



ILLINOIS STATE
UNIVERSITY
Illinois' first public university

MAKE EXCELLENCE
Your New Normal

Guide for International Students | 2020-2021



BE A GLOBAL CITIZEN

LIVE YOUR DREAM

ADVOCATE FOR CHANGE

Why Choose ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY?



#4

Best College
Campuses in Illinois
Niche 2019

Top 5%

Best Colleges for the Money
College Factual 2019

#91

Top Public Schools
U.S. News & World Report 2019

97% of our faculty hold the **HIGHEST DEGREE** possible in their field

20,635

Students

AVERAGE
CLASS SIZE
33

17:1

Student-to-teacher
RATIO

569 International Students | **74** Countries | **#171** National Universities

TOP PROGRAMS

#3 Highest Paid Grads in Computer
System Networking
College Factual 2019

#6 Highest Paid Grads in Fine &
Studio Arts
College Factual 2019

Top 16 Actuarial Science
*Center of Actuarial Excellence by the Society of
Actuaries 2018*

#38 Best College for Information
Technology
Niche.com 2019

#39 Best College for Education
Niche.com 2019

#65 Best Audiology Schools
U.S. News & World Report 2019

#88 Best Education Schools
U.S. News & World Report 2019

#121 Best Social Work Programs
U.S. News & World Report 2019

#131 Fine Arts Graduate School
U.S. News & World Report 2019

Business AND INSURANCE



**AACSB accreditation in both
business and accounting**

Less than 2% of the world's business
schools have accreditation in
both programs

TOP 4 BEST COLLEGES to Study Insurance in the US *Best's Review 2018*

#4

Top International
Business Program
Study.com 2019

#9

Insurance
U.S. News & World Report 2019

#89

Best Part-Time
MBA Program
U.S. News & World Report 2019

TOP UNIVERSITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL SALES EDUCATION *Sales Education Foundation 2018*



LOCKED TUITION

Pay the same undergraduate tuition
rate for up to four years



About ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

As Illinois' first public university, Illinois State University has evolved with innovation, but remains grounded in its tradition to teach. The campus community is committed to your success, with faculty who provide individualized attention.



Quality Education with Devoted Faculty

- Our high graduation rate is 23% above the national average.
- Our faculty are leading scholars and award-winning professionals in their field.
- \$45 million in scholarships supporting your education in merit- and need-based financial aid and tuition waivers.

THE INTO ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY ADVANTAGE

Illinois State University partners with INTO to create a support system for international students. We offer Academic English, International Year One, Graduate Pathway and Direct Entry programs. You will work alongside your American peers and earn credit toward your degree while improving your English skills. After successful completion of your program, you will be able to progress to an Illinois State degree program.

INTO Illinois State offers many services, including:

- Personalized academic, language and cultural support
- Social and cultural activities
- Housing support
- Visa and immigration support

Leading the Way

We're dedicated to providing an individualized education that will give you the necessary skills to become a leader in your desired field. Leadership opportunities are available through:

- 400+ registered student organizations
- Leadership certificate programs
- Retreat-style programs
- Civic engagement
- Volunteer programs



Illinois State is one of only 50 US colleges to be named a Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Leadership Institution



Fast Facts

Founded: 1857
Campus: Normal, Illinois
City Population: 132,000
Campus Size: 1,000+ acres
Enrollment: 20,635
International Students: 569
Countries Represented: 74
Bachelor's: 160+
Master's and PhD: 90+



Virtual Campus Tour Take a campus tour from home with Illinois State's Virtual Tour at www.circavistavirtualtours.com/isu/Intro.html

Living in BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL

Midwestern charm, with big-city amenities



Things to Do in Bloomington-Normal

- Easily get around town by using the free local bus service
- Visit the shops in Uptown Normal, or see a movie at the historic Normal Theater
- Bike, walk or run along the 70+ kilometer Constitution Trail
- Eat at one of the 350+ restaurants in town—many with international food, like Chinese, Mediterranean, Korean, Indian, Mexican and more
- Attend the renowned Illinois Shakespeare Festival at Ewing Cultural Center
- Join or catch a performance of the university's circus—the first and oldest in the US

Bloomington-Normal Among
11 Amazing Cities You've Never
Thought to Live In, But Should

Huffington Post 2016

#4

Least Stressful Cities
in America
Smart Asset 2018

#7

Colleges with the best
student life in Illinois
Niche.com 2019

#10

Arts and Entertainment
Opportunities
AIER 2019



Photo credit: Courtesy Town of Normal



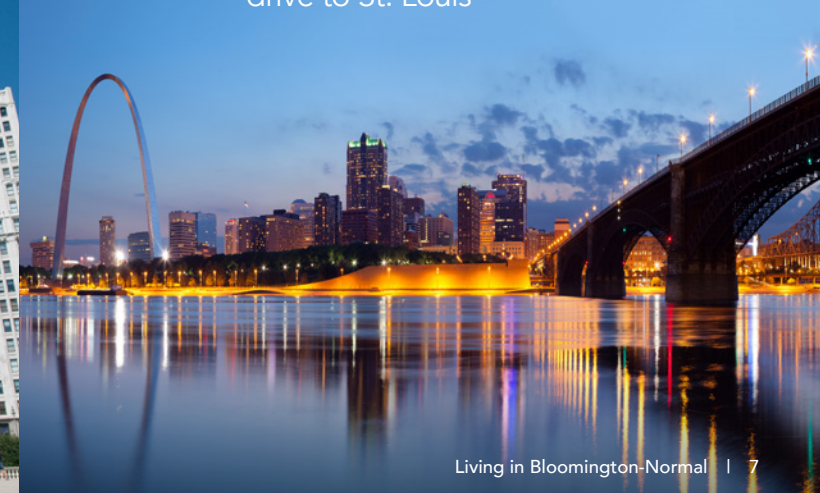
- Access affordable daily train transportation to Chicago and St. Louis from Uptown Station, just a five-minute walk from campus.
- Catch direct flights from the Bloomington-Normal airport to Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, Denver and Orlando.



