The Academic Centers for Excellence (ACE) wishes all IU South Bend faculty and staff a successful semester!

ACE offers academic support programs through The Learning Center, the Writers’ Room, Study Smarter, and Supplemental Instruction. We recognize that we can best serve IU South Bend’s diverse student population via collaboration with faculty and advisors, and would like to work closely with you and your colleagues to bolster retention, to address individual student needs, and to make resources easily accessible for the students who need them.

The Learning Center offers drop-in tutoring, group tutoring, and exam reviews. Our tutors are trained to assist students in developing skills and strategies that will help them become successful learners. If we do not currently offer tutoring for a particular course and there is a need for it, we will be happy to add someone to our tutoring team. This is an area where we especially need your help. When we hire students, they must be recommended by IUSB faculty. We also know that faculty, advisors, and students may have concerns of which we are not aware.

The Writers’ Room offers writing tutoring for any subject, any course. Students can also sign up for a WriteWell coach, who will give students the personalized, consistent attention they need to improve their overall skills as writers.

Study Smarter academic coaches meet one-on-one with students to determine their strengths and weaknesses as learners. Together a student and coach design strategies to meet individual needs.

Supplemental Instruction (SI) sessions are regularly-scheduled review sessions in which students integrate course content and study skills. Tutors who have previously done well in the course lead the sessions and work closely with faculty. If you would like us to set up supplemental instruction for a course, please contact us and recommend a former student that you think would make a good tutor.

ACE also collaborates with the Math Department, providing tutor training and facilitating math placement workshops and supplemental instruction, in support of their efforts to help IU South Bend students achieve academic success.

We want all faculty, advisors, and staff to feel free to contact an ACE administrator to discuss any issues related to student support and hope you will encourage students to use our services. We can schedule class visits or provide a tour of our centers. The Learning Center and The Writers’ Room are located in the Administration Building, Room 122. Our main telephone number is 574-520-5022. Information on all of our services, including schedules, applications, and referral forms can be accessed from our website at [https://www.iusb.edu/tutoring](https://www.iusb.edu/tutoring).

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