Hey everyone,

Welcome back to another great semester! This fall is a very exciting semester for IIE at Purdue. IIE has grown in many areas and is continuing to improve. As President, some goals the Executive Board and I have set for this semester are to increase outreach at Purdue and within the Lafayette community, increase communication with the students of IE, and bring back the family atmosphere that so many board members love. The Executive Board, Directors, and Board members have done an amazing job accomplishing these goals throughout the organization.

Eren Bozbag and the Professional Development Team have done a great job preparing our members for the professional world. We started this semester with a very successful Intern Night the night before IR. With companies like Procter & Gamble, Eli Lilly, Pricewaterhouse Coopers, and General Mills, we saw the best IR prep night turnout in IIE history. Other events include a very engaging Information Session from United Airlines that was overflowing with interested students.

Marcos Zatkulak and the Programs Team hosted the 3rd Annual IIE Board Member Retreat. The Retreat was a huge success and brought about the family atmosphere that IIE is so proud of supporting. The committee is focusing on promoting this atmosphere through more social gatherings such as Bubble Soccer in the upcoming future, an updated Biggie/SmallIE program with a Monopoly-themed competition, and continued networking with Faculty through our Faculty Luncheons. IIE is looking forward to a continued partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of the Greater Lafayette Area after a very successful volunteer event last spring.

Tony Cho and the Public Relations and Marketing Team have already solidified a fantastic process to ensure that everyone on campus knows about IIE and the events we host. This semester we have had record attendance at the IIE Call Out, IIE Interviews, Intern Night, and the United Airlines Information Session. Look out for upcoming IIE swag including a quarter zip-up, long-sleeve shirt, and buttons to show your IIE Pride around Purdue’s campus.

Anneliese Smith and the IE Ambassadors helped the School of IE host an amazing Rededication to Grissom celebration. Our expectations were far exceeded with the number of successful alumni and other Purdue engineering faculty in attendance. It was a great ceremony and showcased the successful alumni of Purdue IE and the school’s promising future. Besides the Rededication Ceremony, the Ambassadors have done a phenomenal job of promoting IE to potential students with the School recently welcoming the largest IE class in history.

Finally I would like to thank everyone on the Executive Board for showing so much promise this semester with their great leadership and dedication. I am very excited to see what the future of IIE holds and I’m excited to help guide our organization to new heights.

Thanks,

Jamie Eckerman
The $70 million project to transform the interior of Grissom Hall was celebrated with the support of the Purdue Chapter of IIE. The commemoration event was held on October 9, 2015, and accommodated students, faculty, and alumni affiliated with the school of Industrial Engineering.

IIE Ambassador Anneliese Smith opened the ceremony by introducing successive speakers and describing how Purdue’s Industrial Engineering program has helped her succeed in solving problems within the automobile and transportation industry.

Abhijit Deshmukh, head of the industrial engineering department, spoke to the building’s capacity to commemorate the history of the industrial engineering department and, at the same time, function in accordance to a more modern, collaborative environment. “Grissom Hall has been around in some shape or form for the past 100 years,” said Deshmukh, noting that preservation of the building’s history was of utmost importance. This consideration came when deciding whether to renovate the interior or institute a complete demolition of the building. The latter option was chosen, which was not only beneficial in preserving the building’s traditional look, but also in limiting the construction project time to less than one year.

The department’s temporary move to Seng-Liang Wang Hall proved to be of little burden in the Fall of 2014 and the Spring of 2015, as noted by the next speaker, Dr. Leah Jamieson, Dean of the College of Engineering. She also explained how the building’s renovation was in accordance with the Strategic Growth Initiative project, undertaken by the College of Engineering in order to increase enrollment and promote collaboration.

The project was also on par with President Daniels’ Purdue Moves initiative, which features the idea of transformative education. President Daniels described one aspect of this idea-challenging traditional learning method with alternatives derived from research—and the new space certainly encompasses this with its emphasis on collaborative learning.

The ceremony ended in dramatic fashion with Anneliese Smith leading a “Rethink IE” chant as the aforementioned speakers helped light up an LED message depicting this forward-thinking slogan.

