



ALUMNI STUDENT RECRUITMENT

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Office of Admissions
Bloomington

*It's their turn to
experience tradition...*



**Handbook
2011-2012**

www.admit.indiana.edu

What Is ASR?

The Alumni Student Recruitment program at Indiana University was created in response to the expressed desires of alumni to help their alma mater and address the University's need for ambassadors. The purpose of this program is to extend the reach of the Office of Admissions through the volunteer recruitment efforts of enthusiastic, well-trained, and knowledgeable alumni throughout the world.

Roles of the ASR Volunteer :

Alumni Student Recruiters (ASR) assist the Office of Admissions by representing Indiana University-Bloomington at various recruitment events and activities, and by identifying and maintaining contact with prospective students from their geographic areas and community.

As an ASR, you are the Office of Admission's representative in your community. This important role requires you to be familiar with our professional recruitment practices and adhere to them at all times.

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Disability Services for Students	http://www.indiana.edu/~iubdss/ 812-855-3508
Financial Assistance	www.indiana.edu/~sfa osfaweb@indiana.edu
Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Support Services	http://www.iub.edu/~glbt/ glbtserve@indiana.edu
Groups Student Support Services	www.indiana.edu/~groups groups@indiana.edu
Health Center	www.indiana.edu/~health health@indiana.edu
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Intensive Freshmen Seminars	http://www.ifs.indiana.edu ifs@indiana.edu
Hudson & Holland Scholars	http://www.indiana.edu/~hhsp/ hhsp@indiana.edu
Orientation	www.indiana.edu/~fye fye@indiana.edu
Overseas Study	www.indiana.edu/~overseas overseas@indiana.edu
Student Academic Center	http://sac.indiana.edu/ sacr@indiana.edu
Student Activities	http://sao.indiana.edu/
Registrar	www.registrar.indiana.edu registrar@indiana.edu
Residential Programs and Services	http://www.rps.indiana.edu/ housing@indiana.edu
University Division	www.indiana.edu/~udiv udivhelp@indiana.edu
University Information Technology Services	www.uits.iu.edu ithelp@iu.edu

The IU Events web site is also a great place to find out what is going on around campus:
<http://events.iu.edu/iub.html>

Preparation:

- Invitations **must** come to the Office of Admissions.
- If you agree to cover a college fair, we will send you a copy of the invitation, along with other necessary information.
- **Please mark the date(s) on your calendar.**
- Materials for college fairs are sent to volunteer recruiters approximately one week prior to the event.
- Before going to the fair, please review all of the information. **Most questions can be answered by the materials right in front of you, especially in sections 2 and 3 of this handbook!**
- Dress appropriately. Neat, professional dress should be worn.

Arrival and Set Up:

- Plan to arrive at least 30 minutes before the program starts.
- Most college fairs are an open “shopper” format. Tables are set up in a large area and students and parents move from table to table to obtain brochures and ask questions.
- For specific admissions questions, direct them to call or email the Office of Admissions.

*****Please stand behind the table and not in the aisles (National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC) rule).**

Talking with Students and Parents:

- Conversations are usually short and concern very basic information.
- Don't “steal” students from other tables. The interested ones will come.
- Please stand behind your table, even if a chair is provided, to advertise approachability.
- For questions about departments direct them to the specific office using the brochure.
- Please do not answer a question unless you are 100% certain of the answer.

Departure:

- We ask our representatives to stay until the completion of the program, even if other representatives leave before the designated end time.
- Complete the host fair evaluation AND the IU evaluation.
- Thank the host school, and leave your name and address as a local contact person. It is appropriate to leave the high school extra brochures and your business card.

***** Return the banner and any unused materials in the postage-paid envelope immediately to the Office of Admissions. Include the completed IU evaluation and any other input that you may have.**

Alumni Representatives **TO DO:**

- Be friendly, attentive, and smile. Conveying your enthusiasm for IU is the best thing you can do for us.
- Enjoy the fact that you are sharing your alma mater
- Stress your feelings about the university and the preparation it provided for your life and career
- Realize that IU is not for everyone.
- Realize that the way you represent yourself is the way you are representing IU. **YOU ARE IU** in the eyes of the students and their families.
- Know the basics (admissions requirements, costs, facts).
- Make sure the students and families know you are an alumni representative.
- Dress professionally when representing IU. Business casual attire is appropriate.
- Encourage students to visit campus through one of our several visit options.
- Don't be afraid to say you don't know the answer to a question. Have the students contact the Office of Admissions or the specific school/department directly.

Alumni Representatives **NOT TO DO:**

- Don't say negative things about other institutions. Discuss IU's strengths, not other schools' perceived weaknesses.
- Don't guarantee admission, or even speak to specific possibilities. Only staff from the Office of Admissions can make admissions decisions.
- Don't assess a student's admissibility.

Interacting with Prospective Students and Their Families:

- You may be their first and only impression of the university.
- The goal is to provide accurate information so students can make an informed decision.
- Do not solicit interest in IU – simply answer questions to students who are already interested.
- **Strongly** encourage them to visit campus! Whether you are promoting in-state or out-of-state, we would like you to promote a campus visit.

Questions You Can Ask Prospective Students:

Occasionally students are hesitant to ask questions. The following are things to ask students to help initiate a dialogue.

- What made you consider Indiana University?
- What are you thinking about majoring in?
- Have you ever visited the campus?
- What other colleges and universities are you considering? What are you looking for in a college?
- What are your general impressions of IU?

