Welcome to the University of Illinois!

As a new student on campus, you are most likely excited and nervous about beginning your academic journey, here, at the University of Illinois. Lucky for you, that’s where we come in! New Student Programs and the Illini Transfer Ambassadors work hard to design and implement opportunities for new students to aid in their transition to the University of Illinois. We know firsthand how challenging it can be to transfer to a new place. So, we provide programs and services to help you get familiar with campus resources, connect you with other students, and provide social opportunities here at UIUC. In this guide, you can find some quick tips and other information that we hope will be helpful to you as you start your journey at Illinois!

Welcome to the Illini Family! I-L-L!

For more information, please visit newstudent.illinois.edu/transfer/.
Meet the ITAs

Illini Transfer Ambassadors (ITAs) serve and work to support and facilitate the transfer student experience. ITAs are transfer students at Illinois, just like you! They all have unique journeys on their roadmap to success at Illinois. They are very excited to assist you in your new journey at Illinois.

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twitter.com/UIUC.ITA

Aidan Bovee
Year/Major:
Junior in Communications
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I ran track and cross country at my first college.

Tony Choe
Year/Major:
Senior in Mathematics
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I played piano for over 13 years.

Azad Dhillon
Year/Major:
Senior in Economics
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I sold Kanye West an iPhone.

Aidan Bovee
Year/Major:
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Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2019
Fun Fact:
I took up bowling in high school and played on a team.

Ryan Fang
Year/Major:
Senior in Political Science
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I know how to make balloon animals.

Dylann Hall
Year/Major:
Senior in Animal Science
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
All of my friends call me Dill Pickle.

Danaizha Harvey
Year/Major:
Senior in Psychology
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I’ve played five different sports!

Lauren Zilke Reyes
Year/Major:
Junior in Speech & Hearing Sciences
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
My birthday is on Halloween!

Brielle Sullivan
Year/Major:
Senior in Journalism
Transferred to UIUC:
2019
Fun Fact:
I started a foodie Instagram.

Hanaa Siddiqui
Year/Major:
Senior in Communications
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
I hiked around Mt. Haleakala in Maui.

Hallie Spolarich
Year/Major:
Psychology
Transferred to UIUC:
Fall 2020
Fun Fact:
My name was originally spelled Haley, but was legally changed to Hallie.

Isaiah Williams
Year/Major:
Senior in Communications
Transferred to UIUC:
2019
Fun Fact:
I swam and played water polo all of high school.
DATES TO REMEMBER

January 18, 2022
Classes begin

February 11, 2022
Deadline for dropping 1st 8-week courses

March 11, 2022
Deadline for dropping full semester courses

March 12–20, 2022
Spring break

April 15, 2022
Deadline for dropping 2nd 8-week courses

April 21, 2022
Open registration begins for summer and fall 2022

May 6–13, 2022
Final exam week

LIBRARIES ON CAMPUS

Main Library
1408 West Gregory Drive
Urbana, IL 61801
8:30 am–10:00 pm

Undergraduate Library (UGC)
East Pavilion
1402 West Gregory Drive
Urbana, IL 61801
10:00 am–12:00 am

Grainger Engineering Library
Information Center
1301 West Springfield Avenue
Urbana, IL 61801
8:00 am–3:00 am

ACES/Funk Library
1101 South Goodwin Avenue
Urbana, IL 61801
8:30 am–12:00 am

TOP PLACES TO STUDY

Business Instructional Facility
515 East Gregory Street
Champaign, IL 61820

Building Libraries
For a complete list of libraries and their locations visit library.illinois.edu/geninfo/library-directory/

Ikenberry Commons
515 East Gregory Street
Champaign, IL 61820

Fun Fact!
Many spaces within the libraries on campus can be reserved for solo studying or large group studying of two or more people!

