

BALFOUR

Scholars Program

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SCHOLAR: A Poem inspired by my Balfour Scholars

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It was Monday when I stood looking over the horizon
the horizon of you
Such a great cloud of witnesses
declaring your truth.

I am Athlete
kicking
bouncing
hitting
running clearing a path for US

I am Dancer
my body etching out spaces
I inspire movement
and
Movements!

I am Reader
eyes scanning the word
My words. Your words, OUR words, LIFE words
keeper of our memory
vigilant warrior of knowledge

I am Singer
Declaring a sound throughout the earth
Heart, mind, spirit, sound
that ignites US
calms US
calls US

SCHOLARS!

I stand in awe of YOU
Feet planted
arms stretched out
the weight of inheritance etched in your skin

Pushing and Reaching

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Scholar Spotlight: Sara Fortune



Sara Fortune is a sophomore, originally from Haiti, who was recently accepted into the nursing program at Indiana University Bloomington. She participated in the 2014 Balfour Pre-College Academy.

Sara knew that she wanted to be a nurse since she was five years old. When she applied for the nursing program, Sara refused to create a back-up plan. "It was all-or-nothing", she said.

In reflecting on how BCPA helped her career, Sara discussed how she "was surrounded by people like me who were successful".

Sara's motto: "Our struggles become our greatest fortune."

BCPA 2016

In Summer 2016, we had a total of 123 students participating in the Balfour Pre-College Academy!

Top High Schools:

North Side High School

John Adams High School

South Side High School

Bishop Luers High School

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Talk with Amy Horowitz: Director of GALACTIC Global Infusion

In Summer 2016, the Balfour Pre-College Academy participated in a GALACTIC Global Infusion workshop at Indiana University's School of Global and International Studies. Over a 5-day period, 90-minute sessions were held for approximately 30 Balfour Scholars.

Students studied topics such as:

- Life Is Water
- Mind, Body, and Voice
- Peace Through Art
- Understanding Refugee Worlds
- Movement

How did the workshop benefit Balfour Scholars?

It provided them with an arts- and culture-based approach to understanding how local issues in Indiana intersected with other global communities. The content of the workshops is backed by depth and vulnerability. It allowed the students to gain insight on problems within their local community and how they can arrive at a solution using arts and culture.



About Balfour

The Balfour Scholars Program (BSP) is a project of the Center for P-16 Research and Collaboration (P-16 Center) within the School of Education at Indiana University Bloomington (IUB). BSP's main objective is to increase higher education access and success for underrepresented minority students wherever they choose to attend. The program begins with the Pre-College Academy, a free academy for current high school juniors. It is designed to help them cultivate their academic, career, and personal development as well as minimize misperceptions about affordability.

Elder Diggs Award

When Elder Watson Diggs arrived on the Bloomington campus in 1910, he was one of 10 African-American students who were enrolled at IU. Six years later, he became the first African-American to graduate from the School of Education.

Three IU students who were participants in the Balfour Pre-College Academy were recipients of the inaugural Elder Watson Diggs "The Dreamer" award. They each represented a cohort from Balfour.



Estafani Alcaraz Quevedo (2013)
Ramir Williams (2014)
Janai Weeks (2015)

Balfour 2016-17 Interns & Mentors

Estefani Alcaraz Quevedo (BSP Intern/
Lead Mentor)
Daunyai Cox (BSP Intern/Mentor)
Alondra Galvan (BSP Intern)
Jermaine Williams (BSP Mentor)
Janai Weeks (BSP Intern)
Ramir Williams (BSP Intern/Mentor)
Xochitl Haro (BSP Mentor)
Lizette Munoz (BSP Mentor)
Quent Beverly (BSP Mentor)
Bri Carter (BSP HHC Intern)
Megan Welch (BSP HHC Intern)

Benefits of Balfour

- Information given about FAFSA and other sources of funding.
- A better understanding of identity, both academically & culturally.
- Gaining a network of mentors.
- Connections made with IU's campus resources.

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