NACAC:

As a member institution of the National Association for College Admissions Counseling (NACAC), the Office of Admissions at Indiana University Bloomington is committed to the **Principles of Good Practice** of this professional organization.

Please be aware that failure to abide by national and state recruitment regulations can result in a grievance filed against Indiana University-Bloomington.

Note the following excerpts from the 1993 Statement of Principles of Good Practice:

“High schools, colleges, universities, other institutions and organizations, and individuals dedicated to the promotion of formal education believe in the dignity, the worth, and the potentialities of every human being. They cooperate in the development of programs and services in post-secondary counseling, admission, and financial aid to eliminate bias related to race, creed, gender, sexual orientation, age, political affiliation, national origin, and disabling conditions.”

College and University members will:

- Exercise appropriate responsibility for whom the institution involves in admission, promotional, and recruitment activities (including their alumni, coaches, students, faculty, and others...) and educate them about the principles outlined in this statement.
- Provide information and training to representatives to enable them to speak forthrightly, accurately, and comprehensively in representing their institutions to counseling personnel, prospective students, and their families.

Representatives will:

- State clearly the admissions standards and priority dates for application
- Furnish data describing the currently enrolled freshman class
- Not use disparaging comparisons of secondary or post-secondary institutions
- Conduct conversations with students and parents in a professional manner, remaining behind or on the sides of tables, NOT in the aisles in front of the tables
- Display the informational materials provided by the institution (the display should be in good taste – trinkets such as key chains are prohibited)
- Refrain from recruiting students who are enrolled, registered, have declared their intent, or submitted a contractual deposit with other institutions

NCAA Regulations

Representatives may not be involved, in any way, in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes. However, NCAA regulations **DO** provide a limited exception which allows off-campus recruiting contacts to be made by an institution’s regular admissions program representatives when such a program is directed at all prospective students, including non-athletes. **If a prospective student-athlete has questions about a specific intercollegiate sport at IU, you should refer him/her to the appropriate coach for information.** It is permissible for a prospective student-athlete to contact a coach; therefore, you may provide the coach’s office phone number and/or address, or refer them to the IU Athletics website for more information at <http://iuhoosiers.com>. Please keep in mind that these requirements remain in effect after a prospective student-athlete has signed a National Letter of Intent.

IU Calendar:

Fall 2011

Welcome Week	August 24-29
Classes begin	August 29
Freshman Family Weekend	September 24-26
Homecoming Weekend	October 15-17
Parents' Weekend	November 5-7
Thanksgiving Recess	November 23-27
Classes end	December 10
Final exams	December 12-16

Spring 2012

Classes begin	January 10
Spring recess	March 12-20
Classes end	April 30
Final exams	May 2-6
Graduation	May 6

Office of Admissions Calendar

September

- Fall College Fairs begin and continue through November
- Office of Admissions staff travels nationwide through November

October

- Heaviest month for college fairs – *Alumni Student Recruiters' busiest month in the fall!*

November

- Deadline for application for automatic scholarship consideration and for the Jacobs School of Music – **November 1**

January

- Based on available funds, students may submit updated SAT or ACT scores by this date for reconsideration of Automatic Academic Scholarships – **January 15**

March

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) priority date (federal financial aid) – **March 10**
- Invitations for New Student Orientation are sent to students who have paid the \$100 enrollment deposit. Students can pay their enrollment deposit online at <https://intentoenroll.indiana.edu/>.

April

- Final application priority date **April 1** – any received after this will be reviewed on a space-available basis
- Spring college fairs held – *Alumni Student Recruiters' busiest month in the spring!*

May

- Enrollment Deposit (\$100 for first-year students) due – **May 1**

The Admissions Process:

IU reviews applications individually, and on a “rolling” basis, meaning that reviews occur as applications come to the office. There is no “early decision” at IU. Generally, a student will receive a decision from the Office of Admissions in approximately three to eight weeks. Sometimes grades from part of the senior year or even new test scores are requested before a final decision is made. **We strongly recommend that students apply in early fall of the senior year.**

Freshman Applications:

An application is ready for review at IU when the following five items have been received:

1. The **Undergraduate Application**
 - A. Online Application (preferable)
 - B. Printed and mailed to our office
2. An official **high school transcript** (sent directly from the high school and embossed with the seal of the school, have an original ink stamp, or containing the signature of the certifying school official).
3. The **counselor signature form** (download from web site).
4. The **\$55.00** application fee (online with credit/debit card or checks made out to “Indiana University” if applying by paper). The application will not be considered submitted until the application fee has been paid!
5. **SAT/ACT** test scores, if not on the transcript. The writing section is required.

******While IU does not require essays or letters of recommendation, everything in a file will be reviewed.***

Priority Dates and Deadlines for Admission:

November 1:	Applications must be complete by this date to be considered for maximum scholarship consideration.
January 15:	Based on available funds, students may submit updated SAT or ACT scores by this date for reconsideration of Automatic Academic Scholarships.
April 1:	Applications received after this date will be reviewed on a space-available basis.
May 1:	National candidate reply date (incoming freshmen must submit their nonrefundable \$100 enrollment deposit*).

