

# William L. Herbert '05

JOHN BOYNTON YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD FOR SERVICE TO WPI

William Herbert, you are a role model for service to your alma mater for our students and young alumni. We are pleased to recognize your contributions to the life of WPI.

Your passion for engagement in the WPI community began when you were a student. Your efforts earned you the Crimson and Gray Award in recognition of your exceptional and sustained involvement in campus life and your service to WPI.

Since graduation, you have sustained your active involvement as an alumnus. You are known for approaching your work with WPI with both gravity and whimsy. A two-term member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, you have focused on enhancing the connection of alumni to WPI, assisting students and providing scholarships. You organized and led the first three Alumni Association Community Service Day projects, which rallied hundreds of alumni, students, faculty, and staff to beautify Worcester parks and improve community nonprofits. This vibrant program has grown each year, thanks in part to your work.

For the past three years, you have assisted WPI's admissions efforts by hosting accepted students and their



families at your parents' home on Long Island, helping the university extend its reach beyond New England and welcoming these new members of the WPI community. You have held leadership positions with the Graduate Chapter and Building Association of your fraternity, Alpha Chi Rho, working to strengthen ties between the undergraduates and alumni brothers.

On the whimsical side, you established and continue to update the WPI Acronym Dictionary. With more than 1,000 entries for a campus that relies heavily on acronyms, this resource is highly valued by students, faculty, and staff alike. Also, knowing that every bit of financial support helps new students at WPI, you presented the first William Herbert Scholarship at the 2014 Bridge Crossing—bookstore gift cards to the three freshmen who occupy your freshman year residence hall room.

William Herbert, whether through humor or in all seriousness, your service to WPI in the decade since your graduation has been loyal, abundant, and sincere. The WPI Alumni Association honors you today with the John Boynton Young Alumni Award for Service to WPI.