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Gamma Iota Sigma Alumni Newsletter

*Bowling Green State
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Beta Chapter



Chapter Information: The Beta chapter held four meetings in the fall semester. Attendance has increased by 80% since the 2017-2018 school year! We had Reagan from Brown and Brown Insurance come speak to our chapter. She explained how the internship program runs and gave us tips on how to apply for jobs!

Ohio Regional Conference – August

Columbus, OH

Rachel Wingate: "I attended the GIS Leadership Symposium in Columbus, Ohio back in August. Over 100 members representing chapters from all over the country. Over the course of the weekend conference, I had the opportunity to learn strategies to increase membership and chapter engagement. There was also a career fair with sustaining partners. It was a great opportunity to network and learn more about what GIS can do for its members."



Insurance Symposium – September Bowling Green, OH

CEO Panel

BGSU hosted a panel of CEOs for the Insurance Symposium this year. Dave Kaufman from Motorists Insurance Group, Bill Purmort from Central Insurance Companies, Ed Largent from Westfield, Mark Russell from Ohio Mutual Insurance Group, and John Ammendola from Grange Insurance Companies visited to field questions from the audience about upcoming changes to the insurance industry. A topic that was widely talked about was autonomous vehicles.

CEO Panel Dinner

The evening of September 11, Gamma Iota Sigma hosted the CEOs and other staff members from various companies at Sam B's. The Gamma Iota Sigma members networked with the industry professionals. The professionals gave the students information for their companies, as well as tips on applying for jobs or internships in the near future.

Program Spotlight:

The Bowling Green State University Insurance and Risk Management program has received over \$300,000 of funding in an effort to establish an endowed professorship.

International Conference – October

Chicago, IL

Marissa Cesa: “The International Conference in Chicago was a wonderful opportunity to learn from our peers across the country, as well as develop as a chapter. I had the opportunity to network with our sustaining partners and make connections with other students!”

Rachel Wingate: "I am grateful for the opportunity to attend the International Conference in Chicago, IL. It was a great chance to network with sustaining partners and other members from across the country. I enjoyed being surrounded by like-minded individuals who all have a passion for the insurance industry."



MAPFRE Case Competition – October

Bowling Green, Columbus, OH

Hervin Singh: “Team Falcons, consisting of, myself, Abigail Whaley, Colin Reynolds, Rachel Wingate and Tanner Vermule attended the first round of the competition in the Bowen-Thompson Student Union. The insurance collegiate challenge is essentially running your own insurance company. We participated in this 3-round competition on Thursday and won the regional competition. We then moved on to the state finals in held at Franklin university in Downtown Columbus. The competition helped better my knowledge in the insurance industry, and understanding certain elements with the MAPFRE professionals helping us along the way.”



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