All admitted students who wish to matriculate (attend) are required to submit a nonrefundable \$100 deposit on or before **May 1. They will do this on our new Intent to Enroll web site (www.intenttoenroll.indiana.edu). This will be credited to the fall semester expenses.*

IU has competitive admission requirements; while reviewing an application we focus mainly on the academic performance and preparation of the applicant throughout high school. Note: *Just meeting the minimum requirements does not guarantee admission.*

It is important to stress that IU looks at a **combination of factors** when making admission decisions. **You can share standards, but only Admissions staff members can assess a student's admissibility.**

Freshman Standards:

Middle 50% for Admitted Student for Fall 2011:

3.5-4.0 GPA

1110-1290 (Critical Reading/Math SAT)

25-30 ACT (Composite)

Students are strongly encouraged to apply for admission if they have been taking four to five academic classes (including English, math, social science, lab science and foreign language) each year and earned above-average grades in those classes (solid A/B average).

Other factors we look at include class rank (if applicable), strength of academic program (including senior year) and grade trends (preferably steady or ascending). We consider every application on its individual merits and do not use formulas to make admission decisions. There is not a GPA or test score that guarantees admission. See [Freshman Admissions standards](#) for more information.

Standardized Tests:

We require that students take either the SAT or ACT to be considered for admission. While there is no minimum score required to be considered for admission, test scores are part of the application review process and students with higher scores will be more competitive for admission. High test scores could also mean scholarship opportunities or an invitation to Hutton Honors College or school-specific direct admit programs (see pages 16-17).

We make admission decisions based on the 36- and 1600- point scales on the ACT and SAT respectively. If a student takes the SAT more than once, we will look at the highest reading and highest math scores, this is called super scoring. Beginning with the freshmen class of 2012, we will be scoring the ACT the same as the SAT, meaning if students take the test more than once, then their composite will come from the highest score received on each section. **IU does require that students take the ACT or SAT with the writing component, but it is not used for admissions purposes.**

Advanced Placement, Credit and Exemption:

Students with strong preparation in certain subject areas may be able to earn exemption from basic-level IU courses, placement in advanced courses and/or IU credit. For the AP tests, students who receive a 3 or higher will receive college credit. Please direct students to the admissions website for more information.

Academic Preparation

All students who are interested in IU need to be aware of the high school prerequisites before applying to IU. Applicants should complete at least 34 credits (or semesters) of college-preparatory course, advanced placement course, and/or course colleges in high school. The prerequisites are listed below

- **8 credits (semesters) of English**, such as literature, grammar, composition, and journalism
- **7 credits (semesters) of mathematics**, including 4 credits of algebra and 2 credits of geometry (or an equivalent 6 credits of integrated algebra and geometry) and 1 credit of pre-calculus, trigonometry, or calculus.
- **6 credits (semesters) of social sciences**, including 2 credits of U.S. history; 2 credits of world history/civilization/geography; and 2 additional credits in government, economics, sociology, history, or similar topics
- **6 credits (semesters) of sciences**, including at least 4 credits of laboratory sciences—biology, chemistry, or physics
- **4 credits (semesters) of world languages**
- **3 or more credits (semesters) of additional college-preparatory courses.** Additional mathematics credits are recommended for students intending to pursue a science degree and additional world language credits are recommended for all students.

If the student's high school does not offer the courses needed to meet one or more of these course requirements, then alternative college-preparatory courses may be substituted for the courses that are not available.

Check out IU's Big List – a comprehensive list of departments, schools, clubs, and special resources (just about everything!). This is a great place to refer students when they want more information or you don't know an answer to a specific question.

www.iub.edu/biglist

How Admissions works:

Students apply first and foremost to Indiana University through the Office of Admissions. As such, we equally evaluate all students' applications regardless of the intended major. This may be different from other universities where a student applies to a specific program within that university. For example one program may be harder to get into than another and a student's intended major on his/her application could determine his/her admission into the university. This is **not** the case for IU. Selecting a major will not help nor hinder a student's admission into IU. However eight of our thirteen schools do offer direct admission and we've outlined a few of those programs on the following pages. To be considered for direct admission, students must put on their application a major from the school they wish to be directly admitted into. Remember, only about 10% of incoming freshmen are directly admitted.

The admissions process is diagramed below:

The Academic Structure of Indiana University Bloomington

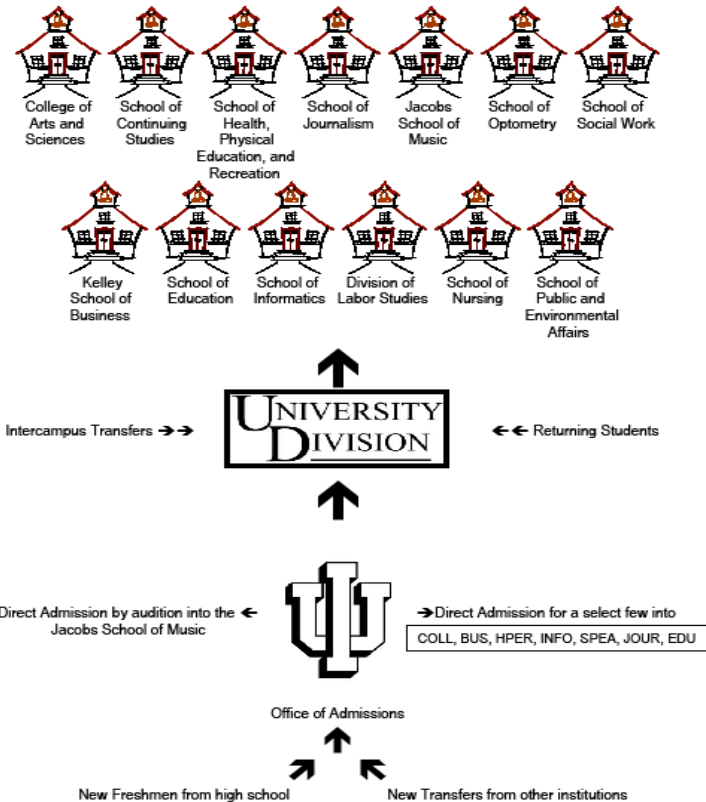


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www.ud.indiana.edu

Please always refer an interested student to the school's website because admissions practices and requirements are constantly changing.