2-hour
drive to Chicago



2.5-hour
drive to St. Louis





Housing AND Dining

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Program	REQUIRED (2 YEARS)	NOT REQUIRED
Academic English (AE)		■
AE + International Year One (IYO)	■*	
IYO	■*	
Undergraduate Direct	■*	
AE + Graduate Pathway (GPW)		■
GPW		■
Graduate Direct		■

*Students are required to live on campus for two years from completion of high school. Students who start their study plan two or more years after completing high school are not required to live in on-campus housing. AE+IYO and IYO students who do not otherwise qualify for off-campus housing are required to remain in on-campus housing until their INTO Illinois State study plan is completed and the two-year requirement is met.

Double rooms accommodate two students and have shared, centralized bathrooms.



Double Room
Hewett and Manchester Halls



ON-CAMPUS DINING

Students living in a residence hall are enrolled in a meal plan that allows them to eat at an on-campus dining center or other on-campus food venue seven days a week. Off-campus students can separately purchase a meal plan or pay for individual meals. Dining centers provide nutritionally balanced options and accommodations for specific dietary needs.

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

INTO Illinois State University offers an off-campus housing option for students in:

- Graduate Pathway
- Academic English + Graduate Pathway
- Academic English only

Vernon Stables is an apartment complex with one- or two-bedroom apartments, located only 1.5 kilometers from campus. Apartments are fully furnished and include bedding and bath linens, a smart TV and free Wi-Fi. The complex includes laundry facilities, a swimming pool and a fitness center. Free public bus transportation is available just outside the entrance to the complex.



Two-Bedroom Apartment



One-Bedroom Apartment



For more about living on campus or about our off-campus housing options, visit www.intostudy.com/illinoisstate/living





STUDENTS LOVE OUR WALKABLE, ACCESSIBLE CAMPUS, ESPECIALLY THE BEAUTIFUL, PARK-LIKE QUAD. THE QUAD IS THE CENTER OF CAMPUS AND OFTEN HOSTS CONCERTS, FESTIVALS AND OTHER OUTDOOR EVENTS.



400+ ILLINOIS STATE STUDENT ATHLETES COMPETE IN 19 SPORTS. OUR ATHLETICS ARE NCAA DIVISION I, THE MOST COMPETITIVE COLLEGIATE LEVEL. REGGIE REDBIRD HAS BEEN OUR TEAM MASCOT SINCE 1960.



ILLINOIS STATE'S STUDENT FITNESS CENTER, BUILT IN 2011, HAS EARNED NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR BEING ONE OF THE BEST IN THE NATION. STUDENTS CAN USE THE FITNESS CENTER AT NO COST.



ILLINOIS STATE

is home to 400+ student organizations. Find your place in our campus community.

PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES HIGHLIGHTS

Actuarial Science

STEM

- One of only three institutions in 2019 to receive the Casualty Actuarial Society University Award for exemplary work in preparing students for a career in actuarial science.
- Job placement for Illinois State Actuarial Science graduates is 98%, with average annual starting salaries of \$67,500.
- Top 16 US Actuarial Science Programs *Society of Actuaries 2018*
- 92% overall internship rate 97% for master's students
- Illinois State is one of only 29 Global Centers of Insurance Excellence *International Insurance Society 2019*

Fine Arts

- The College of Fine Arts' \$19.8 million Center for Performing Arts features an 800-seat concert hall and a 450-seat theatre.
- Our extensive visiting artists program exposes students to a wide range of contemporary artists in all disciplines.
- As a fine arts student, you'll have a creative edge above the crowd. You've had to think on your feet and speak, at the very least, in front of an audience. Apply what you've mastered to areas beyond the stage through entrepreneurship classes, specialized business-of-the-arts programs and connections within our alumni network.

Kinesiology and Recreation

- We offer master's programs in athletic training, biomechanics, exercise physiology, physical education pedagogy, psychology of sport and physical activity, recreation administration and sports management.
- The Biomechanics Lab is a high-tech facility that provides insight to improving skill performance, understanding skill development and identifying overuse injuries.
- Our students travel to national conferences, such as the American College of Sports Medicine and the National Strength and Conditioning Association, to present research each year.

Technology

STEM

- The Department of Technology's \$1.2 million, state-of-the-art Integrated Manufacturing Laboratory was funded by Caterpillar and features 10 automated work stations, each with an industrial robot.
- The recent job placement rate for Department of Technology master's graduates was 99%.
- The department supports six registered student organizations, giving students many different opportunities to network with their peers and future employers.



Engineering
Technology
Accreditation
Commission

Career Opportunities



80% of international students go on to use Optional Practical Training (OPT) or continue on to higher degrees within 3 months of graduating
Office of International Programs and Services 2018-2019



Top 10% graduation rate of all schools in the nation
U.S. Department of Education 2019



#56 Best Small Places for Business and Careers (Bloomington-Normal)
Forbes 2018

Illinois State international graduates have worked or interned for many top companies, including:

- AON
- BMW
- Caterpillar
- Deloitte
- Exelon
- Google
- IBM
- JPMorgan Chase
- Mercer
- Morgan Stanley
- Motorola
- Prudential Financial
- R.R. Donnelley
- State Farm
- Swiss Re
- Willis Towers Watson

Find Your Dream Job

Our Career Center helps you prepare for and find employment by providing:

- Career advisement, job fairs, workshops and other resources
- Free résumé and business card printing
- Available private space for phone and virtual interviews
- GoinGlobal, an online career tool kit that contains a database of more than 16 million job and internship listings and profiles of thousands of key employers from all over the world. It features a H1B visa search engine that allows students to identify US employers who are seeking international talent. GoinGlobal also contains numerous career guides and other helpful tools for international students.



