FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends of Lindner Honors-PLUS,

We hope you enjoy reading this past academic year’s Annual Report (2016–2017), which includes entertaining and informative articles, many written by our students and alumni. Their stories about the international program to Asia, students’ careers and lives after graduation, and the exciting improvements to the Lindner Honors-PLUS experience are sure to bring back great memories for some of you, and smiles for the rest.

Our amazing academic and career advisor, Judy Magazine, placed every freshman in a great summer internship, as she has done every year since the program began—batting 100%! Our seniors accepted impressive job opportunities with firms such as EY, Bloomberg, IBM, 5/3, Amend Consulting, Procter & Gamble and more—from Los Angeles to New York City and Boston—and of course here in the greatest city of all: Cincinnati.

Our international program to Asia included destinations common to former students: Hong Kong, Beijing, Singapore and Shanghai, but also to the new destinations of Chiba, Japan and Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. We met up with alumni on the trip: Todd Staley (’06) in Hong Kong; Primo, Dominic Berardi (’07) in Ho Chi Minh City at Shorlight Education; and Nancy Cannon Boyle (’07) in Singapore at Nestle.

One exciting new initiative we started at the beginning of 2017 was a partnership with Adopt-a-Class here in the Cincinnati public elementary schools. Every student in LHP participates in an inter-LHP class group of about 12 students, forming 10 “families.” Each family adopts an elementary classroom and visits them for an hour or so once a month, planning classroom activities and building relationships with the students. It’s great to have a focused LHP philanthropic effort, and what better cause than education? Our families also help the older LHP students get to know the younger students, imparting their wisdom concerning career choices, student organizations, and academic advice.

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LHP continues to build a solid financial foundation which will ensure even greater success in the future. About 2/3 of our annual expenses are for student scholarships. The other 1/3 support operating expenses (compensation and benefits, special events, recruiting, support for the domestic and international programs, etc.). About 2/3 of our funds come from endowment income or spendable gifts, the other 1/3 comes from UC. My goal is for LHP to be completely funded by endowment income and annual gifts. To reach that goal our total endowments need to grow to $25 million dollars (we have just over half of that now), and $500,000 a year in spendable gifts. I know we can get there.

I did some investigation, and looking at the top 10 US universities in terms of their percent of alumni giving, Princeton University tops the list at 63%, and Amherst College comes in tenth at 47.9%. LHP has approximately 400 alumni now, and in the 2016–2017 fiscal year, 148 alumni gave back to the program, yielding a 37.6% giving rate. If another 44 alumni gave back (three more from every class), our giving rate for LHP would be equivalent to the top ten level nationally—a goal that I think is entirely reachable. Whether it’s a small gift every month on your credit card, or you’ve cashed in big and want to endow your very own scholarship, we need your support to grow the program and give our current students the experiences and knowledge that are a hallmark of LHP.

Most of all, thank you for being ambassadors for LHP, for the Lindner College of Business, and for the University of Cincinnati. We have so much to be proud of, and so much to be thankful for as we move into our third decade! Please, keep in touch and let us know how we can return the support we’ve received from you.

Warmest Regards,

Jeri Ricketts
Executive Director
Lindner Honors-PLUS and Associate Professor Emeritus of Accounting
Lindner College Announces New Leadership for Lindner Honors-PLUS Program
Associate Dean for Innovation and New Ventures Dan Gruber Takes the Helm

January 4, 2018
Lindner College of Business Dean David Szymanski announced on Thursday that Dr. Daniel Gruber, the Associate Dean of Innovation and New Ventures, will also assume the leadership of the College’s Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS program.

Gruber joined the College in July 2017 with a mandate to elevate the levels of academic excellence throughout Lindner and build collaborative partnerships with other University of Cincinnati colleges and the Cincinnati business community. He will now add Director of Lindner Honors-PLUS to his crucial responsibilities. In his Associate Dean role, Gruber is collaboratively reinventing the student experience and shaping the future of business education as the College prepares to move into a new state-of-the-art building in fall 2019.

Current LHP executive director, Dr. Jeri Ricketts, will transition the leadership of the program to Gruber during the spring semester. Ricketts has led the program for the last 15 years and has been deeply involved with the program from its creation in 1995. Dean David Szymanski explained, “I am very pleased that Jeri will be passing the leadership baton of the Lindner Honors-PLUS program (LHP) to Dan. LHP has been and continues to be an incredibly important asset of our College and the City of Cincinnati. Mr. Lindner’s legacy and the entire Lindner Family is vibrant throughout our College and are integrally woven into LHP. Jeri Ricketts has done a tremendous job leading the program and will continue to be involved with its future. Dan’s focus on educational innovation provides an excellent fit that will ensure the program continues to be a leader in business education.”

Adds Dr. Ricketts, “I am delighted that Dan will be the new leader of LHP. This program has been my life’s work and the students, alumni, and supporters are my extended family. LHP has helped to elevate many initiatives throughout the College, the University, and the City of Cincinnati, and that will continue under Dan’s leadership. All of our students have met Dan as well as many of our alumni, and they share my excitement for what he will bring to the program.”

Gruber was an interdisciplinary faculty member and award-winning teacher at Northwestern University where he taught at both the Medill School of Journalism and the Kellogg School of Management before joining UC. He received multiple grants to support his academic innovation at Northwestern, including one from the Procter and Gamble Higher Education Grant Fund to launch a Mentoring Program. Additionally, Gruber co-created an Innovation in Teaching Series at The Garage, Northwestern’s student hub for innovation. He earned an undergraduate degree in business from Washington University, a dual Master’s degree in business and industrial and labor relations at Cornell University, and a PhD in Management and Organizations from the University of Michigan.

“I am inspired to have the honor to lead the LHP program at this important time. The opportunity to bring innovative approaches and ideas to the program is tremendous given the extraordinary students, alumni, and supporters of the program and the amazing things happening here in Cincinnati. I look forward to bringing the three honors programs in the Lindner College (Lindner Honors-PLUS, Kolodzik Business Scholars, and Circle of Excellence) together on a consistent basis and building new initiatives with other Colleges here at UC and with the City of Cincinnati,” noted Gruber.

The Lindner Honors-PLUS program was created by former UC Provost and Lindner College faculty member Dr. Norman Baker with Carl H. Lindner Jr., to retain the best and brightest students in Cincinnati. Students in the program receive a full tuition scholarship and have opportunities to study together in a cohort program that brings them to organizations in the city and around the world.

Friends, Alumni & Students of the Lindner Honors-PLUS program,

I am inspired to be here at the Lindner College of Business and to work with our entire College to collaboratively create and enact an innovation strategy guided by our Dean’s Uniquely Cincinnati vision and Mr. Lindner’s dream to put our Business College on the map as one of the finest in the nation. My energy is focused on both bringing innovative educational ventures into Lindner as well as fostering an innovation culture that enables each of you to feel empowered to contribute in multiple ways towards shaping the future of business education here at UC. There are excellent things already happening in areas throughout the College and I am excited to bring them together for maximum impact. Additionally, I am working to build bridges between our college and the business community in the City of Cincinnati as well as the other colleges on our campus and University initiatives. My intention is to implement small wins consistently over the next two years to enact Dean Szymanski’s intention for us to transform the College and reinvent the student experience in collaboration with BJ Zirger, Nick Williams, and Sue Marrel, so that when we step into our new building we are prepared to make the most of the opportunity. I appreciate your feedback, suggestions, and continued partnership, and I am honored to serve and to lead.

