

Titan Newsletter

FALL 2019

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Admissions is on the road this Fall!

And, we'd like to visit your school.

IU South Bend admission counselors will once again be traveling the Michiana area to make on-the-spot admission decisions for your students!

At an Onsite Visit, students can submit their application for free, receive an admission decision during a one-on-one meeting with one of our counselors, and if eligible, receive a \$500 Titan Onsite Scholarship for attending the Onsite Visit.

If you would like to schedule a date and time for us to come to your school this fall for an Onsite Visit or a presentation, please e-mail Sharquida Markham at smarkham@iusb.edu.

Visit our website to check when IU South Bend will be in your area: <http://go.iu.edu/2bt3>.



Applying for Fall 2020

The Fall 2020 application is now open!

As you work with seniors this upcoming year who are interested in applying to IU South Bend, please make sure they are submitting the items below to complete their application for admission.

1. Paper or Apply IU application + \$35 application fee , waiver, or fee waiver code
2. Official high school transcript
3. SAT or ACT scores

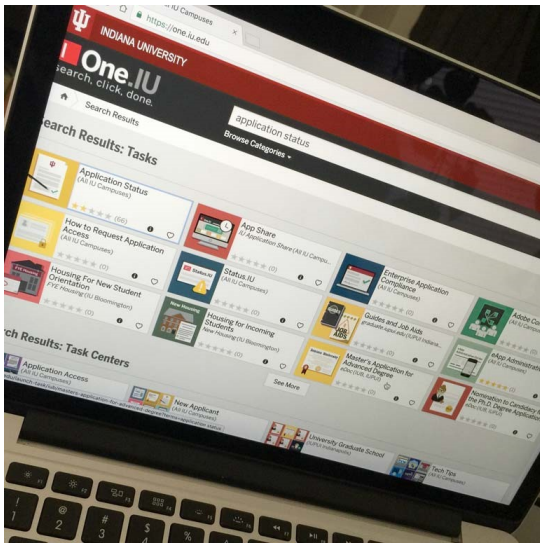
For full admission, students must meet all of the following admission requirements:

- At least a B average
- Core 40, Academic Honors, or Technical Honors diploma (or an out-of-state equivalent)
- SAT scores or ACT composite scores at or above the Indiana state average

Students who do not qualify for full admission may be reviewed for standard (conditional) admission on a case-by-case basis. Conditional admission factors also include GPA, diploma type, and SAT/ACT scores. To be considered, all students must have a 2.0 GPA or higher and be on a Core 40/college prep diploma track.

More information on our admission requirements can be found at the following link:

<http://go.iu.edu/2bt4>.



College Application Week

College Application Week is part of Learn More Indiana's College GO! campaign.

As a participating school, IU South Bend will be waiving application fees during College Application Week! Students can apply from

Sunday, September 22, 2019 - Sunday, September 29, 2019.

The application fee will be waived for both paper and online applications. The waiver code for the online application is **SBCOLLGO**.

Students can access the online application at the following link:

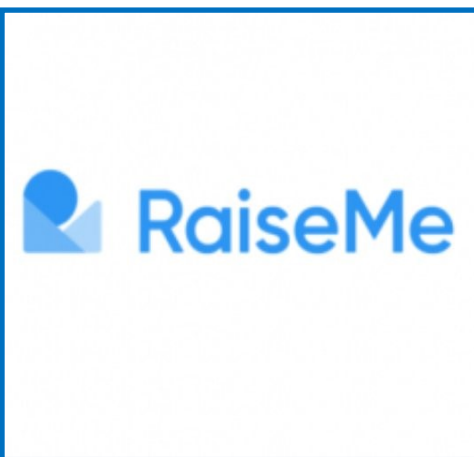
<http://go.iu.edu/2bt5>.

To learn more about Indiana's College GO! campaign and College Application Week, visit <https://learnmoreindiana.org>.

Additional Fee Waiver Opportunities

If students miss applying during College Application Week, they can still take advantage of fee waivers in one of the following ways:

1. Submit an ACT, College Board, or NACAC fee waiver form
2. Provide documentation of financial assistance (ie. Hooiser Works card)
3. Documentation of zero (0) Expected Family Contribution on their FAFSA submission
4. Affirmation on the application that they are a 21st Century Scholar
5. Attend an Onsite Visit at their high school
6. Attend an Onsite Make-Up Day at IU South Bend on November 15, 2019 from 9 am—4 pm.