- 680+ companies recruit students on campus
- More than 50 STEM degree options (including undergraduate business management)
 - Up to three years of work eligibility in the US after graduation
 - 177 graduates currently participate in Optional Practical Training (OPT), 66 as STEM-OPT
- 80% of international graduate students had paid research or teaching positions in 2018-19
- More than 63% of Illinois State seniors hold internships



"My professors at Illinois State helped provide resources necessary to get into the world and succeed in the workforce. They were available 24/7. They prepared me in the right areas to get me ready for the professional world."

Ama, Ghana
Investment Analyst, Prudential Financial
Class of 2018

Bloomington-Normal is conveniently close to three major US cities: Chicago, St. Louis and Indianapolis.

You can take advantage of being in a smaller community where it's easier to make your mark as you build your skill set. When you're ready to move on to larger corporations, you can easily seek out limitless opportunities in major cities nearby.



#1 on the Top 5

Cities for Recent College Graduates (Bloomington)
Pennygeeks.com 2019



Illinois is ranked No.4 in the US for the most Fortune 500 company headquarters.
Boss Magazine 2019



ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

FIND YOUR DEGREE. With a wide range of subject areas and admissions options, you can find the perfect degree for your chosen career. You can choose to apply for direct entry to the university or for a Pathway program that provides extra academic, language and cultural support. From the day you apply to the day you graduate, we are here to help you succeed every step of the way. Flip to the back cover to learn how to apply.

B = Bachelor's	M = Master's	D = Doctorate	International Year One
GP Graduate Pathway program that can lead to this degree is indicated in red. This degree is also available through direct admission.			Indicates the Undergraduate Pathway program that should be taken to progress to an undergraduate academic program. This program is also available through direct admission.
● This Illinois State degree program is available through direct admission.			
► Designated STEM degree by the US Department of Homeland Security			

	B	M	D
College of Applied Science and Technology			
Agriculture [BS options: Agribusiness; Agriculture Communications and Leadership; Agriculture Teacher Education; Agronomy Management; Animal Industry Management; Animal Science; Crop and Soil Science; Food Industry Management; Horticulture and Landscape Management; Pre-Veterinary Medicine] [MS options: Agribusiness; Agricultural Education and Leadership; Agriscience]	ST	●	
► Computer Science [BS options: General Computer Science, Web Computing]	CS		
Construction Management	ST		
Criminal Justice Sciences	GE	●	
► Cybersecurity	IS		
► Engineering Technology	ST		
► Environmental Health	ST		
Family and Consumer Sciences [BA/BS options: General Family and Consumer Sciences; Family and Consumer Science Teacher Education] [MA/MS options: Fashion Design; Fashion Merchandising; Human Development and Family Science; Interior Design; Food, Nutrition and Dietetics]	GE	GP	
Fashion Design and Merchandising [See Family and Consumer Sciences for MA/MS options]	GE		
Food, Nutrition and Dietetics [BA/BS options: Food and Nutrition Management; Dietetics] [See Family and Consumer Sciences for MA/MS option]	GE		
Graphic Communications	GE		
Health Information Management [BS options: General Health Information Management, Registered Health Information Technician - HIM Emphasis]	GE		
Health Promotion and Education [BS options: Community Health Promotion, School Health Education]	GE		
Human Development and Family Science [See Family and Consumer Sciences for MA/MS option]	GE		
► Industrial Technology [BS options: Computer Systems Technology]	ST		
► Information Systems [BS options: Information Systems; Integration of Enterprise Systems, Systems Development/Analyst; Web Application Development] [MS options: Geographic Information Systems, Internet Application Development; Network and Security Management; Systems Development]	IS	GP	
Interior Design [See Family and Consumer Sciences for MA/MS option]	GE		
Kinesiology and Recreation [MS options: Applied Community and Economic Development; Athletic Training; Biomechanics; Exercise Physiology; Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity; Recreation Administration; Sport Management]		GP	
► Network and Telecommunications Management	IS		
Physical Education Teacher Education	GE	●	
Recreation and Park Administration [BS options: Recreation Management, Therapeutic Recreation]	GE	●	
Safety	ST		
► Sustainable and Renewable Energy	ST		

*Not a STEM program.

