



INDIANA UNIVERSITY  
THE COLLEGE OF  
**ARTS + SCIENCES**

**STUDY ABROAD**

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



# WELCOME

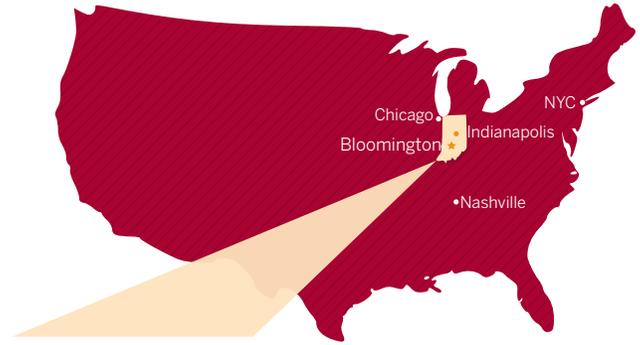
Founded in 1820, Indiana University Bloomington is the flagship campus of IU's seven campuses and two regional centers statewide. **Innovation, creativity, and academic freedom** are hallmarks of our world-class contributions in research and the arts. Participating in an exchange program at IU is unlike any other.

## STUDYING *in the* COLLEGE MEANS EXPLORING.

The College of Arts and Sciences, known informally as “the College,” is the heart of the university,

with classes spanning the disciplines in the arts and sciences, plus three schools: the Media School, the School of Art, Architecture, and Design, and the School of Global and International Studies. With over 1000 renowned faculty, there are dozens of courses that explore fields from Economics to Psychology, Chemistry to History, and everything in between.

But your classes are just one part of your exchange experience in the College. From service-learning opportunities to on-campus events, **the College has many activities that will enrich your education and immerse you in the quintessential American college experience.**



## IU AT A GLANCE:

- Location: Bloomington, Indiana, USA
- Student Body: 43,710
- International Students: 5,784
- Closest airport: Indianapolis International Airport (IND)
- Famous For: International research, scenic campus, “Hoosiers,” men’s basketball, and the Little 500 bike race

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*I was looking for a typical American college experience, and **IU did not disappoint me: an epic campus, overwhelming school spirit, great professors, and students from all over the world.** Small courses and seminars enabled **effective teaching** and close cooperation with professors. My year abroad at IU has not only enriched me **academically**, but also **culturally**, and as a **human being**.*

— Leonie, German exchange student

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**There's a reason our campus is constantly winning accolades for its beauty: it is breathtaking.** Every section of campus has its own list of treasures. Soak up the sun at the Arboretum. Dip your toes in Showalter Fountain. Tour the Collins Living-Learning Center and pretend you're at Hogwarts.

**Everyone here has a favorite place, and it won't be long until you find your own.** Until then, here are a few reasons why we love Indiana University:

**Food!** Bloomington features cuisines from a host of countries around the world alongside local and regional favorites.

**Our stunning campus.** We're not named a "Tree Campus" for nothing! The limestone buildings and gorgeous setting will make you feel renewed.



**Faculty.** Our faculty are experts in their fields, and they're always happy to connect with students.

**Campus Performances.** The IU Auditorium hosts visiting Broadway shows, Ted Talks, concerts, and speakers throughout the year.

**Little 500.** IU's most famous college tradition is the largest collegiate bike race in the U.S. and supports undergraduate scholarships.

**IU Athletics.** No matter what time of year, there's a sporting event you don't want to miss. We have football, basketball, a nationally ranked men's soccer team, and lots of others!



**A four-season climate.** We're lucky to experience all of the seasons in Bloomington, and campus looks just as pretty with spring flowers as it does under a dusting of snow.

**Squirrels.** Well, you'll just have to see them when you get here.

**The great outdoors.** From Dunn Woods on campus to Brown County State Park, IU is surrounded by incredible nature.

**Location, location, location.** We're located in the heart of the Midwest, just 4.5 hours south of Chicago, 1 hour south of Indianapolis, and 4 hours north of Nashville.

