

*IWU Homecoming & Family Weekend 2022*  
*Schedule of Events*  
*September 23-25, 2022*



*[iwu.edu/homecoming](http://iwu.edu/homecoming)*

## Thursday, September 22

### 6:00 pm - Benefactors Dinner

Many of our students rely on the generous donations of alumni to get the most out of their education. This exclusive dinner provides an opportunity for students to interact with and thank their benefactors in a personal setting.

*Young Main Lounge, Memorial Center*

## Friday, September 23

### 8:30 am - 9:00 am - Alumni Association Board of Directors & Parent Board Breakfast

A special breakfast for members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors and Parent Board, provided by the Office of Alumni Engagement.

*Vinyard Room, Memorial Center*

### 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting

The Alumni Association Board of Directors is the representative body of the IWU Alumni Association. IWU alumni are members of the Association and are invited to attend.

*Vinyard Room, Memorial Center*

### 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Parent Advisory Council Meeting

The Parent Advisory Council plays a vital role in overseeing student life and focusing on what matters most to the students of Illinois Wesleyan. All parents of current IWU students are invited to attend.

*Henning Room, Memorial Center*

### 12 pm - 5 pm - Homecoming Headquarters & Family Weekend Check In

Let us know you're back on campus and find out more about Homecoming events. Request a name tag, pick up your milestone class reunion ribbon, and receive a special gift if you are a member of the 50th or Golden Titan reunion classes.

*Hansen Student Center*

### 11:30 am - 1 pm - Heritage Fellows Luncheon

Heritage Fellows' vital support ensures our current and future students have the necessary tools to be successful far into the future. This lunch will serve to update and inspire our Heritage Fellows, along with expressing our deep gratitude.

*Joslin Atrium, Memorial Center*

### 1 pm - 1:50 pm - Back to College: Forgotten Lessons from Early Childhood: Fetal and Early Childhood Brain Growth and Development with 2022 Distinguished Alumni Award Winner Dr. Roger Sheldon '64

Did you know that the "achievement gap" is already underway before a child reaches Kindergarten? Dr. Sheldon will discuss the new brain science leading to a better understanding of much of our society's educational, social, and psychic pathology and why we must move our focus and some of our funding to the earliest possible age.

*Beckman Auditorium, Ames Library*

### **1 pm - 5 pm - Engaged Learning Expo**

IWU Titans make important contributions to the community through research, creative achievements, and service learning. This poster presentation showcases work by students from the Office of Diversity & Inclusion Summer Enrichment Program and the Robert S. and Nell B. Eckley Summer Scholars and Artists.

*The Center for Engaged Learning (1<sup>st</sup> Floor of Ames Library)*

### **2 pm - 2:50 pm - Pembroke Panel**

It's been 25 years since Minor Myers, jr. worked his international network magic and created the Illinois Wesleyan partnership with Pembroke College. Come listen to participants reminisce on their experiences as well as share knowledge of lessons learned.

*Hansen Student Center*

### **3:00 pm - 3:50 pm - Pembroke Reception**

Pembroke Scholars are invited to celebrate this milestone year at the Ames School of Art Atrium

*Ames School of Art Atrium*

### **3:00 pm - 3:50 pm - The Petrick Idea Center Panel**

Listen to industry leaders in health and software technology, logistics, and web commerce share stories and lessons learned through their ventures, as well as how they leveraged their IWU education, experience, and professional networks to build and manage their companies.

*Hansen Student Center*

### **4:00 pm - 4:50 pm - Council for Women Reception**

Council for IWU Women will gather to network and hear updates on upcoming events and programs.

*Ames Library Terrace*

### **5:00 pm - 6:00 pm - President's Reception**

All Titan alumni are invited to this special gathering to kick off Homecoming.

*Joslin Atrium, Memorial Center*

### **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Alumni Awards Ceremony: Best of Illinois Wesleyan**

Join the Alumni Association Board of Directors for a reception honoring our distinguished roster of 2022 Alumni Awards winners, the new Golden Titans from the Class of 1972, and others from the Titan community. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine will be served. Program begins at 6:15 pm.

*Young Main Lounge, Memorial Center*

### **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - CAB Pizza Taste and Pep Rally**

This event brings in several local pizza chains from the Bloomington/Normal area. Students and families are welcome to try a sample from each participating restaurant and vote for their favorite!

