

## Orientation Frequently Asked Questions

The following are frequently asked questions about Orientation at IU Southeast. If you can't find the answer to your question on this page, we invite you to call the Office of Campus Life at (812) 941-2316 or email us at [campuslife@ius.edu](mailto:campuslife@ius.edu). We are here to help!

### **Is Orientation a required event?**

Yes, all first-year and transfer students are expected to attend Orientation. First-year students must attend Orientation to meet with an advisor and register for fall classes. Transfer students may call the academic school listed on their acceptance letter to make an advising appointment and then register to attend an Orientation.

### **Where do I check in for Orientation?**

First-year and transfer students will check-in for Orientation in University Center North. Parking is free during Orientation, so no permit is necessary in the red zones (student parking). Visit our [campus map](#) for directions.

### **How long is Orientation?**

Orientation for first-year students is a day-long event beginning promptly at 8:30 am and ending around 5:00 pm. First-year students are required to stay for the entire event or repeat the program at a later date.

The overnight orientation runs from 1pm on Thursday until 12pm on Friday. If you sign up for the overnight experience, you are required to stay overnight on campus.

Transfer Student Orientations are from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm. Transfer students are also expected to stay for the entire event. Please inform your academic advisor if for any reason you cannot attend Orientation.

### **Do you host Orientations throughout the summer?**

Yes, we offer 10 New Student Orientations and 3 Transfer Student Orientations from June to August. For a list of available Orientation dates log into the online registration site and select a date that works best for your schedule.

### **When and how can I reserve my parking permit for the fall semester?**

IU Southeast students will reserve their parking permits for the fall online through <https://parking.iu.edu>. For more information about parking permits visit the [University Police website](#).

### **What if I need to change my Orientation date?**

Log back into the online registration site to select an alternate Orientation date. If you have questions, call the Office of Campus Life at (812) 941-2316 and we'll walk you through the process.

### **Are parents required to attend Orientation?**

No, however we believe our Family Orientation offered during New Student Orientation is beneficial to parents and family members, especially those sending a student to college for the first time. Family Orientation runs concurrent with New Student Orientation. There is a cost of \$20 per family member to attend. We ask that you limit your number of guests to two people.

Please be advised, parents and other guests will not remain with first-year students during the Orientation. We want our new student to become familiar with their new college environment and therefore we encourage first-year students to meet other students, faculty and staff independently of their parents.

### **What is the deadline to register for Orientation?**

First-year and Transfer students must register at least one week prior to their Orientation date. No walk-in registrations are accepted at New or Transfer Student Orientation.

### **Will I register for Classes at Orientation?**

First-Year students will register for fall classes during Orientation. Orientation leaders will help you navigate the One.IU system to create your very first schedule. You will leave your Orientation with a print out of your fall course schedule. Transfer students will register for classes once they have met with their academic advisor. Course registration is not a part of the Transfer Student Orientation.

**Do I need to bring any money to my Orientation?**

No, lunch will be provided for all first-year students, transfer students and their family. We simply ask that students bring their university ID card (UCard) to their Orientation, as we will preload the UCard with lunch money.

The New Student Enrollment fee of \$50, which all degree-seeking first-year and transfer students are responsible for paying will be applied to the student's Bursar account after they enroll in classes.

**Is there walking involved in Orientation?**

First-year students and their guests can expect to walk between buildings during Orientation. Orientation activities will take place in a variety of buildings across campus, so we recommend wearing comfortable shoes.

**Are children allowed/encouraged to attend Orientation?**

Yes, but this is a personal decision for your family. Please keep in mind that some information sessions may be too long for young children. Childcare is not provided during Orientation.

**How is the overnight orientation different from the one-day orientation?**

During the overnight orientation, you will have the opportunity to stay the night on campus in our lodges. There is an additional fee of \$25 to cover the cost of your overnight stay.

**How are family and parents involved in the overnight orientation?**

Family and parents are invited to participate in our family program on day one of the orientation program from 1pm-7pm. Overnight accommodations are not provided for parents and family members. If you need assistance finding overnight accommodations in the area, please contact Campus Life at 812-941-2316.

**What will I need for the overnight orientation?**

Pillow, blankets, towels and a wash cloth will be provided for your overnight stay. Please bring an extra set of clothes, toiletries (shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.), and snacks (if desired).

**Can I attend both a one day and the overnight orientation?**

No. You are only eligible to attend one orientation.

**After Orientation:****I attended Orientation, so what do I do next?**

New Student Induction Day is your next big event scheduled for Friday, August 19, 2016. You'll learn more about this celebratory event during your Orientation. Students living in the lodges in the fall will want to mark their calendars for Move-In Day on Thursday, August 18, 2016. Fall classes begin Monday, August 22, 2016.

**I created my fall course schedule at Orientation, but how can I make changes to it?**

Students can make changes to their course schedule up through the first week of classes without any financial penalty using [One.IU](#). Search for and click student center. Simply click on the "register & drop/add" link in the Student Center tab.

**When can I purchase my textbooks?**

Textbooks for the fall semester become available for purchase in the Barnes & Noble Bookstore in early August. However, students may preorder textbooks online using the "view/purchase textbooks" link in [One.IU](#).

**When will I receive my parking permit that I preordered during New Student Orientation?**

You should receive your parking permit approximately a week before fall classes begin. If you failed to preorder your permit for the fall, you may visit the University Police Department located in University Center North, room 027.