The event demanded a considerable amount of effort on the part of advisors and faculty to organize. The Purdue chapter of IIE helped facilitate the event by assisting the setup process, greeting alumni, and conducting tours of the newly renovated space.
Purdue’s IIE chapter typically places a considerable amount of importance on connecting students to company representatives and recruiters, and this semester was no exception. The professional development committee, led by chairman Eren Bozbag, organized a networking event for the entire student body of Industrial Engineers. This year’s edition of the annual event attracted a record 170 attendees from the sophomore level upwards through graduate students.

The event took place on September 14, 2015, which was the Monday before Purdue’s largest career fair, Industrial Roundtable (IR). This particular career fair is designed to connect students across all engineering, technology, and computer science majors to potential employers, so it can be overwhelming in terms of the number of students and companies involved.

Thus, IIE intern night served to alleviate some stress by allowing students to network in a more comfortable environment with recruiting efforts geared specifically toward industrial engineering students.

Recruiters from Eli Lilly and Company, General Mills, Procter and Gamble, and PwC Consulting gave brief informational presentations on company culture, missions, and available internships for industrial engineers. The next hour was dedicated to allowing students to talk to company representatives in a one-on-one fashion.

The Public Relations and Marketing committee, led by chairman Tony Cho, helped get the word out to the general student body through announcements, flyers, and electronic communication. Based on the attendance record, it seemed that their efforts paid off!

The recurring intern night event, along with a corresponding opportunity in the spring before Engineering Expo, has been particularly effective in strengthening the relationship between students and corporate recruiters, and will continue to be one of the signature events of Purdue’s IIE chapter.

IIE Board gives back

The board has always been passionate about spending time together and contributing to the greater Lafayette community. The semi-annual adopt-a-road event was directed by the Programs board to accomplish both these tasks, and was considered a success, with over 20 members participating. The group posed for a picture after filling a dozen trash bags with rubbish from Klondike Road in Lafayette (right).
Semester kicks off with retreat

The 49 members on the IIE board included nearly half who were new to the board, which set the semester up for an interesting dynamic between experience and fresh perspectives.

The programs committee, led by chair Marcos Zatku-lak, sought to integrate the group with an internal retreat. The evening retreat was held in the Cordova Recreation Center on September 11, 2015, and featured friendly competition between committees and promoted internal bonding.

The activities featured a speed-based name memorization game, a chance for younger board members to seek advice from advisory council members, and a game of dodgeball. The night resulted in closer ties among the board—and fun!

(Above) Audrey Whitmire and Arpitha Gadag share a laugh between activities

(Right) The IIE board poses for a photo at the conclusion of the internal retreat

Intramural Soccer

Purdue’s IIE Chapter has historically had a competitive intramural soccer team, and this year was no exception. Board members looked forward to weekly games on Thursday nights. The team finished with a regular-season record of 2-1 and its 4-0 playoff record has carried it to the semifinals!

Intramural soccer team starting lineup

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Fall 2015 IIE Board

(From left to right) Tony Cho, Eren Bozbag, Anneliese Smith, Jamie Eckerman, Cate Rasche, Amy Hoogenboom, Ben Ross, and Marcos Zatkulak
Advisory Council

(Row 1) Victoria Houed, Madalyn Fair, Alyssa Blair, Zoe Disori; (Row 2) Andrew Donnelly, Nik Doukas, Alex Newman, Mateo Guerrero, Daniel Odihi;

Ambassadors

(Row 1) Abby Trusler, Anneliese Smith, Anna Rafin, Libby Quinn; (Row 2) Scott Wong, Tyler Grooms, Tony Orr, Dave Bechtel
Professional Development

(Row 1) Raghav Gandhi, Rajath Jain, Pamela Yuan, Eren Bozbag, Brandt Hopfe, Sophie Smith, Will Nigh; (Not pictured) Tom Kaeding, Rachel

Programs

(Row 1) Caroline Waas, Marcos Zatkulak, Jackie Niemeyer; (Row 2) Matt Bitter, Megan Nowak, Kirsten Castelli, David Reed; (Not pictured) Maggie
Public Relations and Marketing

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(Row 1) Brittany Geier, Arpitha Gadag, Tony Cho, Lauren Winkler, Brittany Pyle; (Row 2) Audrey Whitmire, Nagesh Vallurupalli, Ben Kelman, John Dudenhoeffer, Nick Perkins