# ACADEMICS

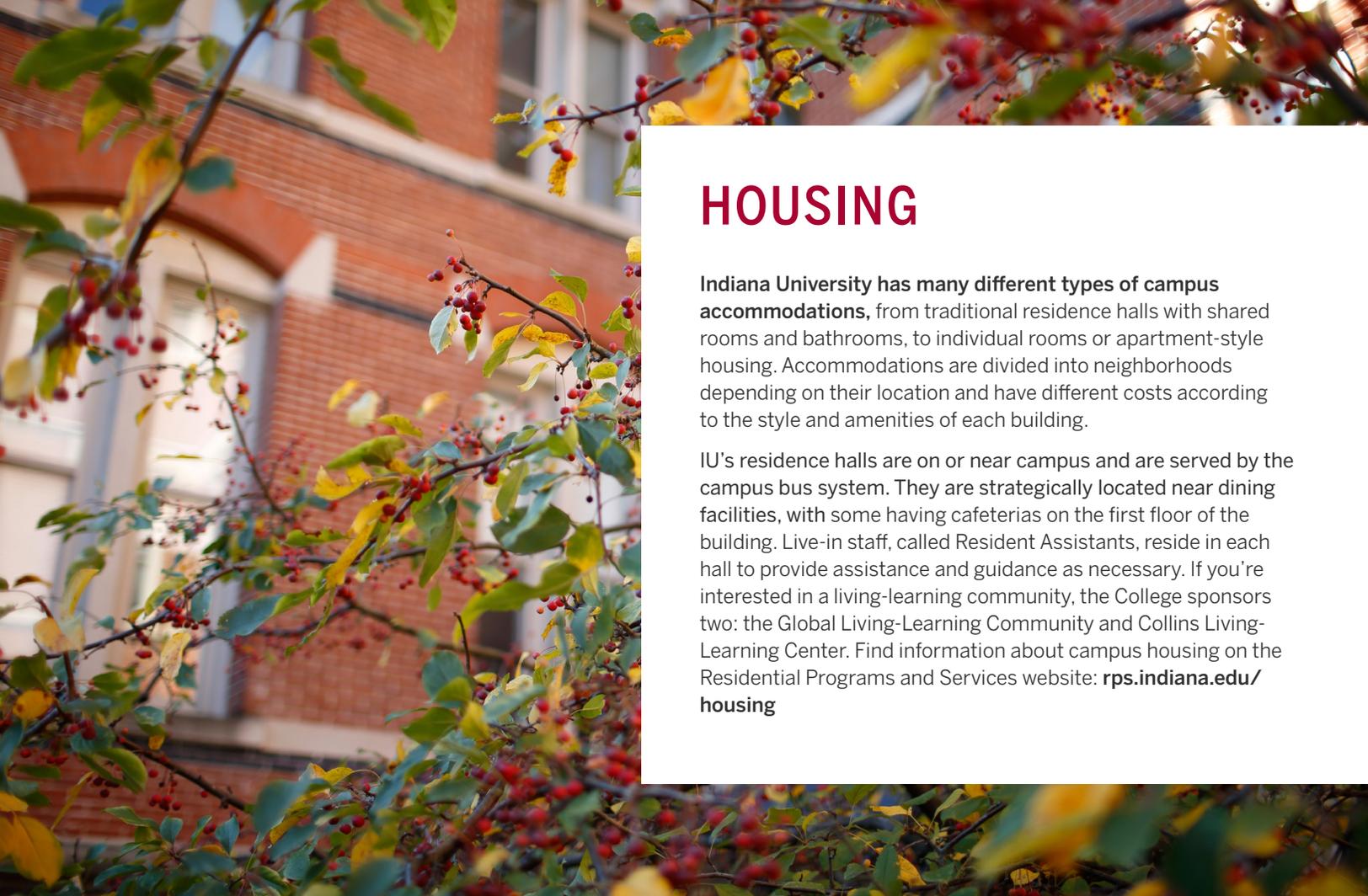
A College advisor will work with you to find courses that suit your area of study. College exchange students are expected to take the majority of their classes in the College, which offers a vast selection of subjects. You must enroll in at least 12 credit hours per semester at IU to maintain immigration status. **You will receive an official IU transcript at the conclusion of your exchange, and you will receive transfer credit in accordance with the policies of your home institution.**

The American academic structure promotes continuous assessment, with periodic tests and quizzes throughout the semester. **Exchange students will receive the same coursework and exams as other IU students.**

Class size can range from large discussion courses to small courses of a few students, depending on the level and content of the course.