Best Regards,
Dan Gruber
The Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS Program is a unique and challenging honors program within the Carl H. Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati. This 5-year, cohort-based program incorporates a demanding business honors curriculum, an enhanced, six semester, paid co-operative education program, a 10 day domestic study program, a 5 week intensive international study abroad program, widespread business exposure and deliberate leadership training. These components, along with an active partnership with the Cincinnati business community, provide an unparalleled undergraduate business education, which prepares students for long-term success in their careers and their lives outside of work.

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Elizabeth Zirkelbach, 2003, Chair
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Kyle Snider, 2010, Development Committee Chair
Matt Yung, 2007, Recruitment Committee Chair
Todd Barnes, 2004, Alumni Affairs Committee Chair
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WASHINGTON, D.C. & NEW YORK CITY

The Domestic Trip was an incredible experience that opened my mind to new industries and potential careers that I previously would have not even considered. The two cities we visited, Washington D.C. and New York, both offered different city cultures and lifestyles that allowed me to learn about work culture outside of Cincinnati. Additionally, we were introduced to different individuals and companies, and given the opportunity to expand our business network. Our company visits varied greatly, each from different industries, and each having a different work culture. With our spare time, we were also able to learn about the different lifestyles of each city with our classmates. Overall, each city we visited created long-lasting memories.

Prior to visiting Washington D.C., a career in politics never crossed my mind. My two favorite company visits were Jefferies and BTS Consulting. Meeting with former LHP alumnus, Robin Kidane, at Jefferies LLC was an amazing experience. Seeing a former LHP student in a top-tier industry was very moving and inspiring for my classmates and me. In addition to Jefferies, BTS has also sparked an interest in a potential career in consulting. The work culture at BTS seemed to be very casual and relaxed, yet consisted of very hard-working employees. Additionally, our visit with BTS was very engaging and I became very intrigued with the various companies and the various countries where their practice exists. In our free time, we took advantage of every minute exploring New York. From the stunning and natural beauty of Central Park, to the surreal experience of visiting the 9/11 memorial, New York City is full of endless and timeless adventures that I was lucky enough to undergo with my LHP classmates.

Overall, the domestic trip was an incredible experience. Our cultural excursions and company visits collectively introduced a different perspective and revised our outlook on the endless career paths and potential industries where we can begin our careers. Personally, the domestic trip has opened my eyes and changed my perspective about Washington D.C. and NYC, and has motivated me to continue to co-op outside of Cincinnati to gain a broader perspective of the United States.
Our first class on Monday morning was a Japanese language course. This proved to be very helpful for our week at Chiba. We learned valuable phrases such as “good morning” (pronounced Ohsay), how to order food, “thank you,” and “excuse me.” As 25 loud Americans —usually lost and confused—we used “excuse me” quite a bit. As you can imagine as 25 loud Americans we had to use “excuse me” very frequently.

We also spent a lot of time learning about Japanese economic development. Our professor, Ichino, is a world-renowned economist. His insights and own personal research on the Asia-Pacific economy were fascinating and stuck with us for the rest of the trip. We started to learn about Japanese culture since it is so closely tied to the economy. It turns our that a single arrow can easily be broken, but all three arrows together cannot be broken. The staff and Mothers’ Club at Chiba University went above and beyond to ensure that we got a taste of Japanese culture. We did a sushi rolling class, a cheap meal using Singapore’s second largest department store, and a farewell dinner, it was time to head off to Beijing.

Looking back over our time in Singapore as I began to pack up, I had somehow of a different feeling than I had experienced in most of our previous departures. Whether it was the glamour of the city or the immense opportunity that was sure to be present in the Asia Pacific over the coming decades, I couldn’t help but think that it was not my last time in Singapore.

The city has so much to offer from both a business and leisure perspective that I would be surprised if I didn’t return. However, I know that I will only have a fraction of the amount of fun that my classmates and I had during our short stay in Singapore. A ship sailing through the air (Marina Bay Sands), clouds defying the laws of nature (Cloud Forrest), and trees out of a James Bond movie (Gardens by the Bay), every aspect of the city’s architecture reflected its rich and modern history; it was truly unlike anything we had ever seen before. After just one night in Singapore, it became extremely difficult to understand how anyone could turn down the opportunity to live there.

Hoping to gain better insight into the expat mindset, our class had the privilege of meeting with executives from Bloomberg, Google, Proctor & Gamble, Unilever, and more; this opportunity far outweighed any of the sightseeing that we had done over the course of our stay. “Why Singapore?” many of us asked. Regardless of the executive’s background, there seemed to be one resounding answer. “Where else in the world can you serve in a global role, be at the forefront of innovation, and challenge yourself culturally?”

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little emperors and peasant farmers with iPhones.” China is a magnificent, dynamic place that is growing in wealth as the one-child policy is reversed and reaching an internet boom as all things are digitized. Shanghai represents an emerging country that does life at China speed; they fail fast, restart fast, and succeed fast. The Bund is a great example of this lightning-fast innovation. Although this famous waterfront has been around for hundreds of years, the Shanghai Tower was just built two years ago. It is currently the second tallest building in the world. That is centuries of history, and the beauty of Hong Kong is all here—just as is its breathless energy? No statement could be more representative of our four-stop tour of the Lindner Honors PLUS International Trip—"a whirlwind of an experience that allowed us to see the sights of this dynamic city, understand its unique development, and develop a perspective of its vibrant future."

Stepping off the plane from Shanghai, we noticed the immediate difference between this city and the others we previously visited, as the comfort of a familiar Western culture permeated through the land. Hong Kong’s culture, a melting pot of nations, simmering over recent political unrest, is strongly influenced by Great Britain who developed the nation as a world economic leader throughout the twentieth century. For us, this meant a smaller language barrier and a fascination with the Special Administrative Region that would come to be the favorite stop on the trip for many. We indulged in the food of Hong Kong—a vibrant mix of cultures representative of the region’s distinct population. During our six-night stay, we saw both the topographical and economic diversity of this small but mighty region. Beginning with a day trip to Shenzhen, led by Tony Zheng (LCLB ’10) of West Chester Protective Gear, we had the opportunity to see one of the largest shipping container ports in the world from a bird’s eye view, realizing firsthand the true global logistics of familiar Cincinnati companies. At PIMCO, we had the opportunity to learn firsthand about the potential for a viable and prosperous export life from someone who experienced college much like us, LHP alum Todd Staley. Other visits included multinational real estate firm Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL), the dynamic Hong Kong Stock Exchange, and global supply chain management leader Li and Fung. Each visit was drastically different than the next, solidifying the lively and unstoppable mix of industries prospering in this tiny slice of heaven called Hong Kong. Not only did Hong Kong fascinate my classmates and me with its diverse and evolving business climate, it also captivated our hearts with its beauty and kindness of its people. From being welcomed with open arms to the homeland of classmates, Katie Chung, by her family with an unforgettable dinner, to being greeted by locals and ex-pats from all walks of life as we swaggered down the streets of Lan Kwai Fong, Hong Kong was a turning point in the trip for many. Contrasting the New York City vibe with the Beijing traffic system worked. The first cultural experience we had in Beijing was our excursion to Tiananmen Square. The square itself is enormous and government buildings surround it. The area was full of tourists, mostly Chinese citizens. Our tour guide explained that for most of the Chinese tourists this was the only time in their lives that they would have the opportunity to visit the capital. They were just as excited to see American tourists, as they were this historic space. For many, we were the only Americans that they will ever meet and they were very curious. Many of us were asked to be part of family photos and many school children asked if they could practice their English with us. This was my first experience in a foreign country where the citizens were more curious about me than I could be about their culture. One of my favorite parts of Chinese culture was how in touch they were with their history. Beijing is a major metropolitan area and one of the biggest cities in the world, but there are still traces of the Imperial Era all over the city. A couple of the site visits showed how much the Chinese people still revere this era of history. We had the opportunity to visit the Forbidden City and the Summer Palace. Both are incredible pieces of architecture and it was amazing to see these old palaces between skyscrapers, accessible by a subway system. The main company visit we did while in Beijing was at Yeepay. Yeepay is the leading e-payment service provider in China. It was an amazing visit, some of the company’s executives even stopped in to talk to us. The coolest part about the visit was learning about the Chinese government’s role in business. There are always fights in American politics about the government’s role in business so it was very interesting to learn about how large of a role the Chinese government takes and how little people openly protest it. Our experience in Beijing was amazing and a great introduction to China.
EXTRA 10 DAYS  by Matt Overstreet