	B	M	D
► Technology [BS option: Technology and Engineering Education*] [MS options: Project Management, Quality Management and Analytics, STEM Education and Leadership*, Training and Development]	ST	GP	
College of Arts and Sciences			
Anthropology [MA/MS option: Applied Community and Economic Development]	GE	●	
Applied Economics [MA/MS options: Applied Economics; Electricity; Natural Gas and Telecommunications Economics; Financial Economics]		GP	
Audiology	GE		●
Biochemistry	ST		
► Biological Sciences [BS options: Biology Teacher Education*, Conservation Biology; General Biology; Molecular and Cellular Biology; Physiology; Neuroscience and Behavior; Plant Biology; Zoology] [MS options: Biological Sciences; Behavior; Ecology; Evolution and Systematics; Bioenergy; Biomathematics; Biotechnology; Conservation Biology; Neuroscience and Physiology] [PhD options: Biological Sciences; Behavior; Ecology; Evolution and Systematics; Molecular and Cellular Biology; Neuroscience and Physiology]	ST	●	●
► Chemistry [BS options: General Chemistry, Chemistry Teacher Education] [MS option: Chemistry, MCE/MSCe option: Chemistry Education*]	ST	●	
Communication		●	
Communication Studies [BA/BS options: Communication Studies, Interpersonal, Organizational and Leadership Communication, Political Communication]	GE		
Economics [BA/BS options: General Economics, Managerial Economics] [MA/MS options: Applied Economics; Electricity, Natural Gas and Telecommunications Economics; Financial Economics; Quantitative Economics]	ST	GP	
English [BA options: General English; Creative Writing; English Teacher Education; Publishing Studies; Technical Writing and Rhetoric]	GE	●	
English Studies			●
► Environmental Systems Sciences and Sustainability	ST		
European Studies	GE		
French [BA options: French and Francophone Studies; French Teacher Education]	GE		
Geography [BA/BS options: General Geography, Geography Teacher Education]	GE		
► Geology [BS options: Traditional Geology; Earth and Space Science Teacher Education]	ST		
German [BA options: General German, German Teacher Education]	GE		
History [BA/BS options: History, History-Social Sciences Teacher Education]	GE	●	
► Hydrogeology		GP	
Journalism	GE		
Languages, Literatures, and Cultures [MA options: Spanish]		●	
Legal Studies	GE		
Mass Media [BA/BS options: Interactive Media; Media Management; Promotion and Sales, Radio; Television Production]	GE		

	B	M	D
► Mathematics [BS options: Actuarial Science, General Mathematics, Statistics, Mathematics Teacher Education] [MS options: Mathematics; Actuarial Science; Applied Statistics; Biomathematics; Elementary and Middle School Mathematics Education] [PhD option: Mathematics Education]	ST	GP	●
Philosophy	GE		
► Physics [BS options: General Physics, Computational Physics, Engineering Physics, Physics Teacher Education]	ST		
Political Science [MA/MS options: Applied Community and Economic Development; Political Science; Global Politics and Cultures; Public Service]	GE	●	
Psychology [MA/MS options: Clinical-Counseling Psychology; Cognitive and Behavioral Sciences; Developmental Psychology; Industrial/Organizational-Social Psychology; Quantitative Psychology; Specialist in School Psychology]	GE	●	
Public Relations	GE		
School Psychology			●
Social Work [MSW options: Child and Family Practice; Gerontology Practice; School Social Work]	GE	●	
Sociology [MS options: Sociology; Applied Community and Economic Development]	GE	●	
Spanish [BA options: General Spanish, Spanish Teacher Education]	GE	●	
Speech Language Pathology	GE	●	

College of Business			
Accountancy [BS/MPA options: Accountancy and Information Systems, Professional Accountancy] [BS options: Business Information Systems, Career Specialty, Financial Accounting] [MS option: Accountancy]	BU	GP	
Business Administration	BU	GP	
Business Information Systems	BU		
Business Education [BA/BS/BS.ED options: Business Teacher Education, Training and Development]	GE	●	
Finance	BU		
International Business	BU		
► Management [BS options: Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management; Human Resource Management; Organizational Leadership]	BU		
Marketing [BS options: General Marketing, Integrated Marketing Communication, Professional Sales, Advanced Marketing Analytics]	BU		
Risk Management and Insurance [BS options: Business Information Systems; Risk Management and Insurance]	BU		

	B	M	D
College of Education			
College Student Personnel Administration		●	
Early Childhood Education	GE		
Elementary Education [BS/BS.ED options: Elementary Education, Bilingual/Bicultural Teacher Education (English-Spanish)]	GE		
Educational Administration [MS/MS.ED options: Educational Administration, Principal - MS.ED only, Teacher Leader - MS.ED only] [ED.D/PhD option: Educational Administration]		●	●
Middle Level Teacher Education	GE		
Reading		●	
Special Education [BS.ED options: Specialist in Deaf and Hard of Hearing; Specialist in Learning and Behavior; Specialist in Low Vision and Blindness] [MS/MS.ED option: Special Education] [Ed.D. option: Special Education]	GE		●
Teaching and Learning		GP	●
College of Fine Arts			
Art [BFA option: Art] [BA option: Art History] [BS option: Art Teacher Education, BA/BS options: Graphic Design, Studio Arts] [MS option: Art Education, MA option: Visual Culture]	FA	●	
Arts Technology [BA/BS options: Art, Music, Theatre and Dance] [MS option: Arts Technology]	FA	GP	
Fine Arts [MFA option: Studio Arts]		GP	
Music [BS options: Music Business, BM options: Music Composition, Music Therapy] [MM options: Music Composition, Music Therapy]	FA	GP	
Music Education [BME options: Choral-General-Keyboards, Choral-General-Vocal, Instrumental Band, Instrumental Orchestra] [MMED option: Music Education] [MM option: String Pedagogy]	FA	●	
Music Performance [BM options: Band and Orchestra Instruments Performance; Classical Guitar Performance; Keyboard Performance; Voice Performance, Jazz Studies] [MM options: Collaborative Piano, Conducting, Jazz Performance, Music Performance]	FA	GP	
Theatre [BA/BS options: Acting; Dance Performance; Dance Teacher Education; Design/Production; Theatre and Film Studies; Theatre Teacher Education] [MFA options: Costume Design, Directing, Lighting Design, Scene Design] [MA/MS option: Theatre Studies]	FA	GP	
Mennonite College of Nursing			
Nursing [BSN options: Traditional BSN (Pre-Licensure), Accelerated BSN] [MSN options: Family Nurse Practitioner, Nursing Systems Administration]		●	●
Nursing Practice			●



UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS

We offer several routes to admission. With more than 160 bachelor's degrees, including programs with flexible study plans and start dates throughout the year, we will help you find the option that's right for you.

