

# IU Safety Watch Newsletter

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By Dr. Slates

## Membership has its benefits

As we near the end of the Fall 2019 term, I would like you to reflect on your involvement in the Indiana University American Society of Safety Professionals Student Section. Have you attended any of the section sponsored events and activities? Or would you like to learn more about the organization? While we celebrate the many achievements of the IU Safety Program, it's important for students to understand the purpose and benefits of student section membership. ASSP student sections exist at over 75 colleges and universities. Student sections are designed for student members pursuing careers in the occupational safety and health (OSH) field. They provide additional opportunities for students to learn more about their chosen areas of study, promote interactions between students and safety professionals, and offer excellent leadership opportunities for students. Because student sections are housed at colleges and universities and supported by nearby chapters and the regions, these groups offer the added benefit of local networking. Interested in joining the



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IU Student Section? Lastly, I encourage you to attend our meetings, connect through social media and apply for membership online at [assp.org](http://assp.org).

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## November Meeting: Board of Certified Safety Professionals Senior Director Speaks to Safety Majors



Joshua Franklin, senior director for the strategic advancement at the Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP) served as our guest speaker for the November student section meeting. For those of you who aren't familiar with BCSP, BCSP is a not-for-profit corporation recognized as a leader in high-quality, credentialing for safety, health, and

environmental (SH&E) practitioners. BCSP also establishes standards and certifies competency criteria in professional safety practice. After initially discussing the mission of BCSP, he discussed how he began his career in safety. During his time in the U.S. Air Force, he began to realize safety is more than just following a checklist. Mr. Franklin shared a metaphor at the start of the meeting. He said "safety is like chess because in order to win or get the advantage, you have to advance". During his presentation Joshua also told the audience, safety is more than the recognition and evaluation of hazardous condition. He noted safety is about obtaining management commitment and employee involvement to adequately address workplace injuries. Lastly, during the presentation he placed emphasis on obtaining professional certifications. According to Joshua, obtaining a certification is about gaining a professional credential, assessing your competency, and requires a commitment to lifelong learning. Please join me in thanking Joshua for his support of the Indiana University Safety Program.

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## AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS FUTURE LEADERS IN SAFETY STUDENT CONFERENCE



Abby Dillman, Kenneth Arnold, Isabella Byers, Victoria Green, Emma Hoffman, Steven Sievert, Sydney Taylor participated in the 2019 American Society of Safety Professionals Future Leaders in Safety Conference. The 2019 Future Safety Leaders Conference was held November 7-8, 2019 at the Chicago Marriott Oak Brook in Oak Brook, IL. The conference is an annual two-day event where practicing safety professionals educate, develop and mentor a select group of ASSP student members, helping them kickstart their careers and transition from student life to employment in the occupational safety and health (OSH) field.

The conference sponsored several events and activities that primarily focused on networking and leadership development. For example, networking with companies such as Fiat Chrysler Automotive (FCA), Liberty Mutual, and Georgia-Pacific, mock interview sessions, resume critiques, IU ASSE Outstanding Student Section Award presentation, and many guest speakers.



“Whether you think you, can or you think you can’t, you’re right”.  
-Henry Ford



## IU Safety Program Partners with Recruiters at the Future Leaders in Safety Conference



**"It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed"**

**-Theodore Roosevelt**

By Hazley Connelly

## December 2019 ASSP Student Section Meeting Chris Hall, Safety Resources Director of Training



Mr. Chris Hall is the director of education and training at Safety Resources, Inc. located in Indianapolis Indiana. As director of training, his overall goal is to improve the effectiveness of safety training by focusing learning objectives and audience needs. At the start of his presentation he passed out bingo cards with certain words and phrasing on the card. If

Chris says one of the words, you cross it out and then you win a jar of candy. This activity shows that students were engaged and paying attention to the presentation. Chris said that in order to deliver training the trainer must be competent. The goal of delivering occupational safety and health training is to increase knowledge, and employee hazard awareness. Some training examples include using a child play mat to put trucks, people, cones, and cars for traffic control training and for crane training you can purchase a remote-control crane. Most companies want training that is good, fast, and cheap; however, you can't have all three because it doesn't exist at the same time. There are many training delivery formats which both have their advantages and disadvantages such as classroom and instructor, interactive methods, hands-on, and computer-based formats. Overall, he ensured us that it is okay to not know everything. He also stressed stated that effective trainers should gain the trust of the audience to increase participants learning outcomes.