i-CARD

go.illinois.edu/idcenter
(217) 244-0135

Your University ID is called an “i-card.” You’ll need an i-card to use services, such as:
• Meal plans
• Illini Cash (campus debit)
• Library privileges
• Campus Recreation
• McKinley Health Center

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OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL AID (OSFA)
osfa.illinois.edu
(217) 333-0100

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The university requires that all first-year students (freshmen, transfers, and international) attend mandatory programming. Two of these programs (ACE IT and FYCARE) must be completed in the fall and the other (I-Connect) during the spring semester. Check your university email for sign-up instructions.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG
PEER EDUCATION PROGRAM (ACE IT)
Web: counselingcenter.illinois.edu/ACEIT/
Email: aceitprogram@illinois.edu

What is ACE IT?
ACE IT is a peer-led prevention program implemented by the University of Illinois Counseling Center. ACE IT uses a variety of interactive harm reduction techniques to discuss situations, attitudes, and choices regarding alcohol and the Illinois campus culture. You will be encouraged to think critically about alcohol use, while listening to others, and receiving information that will help you to make lower risk choices related to alcohol.

What can I expect from ACE IT?
The ACE IT program will be offered in-person during the first few weeks of the fall semester. You will complete interactive educational modules that represent a variety of alcohol and other drug related situations. Each module will be accompanied by peer educators to examine attitudes, situations, and choices regarding drinking. Students may also participate in a weekly Zoom Q&A session, “Ask ACE IT” to directly ask questions to ACE IT Peer Educators and staff (this is OPTIONAL.) ACE IT Peer Educators do not lecture, but challenge students to look at their own expectations and assumptions to avoid making high risk or passive decisions related to alcohol.

Why is ACE IT and FYCARE required?
In an effort to create and maintain a safe campus community, the University of Illinois has mandated that all students attend an ACE IT and FYCARE workshop during their first semester on campus. All students who are under the age of 21 and reside in an on-campus residence are required to complete ACE IT. Evaluations show students attend an ACE IT and FYCARE workshop during their first semester on campus. All students who are under the age of 21 and reside in an on-campus residence are required to complete ACE IT. Evaluations show students be educated on the safety issues and potential triggers should contact the FYCARE team at wrc-ss@illinois.edu for further information.

What is FYCARE?
The First Year Campus Acquaintance Rape Education (FYCARE) workshop is an interactive discussion on sexual misconduct that strives to raise awareness about sexual violence, dating/domestic violence, and stalking and to build our capacity to promote healthier relationships for everyone at Illinois. Trained peer facilitators lead these interactive workshops in a relaxed atmosphere, drawing upon their own experiences as students on this campus to keep the workshop engaging and relatable.

The University of Illinois is firmly committed to preventing sexual misconduct and supporting survivors. Failure to attend your scheduled FYCARE workshop will result in a penalty fee to cover the cost of a makeup session. Those with concerns about potential triggers should contact the FYCARE team at wrc-ss@illinois.edu for further information.

How do I sign up for ACE IT and FYCARE?
You can visit newstudent.illinois.edu and under the tab labeled “First Year Students”, you will see a section named “Required Programming” and will be directed to begin completing the programs. In case of a conflict, you should reschedule promptly as availability for later dates is not guaranteed.

* The ACE IT and FYCARE programs will be completed during your Fall 2022 semester.

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION TRAINING
Complete your Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduates online training. You can find a link for completing this mandatory training in your university email and on your Admitted Student Checklist. Learn more about the training at wecare.illinois.edu under “Prevention & Training”.

