

Take Five

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This Week in Academic Affairs



Thanks to two productive meetings last week, the IU Kokomo Experience is closer to reality. On Wednesday, numerous faculty and staff members discussed overarching goals for the KE, as well as two possible frameworks. On Friday, some two dozen campus leaders discussed both goals and frameworks, as well as several guiding principles and next steps. In the weeks ahead, our IU Kokomo Task Force will be examining research that can inform our planning, and Media and Marketing will conduct discussions with focus groups of students and alumni. All staff and faculty will have a chance to learn more and provide additional input later this semester. In the meantime, please feel free to share your thoughts with me, Julie Saam, or one of the members of the KE Task Force (Shirley Aamidor, Christina Downey, Trish Davis, Paul Cook, Steve Cox, Trish Davis, Cherie Dodd, Christina Downey, Todd Gambill, Yan He, Scott Jones, Heather Kennedy-Eden, Ligaya McGovern, Marie Radel, Gregory Steele, and Angie Thorpe). ● Faculty, staff, and students all are welcome to attend the DiversiTEA events this semester. The remaining events are “#BlackLivesMatter (February 9, KC 130), “Disabilities Quiz Live” (March 8, KC Commons), and “Integrated Immigrants” (April 12, KC 130). Each event will begin at noon. Faculty may want to consider integrating one or more of these events into their courses and using them to expand lessons on politics, sociology, rhetoric, history, or other subjects. ● If you know of students who would be strong candidates for graduate school, please encourage them to register for the Graduate School Luncheon, which will feature representatives from IU Kokomo, as well as IUPUI, Purdue, Ball State, and Indiana Wesleyan. The deadline for registration is February 3. For more information, call the Career & Accessibility Center at 455.9301.



Last week's Activity Fair, which promoted various ways to get involved on campus, attracted several students.

This Week at IU Kokomo

- 1/25: Faculty Senate Meeting (2:30 p.m., KC 130AC)
- 1/26: CTLA Workshop on Adobe Connect (KA 120)
- 1/30: Women's Basketball Game (1 p.m., Cougar Gym)

Kudos for Kokomojo

- Scott Blackwell, Kelli Keener, and Joe Keener recently were featured in an [article](#) in the *Kokomo Tribune* on their work with New Leaf Mentoring. Thanks for serving the community, Joe, Kelli, and Scott.
- When one of our job candidates had not one but two flights canceled because of the severe weather on the East Coast, Marsha Richey went the extra mile late on a Friday afternoon to schedule yet another flight. Thank you, Marsha!