WELCOME TO INDIANA UNIVERSITY!

On behalf of the Visitor Information Center, we welcome you to the Bloomington campus! We hope that you enjoy your visit. Please don’t hesitate to stop by our office or give us a call.

The IU Visitor Information Center is unique in that it is staffed almost entirely by current undergraduate and graduate students. We pride ourselves in offering a variety of perspectives, from a diverse group of students.

Indiana University Self-Guided Tour

Visit Indiana University with a self-guided tour through the beautiful, cultural, and historical Bloomington campus.

For questions, please contact the Visitor Information Center at (812) 856-4648 or iuvis@indiana.edu.

For more information, visit visitorcenter.indiana.edu

To stop in for a visit, come to 900 E. 7th St. Bloomington, IN 47405

We are located next to the Biddle Hotel front desk in the Indiana Memorial Union.
Self-Guided Walking Tour

This map will guide you through a one-hour walking tour to some of IU’s most popular spots. For more information, please refer to map.iu.edu/iub or indiana.edu. We hope you enjoy the tour of Indiana University’s beautiful Bloomington campus!

1. IU Visitor Information Center: Whether you are making your first visit to campus or returning after a few years, make the IU Visitor Information Center your first stop for information and assistance.

2. Ernie Pyle Hall: Previously the home of the school of Journalism, this building is named in honor of Ernie Pyle, the 1944 Pulitzer Prize-winning World War II correspondent and IU student journalist. Ernie Pyle Hall now houses the Office of Admissions Welcome Center and the Walter Center for Career Achievement.

3. Bill Garrett Fieldhouse and School of Public Health Complex: The Fieldhouse opened in 1928 as the home of the IU men’s basketball team. In 2020, it was renamed in honor of the late Bill Garrett, the first Black basketball player at IU. Inside you’ll find intramural and recreational sports workout areas, and the School of Public Health on the north end of the building.

4. Fine Arts Plaza: The goddess Venus basks in the center of Showalter Fountain, surrounded by the IU Eskenazi Museum of Art, the Eskenazi School of Art, Architecture, and Design, the IU Auditorium, the IU Cinema and the Lilly Library.

5. Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies: One of the largest international affairs schools in the country and a leader in the study of the languages, cultures, and perspectives shaping our world.

6. Jesse H. and Beulah Chaney Cox Arboretum: The arboretum is located behind this building.

7. Herman B Wells Library: Two towering stacks made of Indiana Limestone hold more than 4.6 million volumes along with various student and researcher spaces in the largest library on campus. Named after the first IU chancellor, the monolithic structure serves as a hub for students.

8. 10th Street: Along this busy street you’ll find the IU Health Center, the O’Neill School of Public and Environmental Affairs, the Kelley School of Business, the Psychological and Brain Sciences Building, the Geological Studies Building, and the Luddy School of Informatics, Computing and Engineering.

9. Lee Norvelle Theatre and Drama Center: Performers grace these stages in IU Theatre productions. A variety of performances also take place at the Jacobs School of Music.

10. Marcellus Neal and Frances Marshall Black Culture Center: Named in honor of IU’s first male and female Black graduates, the NMGCC is one of five culture centers on campus.

11. Woodburn Hall: Woodburn Hall is a multi-disciplinary building housing a variety of classes. It is home to the departments of Art History and Political Science. A path frequently used by students going across campus is located behind this building.

12. Ballantine Hall: Ballantine Hall is the tallest academic building on campus and is a multi-disciplinary building that holds a variety of classes for multiple schools and departments.

13. Beck Chapel: Completed in 1956 to offer a quiet retreat for everyone on campus, the nondenominational chapel is also a favorite location for small weddings and special occasions.

14. Chemistry Building: The Chemistry Building is home to our Chemistry Department. It’s architecture on the north side is in the shape of the periodic table, with each window representing an element on the table. Many of our science buildings are located beyond the south side of the Chemistry Building.

15. Herman B Wells Statue: A beloved professor, president of IU and our first chancellor, Wells is credited with fostering the physical and intellectual growth that made IU a world-renowned institution.

16. Rose Well House: Donated in 1908, the open structure was named for its benefactor, Theodore Rose. It was designed in the shape of a Beta Theta Pi fraternity pin and built out of materials from the Old College Building. It’s a campus tradition for couples to kiss here at the stroke of midnight.

17. Sample Gates: The gothic style Sample Gates were a gift from Edson Sample and provide an architectural welcome to the historic Old Crescent area of campus. The Gates bridge Indiana University with downtown Bloomington.

18. Franklin Hall: Franklin Hall became home to the Media School in 2016. The state-of-the-art building houses classrooms, production studios and student media organizations such as the Indiana Daily Student and IU Student TV.

19. Frances Morgan Swain Student Building: Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Student Building opened in 1906 and originally housed a parlor, auditorium, gymnasium and swimming pool. It is now home to the departments of Anthropology and Geography. Its clock tower chimes ring across campus every 15 minutes.

20. Indiana Memorial Union (IMU): This is the largest student union building in the world under a single roof. Grab a snack, buy a book, catch a movie, or go bowling, all right here.