Direct Admission:

Jacobs School of Music:

For applicants for fall 2012 year, the application process

has changed. Student only need to fill out one application, which is for both IU and Jacobs. All admissions materials must be sent to the Office of Admissions by November 1st. Any received later than that date will be reviewed case by case. Students must also send letters of recommendation as well as prescreen materials to the Jacobs school. These must arrive by December 1st. They must be sent to the Jacobs school at the address below. Students will no longer be eligible for the Automatic Scholarships offered by the admissions office, but will instead be eligible for Jacobs' scholarships, which considers not only academic performance but talent as well.

Contact Information:

Office of Music Admissions and
Financial Aid
Merrill Hall 101
1201 E Third St
Bloomington, IN 47405
musicadm@indiana.edu
812-855-7998

Colleges that Offer Direct Admission

- School of Education
- Jacobs School of Music
- Kelley School of Business
- College of Arts & Sciences
- School of Informatics and Computing
- School of Journalism
- School of Health, Physical, Education, and Recreation
- School of Public and Environmental Affairs

The Audition:

Most applicants must complete an audition to be considered for direct admission. The Jacobs School of Music has three audition weekends on campus each year. Typically there is one weekend in each of the months of January, February and March. Additional Ballet auditions will be available one weekend in the fall and spring. The music staff does **not travel** or offer "regional auditions." Students unable to come to campus may arrange with the Music Admissions Office to send an audio tape, CD or video for the faculty's review.

Please visit <http://www.music.indiana.edu/admissions> to request information from the Jacobs School of Music or to learn repertoire requirements for specific instruments. Please note that there are several music performance areas that require pre-screening tapes before students will be invited to audition on campus.

Music Education Applicants:

Music Education applicants must come to campus for a live interview in addition to the music audition. The Music Education faculty will not hold phone interviews. These applicants may send a tape of their classical audition, but may need to attend an audition weekend on campus.

Recording Arts Applicants:

Applicants must be admitted to Indiana University and interview with the Recording Arts faculty. A portfolio will be required; check the website for more information about what the portfolio entails.

School of Informatics and Computing:

Students list intended major as either B.S. in Computer Science or B.S. in Informatics. Competitive students will receive a *Selective Scholarship application* (SSA) which will be used to make the decision. Competitive students are ones that demonstrate leadership skills, have competitive grades and test scores, and plan to use technology in their future career. The application must be completed by early January.

Kelley School of Business:

Student interested in business will be directly admitted if they meet the criteria below and apply with business as their intended major:

- Top 10% of class or 3.7 GPA (on 4.0 scale)
- ACT composite score of 29 or SAT score of 1270 (combined math and critical reading sections)

School of Journalism:

One of the following criteria must be met for direct admission to the School of Journalism for Fall 2012:

- ACT composite score of 29 or SAT score of 1270 (combined math and critical reading sections)
- A rank in the top 10%
- GPA of 3.8 or higher on a 4.0 scale

College of Arts & Sciences:

The College utilizes the *Selective Scholarship Application (SSA)* for direct admission (**invitation only**). In order to receive an invitation to be considered for Direct Admissions students:

- Must be admitted academically to the University through the Office of Admissions, and have applied by November 1st.
- Should have a minimum:
 - SAT of 1340 or ACT of 30
 - GPA of 3.8
 - Top 10%
- Must indicate a major within the College of Arts & Sciences on application and complete the SSA.

School of Education:

Students must first indicate an education major and be admitted to IU. Students will then receive the *Selective Scholarship Application (SSA)* and meet the following:

- Minimum SAT of 1100 or ACT of 24
- Minimum GPA of 3.7

Interested students who do not meet this can contact Katie Paulin by going to the direct admissions webpage only after being admitted

School of Public and Environmental Affairs:

SPEA uses the basic admissions application to make the decision. Admission criteria is as follows:

- Ranking within the top 15%
- Minimum SAT of 1250 or ACT of 28

School of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation:

Direct admission is possible for all majors in HPER **except athletic training**. Student must meet the criteria laid out below:

- Top 12% of class or minimum GPA of a 3.5
- Minimum SAT of 1270 or ACT of 29

Transfer Students:

It is unlikely that you will meet with a transfer student at a college fair, but the following information is helpful in case you do:

Transfer students (students who have completed at least 12 credit hours of college work) have a separate application, which can also be accessed on our website in the same location as the freshmen application. The priority date for submitting the application and supporting materials for the spring semester is November 1 and for the fall semester is April 1.

Graduate Students:

The Office of Admissions does not handle admission to graduate programs. Students should be referred to the appropriate academic department or the University Graduate School (grdschl@indiana.edu).

International Students:

The goal of international recruiting is to provide an entry point to the university and make students and parents feel that IU is a warm and welcoming place for international students to live and study.

International Admissions - Requirements and Standards:

IU has over 5,000 international students on campus, representing more than 130 countries. An international student is any student who does not hold U.S. citizenship or immigrant/permanent resident status in the United States. *Keep in mind that the majority of international students coming to IU are already in the United States for high school.*

For more information about International Admissions process and standards, have the students contact the Office of International Services (www.ois.indiana.edu). Since July 1st, 2011, the Office of International Admissions has been integrated into the Office of International Services. Also, all interested students must meet the English proficiency standard set by OIS. They minimum test scores are as followed: Internet-Based TOEFL, 79; Paper-Based TOEFL, 550; MELAB, 79; or IELTS, 6.5.

