



Indiana University of Pennsylvania

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Greetings Partners:

We, in the Office of International Education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP), look forward to hosting your students during the upcoming academic year, 2019-2020. To ensure an efficient application process, we are distributing information about International Student and Scholar Orientation, arrival dates, tuition and fees, meals and housing accommodations. We strongly recommend that all non-degree applications be submitted to the OIE by the deadlines listed below. However, we can continue to accept applications from most countries after the deadline, but on-campus housing cannot be guaranteed. Please contact us if you have a late application.

HOUSING & MEALS

IUP requires all students to live on-campus in one of IUP's suite-style residence halls.

Each suite is equipped with individual bathrooms, high-speed wired and wireless internet connectivity, microwaves and refrigerators, individually controlled air-conditioning and heating, and many more features. The cost of housing in a two-person shared semi-suite is approximately \$4,275 per semester and other suite options are available at increased costs. More information is available online at <http://www.iup.edu/housing>.

All international students should choose to live in **Wallwork Hall** when selecting their on-campus housing, as this facility is dedicated to Global Awareness and remains open during break periods such as Thanksgiving Break, Winter Break, and Spring Break when other living facilities are closed. Housing during Thanksgiving Break and Spring Break is free for international students and scholars living on-campus. For Winter Break housing costs, please refer to the attached cost sheet.

Students living on-campus must enroll in one of six available meal plans. Descriptions and pricing of each meal plan are available online at <https://www.iup.edu/housing/forms/housing-policies/dining-costs-fall-and-spring/>.

The IUP Office of Housing, Residential Living and Dining requires all Fall 2019 Semester students to **reserve their on-campus housing by JUNE 1, 2019**. Housing requests submitted after this deadline may not be honored due to lack of rooms. Spring Semester housing is typically less competitive.

RECIPROCAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Please contact us by e-mail to find out the number of reciprocal exchange students that we can accept during the 2019-2020 academic year.

Reciprocal exchange students will be assessed fees based on the exchange agreement. In addition, reciprocal exchange students whose tuition and fees are waived per the exchange agreement are assessed the following mandatory fees: Orientation, Immigration Services, Evacuation/Repatriation Insurance, and Student ID Card fee (approximately \$300). Reciprocal exchange students should register for 12-15 credits per semester.

FEE-PAYING NON-DEGREE STUDENTS

Students from partner universities who pay tuition and fees directly to IUP are referred to as "fee-paying" non-degree students. These students receive a 32% discount from the out-of-state tuition costs. The cost for tuition and fees is approximately \$8900 per semester, plus international fees, room and meals. For a full course load, undergraduate students will register for 12-15 credits per semester.

ARRIVAL DATE

All new international students and scholars should arrive on the Arrival Date and must attend International Student and Scholar Orientation. IUP sponsors a bus pick-up from the Pittsburgh International Airport for students who arrive before 20:00 on the specified Arrival Date. The cost is \$60 per person, and a seat must be reserved in advance for each student by submitting the "Orientation Arrival Form" through his or her personal MYIUP account (instructions are included in the acceptance packet). Students not arriving on the official Arrival Date must arrange their own transportation to IUP.

If students cannot arrive at the airport before 20:00 and want to ride the IUP-sponsored bus, we strongly recommend they plan to arrive a day early and stay at a hotel near the airport. (More information is provided in the mailed acceptance package which includes our [IUP Pre-Arrival Guide](#)). The hotels near the airport offer free shuttle service to and from the airport, so students can be transported back to the airport to catch the IUP-sponsored bus to Indiana on the official Arrival Date.

Please note that the Pittsburgh International Airport is approximately 2 hours from IUP, depending on traffic, weather and road conditions.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION

International Student and Scholar Orientation is mandatory for all new international students and scholars. A \$125 fee is charged for this program. Orientation is designed specifically for international students and scholars to help them succeed at IUP. They will learn about IUP academic and student services, U.S. academic culture, and student visa and immigration regulations. In addition, students will meet with academic advisors and register for courses during orientation.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2019-2020

IUP ACADEMIC CALENDAR	FALL SEMESTER 2019	SPRING SEMESTER 2020
APPLICATION DEADLINE	May 1, 2019	November 1, 2019
ARRIVAL DATE <i>IUP-sponsored transportation from the Pittsburgh International Airport is available for those who arrive by 20:00. The cost is US\$60 and seats must be reserved in advance.</i>	Monday, August 19	Monday, January 13
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION	August 20 – 23	January 14 – 17
ACADEMIC SEMESTER	August 26 – December 13	January 21 – May 8
RECESS BREAKS: No Classes <i>Cafeterias will be closed.</i>	November 23 – December 1 <i>Thanksgiving Break</i> December 14 – January 20 <i>Winter Break</i>	March 7 – 15 <i>Spring Break</i>
FINAL EXAMS	December 10 – 13	May 5 – 8
LAST DAY IN RESIDENCE	December 14 (must depart by 10:00 am)	May 9 (must depart by 10:00 am)

IUP's detailed academic calendar is available online at <https://www.iup.edu/news-events/calendar/academic/>

CURRENT COSTS OF ATTENDANCE

COSTS PER SEMESTER (double the amounts for one full academic year)

TUITION & ACADEMIC FEES	\$8900 (based on 12 credits)
INTERNATIONAL FEES	\$300
ROOM & Commons Fee	\$4275 (based on two-person shared semi-suite)
MEALS	\$1484 (based on 14 meals per week)
OTHER EXPENSES	\$2000 (estimate for health insurance, books, personal expenses, etc)

*** Please assume a 3-5 % increase in costs for 2019-2020. The final cost of housing, tuition and fees will be set in July 2019 after the State of Pennsylvania passes the budget, and funds are provided to the university.**

HEALTH INSURANCE

IUP does not offer health insurance policies. Students MUST purchase a policy that meets the requirements set forth by the US Department of State J-1. Proof of insurance (in English) is required upon arrival at IUP.

Program participants are required to have medical insurance coverage with the following minimum benefits:

- Medical benefits of **at least** \$100,000 per accident or illness
- Repatriation of remains in the amount of \$25,000
- Expenses associated with the medical evacuation of the exchange visitor to his or her home country in the amount of \$50,000
- A deductible not to exceed \$500 per accident or illness

WINTER BREAK HOUSING POLICY

A student may stay after Fall semester (up to 4 days past the date of graduation) for a fee of \$35 per night. Returning students may arrive early for Spring semester (up to 4 days prior to returning student check-in) for a fee of \$35 per night. All international students staying later/coming earlier than the 4-day window will be charged the flat winter break housing amount of \$425.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

IUP requires a minimum score of 61 ibt TOEFL, 5.5 IELTS, 59 Duolingo English Test, or 1075 GTEC CBT for full-time undergraduate study. For graduate study, the minimum requirement is 76 ibt TOEFL and 6.0 IELTS. Students with scores below the minimum are welcome to study English at IUP's American Language Institute (ALI). Learn more about the ALI at www.iup.edu/ali/.

Attached to this email you will find copies of the following: the International Student Application including a Study Plan, the Affidavit of Financial Support, and the Housing Application. Please distribute to your students as necessary. If we can provide further information, please contact us.

Please send e-mail inquiries and applications to intl-exchange@iup.edu.

Best regards,

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