- All College exchange students have a **dedicated advisor** who will **help you navigate the American academic system**, and who is available to you throughout your exchange.
- The College Office of International Affairs is here to help you find your footing when you arrive. **The College hosts a buddy program for incoming exchange students that pairs you with an IU student to welcome you to Bloomington** and help you get settled.
- The Office of International Services provides **visa support** and services.
- **Tutoring sessions, writing support**, and other academic services are available through departments or the Wells Library on campus.
- The Office of Disability Services for Students provides **assistance for students with various disabilities** to facilitate accommodations and link students to the resources essential for success.
- All IU students have access to the Student Recreational Sports Center, with **swimming pools, workout rooms, an indoor track, basketball courts, and group exercise classes—all for free!**
- IU has an **on-campus student health center**, providing a full-service medical clinic, lab, women's clinic, and pharmacy. They also provide counseling services. Students pay a small fee for use of the Health Center.
- The IU bus system provides **transportation around campus**, and the Bloomington Transit buses run **to and from campus** and the surrounding areas. All students can ride these buses for free!



# HOUSING

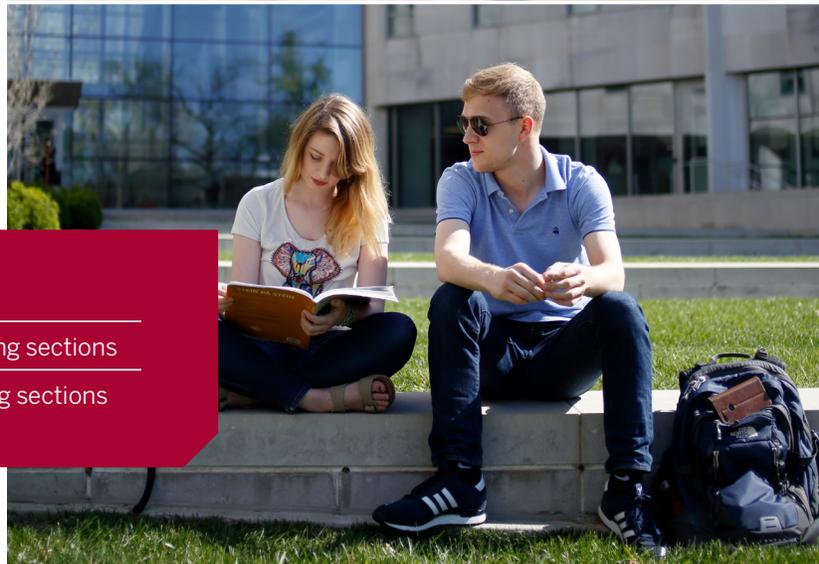
**Indiana University has many different types of campus accommodations**, from traditional residence halls with shared rooms and bathrooms, to individual rooms or apartment-style housing. Accommodations are divided into neighborhoods depending on their location and have different costs according to the style and amenities of each building.

IU's residence halls are on or near campus and are served by the campus bus system. They are strategically located near dining facilities, with some having cafeterias on the first floor of the building. Live-in staff, called Resident Assistants, reside in each hall to provide assistance and guidance as necessary. If you're interested in a living-learning community, the College sponsors two: the Global Living-Learning Community and Collins Living-Learning Center. Find information about campus housing on the Residential Programs and Services website: [rps.indiana.edu/housing](https://rps.indiana.edu/housing)

# EXCHANGE STUDENTS

The College welcomes exchange students from its partners around the globe. Applying for an exchange starts with a nomination from your home university. **Please consult with your home institution to determine their application process and deadlines.** After you have been nominated, you must apply to IU. Applications for Fall semester (August–December) or Academic Year (August–May) study are due in March; applications for Spring semester study (January–May) are due in September.

To be eligible for this exchange, **you must have completed at least one year of study at your home university and meet the College requirements for English language proficiency.** You must also be majoring in a field of study within the College of Arts and Sciences (a full list of departments can be found online: [college.indiana.edu/academics](http://college.indiana.edu/academics)).