Residency Questions:

International students in Indiana high schools are often considered nonresidents for admission and tuition purposes unless both parents reside and work in Indiana. All questions regarding residency should and need to be directed to the Registrar's Office at registrar@indiana.edu.

Financial Concerns:

Although International students are not eligible for state or federal financial assistance, they can receive and/or apply for merit scholarships by meeting the same criteria as other applicants. International students should not complete the FAFSA, but may be asked to complete the same Selective Scholarship Application as their U.S. counterparts.

Before international students may obtain visa documentation, the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) requires them to document sufficient funds to pay for a full 12 months of expenses in the United States. Students with questions about their visa status should be referred to [International Admissions](#).

Student Life and Activities

Student Organizations: More than 750

Greek Life: More than 45+ fraternities and sororities

Musical and theatrical productions: More than 1,500 every year

Recreational sports: More than 20 intramural sports and 40 club sports

Athletic Conference: Big Ten

Varsity Teams: 13 women's teams and 11 men's teams

IU FACTS

- 42,000 students from 50 states and more than 130 foreign countries
- 19 libraries
- 1,936 acres of land.
- Indiana Memorial Union is one of the largest student unions in the world.
- More than 80 different foreign languages taught
- 24 national titles
- 5 national basketball titles making us the 3rd most in the nation.
- IU Soccer has won 7 national titles
- 2,000 IUB students study abroad each year
- \$72 million offered in Scholarships in 2010

Ranked In the Top 10

Astrophysics
 Business:
 Accounting
 Finance
 Management
 Marketing
 East Asian Languages & Cultures
 Fine Arts, Studio
 French
 German
 Greek
 Italian
 Journalism
 Latin
 Music
 Near/Middle Eastern Studies
 Russian Studies
 Slavic Languages
 Sociology
 Speech and Hearing Sciences
 Telecommunications
 Theater and Drama

Ranked In the Top 20

Art History
 Astronomy
 Biology
 Botany
 Chemistry
 Chinese
 Classical Studies
 Comparative Literature
 English
 Environmental Studies/Ecology
 Hebrew
 History
 Japanese
 Microbiology
 Nursing
 Philosophy
 Political Science
 Psychology
 Russian/Slavic Studies
 Spanish

Varsity Athletics:

At IU we have a tradition of being the best. With 130 individual national titles and 24 national team titles, varsity athletics at IU is something to reckon with. Students only have to pay for two sports: football and basketball. All other sports, including the soccer team, which has won 7 national titles, are free to all students.

Club and Intramural:

Athletic students in high school can join one or more of our 40 club and intramural teams once they arrive on campus. There is a difference between the two; club teams travel and compete with other universities, whereas intramural teams compete with other teams on campus.

Varsity Sports		Club Sports		Intramural
Men's Sports	Women's Sports			
Baseball	Basketball	Aikido	Lacrosse- Men	Corn Hole
Basketball	Cross Country	Badminton	Lacrosse-Women	Flag Football
Cross Country	Field Hockey	Ballroom Dance	Racquetball	Golf Classic
Football	Golf	Baseball	Rowing	Whiffleball
Golf	Rowing	Basketball - Men	Rugby-Men	Tennis
Soccer	Soccer	Basketball - Women	Rugby - Women	Volleyball
Swimming & Diving	Softball	Bass Fishing	Running	Ultimate Frisbee
Tennis	Tennis	Cricket	Sailing	Indoor Soccer
Track & Field	Track & Field	Cycling	Soccer - Men	Dodgeball
Wrestling	Volleyball	Equestrian	Soccer - Women	Table Tennis
	Water Polo	Fencing	Softball	Basketball
		Field Hockey	Swim	Racquetball
		Figure Skating	Swing	Kickball
		Filipino Marshall	Table Tennis	Softball
		Gaelic Hurling	Taekwondo	Outdoor Soccer
		Golf	Tai Chi Chaun	
		Gymnastics	Tennis	
		Hapkido/Self Defense	Ultimate Frisbee - men	
			Ultimate Frisbee - women	
		Ice Hockey	Volleyball - Men	
		Jiu-Jitsu	Volleyball- Women	
		Judo	Water Polo - Men	
		Karate	Water Polo - Women	
			Water Ski/	

Residential Programs and Services:

Indiana University requires first-year students to live on campus and provides upperclassmen the opportunity to live on campus as well. Research has shown that students who live on campus are more connected to the university and do better academically. There are 12 residence centers at IU including a new residence hall, Union Street Center. IU has a large professional staff to help with all aspects of housing life and each floor has a resident assistant (RA).

Residence Center Options:

Once a student is admitted to IU Bloomington and has set up their IU ID, they may go online to complete the housing application and contract. A **\$300 deposit** is required at the time of submission. Submitting this contract does not commit a student to Indiana University. **Encourage students to submit their housing contract as soon as they are admitted in order to secure their priority date.**

Other Housing Options (for upperclassmen) include the Greek system, on-campus apartments, and off-campus apartments and houses.