RaiseMe Reminder

IU South Bend is partnering with RaiseMe again this year to help students visualize their progress towards IU South Bend scholarship awards.

We have assigned dollar amounts to common high school achievements and college prep activities. Students log these into their RaiseMe accounts and can watch their scholarship amount grow. Those in 10th, 11th, and 12th grade can retroactively fill in their accomplishments.

Students can create a free RaiseMe profile with IU South Bend using the following link: <https://www.raise.me/join/iusb>.

Important dates to consider:

Students must complete their RaiseMe profile.....**Feb. 1st**

Students must be admitted to IU South Bend.....**March 1st**

Students must confirm their admission.....**May 1st**

Analytical Algebra II

Yes!

IU South Bend will accept any course that allows students to complete a Core 40 diploma or higher. Therefore, students can take either Algebra II or Analytical Algebra II and still be considered for admission to IU South Bend.



Final Transcripts for 2019 Grads

Admissions is still working to collect final high school transcripts for a number of students in our freshman class.

We need to be able to see the following information on the final transcript:

1. Senior year grades
2. Final GPA
3. Graduation Date
4. Diploma type received

The final transcript (and agency test scores) complete students' admission file. Our Financial Aid and Scholarships Office needs to verify high school completion before releasing any financial aid for the academic year.

DACA @ IU

IU has long recognized the absolute necessity of a diverse and inclusive community to an excellent education. All IU students, regardless of their background or country of origin, are welcome in our community. Each and every one brings perspectives and experiences that, taken together, enrich the educational experience and prepare our students to thrive in the 21st century.

As a public institution bound by federal and state laws, Indiana University is able to, and will, take several steps to support all IU students, regardless of personal characteristics or background. You can view each of those steps here: <https://daca.iu.edu>.

Each IU campus provides resources to assist DACA students. More information for IU South Bend students can be found at the following link: <https://daca.iu.edu/campus-resources/iusb.html>.



Do You Have Students Ready to Take College Coursework?

IU South Bend is continuing to offer dual enrollment opportunities to rising seniors as well as sophomores and juniors on a case-by-case basis.

Students are able to take courses at our main campus in South Bend, at our Elkhart Center, and/or online.

If you have students interested in taking dual enrollment courses with us, they will need to:

1. Submit an application + the \$35 application fee, waiver, or fee waiver code
2. Submit an official high school transcript
3. Submit a High School Counselor Recommendation Form

Upon acceptance, Admissions will work with each student to discuss what courses they may be interested in, determine any prerequisites that need to be met, and help them enroll.

Chris Weingart and Ashley Eaton serve as the dual enrollment contacts.



The Early Start Summer Academy Concludes

For the past 2 summers, IU South Bend has offered a program, the Early Start Summer Academy, to conditionally admitted students whose high school GPA was between 2.0-2.4. Students within this GPA range had to successfully complete the required 6 credits hours of coursework through the Academy before entering their chosen degree program in the fall or spring.

Over the past 2 summers, 68 graduates from the program had the opportunity to join our fall cohorts.

Moving forward, IU South Bend will admit students with a high school GPA between 2.0 and 2.4 directly to the semester for which they seek enrollment.

Look for more to come on the special support designed to help this group of incoming students transition successfully to college in our Spring 2020 newsletter.

Mitch Daniel's Early Graduation Scholarship

If you have students who will be graduating early, don't forget about the Mitch Daniel's Early Graduation Scholarship. This Scholarship is a one-time, \$4,000 scholarship for students who graduate at least one year early from a publicly supported Indiana high school. To claim this scholarship, students must enroll at an eligible Indiana institution no later than the fall semester in the academic year immediately following the year they graduate high school.

Program requirements and directions on how to apply can be found here: <https://www.in.gov/che/4508.htm>.

Women's Soccer Kicks Off Their First Season This Fall

Last October, IU South Bend announced the addition of women's soccer to our varsity sports. They are set to begin their first season under the direction of head coach Bobby Barnes this September.

There are 16 players on the roster for the 2019-2020 season.