CAMPUS SAFETY VIDEO AND QUIZ
The University of Illinois requires that all new students be educated on the safety issues and concerns that may arise on campus. Personal safety is always a concern, but while you are adjusting to the University of Illinois community it is important to be aware of your new surroundings. You can find this video at newstudent.illinois.edu.
DISABILITY RESOURCES & EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (DRES)

disability.illinois.edu
(217) 333-1970

DRES provides academic accommodations and support services to students with disabilities attending the University of Illinois. These can include the following: testing accommodations, text conversion, captioning, ASL Interpreters, fixed route transportation services, physical therapy, compensatory strategies support, individual therapy, case management, executive skills coaching, support groups, career services, an academic lab, athletics, and Beckwith Residential Support Services at Nugent Hall. To obtain disability related accommodations and services through DRES, students can apply online at disability.illinois.edu/applying-services and then upload appropriate documentation at disability.illinois.edu/applying-services/documentation-requirements. For questions, please contact DRES by phone or by e-mail at disability@illinois.edu.

MCKINLEY HEALTH CENTER
mckinley.illinois.edu
(217) 333-2700

McKinley is your campus health center. Conveniently located on campus at 1109 S. Lincoln Avenue, McKinley Health Center provides student friendly primary care, women’s health, mental health and health education services. In addition, the Health Center offers a variety of ancillary services including a pharmacy, laboratory and radiology. The Health Center is open Monday through Saturday during the fall and spring semesters and provides 24/7 telephone nurse access.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS
odos.illinois.edu
(217) 333-0050

The Office of the Dean of Students (ODOS) strives to help students in their journey to reaching their full potential inside and outside the classroom. We support students through advocacy in the Student Assistance Center (SAC), promotion of accountability and responsibility in the Office for Student Conflict Resolution (OSCR), legal assistance in Student Legal Services, and enhancement of landlord-tenant relationships and success with Off-Campus Community Living (OCCL). We hope you will consider us your place to turn when you need any of our services identified above. Even if you are unsure of where to go for assistance, please reach out to us and we will help identify resources for you.

STUDENT ASSISTANCE CENTER
go.illinois.edu/sac
(217) 333-0050

The Student Assistance Center is a collaborative resource that promotes the holistic growth and development of Illinois students. To that end, we partner with students, faculty, staff, and family members to address disruptions to students’ academic and social stability or behaviors that cause distress in our community. We strive to foster a community of care in which all members have a personal responsibility to themselves and others. Our staff is ready to provide support or assistance! You may also email us at helpdean@illinois.edu.

An emergency dean is available outside of normal business hours to respond to student crises or pressing student concerns that cannot wait until the next business day.

OFFICE OF MINORITY STUDENT AFFAIRS (OMSA)
omsa.illinois.edu

The Office of Minority Student Affairs (OMSA) provides advising, advocacy, and academic support services for first-generation, low-income, and a host of historically underrepresented and underserved student communities at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The OMSA’s services include academic mentoring, coaching, and referral services; tutoring; supplemental instruction; study skills enrichment; and an array of events that celebrate and enhance student success.

OMSA is also home to four federal TRIO programs including the TRIO Student Support Services Program and the TRIO Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program. For more information, please contact us in our Main Office or our Academic Services Center.

Main Office
610 East John Street, Suite 130
Champaign, IL 61820
(217) 333-0054

Academic Service Center
1103 W. Oregon Street, Suite E
Urbana, IL 61801
(217) 333-7547

CAMPUS SAFETY

University of Illinois Police are here to look after out campus community, but you play the most important role in looking after your own and others’ safety. These tools are available to empower you to be an active participant in protecting yourself and our community.

Illini-Alert
Our emergency notification system provides real-time updates and potentially life-saving instructions during campus emergencies. Students can sign up for Illini-Alert text messages at emergency.illinois.edu. Anyone else can sign up by texting “IlliniAlert” to 226787.

Campus Safety Notices
Campus Safety Notices are issued by email and posted on the University of Illinois Police website to inform you of public safety concerns in the campus area. You will automatically receive these if you have an illinois.edu email address. Otherwise, you can sign up for Campus Safety Notices at police.illinois.edu.