Special Opportunities In the Residence Halls:

- [Collins Living Learning Center](#)
- [Atkins Living Learning Center \(Multicultural\)](#)
- [Foster International Living Learning Center](#)
- [Global Village Living Learning Center](#)
- [Kelley Living Learning Center \(Business\)](#)
- [Media Living Learning Center](#)
- [Outdoor Adventure Living Learning Center](#)
- [Fitness and Wellness Center Living Learning Center](#)
- [Residence Scholars \(Academic Co-Op\)](#)
- [Briscoe and Forest Co-Ops](#)

Dining Options:

Campus dining services offers diverse hours and a wide variety of dining options across campus. Such options include:

- Cafeterias
- Food courts (featuring Pizza Hut, Star bucks, Burger King, and more)
- Cafés and stores

All residence centers have:

Academic advising
 Regular IU classes
 Student government
 Laundry facilities
 Kitchenettes
 Internet connections and wireless
 Cable TV
 Recreation facilities
 Social programs

***All residence centers
 are non-smoking***

Residential Neighborhoods have:

ATMs
 Exercise rooms
 Academic Support Centers
 Movies, Music and More
 Cafeterias
 Food courts
 Cafes and stores
 Music practice rooms

Tuition:

Students pay a flat fee for tuition each semester. The fee entitles students to register for 12 to 17 credit hours per semester. To help students plan, 2010-2011 academic year **average** expenses are listed below.

Official Costs for the 2011-2012 academic year		
	Indiana Resident	Nonresident
Tuition and fees (24-34 credit hours) ¹	\$9,524	\$29,540
Avg. Room and board (full meal plan)	\$8,520	\$8,520
Avg. Total Direct Cost	\$18,044	\$38,060
Avg. Books and supplies	\$824	\$824
Avg. Personal and transportation	\$3,282	\$3,282
Estimated Total	\$22,150	\$42,160

¹ Most degree programs require students to average 15.5 credit hours per semester in order to graduate in the traditional eight semesters.

*International students should estimate a total year to cost around \$43,351 that include mandatory health insurance and for living expenses during holiday breaks.

Financial Assistance:

The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OFSA) handles grants, loans, and work-study jobs. The majority of undergraduates at IU receive some form of financial assistance – more than \$325 million last year. Applying is free, and a single application will cover most of the financial programs IU participates in. Financial aid consists of scholarships and grants (non-repayable), loans (which must be repaid in the future), and work-study employment. The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) should be submitted between January 1 and March 10 of the students' senior year.

Scholarships:

IU offers students automatic merit-based scholarships. If students qualify for these scholarships, they will be notified in their acceptance letters. For maximum consideration for these scholarships, students must have all their application material into the Office of Admissions by November 1. These scholarships are renewable for four years (eight semesters) of study at IU by maintaining a 3.0 cumulative program GPA. The following criteria are required for these scholarships:

Scholarship	Residency	Total Amount	Amount /Year	Min. SAT	Min. ACT	Min. GPA
Excellence	In-State	\$36,000	\$9,000	1340	30	3.8
Distinction	Nonresident	\$36,000	\$9,000	1340	30	3.8
Prestige	In-State or Nonresident	\$16,000	\$4,000	1220	27	3.7
Valedictorian Award	In-State	\$4,000	\$1,000	Ranked number one in graduating class at time of admissions.		

Academics:

What if a student is undecided on a major - will this create a problem?

Absolutely not. In fact, of those students who have chosen a major before enrolling, over 70 percent change their major at least once (and often two or three times) during their IU career. Many of these same students still go onto graduate in four years. Many students enter IU and go into our Exploratory Major—this is what we call undecided. Students get award winning guidance while in this major.

I have already chosen a field of study, but I wasn't admitted directly into a major. Now what?

Roughly 80-90% of freshmen enter IU in University Division and not directly into a major. Students with a particular academic interest can take courses in their field of interest during their freshman year. In some areas, such as biology, they may become involved in research or other projects. However, most of the courses they take will be liberal arts courses, because all of our majors require a solid foundation in the arts and sciences. Most students do not declare a major until the end of their freshman year and are not required to declare one until the end of their sophomore year. Therefore, students who were not offered direct admission should work closely with their assigned academic advisor to plan out the upcoming semester so that they meet the prerequisite course requirements for the school they would like to apply to.

Who will be teaching freshman classes?

The overwhelming majority of lectures, classes, and presentations are taught by full-time faculty. Some of our finest professors teach freshman courses. Typically, full-time faculty give the lectures and graduate assistants handle the small discussion groups that accompany most lectures. Under the direction and supervision of the Office of the Dean of the Faculties, graduate assistants are screened and carefully trained.

Does IU offer any overseas study programs?

Yes, many! There are around 100 programs in 35 countries in 17 languages. Go to www.indiana.edu/~overseas.

Are students able to get the courses they want or need in order to graduate? Is it possible for a students to graduate in four years?

Course availability is generally not a problem at IUB. Occasionally, class sections do close or fill up, but with more than 4,000 courses offered to undergraduates each semester, students can put together a viable schedule each semester. For most programs, there are many ways to fulfill specific graduation requirements. For example, to meet a literature requirement, one student may enroll in a Shakespeare class, while another may choose a course in contemporary African American literature.

Does IU give college credit to freshmen for high school courses?

Some high schools offer courses to their students for both high school and college credit. Students enrolled in these courses, or in courses at a nearby college, should have an official transcript sent to the Office of Admissions for evaluation. Students may also take Advanced Placement (a 3 or above receives credit), achievement, or IU departmental tests to determine if they are eligible for college credit. Advanced credit is granted as well for national external examinations (such as the British A-levels, completed after 13 years of primary-secondary schooling) and for higher-level International Baccalaureate examinations. All information can be found on the [IU admissions website](#).

Some of IU Overseas Programs

Australia
Austria
Brazil
Canada
Chile
China
Czech Republic
Costa Rica
Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Ghana
Grand Cayman Island
Greece
Hungary
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Japan
Mexico
Netherlands
Peru
Russia
Spain

Does IU offer an honors program?

Indiana University's Hutton Honors College is one of the top-ranked honors programs in the country. Approximately 10 percent of the freshman class is part of IU's Hutton Honors College. In addition to being considered for special scholarships, honors students have the option to participate in special programs, seminars, research grants, and internships. They also may choose to enroll in honors classes, which generally have 12 to 20 students. Some students use this program as an adjunct to their education, while others pursue an honors degree in the discipline of their choice.

Students are automatically considered for the Hutton Honors College based on their application for admission. If a student is eligible for the Hutton Honors College he/she will be automatically invited; check out the criteria below:

- 31 ACT of 1350-1380 SAT **and** 3.95 GPA or top 5% class rank
- 32-33 ACT or 1390-1460 SAT **and** 3.90 or top 7.5%
- 34-36 ACT or 1470+ SAT **and** 3.85 or top 10%

The Further questions about the Honors College can be directed to: 812-855-3555 or to <http://www.indiana.edu/~iubhonor/>.

Does IU offer internship programs? How does IU help students find jobs after graduation?

Many IU students spend a semester or a summer in an internship related to their academic area. Internships give students the chance to observe and work in a professional setting; many of which offer college credit. Our Career Development Center provides students with counseling and listings of available internships, as do most departments and schools on the IU campus.

Each of IU's schools has a placement office that works with students on an individual basis to locate employment opportunities. In addition, many students choose to take advantage of placement offices other than the one that serves their school. Any student can, for example, use the Kelley School of Business Placement Office by enrolling in the school's one credit hour course, which gives general information as well as instructions on résumé writing and job interviews. Staff at the Career Development Center offer individual career counseling, workshops and seminars on résumé writing and interviewing, and job placement assistance to all IU students.

Residential Programs and Services:***Are freshmen required to live in the residence halls? Are there advantages to living on campus?***

Yes. All first-year students are required to live on campus. Our residence centers provide helpful services and programs designated for undergraduate students, and studies have shown that studies have shown that students who live on campus do better academically.

Each floor in the residence centers is assigned a resident assistant (RA) – a sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate student who lives on the floor and serves as a “big brother” or “big sister” to the residents. RAs have been given extensive training enabling them to provide useful information about the university to the residents. As well, they are there to help students deal with emotional or adjustment issues that may arise during the school year.

What is the best residence neighborhood to pick?

“The Best” is a relative term. Specific facilities or special academic programs described in the application packet may make a particular residence center “the best” for a student desiring those facilities or programs. For example, students with an interest in music may want to select a residence center with a music practice room, while students with an interest in international affairs may prefer Foster International.

Since freshmen may have classes all over campus, proximity is not a factor. All of our undergraduate residence centers are coed by wing, floor, or tower, with men and women sharing the eating, laundry, and library facilities in each center.

How are roommates assigned? What if roommates don't get along?

Under federal law, assignments are "blind" in that we know very little about the individual characteristics of each applicant. Assignments are therefore made at random with attention to expressed preferences. Students who would like to room together should request each other as roommates and list their housing preferences in identical order. It helps if the applications arrive together. If they arrive separately, the assignment will be made on the basis of the date when the first application was received. When roommates do not get along students often make their own arrangements to exchange rooms, under housing office supervision. After the second week of class, they may also ask Residential Programs and Services staff to help them make a switch.

Adjustment:

Is IU too large?

Size is often a consideration in choosing a college. Obviously, students should feel comfortable about gaining the most from their college experience. We are fortunate that the American educational system provides a wide variety of colleges from which students can choose.

The person who selects a large university is generally looking for diversity in opportunities and experiences. IU, for example, offers around 150 different majors, thousands of courses, scores of clubs, sports, and special activities; more than 1,500 on-campus performances annually, and an abundant social life. As in a large city, you can't begin to take advantage of everything. Instead, you must select certain elements and create your own particular community and experience. Many of our students have noted: **"It's easier to make a large school smaller than make a small school larger."**

But aren't individuals lost at such a big university?

Not if we can help it. All the classrooms and laboratory facilities are centrally located, and students can walk from any one academic building to another in no more than **10 to 15 minutes**. Most are only a few minutes apart.

Personal attention, which most students desire, is more a matter of institutional philosophy than of size. This philosophy is an IU tradition which students discover as they get to know our faculty and advisors. If students take some initiative, adjustment is easy at IU. Each undergraduate residence hall is staffed with an academic advisor, whose job is to help students select their classes and explore their academic options. Our instructors are very accessible and offer weekly office hours to provide extra help, if needed. Compared to many colleges (both large and small), the majority of the classes offered at IU are small. Our **average class size is 35 students**. Of course we teach lecture classes, but less than you might think – **less than 7% of classes have more than 100 students in them**.

How safe is the campus?

Personal safety is a national concern that touches all communities to some degree. A few of the many programs IU provides to serve students' safety: are educational discussion groups and safety seminars, free nightly transportation and escort services, emergency telephones at dozens of campus locations, continuous maintenance and upgrading of lighting in main campus pathways and streets; and a campus commission that monitors potential problems, implements improvements, and issues an annual safety report. Parents and students can sign up for *IU Notify* which alerts them to safety issues on campus immediately through texts and emails. For more information go to <http://protect.iu.edu>.