We don't design our programs for one type of student; our programs are built for everyone. Where you will begin depends on your grades and English level. Where you end up is where you want to be: graduating with a bachelor's from Illinois State.

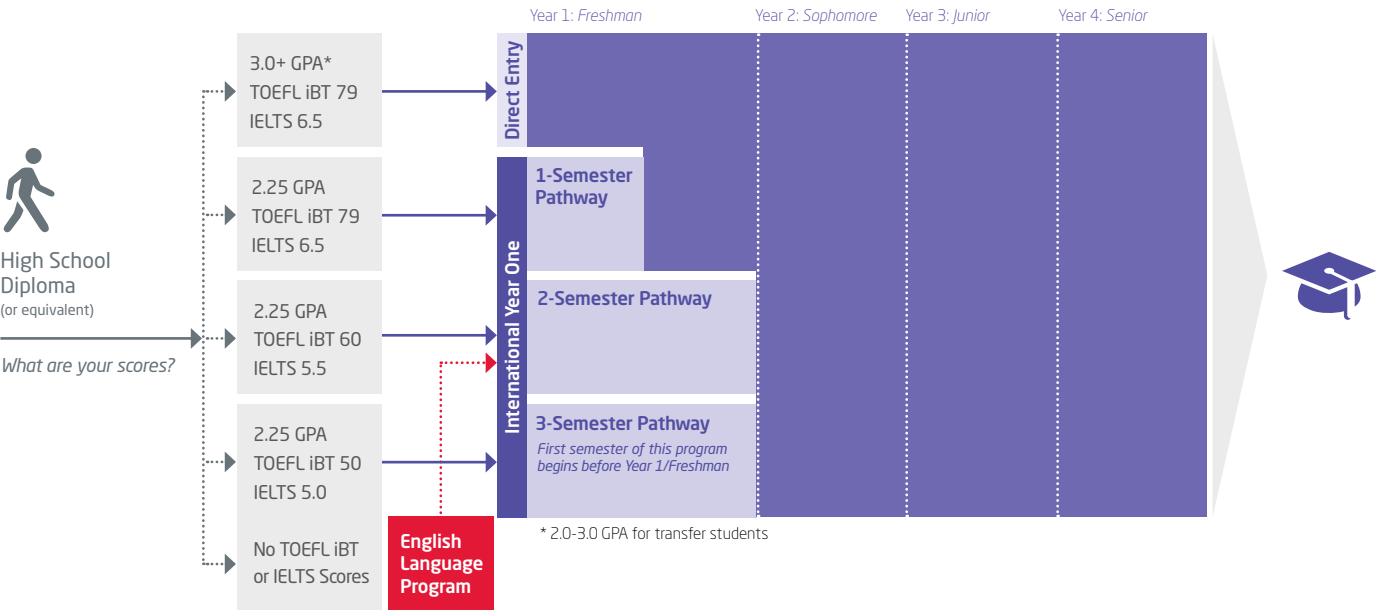
→ **DIRECT ENTRY:** If you meet the academic and English language requirements for your degree program, you can apply directly to Illinois State University. To apply, you will need the following required documents: declarations, high school transcripts, university transcripts (for transfer applicants), proof of high school completion, portfolios and auditions (Fine Arts programs), passport and English test score. An application fee may apply. For more information, visit illinoisstate.edu/admissions/international/requirements

→ **INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE:** International Year One allows you to begin earning credits toward your degree even if you do not meet the academic and English requirements for direct entry. You will receive additional academic, English language and cultural support to help you successfully complete your first year and graduate in the same amount of time as direct entry students. For more information, visit www.intostudy.com/illinoisstate/programs

Entry Requirements				
PROGRAM	DIRECT	INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE		
		1-SEMESTER	2-SEMESTER	3-SEMESTER
Program requirements	High school diploma	High school diploma		
Minimum GPA Equivalent	3.0 Freshman admission 2.0-3.0 Transfer admission	2.25	2.25	2.25
TOEFL iBT	79	79	60	50
IELTS	6.5	6.5	5.5	5.0
IELA	N/A	176	162	154
Duolingo	N/A	120	90	75
Academic English	N/A	N/A	Level 4	N/A
Note: Entry requirements are subject to change and may vary by program.				
<div>Institutional Code</div> <div>TOEFL: 1319</div> <div>SAT: 1319</div> <div>ACT: 1042</div>				
Dates				
PROGRAM	DIRECT	INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE		
Start Dates	Fall 2020: Aug. 2020 Spring 2021: Jan 2021 Summer 2021: May 2021	Fall 2020: Aug 10, 2020 Spring 2021: Jan 4, 2021		

→ **ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM:** If you do not meet the direct or International Year One entry language requirements, you can enter our Academic English program to improve your academic and language skills. Once you have achieved the required language level, you can progress to International Year One. Learn more on page 21.

Undergraduate Degree Program



International Year One Programs

* Estimated credits remaining after Pathway/Total credit hours needed to complete degree.

Semester(s)	Start Dates		Credits*	Entry Requirements: High School Diploma					Progression Requirements	
	Fall	Spring		GPA	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo	GPA	Other
Business										
3-Semester	•		85/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	89/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	104/120		79	6.5	176	120		
Computer Science										
3-Semester	•		83/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	87/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	103/120		79	6.5	176	120		
Fine Arts										
3-Semester	•		80-86/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	84-90/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	102-105/120		79	6.5	176	120		
General										
3-Semester	•		86/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	90/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	105/120		79	6.5	176	120		
Information Systems										
3-Semester	•		84/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	88/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	103/120		79	6.5	176	120		
Science, Applied Sciences and Technology										
3-Semester	•		83/120	2.25	50	5.0	154	75	2.5	• No grade below C • No I or W grades
2-Semester	•	•	87/120		60	5.5	162	90		
1-Semester	•	•	103/120		79	6.5	176	120		

Entry and progression requirements are subject to change and may vary by program. Some majors have limited elective options, and students may be required to earn more than 120 credits to graduate.

[SAMPLE INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE PROGRAM] Science, Applied Sciences and Technology				
2-Semester Pathway		Degree Program Components		Program Information
Fall: August 10, 2020 Spring: January 4, 2021		120 credit hour program 33 credit hours apply from Pathway 87 credit hours remaining toward degree		
Entry Requirements		Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none">High school diploma with equivalent of 2.25 GPA out of 4.0Language requirement:<ul style="list-style-type: none">TOEFL iBT 60IELTS 5.5IELA 162Duolingo 90		IDS 103	Writing for Academic Purposes	3
		IDS 104	Communication for Academic Purposes	3
		IDS 105	Reading for Academic Purposes	3
		MATH 145*	Calculus I	4
		BSC 196	Biological Diversity	4
		Total		17
		Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours
		IDS 130	Advanced Writing for Academic Purposes	3
		IDS 131	Advanced Academic Skills	3
		CHE 140	General Chemistry	4
Major Class or MQM 100	Statistical Reasoning	3		
ANT 185	Cultures of the World	3		
		Total		16
1-Semester Pathway		Degree Program Components		
Fall: August 10, 2020 Spring: January 4, 2021		120 credit hour program 17 credit hours apply from Pathway 103 credit hours remaining toward degree		
Entry Requirements		Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none">High school diploma with equivalent of 2.25 GPA out of 4.0Language requirement:<ul style="list-style-type: none">TOEFL iBT 79IELTS 6.5IELA 176Duolingo 120		IDS 130	Advanced Writing for Academic Purposes	3
		IDS 131	Advanced Academic Skills	3
		CHE 140	General Chemistry	4
		MATH 145*	Calculus I	4
		ANT 185 or HIS 104	Cultures of the World or History of Asia, Middle East, Africa, Latin America or Indigenous People	3
		Total		17

IllinoisState.edu/academics/



US UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION SYSTEM

To graduate with your 4-year undergraduate degree, you will need to take the following classes:

Core classes: General education courses can include English composition, social sciences, humanities, history, mathematics and natural/physical science. These are typically taken at the beginning of your degree.

Major classes: These classes will be about the specific field of study you chose. They are typically taken toward the last part of your degree.

GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

Illinois State University offers 90+ master's degrees to help you develop your passion, strengths and skills into a career. There are multiple ways to begin your graduate studies.

How you start your program depends on your academic profile and your English level. How you finish your program is exactly how you pictured: graduating with a master's or PhD from Illinois State.

→ **Direct Entry:** If you meet the academic and English language requirements for your degree program, you can apply directly to Illinois State.

To apply, you will need the following required documents: declarations, university transcripts, proof of degree, personal statement, portfolios and auditions (for applicable programs), passport and English test score. An application fee may apply. Some programs may also require GRE or GMAT scores.

Graduate degrees are competitive, and an extensive review of your application will be done. Please expect a longer turnaround for an admissions decision. For more information, visit illinoisstate.edu/admissions/international/requirements

→ **Graduate Pathway:** Our Graduate Pathways allow you to begin earning credits toward your degree even if you do not meet the academic and English requirements for direct entry. The program will help build the academic foundation and essential English language skills you need to successfully progress to your master's degree. For more information, visit www.intostudy.com/illinoisstate/programs

→ **English Language Program:** If you do not meet the direct or Graduate Pathway program entry language requirements, you can enter our Academic English program to improve your academic and language skills. Once you have achieved the required language level, you can progress to a Graduate Pathway program. Learn more on page 21.

[SAMPLE GRADUATE PATHWAY PROGRAM] Graduate Pathway in MBA with Business Background				
2-Semester Pathway Fall: August 10, 2020 Spring: January 4, 2021	Degree Program Components		Program Information	
Entry Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none">Completion of an undergraduate degree with background coursework in business, with 2.5 GPA out of 4.0.Background in the following coursework required: Business law essentials; Business math and statistics; Fundamentals of economics (to include micro and macro economics); Financial accounting; Managerial accounting; Principles of management; Principles of marketing; Corporate financeLanguage requirements<ul style="list-style-type: none">TOEFL 79IELTS 6.5IELA 176Duolingo 120	Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours	Progression Requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none">3.0 GPANo grade below BNo I or W grades Notes <p>These courses are generally delivered through the INTO Center and are for Pathway students only.</p>
	IDS 403	Writing for Academic Purposes	3	
	IDS 404	Communication for Academic Purposes	3	
	IDS 405	Reading for Academic Purposes	3	
	MBA 411	Fundamentals of Strategic Decision Making	3	
	MBA 430	Advanced Marketing Management	3	
	Total	15		
	Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours	
	IDS 401	Advanced Writing for Graduate Students	3	
	IDS 431	Advanced Academic Skills for Graduate Students	3	
1-Semester Pathway Fall: August 10, 2020 Spring: January 4, 2021	MBA 416	Applied Tools for Business Decision Making	3	
	MBA 421	Analysis of Organizational Behavior	3	
	Total	12		
	Semester 1	Course Title	Credit Hours	
	IDS 431	Advanced Academic Skills for Graduate Students	3	
	MBA 421 or MBA 430	Analysis of Organizational Behavior or Advanced Marketing Management	3	
	MBA 468	Management Information Systems: Organizational & Technological Issues	3	
	MBA 416	Applied Tools for Business Decision Making	3	
	Total	12		
	Semester 2	Course Title	Credit Hours	

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Graduate Pathway Programs

*Estimated credits remaining after Pathway/Total credit hours needed to complete degree.