For my extra ten days in Asia I decided to split them between two groups. The first half of the ten days I went on a cruise off the coast of Vietnam in Ha Long Bay. I went with Mackenzie, Ben, Ellie, Alex, Joy Rugg, and Cam. Before the cruise, we spent the day and night in Hanoi. It was fascinating being in the capital of Vietnam. It wasn’t much different from Ho Chi Minh, and the food was just as good. We took a visit to the biggest street market in Hanoi and finished up our souvenir shopping. Then it was time to drive to the coast so we could get to Halong Bay. On the way there, we stopped and took part in traditional Vietnamese activities and also got treated to a water puppet show. Once we arrived at Halong Bay, we boarded the boat and departed. The two days on the cruise were some of the most peaceful days of my life. The weather was clear and borderline perfect. In the bay surrounding you everywhere you have massive stone islands that grow trees and are a home to birds, and monkeys. There were only 20 people on the cruise, including the 8 of us, so it felt as if the real world didn’t even exist. On the cruise, we visited an island and got to see the natural caves and then we had lunch on the beach. We also stopped to see several fishing villages. It blew my mind that how well they lived. It was so simple that I was almost jealous. We even got to fish for squid during the cruise! It ended up with two squid being caught and one person getting inked.

Although we did not get to learn too much about the business environment and structure in Vietnam, I was able to learn so much about myself and the US while in the country. The natural beauty in Vietnam was breathtaking, and although this third world country showed a lot of underdevelopment, Vietnam is a force to be reckoned with. I liked that Vietnam seemed to be a mix of components from different countries that we previously visited on the trip. The hustle and bustle of traffic and city life reminded me of Shanghai and Beijing. The serene peace of nature reminded me of Japan. But the welcoming atmosphere and friendly attitude was how Vietnam added its own blend. One of my biggest questions was how the Vietnamese felt about the US after the war. As the Cu Chi Tunnels there was a short informational video that mentioned how the “American aggression” led to a guerilla war that would last for years devastating the country. However, I did not receive any ill-sentiment from the people when we were there. At the markets and restaurants, they were excited to hear about the US, the things one could do in school, the nature of our culture, and often invited me back to their restaurant or store again. At the high school we visited, the students were learning about United States History. I deduced that this fascination with the United States represented a kind of hope for the Vietnamese. At Shorelight Education we learned about Vietnamese parents longing to send their children to the US for education. It was baffling to me, because I could not believe how much they admired the United States. During the Cu Chi Tunnel tour, we learned that the Vietnamese were extremely smart, clever, and skilled. The US currently looks as though it is unfriendly toward foreigners, and we devastated the community with a hostile war situation.

INTERNATIONAL TRIP

VIETNAM  by Benita Munnerlyn

After the cruise, we drove straight to the airport and flew to Bangalore, India. We got to explore the city and eat some more great food. The next morning, I departed from the group to join my new group. I was joining Hadi, Michael, Sam, Kyle, and Jacob. We travelled to Koh Phangan, an island off the coast of Thailand. There, we relaxed by going to the beach and we also got to hike up to the top of a mountain to go to a waterfall. The view was phenomenal. That night, we joined the rest of the class at the villa they rented in Koh Samui. That was the closest I’ve ever felt to luxury in my life. It was a literal vacation home for a billionaire, if that helps put this villa in perspective. It was refreshing to be with the whole group again.

The next morning, the guys and I travelled to Koh Phi Phi, another island off the coast of Thailand. This island was paradise. While we were there, we got to go on a day cruise and visit smaller islands. One of the islands was inhabited with thousands of monkeys that we got to play with. Then we went snorkeling in a bay and swimming in the ocean for hours. An experience I’ll never forget. At night on the island there were these fire shows all over the beach with natives putting them on that were insanely talented. The rest of the time there was spent relaxing and taking in all the surreal moments. A 10 days I’ll think about every day for the rest of my life.

INTERNATIONAL TRIP

VIETNAM  by Kyle Zimmerman

“I want you all to remember that Vietnam is a Communist, Third World country.” Susan began. “This isn’t going to be anything like Hong Kong.” We all looked around at each other, none of us with the slightest clue of what to expect. What we were about to experience over the next five days was the highlight of my time in Asia. My best and most vivid memories are from a country that didn’t display one ounce of Communism, and where the people and culture could not have been more vibrant and hospitable.

By the time we got to Vietnam, everyone was in dire need of laundry services. Hotel room bathtub laundry was just not cutting it anymore. On our first night, four of us embarked on a mission to find a laundromat. After a series of near-collisions in our Vietnamese Liber, we found ourselves on Pham Ngu Lao Street (worth a Google), just $100, and a haircut for $2. I got all three. Seeing the Cu Chi Tunnel video, I thought it was going to be anything like a guerrilla war that would last for years devastating the country. However, I did not receive any ill-sentiment from the people when we were there. At the markets and restaurants, they were excited to hear about the US, the things one could do in school, the nature of our culture, and often invited me back to their restaurant or store again. At the high school we visited, the students were learning about United States History. I deduced that this fascination with the United States represented a kind of hope for the Vietnamese. At Shorelight Education we learned about Vietnamese parents longing to send their children to the US for education. It was baffling to me, because I could not believe how much they admired the United States. During the Cu Chi Tunnel tour, we learned that the Vietnamese were extremely smart, clever, and skilled. The US currently looks as though it is unfriendly toward foreigners, and we devastated the community with a hostile war situation.

They have so much room to evolve, with surrounding countries like China, Singapore, and Japan to learn about rapid development of infrastructure, Western lifestyle, and quality education to continue to grow and build. Why do they want to come to the US? After remembering my false inclination of the feelings that Vietnamese had toward Americans after seeing the Cu Chi Tunnel video, I thought about the influence of movies, and media that creates this picture of what the US is like. Glamorous movie stars, stories of true love, big houses and happy endings make America seem like the place of dreams. Although we certainly have privilege, I see a lot of potential in Vietnam as a rising country with access to technological resources and education from neighboring countries.

Something I learned about business in Vietnam is the theme of relationships. Due to the heavy investments that the people make, they want to ensure they are putting their hard-earned money into something they know will reap quality returns. If we were to open a business in Vietnam, social responsibility and relationship building is critical. By proving that I am as invested in the well-being of the Vietnamese people and their community as they are careful with their money, we will pass around you, like water around a rock. Ask anyone in our class the first thing that comes to mind when they think of Vietnam—motorbikes.

Without a doubt, the most impactful portion of our time in Vietnam was spent with LHP grad Dom Gerardi. As students, we heard all the time, “Do what you love and you’ll never work a day in your life.” It’s become cliché and overused. Dom shared with us how he has aligned his own personal values and expertise with his current role at Shorelight Education. He showed our class the value of finding a company that never compromises “mission for margin,” and the personal sense of satisfaction that comes with it. I’ve been asked “What was your favorite place you visited?” seemingly thousands of times since I returned from Asia. Vietnam is my answer every time.
Initially landing in Asia, we were immersed in an entirely unfamiliar culture with little understanding of our new environment. We quickly learned to navigate this new place and felt perfectly comfortable in the Asian cities. Every country has a different culture and every city was a new adventure. For the most part, people were surprisingly welcoming and, despite not having any common understanding of language, we managed to figure out how to communicate and try local foods. Asia is a culture very different from the culture we have in the U.S. China, specifically, is growing rapidly in technological advancements and economic power.

