Welcome to the IUPUI family! OIA will continue to send monthly Welcome Newsletters to get you ready for your transition to campus. If you have missed any previous newsletter, view them here.

Contact iwelcome@iupui.edu with any questions or concerns.

This installment of your welcome newsletter will discuss:

- Housing Options
- International House
- Meal Plans

**Fall Housing**

**Where can I live?**

Your most convenient IUPUI housing option is to live on campus. Living on campus means you will be close to your classes and IUPUI activities, you can pay for your housing in the same way you pay your tuition, and you will form lasting friendships with other students.

International students may choose to live on-campus in residence halls or apartments or off-campus in apartments near campus. Students may also choose to live with an American host.

Read on to learn more about how to determine which option is the best for you!
How do I determine my housing preferences?

The OIA website is a great place to start when deciding where you might like to live upon your arrival in Indianapolis.

Our website provides some good questions to ask yourself as you narrow down your preferred housing locations and shares a comprehensive list of all the housing options that IUPUI offers.

How to apply for On-Campus Housing

If you have not done so, set up your IUPUI username and passphrase.
Wait at least 24 hours for your account to activate before applying for campus housing.

Visit the IUPUI Housing and Residence Life website. Read the Application Procedures.

Submit the Housing Application!

Tips for Getting Started with Your Housing Search

Finding the right place to live can be daunting. We have put together a couple steps to get you started on determining which housing option will be the best for you!

1. Get an idea of what part of the IUPUI campus map you might like to live near.

2. To apply for on-campus housing, see above “How to apply for On-Campus Housing”.
   - Inform yourself about the on-campus housing options available at IUPUI. You can also find information about the rental rates for our on-campus options.

3. Browse the OIA and Division of Student Affairs sites for information about off campus living.

4. Search for roommates or open room options.
   - Search and click on “Classifieds” on One.iu.edu and then “Roommates & Sublets”. You will need to use your IUPUI username and password for access.
   - Search our orientation Facebook pages under “get connected” or our ongoing IUPUI International Students Facebook page to find other students who are also seeking housing!
I applied for on-campus housing long ago. I have not received a contract!

The guaranteed on-campus housing deadline has passed. However, you are still quite likely to secure on campus housing. To do so, you will want to apply as soon as possible.

The Housing and Residence Life Office processes many housing applications everyday. This takes time. We appreciate all of your patience through this wait.

If you would like a much faster response, try checking out the International House. If you choose the International House, you will likely receive a contract within 2-3 weeks.

Three Steps to applying for International House

Applying for International House is a three-step process. In order to apply you will:

1. Apply for housing as usual through the Housing and Residence Life website.
2. After you submit, log back into your housing application.
3. Once logged back in, select the International House option for the Residential Based Learning Community (RBLC).

Temporary Accommodations

If you arrive before move-in day and/or cannot move into your housing, you will need to stay at a hotel. The Office of Campus Visits provides a list of hotels that have discounted rates for IUPUI visitors. This is also a good place to start for parents who will be traveling with students when searching accommodations.

If you will be at IUPUI for only a short time, your best options are to live with an American host or look at the Roommates & Sublets listings in the "Classifieds" on One.iu.edu.

CLICK HERE to review all the important IUPUI dates to note as you prepare to arrive on campus!
International House
an on-campus residence for students from around the world who are interested in global issues.

Become friends with students from all over the world
Participate in the International Club
Plan social and cultural activities for I-House residents
Participate in service projects
Grow as a leader
Nearby Off-Campus Housing Options

If you choose to live off-campus then you will need to research and explore your options on your own. However, we do offer many resources to help you.

Neither IUPUI nor the Office of International Affairs promote any off-campus option over another; however, below is a list of off-campus housing options within 1.5 miles of campus. These are some of the most popular options for students who are interested in living in downtown Indianapolis and seeing all that the city has to offer!

If you are interested in any of these options, reach out to the leasing office of that apartment community.

- **Canal Square Apartments** (0.1 miles from campus)
- **The Avenue** (0.5 miles from campus)
- **Campus Apartments** (0.5 miles from campus)
- **Lockefield Gardens** (0.5 miles from campus)
- **9 on Canal** (0.5 miles from campus)
- **632 MLK** (0.7 miles from campus)
- **The Gardens of Canal Court** (0.7 miles from campus)
- **800 Cap Apartments** (0.8 miles from campus)
- **Circle City Apartments** (1 mile from campus)
- **Riley Towers** (1 mile from campus)
- **Campus Townhouses** (1.5 miles from campus)

Though we do not advocate for nor promote any off-campus option, we are here to help and answer questions about a housing complex or location.
Meal Plans

IUPUI offers multiple meal plan options. A “meal plan” is a prepaid dining account that combines meal swipes and/or Dining Dollars to provide for students’ food needs while attending IUPUI. There are many meal plans available to meet any individual’s needs.

New students should review all these options as they determine their housing preferences.

Who can purchase a meal plan?

*Elective Meal Plans* can be purchased by any IUPUI student that does not live in University Tower, North Hall, or Ball Residence Hall.

*Required Meal Plans* must be purchased by students who reside in University Tower, North Hall, or Ball Hall.

Start by thinking about your eating habits. Ask yourself questions about the way you like to eat, how often, and how much. For more information, visit the IUPUI Meal Plans website.

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Food Options

IUPUI offers a variety of locations on campus for student dining. All students have access to the daily food menu. You will notice many options cater to students who identify as vegetarian and vegan! For a full listing of campus dining locations visit the Dining Services website.

Students with severe dietary restrictions can and should register with the university.

Severe Food Allergies

Register severe food limitations with the university by contacting Adaptive Educational Services.

At the appointment, Office of Adaptive Educational Services counselors will work with students and dining services to determine which services and options are most appropriate for the student.
Will anyone be available to help me find housing when I arrive?

Our OIA Welcome Services team is available to help incoming students on the days we are open: Monday through Friday from 9am-5pm.

Students experiencing emergency situations while traveling may call us anytime at our emergency services cell phone

(317) 448-8266

For non-emergency situations, please email us at iwelcome@iupui.edu

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**Off-Campus Tip**

Due to limited transportation options, we encourage you to seek living arrangements within the highlighted portion of the map.

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**Airport Transportation**

The Office of International Affairs provides complimentary transportation every day of the year except for December 25th from Indianapolis International Airport to the IUPUI campus and nearby apartments and hotels. Learn more!

Before you make your reservation, you must:

- Establish a drop-off location. This can be anywhere within the acceptable zones of transportation.

- Be sure to reserve your transportation at least seven business days prior to your intended date of arrival in Indianapolis

Make your reservation for the complimentary transportation service through the iStart checklist.