Semester	Start Dates		Credits*	Entry Requirements				Progression Requirements			
	Fall	Spring		GPA	Undergraduate Degree	TOEFL	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo	GPA	Other
Accountancy with Accounting Degree											
2-Semester	•	•	24-27/30-45	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Accounting	70	6.0	172	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class GMAT 500
1-Semester	•	•	27-36/30-45			79	6.5	176	120		
Accountancy with Non-Accounting Degree											
2-Semester	•	•	27-36/30-54	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree	70	6.0	172	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class GMAT 500
1-Semester	•	•	27-45/30-54			79	6.5	176	120		
Actuarial Science											
2-Semester	•	•	14-20/30-32	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree Some prerequisite mathematics courses may be required	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	23-25/30-32			79	6.5	176	120		
Arts Technology											
2-Semester	•	•	25/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree Portfolio of creative work	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	29/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Economics [MA/MS: Applied Economics; Electricity, Natural Gas, and Telecommunications Economics; Financial Economics]											
2-Semester	•	•	22/34	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree and completion of specific undergraduate courses with a grade of B or better	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	25/34			79	6.5	176	120		
Fashion Design											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Fashion Merchandising											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Food, Nutrition, and Dietetics											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Food, Nutrition, Dietetics or related field	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Human Development and Family Sciences											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree Students without human development background may be required to take up to 3 prerequisites during their Pathway program	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Hydrogeology											
2-Semester	•	•	20/32	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Geology or completion of specific courses	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	23/32			79	6.5	176	120		
Information Systems with IS Background [MS in General; Geographic Information Systems; Internet Application Development; Network and Security Management; Systems Development]											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39**	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree and completion of specific undergraduate courses with a grade of B or better	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39**			79	6.5	176	120		
Information Systems with Non-Information Systems Background [MS in General; Geographic Information Systems; Internet Application Development; Network and Security Management; Systems Development]											
2-Semester	•	•	39-48/51-60†	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	45/51-60†			79	6.5	176	120		
Interior Design											
2-Semester	•	•	27/39	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree Depending on their undergraduate degree, students may have to take up to 6 prerequisites.	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	30/39			79	6.5	176	120		
Kinesiology and Recreation [MS in Biomechanics; Exercise Physiology]											
2-Semester	•		15/33	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Kinesiology, Exercise Physiology, Biomechanics, Motor Learning or Physical Therapy	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•		24/33			79	6.5	176	120		
Mathematics [MS in Mathematics; Applied Statistics; Biomathematics]											
2-Semester	•	•	16-18/30-32	2.3	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Mathematics	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	24-25/30-32			79	6.5	176	120		
MBA with Business Background											
2-Semester	•	•	24/36	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree with background coursework in business	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	27/36			79	6.5	176	120		
MBA with Non-Business Background - Plan A											
2-Semester	•	•	36/36-43*	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree No work experience required	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	• No grade below B • No W or I grade in a class GMAT 450 • Successful completion of all Business Foundation Modules *Students are required to complete up to 8 business foundation courses.

Entry and progression requirements are subject to change and may vary by program.

**Some students may need to take up to 3 prerequisite courses, which will increase the number of credits needed for degree

†Students may be required to take up to 7 prerequisite courses

* Estimated credits remaining after Pathway/Total credit hours needed to complete degree.

Semester	Start Dates		Credits*	Entry Requirements						Progression Requirements	
	Fall	Spring		GPA	Undergraduate Degree	TOEFL	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo	GPA	Other
MBA with Non-Business Background - Plan B											
2-Semester	•	•	27/36-43*	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree No work experience required	79	6.5	176	120	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a classSuccessful completion of all Business Foundation Modules <p>*Students are required to take up to 8 business foundation courses.</p>
Music [MM in Music Conducting; Collaborative Piano; Music Composition; Music Performance]											
2-Semester	•		20-21/34-35	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in Music Audition required	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•		25-26/34-35			79	6.5	176	120		
Studio Arts											
2-Semester	•		48/60	2.3	4-year Undergraduate Degree Portfolio of creative work	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•		51/60			79	6.5	176	120		
Teaching and Learning											
2-Semester	•		18/30	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree in education OR an undergraduate degree in a subject area with 2+ years full-time teaching experience in the subject area	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•		21/30			79	6.5	176	120		
Technology [MS in Project Management; Quality Management and Analytics; Training and Development]											
2-Semester	•	•	18/30	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	21/30			79	6.5	176	120		
Theatre Studies											
2-Semester	•	•	25/36	2.5	4-year Undergraduate Degree Curriculum Vitae that meets departmental guidelines	65	5.5	169	95	3.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No grade below BNo W or I grade in a class
1-Semester	•	•	29/36			79	6.5	176	120		

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"I picked Illinois State University because I want to be an actuary and get my master's degree in Actuarial Science. I learned that Illinois State had such a good program in Actuarial Science, with a lot of support for the exams that I will need to take. My ambition is to make a big contribution to the industry and to bring the opportunities within Actuarial Science to my home country."