The class learned about the economic development of the countries we visited and how they have rapidly developed in recent history. We learned about the consumers in each country and how they differ from the typical U.S. consumer. We met with high up executives at various companies in each city and learned how companies operate internationally, how different the business culture is, and how products travel across continents in trade. Experiencing the culture and seeing the tourist sites of the various cities in Asia offered a great deal of personal development as we experienced traditions and visited historically renowned locations. Asia consists of many countries that will offer great deal of personal development as we experienced traditions and visited historically renowned locations. Asia consists of many countries that will offer great deal of personal development as we experienced traditions and visited historically renowned locations.

After a total of 14 different flights to six different countries while sleeping in a dozen different beds, all 25 of us returned to the States with minds whirring with fresh experiences and rogue, creative thoughts. While it was certainly a relief to finally walk through the “local passports” line in the San Francisco airport, I am also certain none of us felt like the same people as when we first left the United States. In addition to that already overwhelming amount of processing, when people asked about our experience, we were presented with the unique challenge of distilling 44 days worth of business, food, and culture into a conversation no longer than an elevator ride. Now I am going to try to do the same thing in an annual report article.

On our final plane ride and during the 14-hour delay on the way home (thanks to United Airlines’ true commitment to customer service), I wrote a short list of my most significant takeaways from the trip, both professional and otherwise. In lieu of giving you a long, drawn-out description of the trip as a whole and regurgitating what everyone else has already said about each individual place (and because I work in content advertising), I would like to share that list with you:

1. Language barriers are real, and the most valuable phrase to know in any native language is “thank you.”
2. The best way to explore is by making friends with locals.
3. People are always going to be excited to share their own culture with you. All you need to do is ask.
4. Few things are more cathartic than watching your professor karaoke Frank Sinatra on a moving bus at 9:30 am.
5. The Asian markets are kicking America in the butt, and there are a lot of very good reasons why. (See: technology, collectivist attitudes, resourcefulness, investment culture, etc.)
6. “China speed” is a real thing, and it is honestly a little scary.
7. E-commerce is not the future—it is the present.
8. Sleep, water, and a z-pack are the unsung heroes of travel illness.
9. Neck pillows are very important.
10. Being an expat is difficult and will stretch you further than you ever imagined, but it will also be one of the most valuable experiences of your career.
11. The best food comes from the small, cheap places where no one speaks English.
12. True servant leadership is invaluable, obvious, and something you cannot fake.
13. On that note, the best way to recognize a great leader is the way his or her subordinates talk about their character and leadership style.
14. For many of us, our primary career goal right now should not be to become a great leader. At this stage in our lives, one of the most valuable learning experiences is to simply work under great leaders and learn by watching.
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The last few years, I had the incredible opportunity to get to know the LHP class of 2019. This group of extraordinary young men and women will start their post-college lives and careers exactly 12 years after I began my own in 2007. I spoke to them in Cincinnati as sophomores, hosted them in Washington, DC as pre-juniors on their domestic trip, and most recently at my company’s office in HCMC, Vietnam in March. While I don’t feel that far removed from walking in their shoes, the reality is a decade out of school can provide a lot of perspective. It is easier in hindsight to know that right out of college there is more than enough runway to take risks, fail, take more risks, and find the passion and confidence to do what makes you happy. Hearing their excitement, fear, ambition, uncertainty, and drive to become the best version of themselves was both humbling and inspiring. Each others’ back and wanted the best for each other—an inclusive and cohesive unit who had each other’s back and wanted the best for one another. It was a reminder of how the unique chemistry of each Honors PLUS class leaves an indelible mark on who we become.

As an alum outside of the Cincinnati area, it takes more work to stay engaged. Nevertheless, to my fellow LHP alumni in far flung places, don’t ever discount how much you can help just by sharing your experiences. Every student told me meeting with alums in Vietnam, Singapore, and Hong Kong was the most rewarding part of their trip. And for me, it was the most rewarding part of mine.

Nearly 15 years ago, I remember eagerly awaiting the Honors-PLUS international trip because it was one reason I decided to join the Lindner Honors-PLUS program. Although time has passed, it is evident that students have similar feelings today after seeing the level of student engagement/excitement in Hong Kong this past spring. It was an honor to host this year’s class at the PIMCO offices in a region, which is experiencing high levels of economic activity and on-going liberalization of the financial eco-systems of many countries. Asia Pacific remains the largest contributor to global wealth creation with an estimated level of 9% on an annualized basis for the next 10 years. It is creating significant opportunities for both global and regional companies. During our discussion, we spent time discussing a wide range of topics including:

- International financial markets
- The importance of the Asia Pacific region to the global economy
- Considerations for investment management companies operating within the region
- Global economic and investment outlook

Students were extremely prepared for a robust conversation on these topics above and offered insights from their experiences. One of the most interesting takeaways came from non-finance/accounting focused students. These students asked extremely thoughtful questions about how marketing and operations play a role in meeting client objectives and the financial markets. A holistic approach across all functions is imperative in running a successful international company and ensuring the global financial markets operate smoothly. It was a great compliment to hear my fellow PIMCO colleagues offer high praise regarding the Lindner Honors-PLUS students and how they wished similar programs were available to them during their undergraduate studies.

A common theme for several students was the desire to work abroad at some point in their career. I remember having these feelings during my Lindner Honors-PLUS European trip after hearing several UC alumni speak about their international work assignments. Thank you to the Lindner Honors-PLUS program for providing me a strong foundation to make this dream come true as I have spent the last three and half years working in both Singapore and Hong Kong. It is clear Lindner Honors-PLUS continues to prepare students in a way that makes these incredible professional and personal experiences possible.
I am a Workflow Implementation Analyst in Bloomberg LP’s Global Data organization in the Global Data Technical Operations department. The Global Data organization is the engine that turns the wheels of the one of the most well-respected information providers and companies on the planet. We are responsible for acquiring data, routing it to the right people or machines, submitting it to the Bloomberg terminal, and delivering exceptional customer service for our clients. We have over 40 data teams globally that help with this effort with members between 8-20 people, depending on their area of financial expertise. A Data Team Analyst’s main goals are to contribute to News through researching their area, providing customer service through messages, calls, and client visits, and maintaining or improving the data’s speed to the terminal and its quality throughout the process.

As a Workflow Implementation Analyst, you will find me in the ‘routing’ piece of Global Data; my team’s daily goal is to leverage in-house and third party software products to route data we’ve acquired to the correct place in an efficient and timely manner. We also take on a consultative role because we work closely with engineers to develop and provide these tools to Data Teams and have the technical knowledge to recommend best methods of using it to the Data Teams’ benefit. I am extremely grateful and happy that I am in this role because it calls for a balance of business knowledge and technological expertise. If you are lacking in either, the types of success you can have are limited. Tech Ops is in an exciting and unique position because technology’s rapid growth allows us to use and build different technologies to help global data. We have web crawlers that hit different websites to pull information into our system; we use Natural Language Processing to determine what information we don’t use or need, as well as many more examples.

So how did I get here? After spring of my second year I decided switch into Information Systems (IS) because I wanted to leave college not with a degree, but a skillset that would be valuable to any company. I spent four semesters in GE Aviation’s Information Technology Leadership Program so I would have work experience in technology and started teaching myself programming languages for fun. I reshaped my personal mission statement to “Use technical expertise to solve business problems.” I picked up the Business Analytics and IT minors to push myself towards that goal, something members of the LH-P office advocated for and helped me plan more effectively. The one and only Judy Magazine even suggested I work with her husband on a sports analytics independent study, a suggestion I took to further study analytics and apply my knowledge to a real-world scenario. While in school, I started a group called the ‘Bearcat Developers’ that teaches students completely unfamiliar with programming how to code. This gave me an outlet to practice and share back what I had learned to students with similar interests.

