

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, BLOOMINGTON

Intensive English Program (IEP)

**LOCATED IN THE SECOND
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DEPARTMENT**

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JOIN US IN THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY OF GLOBAL CITIZENS



Please note that admission to the Intensive English Program does not guarantee admission to Indiana University or any of its degree programs.

What is the IEP?

The Intensive English Program (IEP) at Indiana University (IU) Bloomington is a CEA accredited program that offers a comprehensive set of courses aimed mainly at preparing international students to study in English at the university level.

Highlights of the Intensive English Program:

- Small class sizes
- Experienced and trained teachers
- Seven levels of instruction
- Core classes AND electives
- TOEFL preparation
- Professional preparation
- Legal English
- MBA preparatory course
- 20-25 hours of class weekly
- Access to extensive computing and library facilities
- Academic advising
- Extra-curricular activities



The curriculum is designed for students at all levels of English language proficiency, with an emphasis on developing the necessary oral and written skills for academic studies and business or professional communication.

All students admitted to the IEP program must have earned a high school diploma and be at least 18 years of age



How to apply?

There are four parts to a IEP application

1. Online application form
2. Passport photo page, attached to the application form as JPG or PDF
3. *Financial documentation in the form of a bank statement or sponsor letter, attached to the application form as a PDF. If the bank statement is not in your name, please submit a letter of support from your financial sponsor. Financial documentation should be in English or accompanied by an official English translation
4. U.S. \$100 application fee (non-refundable)

*This requirement is for students applying on an F-1 or J-1 Exchange visitor visa

Financial documents

Important tips to help you prepare

If you will be sponsored by an employer or government agency, please send an official financial guarantee letter that explicitly states the sponsor's intent to cover your tuition and all other costs associated with your English language training with the Intensive English Program at Indiana University. The letter should also provide an address in the U.S. for the sponsor or agency.

If you will be sponsored by yourself, your family, or a friend, please send a bank account balance, bank statement, or savings account balance. If the financial documents are in the name of another person, please have them fill out this [letter of support template](#).



- **If your financial documents are translated into English from your native language, please be sure to include the originals.**

- **Please make sure the financial documents specify the currency type (for example: USD for Us Dollars, SAR for Saudi Arabian Riyals, etc.)**



Estimated expenses

Applicants planning to study on an F-1 student visa must demonstrate financial ability to cover tuition and estimated living expenses for the duration of their stay.

This chart is designed to help you calculate the cost of participating in the Intensive English Program (IEP).

Make sure to adjust your estimated expenses to accommodate for any dependents. (See paragraph 4 below)

IEP Expenses (1 session)	Amount	Paid To
Tuition	\$2,550 ¹	Student's IU Bursar account
IU International Student Fee	\$51	Student's IU Bursar account
Room & Board (Estimated)	\$3,079	Student's IU Bursar account
Health/Medical Insurance ²	\$306	Student's IU Bursar account
TB Test ³	\$100	IU Health Center
Miscellaneous	\$573	Various bookstores
Total Expenses (one session)	\$6,660⁴	

1) Please note that, after a student registers for the session, tuition fees are non-refundable.

2) All students are required to have medical (health) insurance. The amount listed above is only an average. With holidays and vacation breaks, coverage dates vary for each session and costs change according to the number of days a student is covered.

3) All international students are required to be tested by QFT (Quantiferon) blood test for tuberculosis (TB). Students may check with their health insurance provider to find out if this charge may be reimbursed or covered through their plan. For more information about the TB Test requirement at IU, visit the [International Services website](#).

4) Students need to bring pocket money, too, for entertainment, snacks, and shopping. The amount will vary per person. There are also additional estimated expenses for students with a spouse or other dependents. Visit the website for the most up-to-date estimates.



Important information for applicants

We are here to help with the application process. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions you might have.

If applying as a prospective F-1 student:

When we have received all of your application information, we will send you an I-20 document to present at an American embassy or consulate for your F-1 student visa interview.

You will need to pay a Student Exchange and Visitor Information Service (SEVIS) fee and make a visa interview appointment at a U.S. embassy or consulate.

Transfer students must also submit a copy of their current I-20 and a final evaluation and transcript from their previous school, if available, to iepadmit@indiana.edu.

Placement and levels

During orientation, the week before classes begin, the Intensive English Program (IEP) placement test is given to determine the proper level of instruction for incoming students.

There are seven levels in the IEP. All levels meet for 20-25 classroom hours each week. After completing Level 6 or 7, most students are ready to begin academic work at a college or a university.