**"If you take responsibility for yourself, you will develop a hunger to accomplish you dreams".**

**-Less Brown**



## IU Safety Students Volunteer on and Off Campus



Each year, our student section identifies both campus and community service project. This year, we participated in the Hoosier Outrun Cancer and the Holiday Can Food Drive. Hoosiers Outrun Cancer (HOC) proudly supports members of our local community who are fighting cancer including patients, their family, and their friends. The Bloomington Health Foundation HOC Cancer Support Fund assists – at no charge – those in our community with needs beyond clinical care: massage therapy, art therapy, patient and family support groups, transportation assistance and more. Over the last 20 years, HOC has raised over \$3 million to maintain these necessary resources right here in the South Central Indiana.



Every year thousands of Hoosier families have food to eat because of our gracious and compassionate volunteers. On December 4<sup>th</sup>, several students took time out of their busy schedule to volunteers at a local food bank. Gleaners Food Bank is located in Bloomington, IN. Because of their generously-given time and effort, the foodbank collects and distributes more than 2 million pounds of food each month. We couldn't do what we do for hungry Hoosiers without your help.

**"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing".**

**-Author unknown**

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# Messer Construction Site Tour

## The Value of Field Based Learning



Students from Indiana University's American Society of Safety Professionals Student Section recently completed a tour of Messer Construction's renovation of McNutt Hall on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Since 2000, Messer Construction has been involved in several construction activities. Indiana University (IU) currently has multiple academic departments and research centers under renovation across their Bloomington campus. Students benefit in several ways from participating in tours of industrial facilities, construction sites, and other field based learning

sites. The observation of construction activities and facilities is one of the best tools that we can use to place an emphasis on safety related concepts such as the evaluation and control of workplace hazards. Often times, these real world experiences are very difficult to integrate in the classroom. Whether it's a trip to a factory, construction site, or hospital, each experience that a student participates in contributes to their understanding of the how safety is integrated into business practices. When students leave the classroom, they see the connections between what is happening in the classroom, and in the 'real-world. Lastly, students begin to see that what they learn within the walls of the classroom can help them solve the problems they see in the world around them and can have a direct impact on who they become as people.

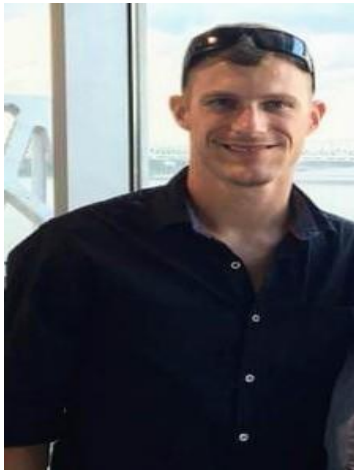


**"Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up."**

*-Thomas A. Edison*



## Safety Student Profile



**Student name:** Clinton Jackson

**Home town:** Sellersburg, IN

**Year in School:** Junior

**Why Safety?** The reason that I chose Safety is while in the Marine Corps I was made Company Safety Representative. From then on, I really enjoyed working in the Safety field. I enjoy doing Operational Risk Management and preventing accidents from happening.

**What are your future career goals?** My career goal is to become a Safety Officer for a company.

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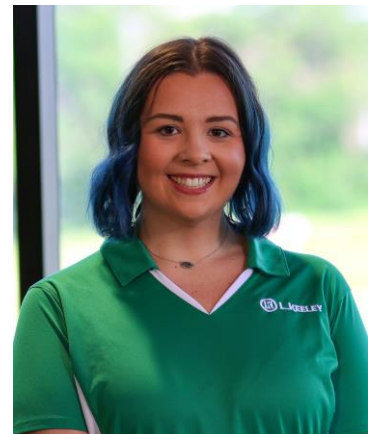
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Respond to the questions above and submit profile &  
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demitc@iu.edu*

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## Are you taking advantage of your ASSP Student Membership?

Your ASSE membership is more than just a requirement to be a part of your student section and attending meetings at IU. As a student member you have access to the Central Indiana Chapter (CI ASSP) and are welcome to attend the meetings. You get access to the website which includes the, job postings, and access to literature.

By joining ASSP as a student, you'll be able to start connecting now with our expansive professional network and receive deep discounts on education. These experiences set you on a path to personal growth, professional excellence and career success. Student dues are \$15 per year and include one free practice specialty and common interest group. Learn more about the specific qualifications and benefits, or [apply now!](#)





# Spring 2020 Student Section Meetings Announced

*By Abby*

Our goal is to continue to grow our student section and have as many students come out as possible. If you are not a member of ASSP, you can contact our Vice President Abby Dillman [aidillma@iu.edu](mailto:aidillma@iu.edu) with any questions you may have.

As we begin the spring semester, we would like to invite everyone to join us at our meetings this semester. We encourage everyone to come to these meetings to build a network and learn more about the safety industry. For our October meeting, we will be welcoming, Jeff Fox, Central Indiana ASSP Chapter President. As always, food and drinks will be provided and we hope to see you all there!

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## Congratulations to Our December 2019 Graduates



- Luke Barrow
- Jackson Bryant
- Stephen Doeling
- Dana Gardner
- Adlin Iskandar Zulkarnine
- Mark Pierce
- Jacob Ryan
- Tyler Simms (IUS)
- Shawn Adams

## 4 Reasons Why The Holidays Are The Perfect Time To Apply For Internships (Or Your First Full-Time Job)

The holidays are busy—and we're not just talking about the actual event planning, gift giving, final exams, and traveling that goes into the season. For businesses, the holidays are a time of year-end reports, financial statements, and 20\_\_ planning.

But if you want to get ahead in the job search, you have to be willing to work when others can't manage to juggle their schedules. Here are four reasons that applying for a job or internship during the holidays is actually one of the best times to do it.

### 1. Less Competition

*And it's never been easier.*

Because people think that no one is working (or hiring) when the holiday season is in full swing, they're less likely to apply. So, it makes sense that if you're getting busy while they're staying still, you're more likely to get your application reviewed in the meantime. Plenty of work happens between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve, trust us. Some companies may go on a holiday hiring freeze. But, hey, you only need one job offer that you like, right?

### 2. Holiday Networking

*It's either networking or this level of dancing...or both.*

Family friends, relatives, and neighbors all make excellent resources for networking. Holiday parties are the perfect opportunity to connect with people in an industry you're interested in. Benefit from 18+ years of being a child in their eyes and let them know that you're ready to take on a serious internship or your first full-time role. Connections can get you in the door—and the rest is up to you.

### 3. Getting Sorted For The New Year (And New Semester)

*Just add a job.*

What better way to enjoy your senior spring (or just the first few weeks of the new year) than knowing that your not-so-distant future is all set? Yes, the job search can take time, but getting your apps in while most job-seeking people are slacking might give you the perfect opportunity to get interviewed and hired FAST.

### 4. More Temporary And Internship Opportunities

*The treatment of interns has steadily improved over the last decade.*

The beginning and end of the year are particularly busy times for businesses. They're either dealing with new business or settling old business. Either way, the need for temporary or internship-type roles arises quickly. That means now is the time to strike. If you impress the socks off your boss, you could be looking at your first full-time job offer in a couple months. Either way, it's great for the resume and will tide you over to the next thing.

## 5. This Whole Job Search Thing Might Take A While

*Pictured: You right now. Not pictured: You in three months.*

It might seem early to start looking for a job or internship that starts in May, June, July, or even later, but most companies don't want to wait. Many of the most desirable companies to work for start their search for talent *very* early. And that means you have to start looking early, too.

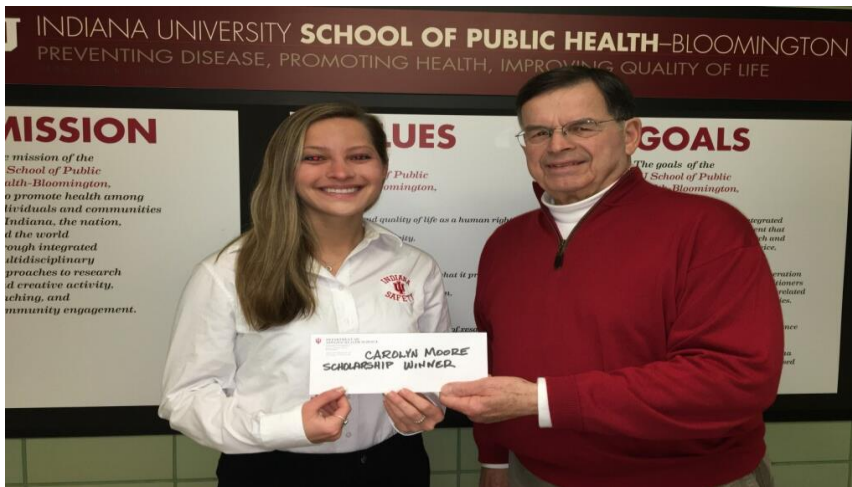
There are ways to [speed up the process](#), but it's always better to be safe than sorry.

So, enjoy the festivities and celebrations. But remember, 'tis the season for more than just presents.

The post [4 Reasons Why The Holidays Are The Perfect Time To Apply For Internships \(Or Your First Full-Time Job\)](#) appeared first on [Job and Internship Advice, Companies to Work for and More | WayUp Blog](#).

By **Liam Berry - WayUp Guide**





## Central Indiana & ASSP Foundation Announces \$250,000 in Safety Scholarships

Since 1990, the [ASSP Foundation](#) has awarded millions of dollars in scholarships to students beginning their studies in occupational safety seeking to continue their education. Students enrolled in OSH-related majors and meeting basic criteria are eligible to apply for ASSP

Foundation scholarships. View all the basic criteria as well as Frequently Asked Questions to determine your eligibility [here](#). Applicants only need to complete one application to be eligible for all available scholarship awards. Applications due December 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Central Indiana American Society of Safety Professional Chapter 2019 Future Leader Golf Scholarship application is available for download on the left hand side under **Section Documents**. Completed applications are due by December 1, 2019 and must be sent to [centralindianaasse@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianaasse@gmail.com).

## Graduate Safety Professional Designation (GSP) Information



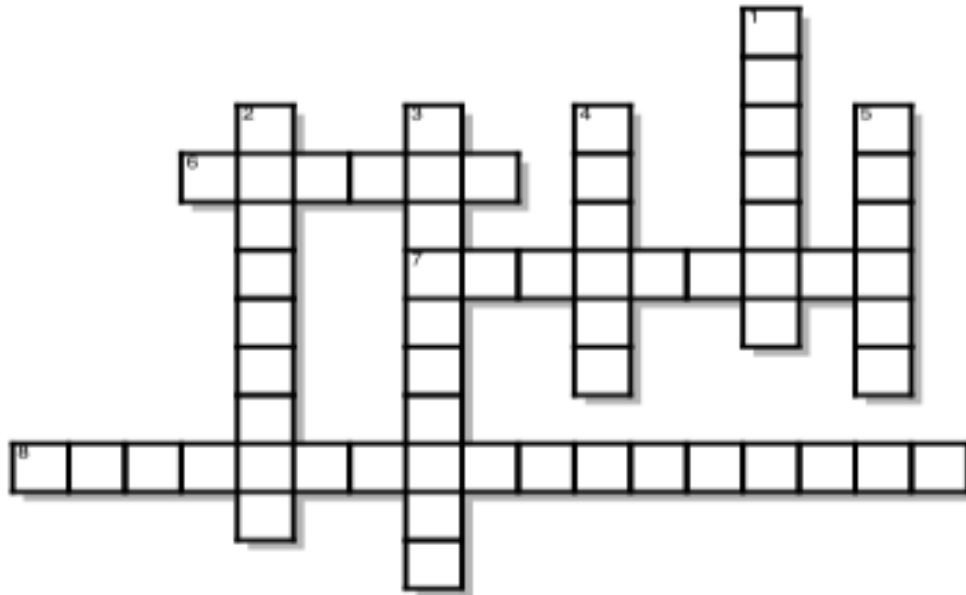
The safety undergraduate degree programs on both the Indiana University Bloomington and Indiana Southeast campuses are now a Qualified Academic Program by the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. As a result, upon graduation, students can apply and receive the Graduate Safety Professional Designation (GSP). The GSP designation will substitute for the required Associate Safety Professional (ASP) credential. The GSP designation is a very prestigious and valuable credential and highlights the rigor and quality of the IU Safety Program. Again, congratulations to the IU Safety Program and thanks to all who have contributed to the success of the program.

**How to Apply** If you have graduated from a QAP during its accreditation period, you must submit a GSP Application and a copy of your transcript using 'My Profile' at [www.bccsp.org](http://www.bccsp.org). For information on QAP's, visit [www.bccsp.org/GSP](http://www.bccsp.org/GSP).

## Selected IU Partners and Companies



# Safety Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

- 6 Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ is the great faculty advisor for the IU ASSE student section
- 7 OSH professionals focus on the prevention of accidents in the \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 Once the root cause has been determined, the safety professional must recommend \_\_\_\_\_

## DOWN

- 1 This form of PPE protects against head injuries
- 2 The industrial hygienist focuses on the prevention of \_\_\_\_\_ rather than injuries
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ is a key to success and can occur by connecting with new people
- 4 The safety professional must avoid placing blame on the \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 This is the greatest profession of modern times

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