The team will be competing in the Chicagoland Conference of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. There are currently 9 away and 7 home games scheduled for the season.

The team's home field is Newton Park located in Lakeville, IN.

You can find more information on women's soccer as well as our other athletic teams by visiting <http://www.iusbtitans.com/>.



Online Learning Moves Ahead

Although online courses may not be for everyone, IU South Bend sees more students taking online courses each year. Students at IU South Bend have the option to complete some of their coursework online or earn their degree entirely through online courses. Online classes are offered in a number of disciplines ranging from business and health sciences to informatics.

Students can also choose to take hybrid classes which have both an online and campus-based component.

We have 9 bachelor's degree programs available online. At the graduate-level, we currently offer 1 master's degree online and 5 graduate certificates. The credits, transcript, and diploma earned through IU South Bend's online programs are identical to those received from any campus of Indiana University.

To learn more about our online courses and degree programs, visit <http://go.iu.edu/28M3>.

Campus Tour Opportunities

Admissions is now offering more tours than ever before for our prospective students and their families!

Showcase Days — During our Showcase Days students will have the opportunity to learn about admissions, financial aid, career services, and student life. Attendees will also tour campus and meet with faculty and staff.

Registration for Showcase Days can be accessed at <http://go.iu.edu/2brW>.

NEW: Check-in begins at 8:30 am EST with the event starting at 9:00 am EST. The event will run through 1:00 pm EST.

Upcoming Showcase Days include:

- October 4, 2019
- November 1, 2019
- December 6, 2019
- February 7, 2020
- March 6, 2020
- April 3, 2020

Saturday Tours — For those that cannot make our weekday tours, we do offer a Saturday tour once a month throughout the fall and spring.

Registration for Saturday Tours can be accessed at <http://go.iu.edu/2brX>.

Check-in begins at 9:45 am EST with tours concluding around 11:30 am EST.

Upcoming Saturday Tours include:

- September 21, 2019
- October 26, 2019
- November 16, 2019
- December 7, 2019
- January 18, 2020
- February 15, 2020
- March 14, 2020
- April 25, 2020



Tours en Español los Sábados — Haga un recorrido por la Universidad y reúnase con un consejero de admisiones, itodo en español!

Se puede acceder a la inscripción para las visitas de campus en español en <http://go.iu.edu/2brY>.

Los tours comienzan a las 10:00 am EST y duran alrededor de 90 minutos.

Por favor llegue al Edificio de Administración a las 9:45 am EST.

Próximos Tours:

- 14 de septiembre de 2019
- 12 de octubre de 2019
- 9 de noviembre de 2019
- 14 de diciembre de 2019
- 11 de enero de 2020
- 8 de febrero de 2020
- 7 de marzo de 2020
- 18 de abril de 2020



Health Sciences Tours — If a student is interested in a health-related career, then our Health Sciences Tours are a great option. In addition to a campus tour, students will get to meet with our Health Sciences faculty and staff to discuss their program of choice and explore our clinic and lab spaces.

Registration for the Health Sciences Tours can be accessed at <http://go.iu.edu/2bt9>.

Check-in begins at 9:45 am EST with tours concluding around 12:00 pm EST.

Upcoming Health Sciences Tours include:

- September 13, 2019
- October 11, 2019
- November 8, 2019
- December 13, 2019

Titan Tours — We will continue to offer our Titan Tours each week throughout the year. Titan Tours go out every Tuesday at 10:00 am EST and 2:00 pm EST as well as every Friday only at 2:00 pm EST.

There is no reservation required for the Titan Tours.

Check-in begins 15 minutes prior to the designated start time in the Office of Admissions located in the Administration Building. Each tour will last approximately 90 minutes.

Who's New in Admissions?



Ali Mahamat—First Year Counselor, Athletes, and Diversity Recruitment

Ali joined Admissions this past May.

He is a graduate of IU South Bend where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a minor in Biological Sciences. He is currently finishing his MS in Behavior Analysis with the Chicago School of Professional Psychology.

He has a great interest in serving multicultural populations and offering compassionate solutions to diverse students. He has worked on international projects that addressed multicultural limitations related to behavior analysis and psychology in a number of countries.

In his free time, Ali enjoys traveling, coaching soccer, spending time outdoors, reading biographies, and writing.