*Outside Tucci Stadium*

### **6:00 pm - Alumni Lacrosse Game**

Watch a lacrosse game between IWU Lacrosse alumni.

*Tucci Stadium*

### **7:00 pm - Alumni Softball Game**

Watch a softball game between IWU Softball alumni. For more information, please contact Tiffany Prager at tprager@iwu.edu.

*Inspiration Field*

### **7:30 pm - Women's Volleyball Tournament**

Watch the Titan Women's Volleyball team take on Washington University at 7:30 pm in the Shirk Center Arena.

*Shirk Center Arena*

### **8:00 pm - 9:30 pm - TGOE Fest**

Join friends, family, and alumni in Tucci Stadium for an evening of fun, activities, student recognition, and Titan Pride!

*Tucci Stadium*

## ***Saturday, September 24***

### **8:00 am - 12:00 pm - Homecoming Headquarters & Family Weekend Check In**

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*Hansen Student Center*

### **8:30 am - 9:20 am - Back to College: Going Past the Performative: DEIB in the Workplace with 2021 Robert M. Montgomery Outstanding Young Alumni Award Winner Luis Cabrales-Vasquez '15**

Learn more about the tools that can be used in the workplace to get a base understanding of where an organization is in the DEIB space and what can be done to bridge the gap of inequities to drive diversity, inclusion, and belonging.

*Beckman Auditorium, Ames Library*

### **8:30 am - 11:30 am - Homecoming Museum**

Come learn more about the rich history of IWU and check out IWU memorabilia.

*Nell Eckley Lounge, Memorial Center*

### **9:00 am - 10:00 am - School of Music Leadership Council Meeting**

The School of Music Leadership Council invites all former music majors to their annual in-person meeting.

*Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall*

### **9:00 am - 11:00 am - Pancake & Sausage Breakfast**

Join friends, family, and current students under the tent for our annual Homecoming breakfast.

*Eckley Quad*

### **9:00 am - 11:00 am - The Annual School of Nursing Distinguished Alumni Award Ceremony and Social**

Attend this awards ceremony honoring this year's winner, Joan P. Alverzo, PhD, CCRN '72. Tours of the School of Nursing will also be available after the presentation.

*Wilson Atrium, Center for Natural Sciences*

**9:00 am - 11:00 am - Campus Activities Board (CAB) Color Run/Walk**

Wear white and get ready to get colorful! The CAB Color Run/Walk will take you through IWU's beautiful campus while adding a whole lot of color to your day. Try for a personal best or walk at your own pace, all are welcome!

*Ames Library Plaza*

**9:30 am - 10:20 am - Back to College: Recovering Our Narratives, Sharing Our Stories with 2022 Loyalty Award Winner Dr. Marsha A. Guenzler-Stevens, Ph.D. '78**

How do we find our way back in the aftermath of a pandemic? In this session we will discuss how we might recover our true narrative and reclaim our sense of belonging while risking exploring our imperfections, fears and failures. There is power in our stories and we are meant to explore our hopes and possibilities together.

*Beckman Auditorium, Ames Library*

**10:00 am - 11:30 am - Collegiate Co-Choir Rehearsal**

Rehearsal for 10:00 am Sunday chapel service, directed by Professor Scott Ferguson.

*Evelyn Chapel*

**10:30 am - Women's Volleyball Tournament**

Watch the Titan Women's Volleyball team take on Heidelberg at 10:30 am in the Shirk Center Arena.

*Shirk Center Arena*

**11:00 am - 11:50 am - First Year Parent Panel**

Featuring Kevin Carey, Associate Dean of Students and Student Senate President/VP, and Karla-Carney Hall, Vice President of Students Affairs and Dean of Students, this panel will discuss what your student may be experiencing and processing with their academic and co-curricular opportunities thus far!

*Center for Natural Sciences Room 101*

## ***Titan Tailgate***

*Shirk Center Parking Lot*

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

Join alumni, family, and friends to celebrate before the Titans take on Carroll University.

**11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Pep Band Performance**

Listen to the ever popular Titan Pep Band, directed by Ed Risinger.

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm - Women's Basketball 10 Year Anniversary**

Take some time at the Titan Tailgate to celebrate the 10th anniversary of our IWU Women's Basketball NCAA Division III victory!