What does IU do to help students adjust?

The **Office of First Year Experience Programs** (FYE) helps in the adjustment process right off the bat:

- Summer New Student Orientation; this is when advising and registration takes place
- Welcome Week, which includes information sessions, tours, social events, and athletic contests

IU also offers a wide variety of support services, including a health center, counseling and psychological services, a student employment office, co-op and internship programs, career planning services, overseas study opportunities, and a variety of job placement services for graduating seniors. New students may especially like the Writing Lab at the Student Academic Centers, which also offer courses on study techniques and time management. These centers are located in every residence hall neighborhood for the students' convenience.

Do a lot of students join Greek organizations?

About **18 percent** of IU's undergraduates decide to join a fraternity or sorority. A formal recruitment program is required for students interested in joining a Greek house. Women with a GPA of at least 2.5 for the first semester of their freshman year may join a sorority during the second semester, and may move into the sorority house the following semester (however, many sororities have their own guidelines and require higher GPAs). It is possible for men to move directly into a fraternity house second semester of freshmen year but most wait until their sophomore year.

Should students bring a car to campus?

Some freshmen choose to bring their cars to campus, but IU has made a commitment to maintaining "green space" on campus; therefore, general parking is limited. Permits are issued using a priority system based on seniority. Overflow parking is available in the lot next to IU's athletic complex, north of campus. Students are encouraged to walk or ride bikes. A university bus service provides five bus routes. Each route circles the academic core of the campus. The Bloomington City buses pick up at various locations around campus and then fan out to the various residential areas, the shopping mall and downtown Bloomington. Students can ride both the Bloomington City and campus buses for free with a valid student ID.

How do students arrange to come home during semester breaks?

The students who fly home do so from the Indianapolis International Airport, located 50 miles north of Bloomington. There are also several shuttle services that make nine daily runs to the airport, seven days a week, from several pickup points around town and campus. Bloomington is also served by bus services that shuttle students from the IU campus to various locations in the Chicagoland area. By automobile, Bloomington is about an hour from Indianapolis, two hours from Louisville, three hours from Cincinnati, and four hours from St. Louis and Chicago.

What is Bloomington like? Is there anything to do?

Bloomington has been named among the top college towns in the nation. Students are able to choose from a number of different options for entertainment on any given night. Some choices during the 2010-2011 academic year included watching a Hoosier football team compete in the newly remodeled Memorial Stadium, a performance by the Blue Man Group in IU Auditorium, a free event for students to hear Meryl Streep talk with Jane Pauley, etc. In addition to all of the campus activities, students become involved in the cultural, religious, and social service activities available in our dynamic community. More than 40 religious denominations are represented in Bloomington. The three Catholic churches in town are large and active, a mosque serves the Muslim community, and the flourishing Jewish population has access to a campus Hillel organization, a community synagogue, and a strong program in Jewish studies at the university.

Near campus, there is a shopping mall and a charming downtown area. We have more ethnic restaurants per capita than any other place in the country, so students have a variety of ethnic cuisine choices: Tibetan, Thai, Afghan, French, Greek, Indian, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Mexican, Moroccan and East African.

If the outdoors beckons, Lake Monroe, the largest lake in Indiana, is just a few miles south of campus. Picturesque Brown County State Park and Hoosier National Forest are also close by for the outdoor adventurers. National Geographic Adventure rated Bloomington the #10 town for adventure in the US.

What is the terrain like around Bloomington? And what are the weather conditions?

Bloomington is located in the rolling hills of southern Indiana. The weather is mild. Extreme cold is rare, snowfall is limited, and we generally have long, beautiful autumns and early springs, which are particularly pleasant since there are more than 100 types of flowering trees and bushes on the campus.

Tuition, Financial Assistance and Scholarships:

Why does IU include miscellaneous expenses in citing costs?

College expenses consist of two parts:

- Expenses such as tuition, fees and room and board, which are clearly outlined in all of our cost information.
- Miscellaneous expenses such as books, laundry, entertainment, snacks, telephone, and transportation.

Many of the miscellaneous costs would also arise at home, but we feel that it's important to include these estimates to give a more accurate picture of what attending college might cost.

What forms need to be on file to be considered for all government and IU financial aid?

Students need to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1. If students have filed all forms on time, they should receive an answer to their aid application before May 10. Note that only U.S. citizens and permanent residents are eligible to apply for federal and state financial aid.

What are the chances for students to work part time?

Excellent. IU's Student Employment Office assists students in locating jobs throughout the year. In the fall and spring, the office sponsors job fairs that bring employers and students together in a pleasant, pressure-free atmosphere. All U.S. citizens and permanent residents are eligible to participate, regardless of financial need. Students on non-immigrant visas must consult with the Office of International Services before work can be accepted.

Do you offer any freshman scholarships not based on family income?

The automatic scholarships are awarded to students based solely on their academic performance (see page 22). Other freshman merit scholarships are awarded by the Hutton Honors College, the Hudson Holland Scholars Program, or the Office of Student Financial Assistance. Admitted students may be considered for other scholarships based on information from their applications. Students can get details about these awards by visiting www.scholarships.indiana.edu or from the Office of Admissions. Students are also encouraged to contact individual academic departments or browse the Internet for additional scholarship opportunities.



***"It never, ever stops being amazing, what it's like to be at Indiana.
It never, ever stops."***

Tom Crean, IU Men's Basketball Coach