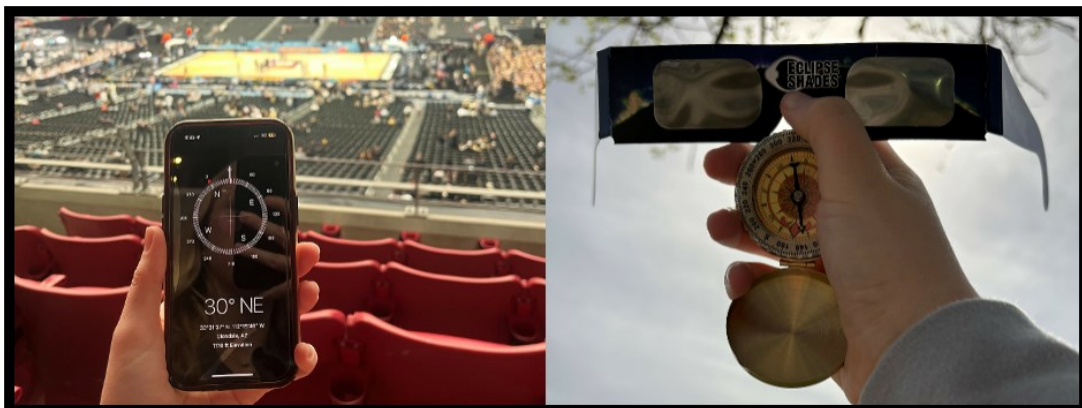


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PREPARING FOR FINALS

How do you prepare for Final Exams? Purdue's Academic Success Center has created a Handout, specifically for Spring 2024 Finals to help you get organized, prepared, and ready to take these exams. Best of luck Boilermakers. We are so proud of you!

Click [HERE](#) to access the Spring 2024 Finals Packet.

OPEN REGISTRATION REMINDERS

Open registration is currently available and will close at 5:00 pm ET on Friday, May 31st. The system will reopen again starting on Monday, July 22. Reach out to your advisor now if you have schedule questions or concerns.

"Exploration is curiosity put into action." -Don Walsh

Major of the Month: Quantitative Business Economics

If you enjoy working with numbers, data, and have an interest in economics, consider the School of Business' newest major: Quantitative Business Economics (QBE). Students in this major will learn economic theory, business acumen, and statistical techniques, all of which will give graduates the tools needed to make informed data-driven decisions. The QBE plan of study includes coursework in computational economics, machine learning, game theory, and other business-related topics such as money, banking, and international trade. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in projects with business partners to gain insight into using skills in data analysis to solve real-world problems. Graduates of this major can expect move into roles as business analysts, data scientists, financial analysts, as well as market and policy researchers.

2024 EXPLORATORY STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to all of our Explorers honored at our annual Exploratory Studies Donor and Recipient Appreciation Dinner, which took place on Monday, April 1st:

Purdue Federal Credit Union (PFCU) Citizenship Award in Honor of Ronda E. Feathers

Allison Hafer

Anna Tucker

Sue Aufderheide Scholarship

Allie Spiker

Thanks for the memories. See you in the Fall!



Have a safe summer. Explore, explore, explore!

LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Boilermakers!

For many of you, you are completing your first year of college; "WOW," right? I imagine that this past year has been full of excitement, fun, new friendships, learning, and maybe even some challenges. It is during challenging times that we all must learn from our situation and persevere. We must also take advantage of the people and resources available to support you: friends, family, academic advisors, professors, and the Purdue community that wants to help you succeed.

I thank you for trusting us in Exploratory Studies to be your first academic home. We strive to continuously improve our work in supporting you and the 2023-24 academic year has been no exception. Here are just a few of this year's highlights:

- Exploratory Studies is in its 28th year.
- ~835 highly qualified new Explorers joined us in August 2023.
- 80% of our EDPS 10500 course sections now have EDPS Fellows assisting in the class (former EXPL students).
- We have an opening for an EXPL Senator to serve on the Purdue Student Government if that is an area of interest for you. (Let your advisor know you are interested.)
- We have over 40 student ambassadors that are recruiting hard this spring to yield an equally high achieving group of new first-year students to EXPL.

As you finish up the final weeks of the spring semester, take time to reflect on all that you have accomplished. Your college years will fly by, and there's so much to be grateful for. Whether you have already declared your major or plan to continue with us next semester, your first academic home is always here for you. We care about you and want to celebrate your success with you.

Ever grateful for Purdue Explorers!

Boiler up,

Linda S. Gregory