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm - Posse Five Year Celebration**

All current and former members of the Posse Student Program are invited to gather together for the five year anniversary of IWU's first Posse class.

**11:00 am - 1:00 pm - Fraternity & Sorority Life Tent**

Reunite with alumni and meet active members of your respective chapter. All chapter organizations, past and present, will be represented at the tailgate.

**1:00 pm - 4:00 pm - IWU Football vs. Carroll University**

Cheer on your Titans as they play host to Carroll University. Half-time recognitions: Alumni Award Winners and Athletic Milestone Celebrations.

*Tucci Stadium*

**1:30 pm - Women's Volleyball Tournament**

Watch the Titan Women's Volleyball team take on University of Wisconsin - Whitewater at 1:30 pm in the Shirk Center Arena.

*Shirk Center Arena*

**2:00 pm - 3:00 pm - School of Theatre Arts (SoTA): "The First Five Years"**

The SoTA Class of 2017 is invited to come back and speak to the current SoTA majors about work experiences, life events, and tips for navigating the "real world" as they enter their fifth year after graduation. Open forum for the student body of SoTA; everyone is welcome.

*Jerome Mirza Theatre, McPherson Hall*

**3:00 pm - 4:30 pm - Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI) Open House**

Reminisce at the Multicultural House (MC House), open for visiting, and then join the Office of Diversity and Inclusion for refreshments in their new space, open in the summer of 2020, on the second floor of Hansen Student Center.

*Multicultural House & Office of Diversity and Inclusion (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of Hansen Student Center)*

**4:00 pm - Alumni Recital Featuring Ben Killey '99 and Kate Tombaugh '07**

Enjoy an afternoon of music with Ben Killey '99 and Kate Tombaugh '07.

*Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall*

**5:30 pm - 7:30 pm – 35<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> Class Reunions**

Join your fellow Titans from the Classes of 1977, 1982, and 1987 for a happy hour and hors d'oeuvres on campus in Joslin Atrium. Registration fee is \$15/person.

*Joslin Atrium, Memorial Center*

**6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Club Tommy**

All IWU alumni, family, friends, faculty, staff and guests are welcome to enjoy a DJ, heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine. Club Tommy is the perfect place to meet up with friends and classmates before heading out for the rest of your evening. Celebrating milestone reunions will be classes from 2017 and 2022. Registration fee is \$15/person

*Hansen Student Center*

## **Off Campus Class Reunion Celebrations**

**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Golden Titan Dinner**

Join Golden Titan Club members for cocktails at 6 pm and dinner at 6:30 pm. Registration fee is \$25/person.

*DoubleTree Hotel*

**7:00 pm - 10 pm - 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Class Reunions**

All alumni from the Classes of 2002, 2007, and 2012 are invited for dinner, drinks, and golf at BloNo Pizza Co. Celebrate your reunion with classmates and enjoy a game of Toptracer driving range golf! Registration fee is \$15/person.

*BloNo Pizza Co.*

**7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - 30<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion**

Calling all 1992 Titans! Join us at Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano for dinner and drinks to celebrate your 30<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Registration is \$20/person.

*Biaggi's Ristorante Italiano*

**7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion**

All alumni from the Class of 1972 are invited for dinner at the DoubleTree Hotel. Join your classmates to celebrate your 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion! Registration fee is \$25/person.

*DoubleTree Hotel*

**7:30 pm - 10:30 pm - 25<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion**

Celebrate 25 in style with the Class of 1997. We'll be having dinner at Epiphany Farms to honor your 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion and remember your time on campus. Registration fee is \$20/person.

*Epiphany Farms*

## ***Sunday, September 25***

**10:00 am - Chapel Service & Collegiate Choir Performance**

Ordained minister and University Dean of Students for Inclusion and Advocacy Prince Robertson will lead a campus service with a performance by the university co-choir.

*Evelyn Chapel*

**10:30 am – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Title IX**

All former and current women student athletes are invited to brunch in the Shirk Athletic Center to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Title IX.

*Young Main Lounge, Memorial Center*

**11:00 am - 12:30 pm - PRIDE Brunch**

The Pride Alumni Community invites you to their annual Homecoming brunch.

*Hansen Student Center*

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm School of Music (SoM) Faculty Recital & Reception**

Cap off your Homecoming weekend with the music stylings of our talented SoM faculty.

*Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall*