The Last Lecture

Lessons for Life from a Lifetime of Learning

The Last Lecture offers the university community an opportunity to hear reflections on life’s lessons and meaning from a retired or current IUPUI colleague of exceptional merit. The lecturer will be asked to share with students, staff, faculty, and the general public the wisdom she or he gained through academic pursuits and life experiences; distilling a life of inquiry, reflection, and service into advice for successive generations.

To be chosen The Last Lecture speaker is not only an individual honor, but also an honor for the speaker’s department and school. We ask that deans and department chairs encourage their faculty and staff to nominate outstanding colleagues who have achieved much over the course of their career, and to make such nominations themselves.

Nominations: All IUPUI faculty, retired faculty, staff, and students are invited to submit nominations for the Last Lecture speaker. Nominators should complete the online nomination form providing a short justification why the nominee deserves consideration, as well as the nominee’s CV or resume if available. Nominators should also confirm the nominee’s availability on the date of the lecture, March 27, 2015.

Eligibility: All current and retired IUPUI based faculty, administrators and staff members are eligible.

Lecture Guidelines: 40-45 minute speech on the general subject of the speaker’s lifetime accumulation of wisdom and insights on a topic to be decided by the speaker.

Lecture date and location: Friday, March 27, 2015, 2:00 p.m. in the IUPUI Campus Center Theatre.

Sponsors: The Last Lecture is sponsored by the IUPUI Senior Academy, the IUPUI Administration and the Indiana University Foundation.

Honorarium: The Indiana University Foundation will offer the featured speaker an honorarium of $1,500.

Nominations are due by midnight (EST), November 23, 2014.

Selection Process: A committee of the IUPUI Senior Academy will consider all nominations and select a pool of candidates by December 20, 2014. Selected nominees will be invited to submit a synopsis of their proposed presentation by mid-January for review by a final Selection Committee of current and retired faculty, staff and students. The name of the selected speaker will be announced in January 2015. The names of previous speakers and links to their presentations are available on the Academic Affairs website.

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