Nutcha, Thailand
MS in Mathematics - Actuarial Science



Key Program Facts

- Program length is 16 weeks (12 weeks in Summer)
- High school diploma required
- No English language requirement; students will be assessed and placed upon arrival
- Minimum age 17
- Multiple levels of instruction from beginner to advanced
- 20 hours of instruction per week

Progression Requirements

- International Year One 2-Semester**
Completion of Academic English Level 4
- Graduate Pathway 2-Semester**
Completion of Academic English Level 4

Start Dates for Academic English

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021
Aug 10, 2020	Jan 4, 2021	May 12, 2021

ACADEMIC ENGLISH

The Academic English program at Illinois State prepares you for university study in the US. You'll receive high-quality English language instruction and build your academic skills to succeed at Illinois State.

What You Will Learn

- Understand US values in an academic setting.
- Present spoken and written ideas accurately and effectively in English.
- Write research papers with proper use of citations and references.
- Read, understand and critically evaluate academic texts.
- Understand and use vocabulary common to academic disciplines.
- Take useful and accurate notes in academic lectures and presentations.

Content-Based Instruction

Students will explore American culture, contemporary American issues, and other topics that will build the background knowledge and the study skills students need for success in their Pathway program courses.

Additional Assistance

Academic English students begin making connections with Americans right away. The Language Partners Program matches American students with Academic English students for conversation practice and cultural exchange. American student tutors are available to help Academic English students practice their speaking, writing and study skills.

Estimated Academic English (AE) Level Based on Test Scores

All students take a placement test during Orientation to determine their AE level. The table below shows how your estimated level of AE compares to your standardized test score.

AE Levels	TOEFL iBT	IELTS	IELA	Duolingo
Level 1	19-29	2.0-2.5	135	N/A
Level 2	30-39	3.0-3.5	142	>54
Level 3	40-49	4.0-4.5	147	55-74
Level 4	50-59	5.0	154	75-89 (Undergraduate) 75-94 (Graduate)

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SCHOLARSHIPS

INTO Illinois State Scholarships			
Scholarship	Award/Benefits	Requirements	Frequency
Regional Scholarship	\$1,000-\$12,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must be enrolled in a Pathway program. Requirements vary; please contact your INTO representative.	For Pathway year only
Illinois State Scholarships			
Scholarship	Award/Benefits	Requirements	Frequency
Undergraduate International Admissions Scholarship	\$1,000/year (3.0 GPA) \$2,000/year (3.5 GPA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Students must have achieved the cumulative admission GPA indicated.	Renewable annually through the length of the student's original study plan, if the student maintains a cumulative 3.0 or 3.5 GPA
Graduate International Admissions Scholarship	\$2,000/year (3.5 GPA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Students must have achieved the cumulative admission GPA indicated.Students with graduate assistantships are not eligible.	Renewable annually through the length of the student's original study plan, if the student maintains a cumulative 3.5 GPA
Presidential Scholarship	\$11,000/year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Direct Undergraduate FreshmanEligible for the Honors ProgramMinimum 1360 SAT (or equivalent ACT)Minimum cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scaleApply for admission by November 15 for the following academic yearAwarded through a competitive scholarship competitionScholarship application is distributed by invitation and is due in early January	Renewable up to 4 years
International Baccalaureate Scholarship	\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Direct Entry Freshmen who complete the IB Diploma Program or IB Career-Related Certificate ProgramApply for admission by November 15 for the following academic yearSubmit eligibility form onlineAcademic credentials must be verified no later than July 15Awarded as funds are available	One-time award

Amounts subject to change. Limited awards at maximum value. For more information visit: FinancialAid.IllinoisState.edu/scholarships

ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE

There are two semesters per academic year (Fall, Spring), each about 17 weeks. Direct entry students also may take classes during a 12-week Summer term for an additional cost.

Undergraduate Programs

Program Length	International Year One			Undergraduate Direct	
	1 Semester	2 Semesters	3 Semesters	1 Semester	2 Semesters
TUITION AND FEES	\$16,604	\$28,881	\$37,544	\$13,535	\$27,069
Housing and Meals*	\$7,262	\$14,523	\$21,786	\$5,225	\$10,450
Books and Supplies	\$400	\$800	\$1,200	\$400	\$800
Insurance	\$361	\$721	\$1,082	\$284	\$567
Other**	\$2,601	\$5,201	\$7,802	\$3,382	\$6,764
LIVING EXPENSES	\$10,624	\$21,245	\$31,870	\$9,291	\$18,581
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$27,228	\$50,126	\$69,414	\$22,826	\$45,650

Graduate Programs

Program Length	Graduate Pathway		Graduate Direct	
	1 Semester	2 Semesters	1 Semester	2 Semesters
TUITION AND FEES	\$15,409	\$26,780	\$11,720	\$23,440
Housing and Meals*	\$4,687	\$9,375	\$4,687	\$9,375
Books and Supplies	\$400	\$800	\$400	\$800
Insurance	\$361	\$721	\$284	\$567
Other**	\$3,235	\$6,470	\$3,334	\$6,667
LIVING EXPENSES	\$8,683	\$17,366	\$8,705	\$17,409
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$24,092	\$44,146	\$20,425	\$40,849

Academic English

Program Length	Academic English
	1 Semester
TUITION AND FEES	\$6,963
Housing and Meals*	\$7,262
Books and Supplies	\$400
Insurance	\$361
Other**	\$2,310
LIVING EXPENSES	\$10,333
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$17,296

* Living Expenses are based on estimated costs and may vary depending on housing and meal plans selected. Living expenses include a limited meal plan.
**Other costs include personal and miscellaneous expenses e.g. laundry, toiletries, healthcare, clothing, transportation and entertainment and will vary depending on personal preference.

All prices are estimated from 2019-20 and are subject to change. Please visit www.intostudy.com/illinoisstate/costs for exact pricing.

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