IU ALUMNI STUDENT RECRUITERS: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

As an IU Alumni Student Recruiter, you will be asked a wide range of questions by prospective students and their parents. We've provided some responses to frequently asked questions to help you address those concerns. For more detailed information, please refer to the ASR Handbook.

ADMISSIONS

Question. A student was not accepted to the Kelley School of Business. Can he or she be admitted into another school?
Answer. Yes. The student can still be accepted to the Kelley School in the future. Only about 10 percent of students in each incoming freshman class are direct admits to the business school. The rest spend their first semester or year in University Division. All of the information on how to get into each school is listed on the schools’ websites. This link, http://kelley.iu.edu/ugrad/admissions/ud.cfm, will take you to the application process for students already attending IU who would like to attend the Kelley School. For more information about the admittance process at IU, go to page 11 of the ASR Handbook.

Q. A prospective student is asking for details on the Jacobs School of Music audition process that go beyond the brochure and recruiter handbook.
A. Auditions vary based on instrument. Refer interested music students to the Jacobs School website, www.music.indiana.edu, and/or directly contact the school.

Q. A parent wants to know if the admissions process takes into account the academic strength of a prospective student’s high school.
A. No. Students should be competitive in the environment in which they are currently studying.

TUITION/FINANCIAL AID

Q. What percentage of incoming students receives financial aid?
A. About 66.7 percent of IU Bloomington students received financial aid in 2009-10. For an estimated cost of an IU education, send students to the Net Price Calculator, https://npc.collegeboard.org/student/app/indiana.

Q. “My great-grandfather attended IU and then was faculty there. Can I receive a discount if I’m a non-resident student?”
A. Questions like this can be sticky, and we don’t encourage or expect an ASR to answer them. Refer the student to the Office of the Registrar for residency concerns, and the Office of the Bursar for tuition questions. A good rule of thumb: If you live out of state, you’ll pay out-of-state tuition.

Q. Is there a discount for families with more than one student attending IU?
A. No. Refer families to the Office of the Bursar for tuition questions.

MAJORS AND PROGRAMS

Q. What is the percentage of students that are pre-law in Bloomington that are accepted into the IU Law School?
A. IU does not have pre-law or pre-med programs. We do, however, have the necessary prerequisites in order to apply for both medical and law schools. Students are supported in this task by the Health Profession and Pre-Law Center, www.hpplc.indiana.edu. Stay away from percentages in this case and tell prospective students about the HPPLC.
Q. Do nursing students stay at the Bloomington campus or do they transfer to Indianapolis?
A. IU’s nursing program is highly competitive and students must apply for it after they have been admitted. The IU campus only accepts about 60 students from the applicant pool that begins in the spring of a student’s freshman year. IUPUI and IU Columbus students can also apply to IUB’s campus, and vice versa. IUPUI can accept about 200 students and IU Columbus accepts around 20. Students who are accepted to IUB will spend all four years on the IUB campus and will not go to Indianapolis.

The application process is competitive. Students must take specific prerequisites as well as general courses their freshmen year and maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 to be considered competitive. The following percentages make up a student’s admissions score: GPA in sciences classes, 50 percent; general education GPA, 30 percent; and the pre-admissions nursing exam, 20 percent. For more information about the nursing school, go to http://www.indiana.edu/~iubnurse/.

Q. What art programs are available to study at IU?
A. Students cannot be directly admitted into the School of Fine Arts, but can apply once they are on campus, have completed the necessary prerequisites, and have passed the portfolio assessment. Students can study ceramics, digital art, graphic design, metalsmithing and jewelry, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture, and textiles. According to US News and World Report in 2008, on a graduate level ceramics was ranked 10th nationally, metalsmithing and jewelry were ranked tenth, and painting was ninth. Also, our art museum is considered one of the best college art museums in the country.

Q. Is there an actuarial program at IU?
A. There is an Actuarial Studies program. For more information, go to the mathematics department, http://www.math.indiana.edu/undergraduate/actuary.phtml.

Q. Is there a veterinary medicine program at IU?
A. We do not have a pre-vet program but we do have the necessary prerequisites that are needed to apply to a veterinary school. Students can check in with the Health Profession and Pre-law Center for any pre-vet or vet school questions. Please note though, IU does not have a veterinary medicine program on any of its campus.

Q. Is there a video game design program at IU?
A. We do have a game design program at IU. It is housed in the Department of Telecommunications and is connected to the design and production major. For more information on this and our other programs in the Department of Telecommunications, go to http://www.indiana.edu/~telecom/index.shtml.

Q. Is there paleontology major at IU?
A. Paleontology undergraduate majors do not generally exist in the U.S., because, like medical school or law school, students interested in studying paleontology are required to have further education on a graduate level. Students at IU who are interested in pursuing paleontology can study in our Geology Department.

Q. Are there architecture or engineering degrees at IU?
A. We do not have architecture or engineering degrees. Students interested in engineering can be pointed towards the School of Informatics and Computing, http://www.soic.indiana.edu/.

Q. Why doesn’t IU have D-1 varsity gymnastics?

FOR THE ASR

Q. How should I dress at career fairs?
A. Business casual dress is recommended. Remember, you are the face of IU for both the parent and the student. For many of these people, your presence at the fair will form their first impression of IU. So please dress to impress!