Sharquida Markham—First Year Counselor

Sharquida joined Admissions in November of 2018, so you may have already worked with her at some point.

She is also a graduate of IU South Bend. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication with a concentration in Public Relations and a minor in Speech Communication. Sharquida hopes to someday go back to school to educate herself on deaf culture and become fluent in American Sign Language.

She always felt welcomed and supported as a student at IU South Bend, so she hopes to pass those same feelings on to those she comes into contact with as a first year counselor.

When she's not working, Sharquida enjoys reading and says any recommendations are welcome.



Melissa Adnson—Credential Analyst

Melissa joined Admissions this past June.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Interior Design from Purdue University.

After taking time to raise her four daughters, she re-entered the workforce in a local K-12 school corporation where she held various administrative support roles. This is where she discovered a passion for making a positive impact on others while encouraging their educational goals. She also plans to continue her education here at IU South Bend.

When she's not at work, Melissa enjoys spending time with her family, weekend road trips, canoeing, organizing, landscaping, baking, listening to audio books, watching movies, and many other random activities. She is always interested in trying something new.



Kathryn Mathews— International Student Services/International Programs Rep

Kathryn joined Admissions this past June.

She attended St. Mary's College where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Global Studies. She went on to earn her M.Ed in Higher Education and Student Personnel from Kent State University along with a certificate in International Higher Education.

At a young age, Kathryn's family moved to Japan. She lived and attended school there for six months. This experience is what started her journey in international education.

Kathryn enjoys travelling, listening to audio books, crocheting, and reading. She hopes to visit all of the Great Lakes within the next couple of years.



Caroline Bilsky— Assistant Director

Caroline joined Admissions in October 2017 as the International Student Services Rep. She became the Assistant Director for both Admissions and International Student Services this past March.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology and Russian Studies at The College of Wooster. She then earned her Master's degree in Balkan, Eurasian, and Central European Studies from Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic.

Her time as an exchange student kick-started her passion for cultures and languages.

In her spare time, Caroline enjoys listening to podcasts, trying craft beers, and traveling.

Susan Elrod Named Chancellor



Susan Elrod has been named chancellor of the Indiana University South Bend campus effective July 1. Elrod served as the provost and executive vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and is a nationally recognized leader and scholar in STEM higher education programs and institutional change.

“We are fortunate to have found, in Susan Elrod, a visionary and accomplished leader to advance IU South Bend’s strong traditions of academic excellence and community engagement,” IU President Michael A. McRobbie said. “Throughout her career, she has been a champion of programs and initiatives that have led to greater student success, support for faculty and staff development, and the formation of productive and sustainable community partnerships. We look forward to her ensuring that our South Bend campus continues to effectively respond to the educational, cultural and workforce needs of the city of South Bend and the broader northern Indiana region.”

During her time at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, Elrod has used a shared leadership approach to implement the university’s strategic plan, including enrollment management and student success initiatives. Those initiatives were geared toward increasing student recruitment, engagement, retention and graduation, as well as

expanding UW-W’s access mission to a broader population of students and adult learners. She has been a champion of faculty and staff development initiatives, community partnerships and sustainability efforts. “We are pleased to have Susan Elrod join us at IU,” IU Executive Vice President for University Academic Affairs John Applegate said. “Her leadership in enrollment management and her past successes with student retention and graduation rates will be invaluable to the IU South Bend campus and to the university as a whole. She will not only bring strong leadership to South Bend but will also play an integral part in advancing our goals for even greater collaboration among our regional campuses, which continue to have a major positive impact on the economic vitality and quality of life of the communities they serve.”

Elrod’s previous experience includes serving as interim provost at California State University, Chico; dean of science and mathematics at Fresno State; director of the Center for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Education at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo; and director of Project Kaleidoscope at the Association of American Colleges and Universities.

“I am thrilled to have the opportunity to serve as chancellor of Indiana University South Bend,” Elrod said. “I am passionate about the university’s mission to serve students and the community of the South Bend-Michiana region. The opportunity to lead IU South Bend is an ideal match with my values, skills and experiences as a higher education leader. “I look forward to working with the faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members to build on the campus’ strong legacy of exceptional teaching and scholarship, student-focused educational excellence, and community engagement.”

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