When it came time to apply to full-time roles, I thought back to companies we visited on our LH-P domestic and international trips. Bloomberg LP was the one that most interested me because of their heavy use of technology and their laid-back atmosphere. I reached out to Ben Zimmerman (Class of 2007) whom I remember organized our visits to New York and London and asked him for recommendations on places to apply within Bloomberg. We spoke on the phone briefly so he could understand what I was looking for and what I had to offer before suggesting I apply the role of Technology Operations Analyst (my current role, we’re not big on titles here). After going through the interview process, I was offered a position that fit the personal mission statement I set two years ago. A person who leverages technical expertise to solve business problems.

Entering college in 2013, Lindner College of Business offered twelve academic majors; today there are thirteen offered. I had to pick one. After carefully weighing diverse interests that ranged from my love for statistics to an AP art education, my career goal was to say the least-unclear, but I settled on Marketing. Little did I know, that almost five years later, I would be light-years away from Marketing having earned my MBA in Operations Management and finishing out my MS in Information Systems. How did I go from Marketing to Information Systems? With a lot of help from the LH-P office, LH-P mentors, and many others in LC.

Students coming into college will likely have only faint clues of what their academic and career goals are. Sure, most will shoot for a 4.0 GPA and an impressive triple major, but along the way, someone will start asking questions: What are you striving for with this major? How will it support your career goals? Will this make you a more competitive candidate? Does your academic plan make you happy and excited for your future? When those questions were asked of me, I began that to shape my academic path that lead me from Marketing to Operations to Information Systems and a Bachelors to a Master’s Degree.

In the first year of my college career, I joined with the 50+ college students who will switch their majors at least once. I enrolled in an honors section of Micro-Economics that clicked with my way of thinking and inspired new questions. My professor not only taught me the fundamentals of economics but also a process to both master the material and foster original ideas. Simply put, I was swept away by the elegance of Economics and how much it made sense to me.

In December of 2016, I graduated with my MBA in Operations after six semesters of class. I was looking for and what I had to offer before suggesting I apply the role of Technology Operations Analyst (my current role, we’re not big on titles here). After going through the interview process, I was offered a position that fit the personal mission statement I set two years ago. A person who leverages technical expertise to solve business problems. In the true fashion of an operations management major, I made a detailed plan for my course work all the way up to my Master’s graduation.

When I went to Judy to officially switch my major, she gave me a word of advice, pair OM with another major or minor because of the lower credit hour requirement. It was back to my “academic support team” of the LH-P office, students, and mentors. An older LH-P student suggested that I look into a Master’s program as opposed to doubling or tripling up my undergraduate majors. I consulted Jeri. Her advice was that I should push myself academically (without becoming a workaholic) and that a Master’s was attainable. It was important for me to be able to end my college career within the originally planned five years and without much additional cost. In the true fashion of an operations management major, I made a detailed plan for my course work all the way up to my Master’s graduation.

IN THE FUTURE, I plan to realize that I wasn’t necessarily hooked on economics, but encouraged me along the way, and gave their support to help me achieve my academic goals.
ROB RANKIN  CLASS OF 2018

During my college search, I was looking for schools that not only pushed me academically, but also allowed me to study abroad and, most importantly, grow as a leader and professional—and that was exactly what the Lindner Honors-PLUS program provided. Upon acceptance in the program, I immediately was welcomed into a family of 125 of the best and brightest students at the University of Cincinnati, many of which would inspire me throughout my college career.

When I stepped onto my campus my freshman year, I wanted to get involved in several aspects of campus so I could confidently say that I left UC a better place than it was when I arrived. In the first month of my freshman year, I applied to several prestigious organizations on campus such as the ROAR Tour Guides, the Student Alumni Council, but unfortunately was denied. Although I was discouraged, several older students in the program kept pushing for me to become involved in other aspects of campus in order to give back to the school that was giving so much to me. I immediately became heavily involved in my fraternity, as well as other organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, and Catholic Campus Ministry. I welcomed the opportunity and showed so much enthusiasm for any project I was involved in that I was chosen as the President of Habitat for Humanity, and was a part of the executive board of the Catholic Campus Ministry.

As I completed my last year of school, I could not be happier about my time in the Lindner Honors-PLUS Program. I have had the ability to make great friends, study abroad, and give back to UC in ways that I could have never imagined before. In May, I will be graduating with degrees in Corporate Finance and International Business.

PAIGE BAUSCH  CLASS OF 2017

Growing up as a young girl born and raised in Cincinnati, I dreamed of the day when I would be old enough to go to college and explore the world. I researched schools across the US, and I had my mind made up that I would not be staying in Cincinnati. Senior year of high school rolled around and I was more ready than ever to travel the world. That was when something happened in my life that would keep me in Cincinnati for at least the next five years; I was accepted into the Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS program. I was both ecstatic and speechless as I read over my acceptance letter, but the burning desire to see the world still lingered in the back of my mind. I promptly decided to attend the University of Cincinnati, but intended to seize every opportunity to travel while I was there.

Freshman year, I was determined to learn how I could travel as soon as possible. During my first meeting with Judy Magazine, this was my top agenda item. Judy assured me that I had come to the right place, and that there were many ways I could travel during my next five years at school. During the Spring of my Freshman year, I worked hard to get into the Lindner Honors-PLUS interview process to help us procure a Freshman internship that best fit our skills and aspirations. After a handful of interviews and a number of assessments, I was told that I would be working at Luxottica Group SpA that coming Summer.

My internship at Luxottica went smoothly and I was inspired by all that I learned. I learned the ins and outs of ecommerce in the world of retail, but the most important lesson I learned, was to never give up on my dreams. With my desire to travel at the front of my mind, and knowing that Luxottica did business on 6 continents, I asked my managers, my mentors, and later the VP of Luxottica Retail if there was any way I could work for the company internationally. The answer was "not 9 out of the 10 times I asked, but the 10th time I received a "yes." The following co-op term, I was on my way to Milan, Italy where I would spend the next 3 months working as an Assistant Global Brand Manager at Luxottica’s global headquarters.

Those three months were some of the best of my entire life. I lived, worked, commuted, and traveled like an Italian. I knew no one, spoke virtually none of the language, and had never lived more than 20 minutes away from home, but that made the experience that much more exciting. I was adopted into an Italian family that taught me the language, culture, and traditions of their home country while my Luxottica colleagues taught me all about the workplace culture in an Italian-owned company.

