Greetings! Is it October already? My, the time has really flown by. Since the beginning of the fall semester our office has been extremely busy planning programs that will lay the foundation for our student’s success. The Emerging Leaders Toastmasters Club also got off to a great start as well. Several students showed up to our initial call out meeting to witness first hand what public speaking is all about. The Emerging Leaders meet every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the IMU Redbud Room. To learn more about Toastmasters click on www.iub.edu/~omsld/toastmasters.html.

Register now to attend the Men and Women of Color Leadership Conference. The event will be held at IU’s Kelley School of Business. The Conference will take place on Friday, November 13, - Saturday, November 14. Black Entertainment Television and CNN’s talk show personality Jeff Johnson and motivational speaker and author Robert Jackson will be featured. In addition, the conference will feature Mr. Jackson’s wife and author Tajuana “TJ” Butler, who has a book titled “Sorority Sisters.” Everyone is welcome to attend the conference. The cost is $30.00 for all college students. Please consult the MWOCCLC website for a complete list of prices and schedules: www.iub.edu/~moc.

Off to a Great Start

The Month of September marked the start of a great year for The Office of Mentoring Services and Leadership Development. We had our annual FASE and 21st Century Scholar Welcome Reception. Instead of the traditional reception we decided to highlight the numerous resources that Indiana University has to offer our incoming freshmen. Over 100 students, faculty, and staff came out in support of the event.

Along with the success of the Welcome Reception, OMSLD’s peer mentoring staff was able to experience this year’s IUPUI Mentoring Symposium. Not only did our mentors represent IUB by attending the symposium but they participated as well. Five of our mentors took part in the presentation: “Leaders Training Leaders: The FASE Peer Mentoring Model.” Along with the peer mentors, our department academic advisor, Theresa Hitchcock, presented “Mind Over Money: Strategies for Mentoring Students to Overcome Financial Obstacles.”

Thank you again to all the students, faulty and staff that helped make last month a success. Be on the look out for more great OMSLD events.
Being a FASE Peer Mentor is about more than just helping IU freshmen transition smoothly into the university, it is making yourself available to as many people as you can. Junior, Julian Edwards, knows first hand what this means. During this past Summer Julian spent his time at the Edna Martin Christian Center Leadership and Legacy Program. “It was really a blessing to be able to impact the youth because I believe our program helped prepare them for school in the fall,” Edwards said. For his service Edwards was recognized by the Marion County Commission on Youth with the Excellence in Summer Service Education Award. Edwards is also a leader within the IU community: Julian is apart of the Young Men Christian Council, he is the Vice Chair of the RHA Judicial Board, and he is the President of Chi Alpha Epsilon National Honor Society.