

## **IPFW Career Services Holds Sports & Fitness Career Panel**

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The Offices of Career Services here at IPFW held a Sports & Fitness Career Q&A session on Nov. 5 in Walb Student Union on the IPFW campus. The panel included five of Fort Wayne's top professionals in sports writing, marketing and managing.

A number of students and faculty attended the panel which included Reggie Hayes, sports writer for The News-Sentinal; Mike Nutter, president of the Fort Wayne TinCaps; Dean Pantazi, sports director for Indiana's NewsCenter; Heidi Busch, director of communications and operations for the Fort Wayne Mad Ants, and Barb Ceresa, health & wellness director at the Parkview YMCA.

These five panelists answered the questions of eager minds listening and provided insight on how to land a good career in not only the sports industry, but also any other job that one might want to get into.

One of the most useful pieces of advice given according to Dean Pantazi was getting your foot in the door.

“The first and foremost step to getting the job you want is to get your foot in the door,” Pantazi said. “It's one of the most important things to do and it can open up many opportunities for you.”

Another big topic that the panel discussed was internships. Many internships don't offer any kind of pay, which is a big concern for most college students who are looking to get a good career. The panelists provided several bits of advice about the topic.

“Money will be tight and you'll most likely have to sacrifice some things,” Busch said. “It's not going to be easy by any means.”

If you did not attend the panel and would like more info or want to learn more about landing a good career, you can visit the website of IPFW career services at [www.ipfw.edu/careers](http://www.ipfw.edu/careers) or stop by their office in room 109 in Kettler Hall.