OnSite Admissions

The Office of Admissions will once again be offering OnSite Admissions in the 2014-2015 academic year, and we hope to make the opportunity available to any interested student. We are excited to continue our tradition of waiving the application fee, giving an on-the-spot admissions decision, and awarding the $500 Titan Scholarship to eligible students.

A large percentage of our OnSites will take place in high schools as they always have. Expect communication from us early this fall to get dates scheduled and on the calendar for September and October.

For schools that are smaller or a little farther away from South Bend, and also for students who prefer to have an on-campus visit experience, we are pleased to offer three OnSite Admissions opportunities here at IU South Bend in the Office of Admissions. On Fridays, September 26 (College Go! Week), November 14, and February 27, we will offer walk-in OnSite Admissions between 9 am and 4 pm. Students who visit campus at this time will experience all of the OnSite Admissions benefits, but also be able to take part in a full campus tour and interact with current students.

As always, we so appreciate all of the effort from each of you in assisting us to have students complete their applications, submit SAT/ACT scores*, and provide transcripts and counselor recommendation forms. If you have any questions about the OnSite Admissions process, please give us a call at 574-520-4839.

*Please see Announcement on page 4
Scheduling Campus Visits

Students interested in visiting IU South Bend have different options depending on what type of visit they would like to have and what their schedule allows. We welcome any student to stop by and see what we have to offer!

For students in search of a comprehensive visit, we recommend that they register for a Showcase Day. Registration is online at: https://crm.iu.edu/CRMEvents/ShowcaseDay/. These visits cover all the information a student needs about IU South Bend, provide an opportunity to meet with academic units and interact with current students, and include a full campus walking tour. Students considering a residential experience can stay overnight in River Crossing Campus Housing the night before select visits. Please direct students to the website for more information: https://www.iusb.edu/admissions/visit/index.php.

If students have less time or just want the highlights, we offer Titan Tours every Tuesday at 10 and 2. There are also scheduled Titan Tours on Saturdays October 18 and November 22. These visits are only about 90 minutes and include a short presentation and a tour. Registration is not needed; join us when you can!

Finally, we always welcome students to make an appointment if they would like to sit down with an admission counselor one-on-one. The best way to schedule these visits is to call 574-520-4839. We look forward to speaking with any student or parent that has questions about the campus or admission process.

We hope to see many of your students on campus throughout the year!

River Crossing Campus Housing

Campus Life is at its fullest in River Crossing Campus Housing (housing.iusb.edu). This is perfect for those students who want a traditional college experience, but also want to stay close to home. Tours of our suites are available any day during business hours. An overnight option is available in the fall and in the spring with our Showcase Days (visit.isb.edu). Come see what the excitement is all about!

Meet a Student Services Representative

I received my BFA from IUSB in 1999. While in college I started working in the IT Department of IUSB. I worked for IT about 16 years, and I thoroughly enjoyed my time there. Just recently, I moved to Office of Admissions, and I now look forward to helping students meet their educational goals. I enjoy spending time with family and friends, and I especially love spending time with my wife.

Jessie Onderdonk
Student Services Representative
Office of Admissions

New Degree Program: Sustainability Studies

IU South Bend is excited to announce our new Bachelor’s Degree is Sustainability Studies! This builds off our existing minor and the work done in the Center for a Sustainable Future. See here: https://www.iusb.edu/csfuture/ for more information.
Greetings!

Please allow me to start off by saying that I am extremely excited and fortunate to have found such an amazing team here at Indiana University South Bend. My name is Joe Roth, and I am new to the admissions team here at IUSB. Before embarking on this new journey, I had previously spent the last four years teaching History in the City of Chicago, while also working for a non-profit organization UNITE that worked to prepare future urban educators. UNITE (Urban Needs In Teacher Education) found that many times new teachers would come to an urban area, feel overwhelmed, and then leave the following school year. This was highly detrimental to the students who needed more than just someone to deliver a lesson; they need a mentor, a role-model, someone with whom they can connect. UNITE, through workshops, weekly speaker series, and one-on-one mentoring, helped further equip new teachers with strategies and lessons as they embark on their new career. I hope to take that same energy and use it in my new role here at IUSB; always looking through a social-justice lens. While I am new to the Admissions team, I am extremely excited to hit the ground running. The energy around here is contagious, and I am anxious to jump right in.

Before moving to Chicago to become a high school history teacher, I majored in Secondary Education at Indiana University, Bloomington. I joined a couple of programs geared towards urban education, and was able to do my student teaching in Chicago. I fell in love with the city and the students, but wanted to do more. During my time as an educator, I’ve noticed that there are a decent amount of students who do not believe that college is for them. It is almost this far-fetched idea that is not “achievable” in their minds. I wanted to change that line of thinking, and have now moved to this new role to help reach more students and let them know that they do have the potential to continue to achieve great things in their lives.

Despite being from Chicago, I am a die-hard Colts fan. I was born and raised in Crown Point, Indiana but could never form that allegiance to the Bears. However, I have to admit that I am NOT a Pacers fan (unless they play the Heat) but am actually a Bulls fan, and one of the biggest Blackhawks fans around; we’ll get the Cup back this year! I also support the St. Louis Cardinals. However, my number one top team in all of sports is Indiana University Basketball. I bleed Cream and Crimson.

I look forward to meeting and working with all of you in the near future. This is an amazing opportunity, and I am excited to continue to serve the students as they make plans for their future. Thank you all for all of the support I’ve received thus far. It will be an amazing year.

Joe Roth
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3 Students at IU South Bend Receive Prestigious Awards

Mark Klehfoth, Ashely Compton, and Luis Morales of IU South Bend received three of the seven prestigious National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship awards for 2014.
Take College Classes While You are Still in High School

Rising seniors are eligible for dual enrollment; sophomores and juniors will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Talk to your high school guidance counselor to find out how Indiana University South Bend courses fit into your high school schedule and college planning. To consider you for dual enrollment as a high school student, we will need:

1. Application for Admission with $35 application fee
2. Official high school transcript showing at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
3. High school counselor recommendation
4. SAT/ACT scores or take the IU South Bend placement exams

Once a high school dual enrolled student is admitted, they should contact the Office of Admissions at 574-520-4839 to set up an advising appointment with Christine Weingart, Admissions Counselor.

Meet Lily, an Americorps Member for 21st Century Scholars

Hello and welcome to a new school year. My name is Armani “Lily” Winters and I am the Americorps Scholarcorps Member for the 21st Century Scholars here in South Bend. I am new to South Bend and am very excited to be working with you! My job is to work with freshmen, sophomore, and transfer scholars at IUSB. I work to connect them into the campus and community. Another part of my job is to work with area junior and senior to help them navigate attending IUSB and understanding their scholarship. My office is Administration Building Rm 111, my email is acwinter@iusb.edu, and my phone number is 574-520-4342. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns. I look forward to working with you this year!

Important Change in SAT/ACT Score Submission

Beginning this year, all SAT and ACT scores must come officially through ETS, ACT, or College Board. Please direct students to list IU South Bend on their test registration to ensure we receive their official scores. Our SAT code is 1339 and the ACT code is 1225. However, a score sent to any IU campus is accessible to all IU campuses. If a student is applying to multiple colleges, they need only send the official SAT or ACT scores to one IU campus.