Upon my return home, a fortuitous run in with the Executive Director of OneSight, provided me with my next four co-ops at Luxottica’s vision care non-profit. Over the course of the next three years, I was given the opportunity to travel to underprivileged communities throughout the US, Africa, Brazil and China. During my first co-op I was asked to work on an ethnographic research project in Rwanda. This life-changing experience made me realize how little I actually knew about the continent of Africa and inspired me to change the perspectives of those around me as well. The following year I continued to co-op with OneSight as a Storyteller traveling to vision clinics around the world interviewing patients and telling the moving stories of OneSight’s beneficiaries. Enamored with the unexpected. That is how I began my journey at the University of Cincinnati; five years later, that same mindset continues to guide my every step. I came to the University of Cincinnati looking for opportunities to grow, learn, and experience new cultures, and with the helpful guidance of the Lindner Honors-PLUS program, I was able to achieve my dreams.
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Major(s): Economics, Operations Management
Co-Op: Siemens, Delta Airlines, GE Aviation
Activities & Honors: Fossil Free UC Divestment Campaign—Co-Coordinator; 2015 Hispanic Scholarship Fund National Leadership Conference; 2015 Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar; Lindner Investment Banking Club Student Advisory Committee on the University Budget (SACUB) Representative (past); University Funding Board Treasurer (past); Undergraduate Student Government—Senator (past); First Year Leadership Program (past); 2014 GE Hispanic Scholarship Fund Scholar; Cincinnati Scholar; 2015 EY Diversity Leadership Conference; 2015 KeyBank Campus Summit Participant

JAY RUGG
Lakota East High School; Liberty Township, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Accounting
Co-Op: EY
Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Campus Involvement Chair; Lindner Student Association—External Vice President, Alumni Relations Chair; Student Government—First Year Leadership Program; Finance Club; Cincinnati Scholar

BENJAMIN SCHLOSS
Summit Country Day School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Information Systems
Co-Op: Johnson Investment Counsel Curiosity 360
Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Scholarship Chair; American Marketing Association; Cats on Deck; Dean’s List

SARAH STONER
Centerville High School; Centerville, Ohio
Major(s): Industrial Management
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Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Scholarship Chair; American Marketing Association; Cats on Deck; Dean’s List

MOLLY TALKERS (Nancy M. Lorenzi and Robert T. Riley Scholar)
Notre Dame Academy; Park Hills, Kentucky
Major(s): Accounting, Marketing
Co-Op: Deloitte & Touche LLP
Activities & Honors: Christos P. Demakes Legacy Scholarship; Dean’s List; Cats on Deck; Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority—Membership Chairman; Lindner Student Association—Membership Director, Employee Relations Director; Lindner Ambassadors

JACOB WHYLE
La Salle High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance
Co-Op: Ultimus
Activities & Honors: Student Government—At-Large Senator, First Year Leadership Program; Sigma Chi Fraternity—Scholarship Chair Committee, Future Greek Leaders Representative; UC Men’s Club Soccer; Cincinnati Scholar

KYLE ZIMMERMAN (Louis and Joanie Lauch Scholar)
Moeller High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Marketing
Co-Op: Kao Brands; GE Aviation; General Cable
Activities & Honors: Student Alumni Council—Red and Black Book Chairman; ROAR Guide; Red and Black Bash Concert Team—Fundraising Team; PACE Leader—Lindner College of Business; Sigma Chi Fraternity—Campus Relations Chairman (past); Inner City Youth Opportunities—Tutor; Cincinnati Scholar; Dean’s List
ANNA ARMAD
Archbishop Hoban High School; Akron, Ohio
Major(s): Accounting, Finance
Co-Op: PricewaterhouseCoopers
Activities & Honors: Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations-Vice President; ROAR Tour Guides; Emerging Campus Leaders; LeaderShape Institute-On-Site Coordinator; Lindner Summer Institute-Peer Leader; Delta Sigma Pi Professional Business Fraternity; WordPlay Cincy-Tutor; University Honors Program-Ambassador; Cincinnati Excellence Scholar; Dean's List

LAITH BARAKAT
Walnut Hills High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Operations Management, Finance
Co-Op: Fifth Third Bank
Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity-Alumni Relations Chairman; Student Government-Student Government Mentorship Program; Lindner Student Association—Bikurat Launchpad Chairman; FC Cincinnati—Game Day Operations; University of Cincinnati Dance Marathon—Recruitment Chairman

TYLER CREEL
Glen Este High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Operations Management, Information Systems
Co-Op: Kroger, Mentor
Activities & Honors: Sigma Chi Fraternity—Recruitment Chair, Judicial Board Representative, Assistant Pledge Educator, Alumni Relations Chairman; ROAR Tour Guides; Student Advisory Committee to the University Budget—At large Representative; Student Government—Tribunal Senator, Governmental Affairs Committee, Mentorship Program; Lindner Student Association—Treasurer; Student Safety Board—Competitive Club Golf Team—Fundraising Chairman; Interfraternity Council—Recruitment Team; Student Body—Presidential Election Campaign Team Member; Camp Restore—New Orleans; Serve Beyond Cincinnati—Nicaragua; Parker Woods Montessori—Tutor; Cincinnati Scholar; University Honors Program

HANNAH DUCKWORTH
Wheelersburg High School; Wheelersburg, Ohio
Major(s): Finance
Activities & Honors: Chi Omega Fraternity—Alumnae Relations Chair; Community Service Team; Lindner Ambassadors; PACE Leader; Student Government—Elections Facilitation Committee; Cincinnati Scholar; University Honors Program; Chi Omega Sisterhood Scholarship Recipient; August and Rose Jacobs Memorial Scholar; Dean's List

BENJAMIN KEATING
St. Xavier High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Accounting
Co-Op: Fund Evaluation Group—Portfolio Management Intern
Activities & Honors: Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity—Philanthropy Chair, IFC Representative, and Recruitment Committee; Lindner Student Association—Director of Grants; Investment Banking Chair; Club Golf; Cats on Deck; Cincinnati Scholar; Sigma Alpha Epsilon True Gentlemen Scholarship—Recipient; Clean Up Cincinnati; New Orleans Service Trip—Participant

RACHEL KIMURA
Walnut Hills High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Biology, Premedicine
Co-Op: Ohio National Financial Services
Activities & Honors: Lindner Ambassadors—Vice President of Membership; Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity—Scholarship Director, Scholarship Committee; ROAR Tour Guides; Serve Beyond Cincinnati; Emerging Campus Leaders—Mentor, Cincinnati Presidential Scholar; Fealy Named Scholar

BRADY KRAEMER
Elder High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Accounting
Co-Op: Barnes Daring
Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Financial Awareness Chairman, Slag 101 Chairman; Lindner Student Association; Cats on Deck; Cincinnati Excellence Scholar; University Honors Program; Pi Kappa Alpha GPA Scholarship—Recipient; Common Read Scholarship—Recipient

LEIGHA KRAEMER
Senor High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Accounting and Finance
Co-Op: EY
Activities & Honors: Cincinnati University Scholar; University Honors Program; Dean's List; Lindner Student Association—Vice President of Communications, New Orleans Mission Trip Participant, Kappa Alpha Theta Social Fraternity—Service Deputy, Bid Day Committee; Lindner Women in Business—Events Committee; Emerging Campus Leaders; University Honors Program—Ambassador, LeaderShape Institute Participant; Bearcat Buddies Tutor; Habitat for Humanity—Volunteer Awareness Committee; Bethany House Services—Volunteer Coordinator

DEVIN LALLY
Loveland High School; Loveland, Ohio
Major(s): Information Systems
Co-Op: Kroger Technology, Great American Insurance Company, FC Cincinnati, Orchestrate Technologies, CIO Round Table
Activities & Honors: TEDxUCincinnati—Vice President of External Affairs; Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity—Vice President of Professional Affairs; Chi Omega Fraternity—Sisterhood Support Team; University Honors Program—Ambassador, Brazilian Amazon Study Abroad; Serve Beyond Cincinnati—Peru; Dean's List—Cincinnati Scholar

MATTHEW LEKOWSKI
Xavier High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Information Systems
Co-Op: Payor
Activities & Honors: Cincinnati Presidential Scholar; University Honors Scholar; Dean's List; Sigma Alpha Epsilon Social Fraternity—IFC Delegate (past); Lindner Student Association—Director of the New College of Business; Emerging Campus Leaders; Interfraternity Recruitment Team—Marketing Committee; Howard J. Morgens Hall Government—Vice President (past); University of Cincinnati Dance Marathon—Food and Beverage Chairman; United Saints New Orleans Service Trip
CHANDLER MEADOR
Cincinnati Hills Christian Academy; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance, Marketing
Co-Op: Scenario Learning
Activities & Honors: ROAR Tour Guides–External Vice President; ROAR Guide; Student Government–Executive Director of Student Input; WordPlay After School Program–Tutor; The David Project–Intern; Cincinnati University Scholar

