

United Computer Group and RIFI Offers Program to Brecksville-Broadview Heights, Ohio High School Students



Students in School of Entrepreneurial Engagement Program to Benefit from Enriching Intellectual and Cultural Program at The Great Connections Seminar

Marsha Familaro Enright, President of The Reason, Individualism, Freedom Institute (RIFI) and **James A. Kandrac**, President and Founder of United Computer Group of Independence, Ohio, are pleased to announce that **Kaitlyn Means**, a junior at Brecksville-Broadview Heights High School, has been awarded a scholarship to The Great Connections Seminar, to be held in Chicago from July 25 to August 1, 2015.

In April, Ms. Enright and Mr. Kandrac collaborated to offer scholarships for The Great Connections Seminar to a small number of ambitious high school students in order to expand their intellectual and cultural horizons.

The students are members of an entrepreneurial business program in the Brecksville-Broadview Heights School District. Mr. Kandrac is a mentor to these students, in a business plan competition which is held every year.

At the Great Connections Seminar, students will read and discuss challenging texts with timeless ideas from the Classics in a broad range of subjects from philosophy to physics as well as study principles of logic. They'll also meet accomplished professionals in business, technology, and the arts, and hear how they navigated their careers. Further, the group will explore the rich cultural and historical institutions of Chicago, such as the Art Institute, Daniel Burnham's architectural Plan of Chicago, and the Chicago Stock Exchange. Students come from all over the country, Central and South America, and Africa, expanding the horizons of all who attend.



Kaitlyn Means



EMPOWERED REASONING

Unleash the power of your mind - acquire the intellectual tools and the self-confidence to come to your own conclusions and put thought into action.



ACTIVE MINDS

Learn to think first-hand about any subject and develop the ability to question and explore the premises and evidence for any set of ideas, in any subject.



AUTONOMOUS INDIVIDUALS

Strengthen your ability to self-govern, to obey your own imperatives and free yourself by taking control of your education and your life.

The methodology used in The Great Connections seminar helps foster active minds by equipping students with the intellectual tools and the self-confidence to think for themselves. The seminar aims to fill the gap where formal education falls short—by unleashing the power of the mind and individuality of each student and providing an environment with materials and opportunities that produce versatile, creative thinkers.

RIFI invites parents and students to explore the website and apply for the July 2015 [Great Connections Seminar](#). This summer will mark the sixth year of the seminar. To learn more about the Reason, Individualism & Freedom Institute and The Great Connections Seminar, visit www.rifinst.org or visit the Institute on facebook.com/ReasonIndividualismFreedomInstitute.

About Reason, Individualism, Freedom Institute: The Reason, Individualism, Freedom Institute (RIFI) is a non-profit educational organization that runs weekend and week-long Great Connections Seminars for high school, college, and graduate students, and adults. RIFI is devoted to fostering active minds, empowering each individual with the knowledge, reasoning skills, and independence to understand the world and build a life of adventure and creative achievement. RIFI is part of The Foundation for

the College of the United States, which aims to create a liberal arts college for students 16 and up using the Classics and modern texts across the ideological spectrum, and inspired by the Montessori method of teaching.

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