LEVELS 1-3

Beginner through low-intermediate students take classes with specific attention to oral communication, reading and writing, as well as some direct attention to grammar.

LEVEL 4

Intermediate students take classes that emphasize academic preparation in a combined reading/writing course, an oral communication course, and a grammar course.

LEVELS 5-6

High intermediate students attend a required core set of classes which are a reading/writing course, an oral communication course, and a grammar course. Students in Level 6 can choose an optional skill-based or content-based elective class.

LEVEL 7

Advanced students attend a required core reading/writing course and then choose two or three additional skill or content elective courses. This level is designed to be repeated by students who are advanced but require further language study for their intended majors or professional goals. Topics of electives are changed every session.

Special Courses

The IEP regularly offers special courses for groups of students with particular needs or interests like our MBA Business English and Legal English Preparatory Courses.

- Six-week course of study
- 4 hours of class 5 days a week
- Specialized faculty
- Educational extra-curricular activities

Business English

- Effective use of business terms in English
- Appropriate use of English in the MBA classroom setting
- Proper framing and posing of questions in English in MBA classes
- English language appropriate for socializing and networking
- Use of English in academic discussions and group work
- Preparing and giving individual and group presentations in English

Legal English

- Background of the Legal System, the U.S. Constitution, and Landmark Cases
- Legal Reading and Analysis, Legal Writing and Structure
- The Vocabulary of the Law and English Grammar
- Discussion of Legal Issues and Socratic Method Practice
- Classroom Interaction and Study Skills
- Discussion of Cross-Cultural Issues and Skills Practice
- Critical Thinking and Listening Training

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“The Academic Writing course was one of the most impressive and useful classes for me to prepare for my MBA. I am glad that I could get used to writing arguments before MBA classes start.”

Quote from Aki Kiyomiya, IEP graduate and current MBA student at the Kelley School of Business

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Attendance

Students are expected to attend classes daily. Also, attendance is required to maintain legal immigration status in the United States for students who are here on an international student visa. Any student with excessive absences will be dismissed from the program, and their sponsor will be notified (if applicable). Dismissal from the program also results in loss of access to university housing.

Final Evaluation

The IEP Final Exam and the Institutional TOEFL are given to students at the end of each session, offering an individual assessment of progress. Student achievement in coursework and on tests is then recorded on a final evaluation form. This form documents all session results and teacher assessments and is sent to students at the end of each session.



STUDENTS LEAVING THE PROGRAM ARE AWARDED A CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION.

HOUSING

There are many options available!
Let us help you decide.



STUDENTS MUST ARRANGE THEIR OWN HOUSING, BUT WE ARE HERE TO HELP

Campus Housing

On-campus housing is arranged through the [IU Residential Programs and Services \(RPS\)](#). Campus apartments are all within walking distance of classes and are on the university bus routes. While the IEP office cannot arrange housing for you, we can offer guidance. Please reach out if you are interested in campus housing and need assistance getting things started.

Off-campus housing

Many off-campus apartments are located near campus or near city bus routes. Off-campus housing is best arranged after your arrival in Bloomington, but you can begin your search by browsing online. Please reach out to the office if you need help with your search.

Temporary housing

[The Biddle Hotel at the Indiana University Memorial Union](#) is a convenient option for a student's first few days due to its proximity to our offices. Temporary campus housing may also be available for arriving students through [RPS](#). Contact either for more information concerning availability and pricing.



Health Insurance

All international students are required to have health insurance. In the United States, health insurance is necessary to get the medical care you need.

After registering for IEP classes, international students will be automatically enrolled in IU Student Health and will be billed for the insurance by the Office of the Bursar. Students who already have health insurance that meets the minimum requirements may file a waiver request after registration.

Requirements for insurance waiver:

- Maximum \$2,000 Out-of-Pocket expense
- Covers all Pre-existing Conditions with no waiting period
- \$500 Deductible or less
- \$100,000 for each illness
- \$100,000 for each accident
- \$50,000 for medical evacuation
- \$25,000 for repatriation of remains to the home country in case of death
- Female students must have policies that cover the costs of pregnancy, prenatal care and childbirth in an amount equal to any other sickness
- This coverage must be active for the duration of a student's stay in the US

For information about the current IU Anthem Health Insurance Policy, please visit the [Office of Human Resources](#).

Get to know some of the Intensive English Program core staff members



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*"We look forward to
meeting you!"*



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