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Walter J. Jermakowicz III appointed as student trustee

Walter J. Jermakowicz III of Evansville is the new student member of the University of Southern Indiana Board of Trustees. Jermakowicz was appointed to a two-year term by Governor Frank O'Bannon in July.

A 1999 graduate of Reitz High School in Evansville, Jermakowicz serves as attorney general for the Student Government Association for 2001-02 and has been a leader in other student organizations, including the USI chapter of the American Chemical Society. In 2001, he was student liaison to the National Task Force on Student Programming for the American Chemical Society. He is majoring in biology, chemistry, and German.

After earning an undergraduate degree at USI, Jermakowicz hopes to enter a program leading to a combined M.D./Ph.D. degree, preparing him to be a practicing physician, a research scientist, and a medical school professor. An outstanding science student, Jermakowicz placed fourth in 1999 at the Intel International Science Fair in Philadelphia after winning local and state awards. He has conducted independent research in chemistry and biology at USI and just completed an 11-week summer fellowship involving research in molecular neurobiology at Washington University in St. Louis.

Jermakowicz is the son of Dr. Eva K. Jermakowicz, USI associate professor of accounting, and the late Dr. Walter W. Jermakowicz.