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**Emilee Roberts '17MLD, '26Ph.D.** is excited to be finishing up her Ph.D. of Global Leadership at SMWC in 2026! In addition to completing her degree, Emilee continues to work at a nonprofit organization in Terre Haute, Indiana, and enjoys traveling with her husband, Caleb, and their two dogs, Louie and Fitz!

**Devin Blankenship '17MLD** continues to teach English and Social Studies to middle school students online while teaching ESL and Irish (Gaelic) on the side. He just finished his principal's license. He particularly enjoys travel, whether individually, with students, or with other grown-ups! Devin will be taking a student group to Greece for the fourth time this summer, and he is preparing to take two trips to Japan (one with grown-ups and one with students) in the summer of 2027. He currently serves as the secretary and education chair for Circle City Irish Fest, as the president of Bloomington Restorations, Inc., and is a member of the Monroe County Historic Preservation Board of Review. He leads his neighborhood 4-H group in northern Monroe County, Indiana, as well.

**Valerie Bendel '17MLD** officially retired in October 2025 from the Archdiocese of Indianapolis.

**Melissa Rohrbach '21MLD** will continue into 2026 being a consultant for the nonprofit Gibault Children's Services, which will now include a dual role of Fund Development coordinator, as of January. With her husband, Scott, they continue to manage their seasonal non-profit Team Green Wrestling Club and are smitten over their first grandbaby, Rusty.

**Ashley Williams '17MLD** was recently promoted to director of Membership Development and Engagement at the Indiana Chamber of Commerce. She has been with the statewide chamber for almost five years. She and her husband live in Mooresville, Indiana, with their two children. They welcomed a new kitten to their family, Milo!

**Frances Jordan '16, '17MLD** is excited to be starting a new career in Municipal Public Works as an administration aide to the City Engineer of Independence, Kansas. Since graduating from SMWC in 2017, she has published four fictional novels, started a thriving farmers market, moved three states away, become a fully certified 911 emergency response operator, and started a family. She's looking forward to many happy years in her new hometown.

**Courtney Jordan '23, '24MLD** has jumped into the world of Human Resources since graduating with her MLD in 2024. She currently works for Smithfield Foods Inc. and has been with the company for just over a year. With exciting growth opportunities ahead, she looks forward to continuing to use the skills gains from the MLD program to support the Greenfield Distribution Center.