## COLLEGE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

TOEFL	Total 95; minimum scores of 22 in Speaking and Listening sections
IELTS	Total 7; minimum scores of 6.5 in Speaking and Listening sections

## VISAS

Indiana University will **provide support for exchange students in obtaining the necessary J-1 student visa.** After you have submitted your application to IU, the Office of International Services (OIS) will contact you for the documentation required to create a DS-2019 immigration form. This form will be used to apply for a visa at the U.S. embassy or consulate in your home country. More information is available on the OIS website: [ois.iu.edu](http://ois.iu.edu).

## COST

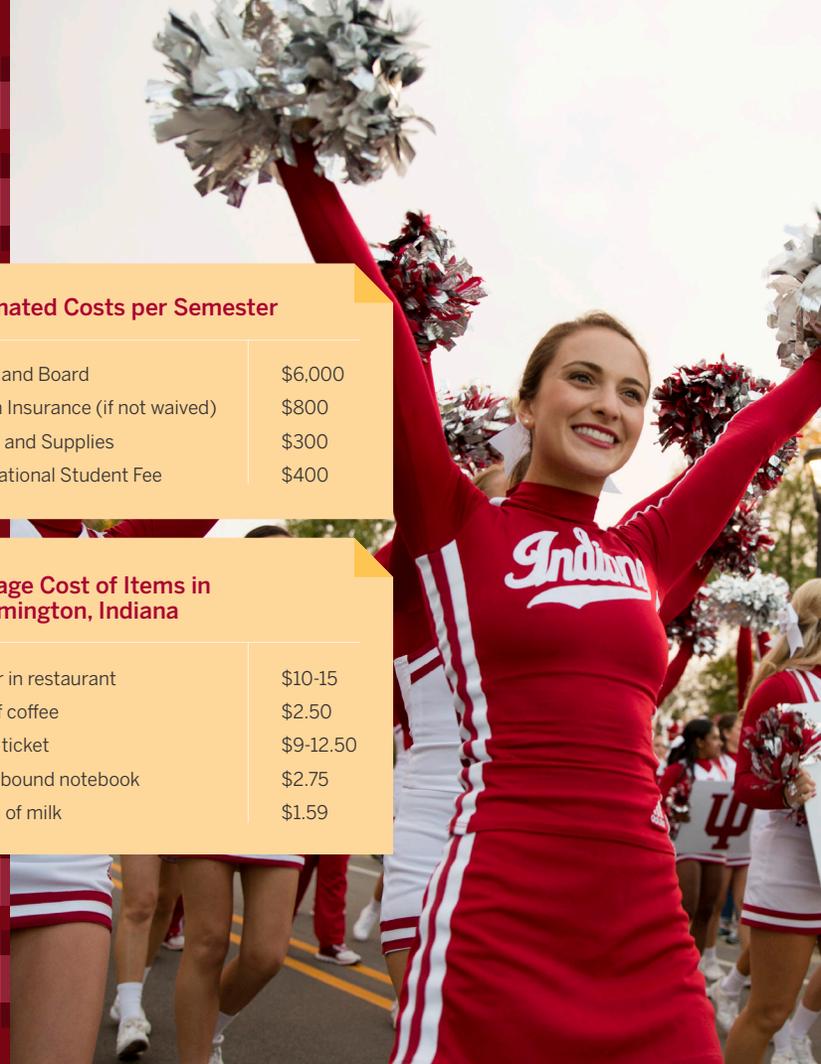
**Tuition is paid to your home institution,** not to Indiana University. Exchange students are responsible for their housing, meals, health insurance (or ability to submit proof of insurance), books, and supplies. Additional fees may include international student services, health center visits, and dropping/adding courses.

### Estimated Costs per Semester

Room and Board	\$6,000
Health Insurance (if not waived)	\$800
Books and Supplies	\$300
International Student Fee	\$400

### Average Cost of Items in Bloomington, Indiana

Dinner in restaurant	\$10-15
Cup of coffee	\$2.50
Movie ticket	\$9-12.50
Spiral bound notebook	\$2.75
Gallon of milk	\$1.59





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