SafeRides
SafeRides Connect is to provide safe transportation, by MTD, to individuals who are generally traveling alone and when no other means of safe transportation are available within the designated MTD boundaries. SafeRides are available from dusk (7 pm/5 pm) until 6 am. There is a maximum limit of three persons per pick-up location. SafeRides does not duplicate fixed-route service already provided by MTD. SafeRides does not provide emergency transportation services to medical facilities. SafeRides does not provide service to and from bars. Download the SafeRides Connect App from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store and register yourself. You can also call (217) 265-7433.

SafeWalks
SafeWalks is a courtesy service provided by the University of Illinois Public Safety department to University of Illinois students, faculty, and staff. To request a SafeWalks escort, call (217) 333-1216. You can also use an emergency phone to contact a dispatcher.
CHAMPAIGN-URBANA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT (CUMTD)

You need only show your iCard to ride any MTD bus — anywhere, anytime! Routes operate frequently on campus, and throughout Champaign, Urbana, and Savoy. Late night service is available when the University is in session. Schedules, routes, and the latest MTD news are available at mtd.org. There are apps available on app stores (iOS and Android) for real-time departure information and trip planning tools.

BICYCLES
Visit bike.illinois.edu to learn about bicycles on campus. To register your bicycle visit go.illinois.edu/mybike. To learn about the Campus Bike Center visit go.illinois.edu/bikecenter.

Bicyclists must be respectful to cars and pedestrians. Do not bike through heavy pedestrian traffic, just walk your bike. Use the roads to get places faster and without disrupting pedestrians. Cars will not see you if you are biking on the sidewalk! Bicyclists are vehicles and must follow all the same rules as cars.

BICYCLE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

There is a $10 bicycle registration fee. Registering your bicycle will increase the chance of recovering it, in case of bike theft. It also allows the university to contact you if your bike needs to be moved or about to be impounded. The University Bicycle Ordinance states that the minimum fine for not registering is $25.

Student Biking Checklist
• Register your bicycle with the University of Illinois at bike.illinois.edu/register-your-bike or go.illinois.edu/mybike.
• Purchase a sturdy U-lock and a helmet.
• Always lock your bicycle to a bike rack.
• Take the Bike Safety Quiz for the University of Illinois at bit.ly/UofiChampaignAdultBSQ.
• Walk, bike, or bus to the Campus Bike Center (51 E. Gregory Dr, Champaign) and learn more about biking or volunteer for membership.
• Follow the University's "Bike at Illinois" Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram page to stay in the loop about bike rides and events on campus.

PARKING
To park on campus, students may purchase an annual student permit from UI Parking. You may also pay and park at meters. To learn more about rates, types of permits, and available lots, you will find more information at parking.illinois.edu. In all cases, to avoid citation, please observe lot entry signage and other posted information. In addition to meter payment by coin and Day Meter Permit, the Parking Department offers a payment by phone option.

Pay By App
In addition to meter payment by coin and Day Meter Permit, the Parking Department also offers a payment by phone option. Visit parking.illinois.edu for details about this service.
Get Involved

REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Getting engaged on campus can be exciting and lead to life-long friendships. At Illinois, there is more than one way to get involved; in fact, there are over 800! Illinois is home to many student clubs and organizations. Being engaged in these organizations connects your experiences that will help you navigate the Illinois community. Engagement gives you the background that supports your career readiness, skills that will help you with academic life and means to social integration that will help you find a connection among the class of new students. Just a few RSO’s here on campus include:

- Engineering Council
- Involvement Fair
- Club Water Polo
- Club Volleyball
- Indian Student Association Diwali Night
- African Cultural Association — Cultural Show

FRATERNITIES & SORORITIES

Almost 150 years ago, fraternities and sororities were founded at Illinois. These groups started as literary societies and have continued today to provide support, housing, career development, mentorship and coach to over 6,400 students who claim membership in one of the (90) chapters on campus. Over the long history of fraternal life at Illinois, one central element is key — friendship. The Illinois fraternity and sorority community is a diverse community of students and alumni that are trailblazers and entrepreneurs across multiple disciplines. Over the long history at Illinois, fraternities and sororities have provided innovations in the living-learning community, advances in leadership training, and facilitation of community programs that address social justice, philanthropy and campus climate.

CAMPUS RECREATION

Campus Recreation offers active learning and self-discovery opportunities to students, faculty, staff, and community members. With the Activities and Recreation Center (ARC), Campus Recreation Center East (CRCE), the Ice Arena, Outdoor Center, Complex Fields, Illini Grove and Campus Bike Center there is roughly 500,000 square feet of state-of-the-art indoor recreation space and over 40 acres of outdoor field space available to concentrate on wellness and healthy lifestyles. From rock climbing to cooking classes to table tennis to information recreation to massage to weight lifting to badminton, Campus Recreation is a place for everyone!

INTRAMURALS

Intramurals are recreational sporting activities that provide opportunities for the Illinois community to participate in scheduled events at all levels. Leagues, events, and tournaments are offered in a variety of sports. Soccer, basketball, volleyball, tennis, and online e-sports are just a few activities offered. Intramurals provide a space for the campus community to compete in a fun and safe environment.

ILLINOIS ATHLETICS

Student tickets are available for purchase at the Illinois Ticket Office for football and men's basketball. All other athletic events are free with your i-card. Call or visit our website for more information about Illini Athletics and to purchase season tickets.

ASIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER (AACC)

The Asian American Cultural Center promotes cross-cultural understanding of Asian and Asian American experiences. Programming and resources include Food for Thought weekly lunchtime discussion series, ChaiTime weekly social hours, leadership trainings, art shows, lending library, student internship, and volunteer opportunities. The AACC also supports a wide variety of programs that promote global awareness.

BRUCE D. NESBITT AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER (BNAACC)

The Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center provides programs and support services promoting the individual, social, cultural, and academic growth of all Illinois’ students with particular emphasis on students of African descent. Our programs and initiatives examine the Black experience in the United States and throughout the African Diaspora via critical dialogue, heritage exploration, leadership development, and the performing arts. Furthermore, we challenge all Illinois students to critically assess their role as global citizens and to consciously advocate for a campus environment and community that are rooted in respect, inclusivity, and civility.

LA CASA CULTURAL LATINA

La Casa Cultural Latina promotes a welcoming and dynamic atmosphere through the development of educational, cultural, sociopolitical and social programs that lead to greater recruitment, retention, advancement and empowerment of Latinx students. We are a safe space for all students even those that may not identify as Latinx. Visit La Casa Cultural Latina at 1203 W. Nevada Street. Follow us on Instagram (@lacasaillinois) to learn about all of our fun events.

NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSE (NAH)

The Native American House is committed to supporting and empowering Indigenous students and communities through facilitating opportunities for cultural and academic support, engagement, and advocacy. The Native American House welcomes all, while centering the voices and lived experiences of Indigenous peoples.
Get to know Urbana-Champaign

VISIT CHAMPAIGN COUNTY!
It’s a great resource that will give you loads of ideas for activities within the community!

MUSEUMS
Champaign County offers lots of awesome museums! Check them out!

OUTDOORS
Get outside and visit some of the great parks in our community!

MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT
The local community is full of entertainment and music venues!

ARTS & CULTURE
There is much art to be admired in Urbana-Champaign!

Stay connected with us!

The Illini Transfer Ambassadors are here for you! We create events throughout the semester to help you stay connected and get the most out of your Illini experience. We are also here to be a resource to you during your transition! Here are some ways to stay connected:

SPRING 2022

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* Spring events are subject to change. Make sure to follow us on social media for specific dates and times for all of our events!

facebook.com/UIUC.ITAs
instagram.com/UIUC_ITA
twitter.com/UIUC_ITA

LEADING ILLINOIS TRANSFERS (LIT)
A connections program led by your ITAs. The deadline to sign up is Friday January 21.