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*By Alison Oliver*

**Sabeen Ali** is an economics major and political science minor from Pakistan. Her senior project was on the IMF's solution for the financial meltdown in Thailand, beginning in 1997. She graduated in December 2000 and is now living out her dream, working as a consultant for Ernst and Young.

**Ketan Amin** is an economics and biology double major from Mattoon, IL. He wrote his senior project on income inequality and its relation to health. He was able to positively correlate high-income inequality with low levels of health in a country. He will be attending medical school after graduation, where he hopes to attain the skills to pursue his ideal job as a doctor in the suburbs. His most memorable moment at IWU was when the Economics Society defeated the Accounting Society at bowling.

**Pritam Banerjee** is an economics major from Calcutta, India. He wrote his senior project on the Effectiveness of Regional Integration in developing countries. Following graduation he hopes to get involved in development work or emerging markets, and then attend graduate school for further study in economics.

**Lisa Birr** is an economics and business administration double major from Elgin, IL. She wrote her senior project on the effectiveness of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991. She will be working in Peoria, IL for Caterpillar as a Pricing Analyst following graduation. Her ideal job would be working in Finance and Investments. Her two most favorable moments were Dr. Seeborg's "crazy" driving to an economics conference at Western Illinois University, and the one day when he cancelled senior seminar.

**Tamara Davis** is an economics major and business minor from Tremont, IL.

**Julie Dusek** is an economics and accounting double major from Bolingbrook, IL. She wrote her senior project on the determinants of divorce for men and women. She will be working in the tax department at Arthur Anderson in Chicago following graduation. Her most memorable Econ memory is listening to Alan Greenspan, while working at the Federal Reserve Bank.

**Alicia Lange** is an economics and psychology double major from Orland Park, IL. She wrote her senior project on the family gap, why mothers earn less than women without children. She plans to work in the Chicago area following graduation, and then pursue an MBA. Her ideal job would be a consultant or a position in human resources or market research.

**Esteban Lizano** is an economics and business double major, and a math minor from Costa Rica. He wrote his senior project on the factors of production that contribute the most to GDP growth. His plan for after graduation is to work as a consultant for Cap Gemini Ernst and Young. His most memorable moment is bowling with Professor Leekley and Dr. Seeborg.

**Amber Munday** is an economics major and sociology minor from Creve Coeur, IL. She did her senior project on the racial differences in IQ test scores, where she looked specifically at the effects of different neighborhoods. Immediately following graduation, she will be traveling to Tokyo, and then will continue her search for the ideal career. Her most memorable moments were bowling with the professors and joining the Economics department at Mugsy's.

**Naveen Nallapareddy** is an economics major from Flossmoor, IL.

**Adam Palmer** is an economics major from Naperville, IL. He wrote his senior project on the

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determinants of U.S. agricultural exports to China. He plans on going into the U.S. Navy following graduation. His ideal job would to play baseball professionally. His most memorable moment was Naveen's senior project presentation.

**Kenneth Perry** is an economics and political science double major from Orland Park, IL. He wrote his senior project on the benefits that communities receive from the funding of sports stadiums by state and local governments. He plans to attend law school after graduation. His ideal job would be to run his own sports management and consulting firm.

**Ryan Priess** is an economics major from Naperville, IL.

**David Rasho** is an economics and business administration double major from Forsyth, IL. He wrote his senior project on a 100% reserve gold standard. He will be working as an analyst at R.J. Krumm and Associates in Oak Park following graduation.

**Nicole Skalski** is an economics and business administration double major, and Spanish minor from Flossmoor, IL. She wrote her senior project on the wage differentials of the contingent workforce. She will be working in the Internal Audit Department at the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago after graduation. Her most memorable moment was when the Economics Society beat the Accounting Society at bowling.

**Michelle Stone** is an economics and political science double major, and an International studies minor from Hoffman Estates, IL. Her senior project involved the

effect of militarization on development in India. After graduation she will be attending Georgia School of Law where she will study International Business Law. She will always remember "how statistics put the fear of God in me, but I won out in the end!"

**Steven Strnad** is an economics and International business double major from Wheaton, IL. He wrote his senior project on the return differential between managed funds and index funds. He will be joining PriceWaterhouseCoopers as a consultant after graduation.

**Yuet Wen Wan** is an economics major from Malaysia. She wrote her senior project on a case of the Phillips curve in the European Monetary Union. She looked specifically at the inflation rate as one of the 'convergence criteria' and it's effect on unemployment. Following graduation, she will be working as an Associate at Towers Perrin in the Executive Compensation and the People Performance Solutions lines of business. Her most memorable moment is when Dr. Seeborg drove down to Western Illinois University for a conference, and on the way home willingly slowed down to see "Purple Pride" at a local bar.

**Amanda Watson** is an economics and political science double major from Normal, IL. Following graduation she plans on attending law school. Her ideal job is to be Governor of Illinois. Her most memorable moment was turning in her Econometrics final.