I used to tell students, “It’s ok to be undecided on a major or career choice, but it’s not ok to not be doing something about that.” Now is a great time to continue the journey to determining your passions and living those passions out in your academic life.

Have you thought about **what you really want to do?** Answering this very simple question can help shape the kinds of jobs you pursue as a college student, the kinds of courses you take next semester, and the kinds of activities you involve yourself in on campus. **Doing what you love** is a tenet that I firmly believe in as a former academic advisor. Students that focus their educational lives on the things they are truly passionate about, make the most of their undergraduate experience.

- Meet with an academic advisor in University Division. They can help you determine your values, interests, and skills.
- Take the Strong Interest Inventory and have it interpreted by one of our career counselors.
- Visit the resources page of the University Division Exploring Majors section at [http://www.usi.edu/Uni_Div/exploringmajors-resources.asp](http://www.usi.edu/Uni_Div/exploringmajors-resources.asp)
- Register for GENS 111, Career Planning, a one-credit, five week course designed to assist you in the major/career exploration process.

These tips get you moving in the right direction toward an informed major/career decision. Take an active role in your academic life and figure out a way for you to **do what you love!**

Michael “Brody” Broshears
Recap: Student Success Week

Student Success Week is an annual event dedicated to improving students’ academic success and retention on campus. This year we hosted over 300 attendants.

Short, 25-minute sessions were held in UC East. The sessions covered topics such as Anti-Procrastination Techniques and How to Market Your Campus Student Organization.

Student Success Week culminated with a party on Friday featuring food, entertainment, and prizes (including an iPad mini).

Thanks to all who attended and helped execute Student Success Week!

If you have comments or suggestions on Student Success Week, please email us at univ.div@usi.edu

Heather and Theresa present “Becoming a Better Prepared Student” to a full session!
We are excited to have five students from UD take part as 2014 USI Homecoming attendants!
(From left to right)

Elizabeth Behrens—Biology/Chemistry Tutor
Vanessa Higdon—SI Leader for Political Science
Carynn Koch—Biology/Chemistry/History Tutor
Nehal Ninad—Biology/Chemistry/Math Tutor
Spencer Purdy—Math Tutor

Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.
Winston Churchill

The Office of Career Services and Internships offers help with job/internship search strategies, resume development, interview preparation, cover letter assistance, and mock interviewing. Eagle Career Launch, an online career resource available to USI students only, offers access to local and regional job listings, as well as national job banks.

According to Phil Parker, director, “Internships are a vital way for a student to connect with an employer. We can help you launch an effective internship search at a time that is best for you in your academic studies.” The following career coordinators are designated to guide students in specific colleges and majors.

- Phil Parker- College of Science and Engineering majors
- Julie Brauser- College of Business
- Pam Doerter- College of Liberal Arts
- Kathy Weinzapfel- College of Nursing and Health Professions, Social Work, Education, and Exercise Science

Career Services also hosts job and internship fairs, workshops on resume and other career development topics, business and professional etiquette dinners, and on-campus interviews.

For additional information, please visit [http://www.usi.edu/careersv/](http://www.usi.edu/careersv/) or stop by the Lower Level of the Orr Center - LL074.
University Division Mission Statements

**Advising:** To provide academic services that enhance the connection between students and the University of Southern Indiana.

**Academic Skills:** To enhance student success and the educational process at the University of Southern Indiana.

- **Academic Advising:** Monday - Friday
  8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- **Academic Skills** Monday - Thursday
  8 a.m.-6 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

NEW SUBJECTS OFFERED THIS SEMESTER

**Tutoring subjects available:** accounting, anatomy/physiology, astronomy, biology, business finance, chemistry, computer information systems (CIS), economic statistics, geology, German, history, humanities, macroeconomics, math, microeconomics, nutrition, philosophy, physics, political science, psychology, Spanish, sports management, study skills, writing

**Need Late Night Tutoring?**

Academic Skills is prepared to help you study when you need it the most!

**Tutoring Tuesdays** (now offering snacks)

RFWC 206 6-9 p.m.

( anatomy & physiology, business, biology, chemistry, math, physics, Spanish, writing)

**Learning Assistance**

Wednesdays in Rice Library 6-9 p.m.

( anatomy & physiology, chemistry, math, Spanish, writing)

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Mark Your Calendar

Tuesdays
Tutoring Tuesdays (RFWC)

Wednesdays
Learning Assistance (Rice library)

Dominate Your Midterms

- Get a good night’s rest. It might be worth it to cut off the all-nighter for a few extra hours of sleep.
- Your teacher creates the exam. Think about how they teach the class, so you can predict what the exam will be like.
- Dark chocolate is proven to improve focus and concentration due to antioxidants and caffeine.
- Focusing on what you do know, may help with the questions you don’t know.
- Don’t wait around to talk about the exam after you’re done. There’s nothing you can do after you turn it in, so go home and focus on the next one!

Student Spotlight: Brandi

- Junior, studying psychology (minor–Spanish)
- Loves working with kids, aspires to be a child psychologist
- Traveled to Africa as a freshman, will be going again this year
- In Africa, was re-named in a ceremony as “Ama Daadeaza”
- Is a Peer Advisor in UD Advising

Visit Brandi for a student advising appointment or to explore certain careers