

## Two MSIS students have been awarded the prestigious Ernst & Young, James E. Buckman Memorial Scholarship/Fellowship.

Bloomington, Ind. Justin and Katharine Greis graduated from IU in 2004 but their ties remain strong to the Bloomington campus. Last year, a memorial fellowship was established to honor the special life of Katharine Greis's (BS '04) father and to provide a significant opportunity to students in the Master of Science in Information Systems program at IU.



MSIS students Jarrett Crusor and Erika Barrios received the fellowship this year. Jarrett is a graduate of Purdue University ('05) where he earned a B.S. in Electrical and Computer Technology. Prior to starting the MSIS program Jarrett worked at Hewlett Packard as an Information Management Consultant II. Erika is a recent graduate of the Kelley School of Business at IU ('09) where she majored in finance and international business. At IU she was a Holland Scholar and had the opportunity to intern at Oblong Industries in Barcelona, Spain. Jarrett and Erika are pleased to receive such a prestigious award. As Jarrett notes, "I am truly thankful to receive an award honoring the kindness and caring of Mr. Buckman. He was a model citizen that understood his purpose in life. Receiving this award reaffirms my feeling that there is a strong network within Kelley that wants you to succeed which is extremely encouraging." Erika echoes Jarrett's sentiments: "Mr. Buckman placed a huge value on education and philanthropy. I admire what his family has done to give back to the MSIS program and Indiana University. I am not only grateful, but honored to receive the Ernst & Young, James E. Buckman Memorial Scholarship/Fellowship.

The family is delighted by the selection of candidates. "Katharine, Margaret [Buckman], Pierce [Buckman] and I are thrilled to have such outstanding students receive the award. There is no more fitting way to honor the memory of Jim than to better the lives of others through advanced education and continued learning. We are proud to have Erika and Jarrett as the first recipients of this Fellowship; we are confident they will do great things in the MSIS program and beyond. We look forward to seeing them give back for years to come," says Justin.

The Ernst & Young, James E. Buckman Memorial Scholarship/Fellowship was established to pay tribute to James E. Buckman's life which was lost during a tragic car accident on September 10, 2007. Katharine and her husband, Justin (MBA '04), wanted to do something special to honor Mr. Buckman's life. As Kelley alums they knew one of the greatest and most enduring gifts is that of an education. This is a principle that Mr. Buckman believed in wholeheartedly. As co-owner of BBJ Linen Mr. Buckman was dedicated to helping his employees better themselves by supporting their own efforts to attain a college degree. This memorial fellowship pays homage to this tradition. Katharine mentions, "This scholarship seemed like the perfect way to honor his memory. Our whole family is just so happy the Buckman name will live on to help people for years to come."

Katharine earned a bachelor's degree from Kelley with majors in marketing and international studies. Justin completed his MBA with a focus in information systems in 2004 immediately following his bachelor's degree from Kelley with a major in accounting. He is currently a manager within Ernst & Young's IT Advisory Services. While at E&Y, Justin has taken the initiative to increase the firm's recruiting presence, particularly within Information Systems Graduate Programs, which includes the MSIS degree. Ernst & Young has generously matched Justin's contributions to the Fellowship fund. As Justin notes, "The mission and goal of the award is a perfect complement to EY's values and focus on higher education."

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