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IU Students to Begin Summer Sustainability Externships throughout the State

The Indiana Sustainability Development Program will place 24 students in organizations this summer to focus on sustainability issues at corporations, municipalities, and nonprofits in Indiana.

BLOOMINGTON, IND. – (May 22, 2018) Indiana University Office of Sustainability is happy to announce that through the Indiana Sustainability Development Program (ISDP) 24 students will be placed in organizations across the state to work on sustainability. ISDP aims to attract, educate, and retain the best and brightest sustainability students in Indiana and facilitate their professional development in the field, with the ultimate goal of building the state’s capacity to address sustainability challenges.

Generously supported through a multi-year investment from the McKinney Family Foundation, the program’s objective is to grow Indiana's sustainability workforce with students from the IU Bloomington and IUPUI campuses—with an intention to expand the program to other regional campuses in the coming years. The program features student-focused networking opportunities, an intensive week-long training boot camp, and paid student summer externships at corporate, nonprofit, and municipalities throughout the state. Because of the unique blend of training and hands on experience, the program has drawn talented students from various degree programs across both campuses.

The following organizations will be participating in this year’s program:

- City of Lafayette Parks and Recreation
- City of Bloomington
- City of Huntingburg
- Indiana Sports Corp
- Keep Indianapolis Beautiful
- Uplands PEAK Sanctuary
- Earth Charter Indiana
ISDP also serves as an IU Corps experience. A new initiative within the university, IU Corps brings together the university’s collective, varied service efforts under one umbrella to help address the world’s most pressing challenges and meet its most critical needs while providing students with a valuable learning experience.

**About the Office of Sustainability (IUOS)**
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