CASSIDY PEEBLES
William Mason High School; Mason, Ohio
Major(s): Business Economics
Co-Op: Medpace
Activities & Honors: TEDxCincinnati–Internal Vice President; University Funding Board–Senator; Girl Scouts of Western Ohio Series Leader; UC Junoon; Design for America; Cincinnati Scholar; University Honors Program

ALEC PETRIE
The Summit Country Day School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Finance
Co-Op: Paycor, Fort Washington Investment Advisors, RKCA Capital Advisors
Activities & Honors: Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity–Philanthropy, Recruitment Committee, Brotherhood Chairman; Lindner Investment Banking Club–Treasurer; Lindner Student Association–Executive Team; UC Club Golf Team; Senator Rob Portman Campaign–Intern; Cincinnati Scholar; Sigma Alpha Epsilon True Gentlemen Scholarship Recipient; University Honors Program; Dean’s List; Saturday Hoops Mentor

ALEX RACK
La Salle High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Marketing, International Business
Co-Op: Southwest Airlines
Activities & Honors: Cincinnati Scholar; Dean’s List Recipient; University Honors Program; Israel Education Center–Student Leadership Delegation; Student Government–Elections Facilitation Committee, Executive Director of We the Bearcats (Past); Bearcats Food Pantry–Volunteer and Committee Member; Delta Sigma Pi Professional Fraternity–Vice President of Finance, Director of Membership (Past); PACE Leader (Past)

EMILY RASMUSSEN
Loveland High School; Loveland, Ohio
Major(s): Marketing, Information Systems
Co-Op: Nielsen
Activities & Honors: Forever Bearcats–Marketing Director; Compassion By The Book–Marketing Director and Restructure Committee Member; Phi Mu Fraternity–Intramural Chairman; UC Athletics Department–Student Worker; Sports Communication; Women In Ft. Girl Scouts–Gold Award Recipient; Cincinnati Young Woman of Distinction; Girl Scouts of Western Ohio; Delegate to Washington DC

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Saint Ursula Academy; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Marketing, Entrepreneurship
Co-Op: SaferSit
Activities & Honors: Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority–Bid Day Committee, Babysitters R Us Founder; Lindner Women in Business; Karen Wellington Foundation Junior Board Member; Saturday Hoops Mentor; Boys and Girls Clubs of America Volunteer; University Honors Program; Cincinnati Scholar; Alpha Lambda Delta Honorary

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Major(s): Finance, Accounting
Co-Op: Grant Thornton
Activities & Honors: Student Activities Board; Lindner Student Association; Bearcat Buddies–Volunteer; Kappa Kappa Gamma–Recording Secretary; Student Government–Mentorship Program (past); College Mentor for Kids–Volunteer (past); Cincinnati Scholar; University Honors Program; Dean’s List

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Notre Dame Academy; Park Hills, Kentucky
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Activities & Honors: Student Activities Board; Lindner Student Association; Bearcat Developers; Kappa Kappa Gamma–Recording Secretary; Student Government Mentorship Program (past); College Mentor for Kids–Volunteer (past); Cincinnatus Scholar; University Honors Program; Dean’s List

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Major(s): Industrial Management
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Activities & Honors: Lindner Student Association–Web Director & Career Fair Operations Chair; UC Student Government–Director of Technology; Bearcat Developers; Cincinnati Scholar; University Honors Program

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Dixie Heights High School; Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky
Major(s): Marketing, Communications
Co-Op: The Office of Congressman Thomas Massie
Activities & Honors: Student Government–At Large Senator; Government Affairs Committee–Director of Federal Policy; Morgens Hall Resident Advisor; UC Mock Trial–Vice President; Accessibility Network Steering Committee Member; KY Young Republicans Member; Cincinnati Scholar
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The Summit Country Day School; Cincinnati, Ohio  
Major(s): Accounting, Marketing  
Co-Op: EY  
Activities & Honors: Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority—Recruitment Committee, Event Committee; Student Government—Student Government Mentorship Program; Lindner Women in Business—Co-Philanthropy Chair; Lindner Honors-PLUS Student Worker; Saturday Hoops Mentor; Cincinnatus Scholar; Dean's List; University Honors Program

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Oak Hills High School; Cincinnati, Ohio  
Major(s): Finance, Accounting  
Co-Op: Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center  
Activities & Honors: University of Cincinnati Dance Marathon—External Vice President, High School Relations (past); Students Consulting for Non-Profit Organizations—Co-Founder and Vice-President; Forever Bears—Vice President of Marketing; Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity—External Vice President (past); Community Service Chairman (past); Recruitment Committee (past); Lindner Ambassadors—Overcomer Scholarship Fund—Founder; Serve Beyond Cincinnati; United Saints Recovery Project; Cincinnati Children's Hospital Volunteer (past); University Honors Program; LeaderShape Institute; Christos P. Demakis Legacy Scholarship; Sigma Alpha Epsilon True Gentleman Award

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William Mason High School; Mason, Ohio  
Major(s): Marketing,  
Co-Op: Prasco Laboratories  
Activities & Honors: Impact Performance Horses Co-Founder and Chief Marketing Officer; Business Fellows Community Service Committee Chair; H.A.R.T. Volunteer; Clean Up Cincinnati Volunteer; Freestore Foodbank Volunteer; Mathews 25 Minutes Volunteer; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; National Achievement Finalist Scholar; University Honors Program

MATTHEW BARYLUK  
Upper Arlington High School; Upper Arlington, Ohio  
Major(s): Finance  
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Activities & Honors: Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations—Consultant; Philosophy Club—President; University of Cincinnati Dance Marathon—Catering Team; University Honors Program; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; Warren Bennis Leadership Experience—Staff; LeaderShape Institute—Attendee; Dean's List

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Major(s): Operations Management  
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Activities & Honors: AMEND Consulting—part-time work; Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations—Team Lead; Student Alumni Council—Homecoming Finance Chair; Alumni Relations Committee; Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity—Campus Involvement Chair; University Funding Board—Member; Student Government—University Funding Board Senator Representative; Serve Beyond Cincy—America, GA trip participant; Student Government Mentorship Program—Mentee; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar

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Lakota East High School; Liberty Township, Ohio  
Major(s): Operations Management, Information Systems  
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Activities & Honors: Lindner Student Association—Leadership Team; Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority—Recording Secretary; University Honors Program—Ambassador; Lindner College of Business Ambassador; Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; Dean's List; Elmer S. Koehlke Scholar; Hands Against Hunger—Volunteer Coordinator; Crossroads Uptown—Welcome Team

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La Salle High School; Cincinnati, Ohio  
Major(s): Finance, Economics  
Co-Op: Alpine Investors  
Activities & Honors: Morgens Hall Government—Treasurer; Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations; Emerging Campus Leaders; University of Cincinnati Men's Rugby Team; Philosophy Club; Lindner Student Association; University Honors Program; Robert R. and Susan G. Buck Named Scholar; Russell C. Meyers Balanced Man Scholar; University of Cincinnati Alumni Association Scholar; Cincinnatus Scholar

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St. Xavier High School; Cincinnati, Ohio  
Major(s): Accounting, Finance  
Co-Op: EY  
Activities & Honors: Lindner Student Association—Executive Team, Treasurer; Lindner Investment Banking Club—Executive Team; University Honors Program; Cincinnatus Scholar; Dean's List; Campus Life Committee; Finance Club
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Mother of Mercy High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
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Activities & Honors: Cincinnatus Scholar, Dean’s List Recipient, Lindner Women in Business-Director of Corporate Engagement, Empowerment Day Leadership Conference 2017–Project Manager, Emerging Campus Leaders–Inernal Vice President, Fernside Center for Grieving Children–Group Facilitator

