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Students win first international scholarships

KOKOMO, Ind. — Mary Olk was determined to make international travel part of her Indiana University Kokomo education. She just wasn't sure how she would pay for it.

Friday, (May 4), Olk and Justin Clark received the first-ever Selzer Student Scholarships for International Study, which both will use on the IU Kokomo Innovation Symposium trip to England this summer. It will be the first overseas experience for both students.

Erwin Boschmann, interim dean of the School of Business, established the scholarship with his wife, Priscilla, and named the scholarship for her parents, Truman and Lahla Selzer.

He told the recipients to be lifelong learners, and to help someone else in the future.

"It's not just about money. There are many opportunities to help someone even if you don't have a lot of money," he said.

Olk, a Kokomo resident, is excited to have new experiences.

"This is an opportunity to learn new things and to open up my world view a little bit, and to experience another culture," she said.

Clark, from Peru, was honored to be one of the first recipients.

"I feel extremely privileged to have this opportunity. I'm looking forward to this experience."

Indiana University Kokomo serves north central Indiana.

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