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It is my pleasure to introduce the inaugural issue of *Embrace*, a celebration of Indiana University–Purdue University Indianapolis initiatives advancing our commitment to diversity and inclusion.

The brainchild of Marsha Baker, director of diversity and enrichment in the IU School of Nursing, *Embrace* shares the stories of IUPUI students, staff, and faculty engaged in activities that help us create an inclusive climate. Last spring, we sent out a call to the entire campus requesting story ideas and received more than 40 suggestions. We were excited to see the variety of initiatives promoting inclusion and diversity of thought, culture, and experience through research, programming, curriculum, and community outreach.

If you don't see your suggestion in this issue, stay tuned—*Embrace* is just getting started. If you have an idea for future issues, we want to hear it!

Finally, this publication owes a very special “thank you” to Troy Brown with IU Communications, who upon hearing the idea paved the way for *Embrace* to be published. We are forever in his debt.

A handwritten signature in white ink that reads "Karen Dace". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the letter 'e'.

Karen Dace

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Equity and Inclusion