

Helping those who helped me

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Julie talks about mentoring, Nina scholars, and her future in the medical field.

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Transcript

My name is Julie Reindle and I'm a junior here at IUPUI in University College. I am studying nursing and am a dance minor, as well.

When I first started at IUPUI, I was a radiography major, and then I became a respiratory therapy major, and then I decided on nursing once I began volunteering some more at hospitals and actually observed a pediatrician at Methodist. Ultimately, I would either like to go to med school and become a pediatrician or an OB/GYN. If not, if that doesn't happen, I would love to get my master's and become a neonatal nurse practitioner.

I am a mentor through the Bepko Learning Center, a human biology mentor. And, I also work with the ESP program and talk to other foster youth, as well, and get them prepared for college.

With the mentoring through Bepko Learning Center, I actually facilitate learning two sessions a week with students. A majority are incoming freshmen who have not had any college experience. So, what I do is I basically build different activities and study skills in them so they can learn hard material, like biology, and get them more prepared for exams, and things like that, so they can have continued success like I have in the course.

I had no idea what IUPUI entailed. I just kind of researched it online because it had the major that I wanted. And, I hoped I got accepted, which I did. It's just the perfect campus, it's just the right size, it's not too busy, and the professors are great. They actually work with you one-on-one, which you don't find at a lot of college campuses.

The Nina Mason Pulliam Scholarship is a scholarship that is very support based for children in foster care, people who have dependants, as well as physical disabilities. They help us with full tuition and books. If we need a tutor or mentoring, anything like that, they are there 100 percent for us, so we can succeed. We are a huge family. More times than not we find ourselves hanging out on the weekend and calling each other if we need advice, things like that.