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Elder High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
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Co-Op: Deloitte
Activities & Honors: Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity–Alumni Relations Chairman; Lindner Finance Club–Alumni Relations Chairman; Lindner Student Association; Cincinnatus Scholar; University Honors Program

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Major(s): Entrepreneurship, Information Systems
Co-Op: Guardian Roofing
Activities & Honors: Gamma Phi Beta Sorority; Delta Sigma Phi–Business Fraternity; Women in Leadership and Learning cohort; Women’s Center–Professional Development Intern; Lindner Student Association—Historian; Business Law TA

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Major(s): Finance, Information Systems
Co-Op: Vonsiehman & Co.
Activities & Honors: Lindner Finance Club–Treasurer; Student Government–Executive Director of Treasurer Affairs; Student Government Mentorship Program; Cincinnati Excellence Scholar; University Honors Program; Robert A. & Sandra W. Heilman Scholar; Dean’s List

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Co-Op: GE Aviation
Activities & Honors: Cincinnati University Scholar; University Honors Program; Dean’s List; Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity–Scholarship Committee, Ritual Committee, Finance Committee; Lindner Student Association–Vice President of Communications, New Orleans Mission Trip Participant; Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations; Lindner Ambassadors; University Funding Board

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Summit Country Day School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Marketing, Operations Management
Co-Op: Paycor
Activities & Honors: Cincinnati University Scholar; University Honors Program; Dean’s List; Kappa Alpha Theta Fraternity–Public Relations Officer; Membership Development Committee; Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations–Team Leader; Student Alumni Council

AVERY GRIFFIN
Glen Este High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Entrepreneurship
Co-Op: Venture Smarter
Activities & Honors: Hyperloop UC–Operations, Fundraising, Recruitment, Electronics; Business Fellows; Cincinnatus Scholar; University Honors Program

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Covington Catholic High School
Major(s): Finance, Accounting
Co-Op: Castelli Management Company
Activities & Honors: University Honors; Cincinnati Scholar; Dean’s List; Lindner Investment Banking Club–Treasurer; Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity–Financial Awareness and Budget Chair; Lindner Student Association–Leadership Team; Howard J. Morgens Hall–Vice President; Colleges Against Cancer–Relay for Life committee; Karen Wellington Foundation–Fundraising Team; Finance Club

LUKE LAMPE
La Salle High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Business Economics & Information Systems
Co-Op: INTERalliance of Greater Cincinnati
Activities & Honors: TEDxUCincinnati–Content Chair; Sigma Alpha Epsilon–Summer Housing Manager (17); Delta Sigma Pi–Member; Lasallian Youth Service Immersion Trip–Cheaperone; Cincinnati Scholarship Recipient; Dean’s List; Associate Director–INTERalliance of Greater Cincinnati
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Walnut Hills High School; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Business Analytics, Computer Science
Co-op: Paycor, Great American Insurance Group
Activities & Honors: Student Government–Executive Director of Academic Policy; ROAR Campus
Tour Guides, Lindner Ambassadors, Student Government Mentorship Program–Mentee; Emerging
Campus Leaders–Mentee; Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity–Webmaster; Philosophy Club; Collins Family
Named Scholar; University Honors Scholar; Cincinnatus Scholar

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Activities & Honors: Bearcast Media, AEPi Fraternity, E-Sports, ROAR Tour Guide, Residential
Advisor; Dean's List

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Club–Intern; Sales Team; Bearcat Buddies–Clean Up Cincinnati; University Honors Program; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; Dean's List

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Jonathan Alder High School
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Activities & Honors: Lindner Women in Business, Pi Beta Phi Sorority–Vice President of
Membership Development, Young Life Leader, University Honors Program, Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; Dean's List

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Larry A. Yule High School; Union, Kentucky
Major(s): Marketing, International Business
Co-op: Fund Evaluation Group, LLC
Activities & Honors: National Honor Society of Collegeate Scholars; UC Club Hispano–Vice
President; Model UN; Resident Education & Development - Resident Advisor; UC Equestrian Team–
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Ursuline Academy; Cincinnati, Ohio
Major(s): Entrepreneurship, Marketing
Co-op: Deloitte
Activities & Honors: Students Consulting for Nonprofit Organizations–Marketing and Social Media
Chairs, University Honors Program–Honors Ambassador; Kappa Alpha Theta, Lindner Women in
Business; Cincinnatus Scholar; Dean's List

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Bishop Fenwick High School
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Co-op: Deloitte
Activities & Honors: Lindner Women in Business–Chief Outreach Officer; Delta Sigma Pi;
Leadership Institute; Interfaith Hospitality Network of Greater Cincinnati–Pet Program Volunteer;
University Honors Program; Cincinnatus Excellence Scholar; Dean's List

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Co-op: PricewaterhouseCoopers
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Student Association

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Honors Program–Ambassador; National Society of Leadership and Success; University of Cincinnati
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Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity–Community Service Chair, Philanthropy Committee; Recruitment
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Program; UC YoungLife; Serve Beyond Cincinnati–Baton Rouge, LA; Crossroads Uptown–Kids Club
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Thank you for being a part of an amazing year for the Lindner Honors-PLUS program and the college as a whole. As you are probably aware, 2016 was a historic year for the Carl H. Lindner College of Business in numerous ways.

First and foremost, we had a record year as it relates to philanthropic investments into the Lindner Honors-PLUS Program. Between July 1, 2016—June 30, 2017, more than 400 donors provided $2,291,351 in cash gifts, pledge commitments, planned gifts, and corporate matches. Within this total, 148 Lindner Honors-PLUS alumni supported their alma mater and program that means so much to them. We cannot begin to thank you enough for your ongoing support.

Much of the increase in donors and commitments came from the LHP Leadership Legacy Celebrations in September 2016. Alumni, corporate partners, and advocates of the Carl H. Lindner Honors-PLUS program celebrated the leadership legacy of Professor Jen Ricketts at the home of Joseph and Lorraine Mayernick. The group collectively donated nearly $750,000 in endowed funds for the program’s directorship.

Secondly, we announced plans for the construction of a new home for the University of Cincinnati’s business school and now the construction phase is in full effect. Our new facility will be a state-of-the-art building that will bring new and innovative technologies to our students, faculty and partners and be a catalyst for collaboration and enhanced learning. The new building will open in the fall of 2018 and we cannot wait to have our Lindner Honors-PLUS students have a new place to call home.

The future is bright for the Lindner Honors-PLUS program and alumni engagement will be one of the key factors for its continued success. Wherever you are, whatever stage of life you’re in, there is something here for you. To that end, please help us take the next step by remaining involved in the life of the university. Together, we can have an immediate impact upon the success of our alma mater, its current students and our alumni community in small and large ways.

Lastly, we want to hear from you. Send us your suggestions on how we can make our relationships stronger. The Lindner Advancement team encourages you to share and maintain your connection to the University.

Our history gives us reasons to celebrate Lindner’s success. We have momentum, but we must capitalize on it. It will take each of us and all of us. We invite you to join us as we raise our voices and our resources in support of the Carl H. Lindner College of Business and the Lindner Honors-PLUS program.

Again, thank you for your continued support and advocacy for the Lindner Honors-PLUS Program and the Carl H. Lindner College of Business.

If you have any questions or would like to become more involved with the Lindner College of Business and the Lindner Honors-PLUS program, please reach out to Scott Schuster or Lauren Jacquot.

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