Greetings from the Office of First Year Experience Programs

March is often a whirlwind on campus! Between mid-term exams, spring break, and March Madness, there are certainly plenty of activities to fill your schedule. Prioritize when needed. Make time to study hard for exams, but also allow yourself to unwind by spending time with family and friends. Topics for this March Newsletter include:

- Spring Break Tips
- Back in Business
- FYEssentials
- Tau Sigma Inductees
- Welcome Week Assistants
- Choices and Challenges

Spring Break Tips

Spring break is just around the corner! Check out tips to make your spring break safe and fun.

- "PCB? So not me!" Spring Break Alternatives from IU’s student blog We Are IU
- Spring Break Safety Tips from the IU Police Department
- Ideas for a productive break
- Traveling for spring break? Read these tips to college students to have a safe spring break.
- Staying in Bloomington for spring break? Check out Visit Bloomington’s list of things to do in Bloomington during spring break.
Whatever you choose to do this spring break–catch up on studying or work, travel, relax at home with family or friends, or stay on campus–take some time just to get centered for the final weeks of your first year as a Hoosier. You will be amazed at how fast the rest of the semester will go, and there is still much to do. You'll want to end with a bang, so while you are enjoying some time away from your classes, spend a bit of that time planning out the next couple of months. Consider your study schedule, your summer planning, your own academic and social IU Bucket List as well as the official **IU Bucket List**–you still have time your first year to knock out some of those items, too! See below for some ideas.

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**Back in Business:**
**Alternative Majors and Minors for Students Interested in Business**

**Tuesday, March 29**
6:00-8:30pm
**Indiana Memorial Tree Suites**

This mini-conference will include three panel sessions and a reception. Each session will be moderated by a Career Development Center staff member.

The three sessions are as follows:

1. Alternative Majors & Minors for Students Interested in Business (SPEA, AMID, Psychology)
3. Minors & Certificates for Students Interested in Business (Kelley, LAMP)

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**FYEssentials**

By attending events included in the FYEssentials calendar, you will discover a variety of resources and venues for a complete First Year Experience. For the complete list of FYEssentials spring events, click [here](#). Below are a few of the many events happening in March:

- **Lil Wayne Concert**
  Thursday, March 3
  Assembly Hall, 7pm
  Buy tickets [here](#).

- **Arts of Kenya Opening Reception**
  Friday, March 4
  IU Art Museum, 6:30pm

- **Spring Ballet**
  Saturday, March 26
  Musical Arts Center, 7:30pm
Banff Film Festival
March 26-27
Buskirk-Chumley Theater

Congratulations to Tau Sigma Inductees
On February 20, the Office of First Year Experience Programs inducted the second class of transfer students into the Tau Sigma Honor Society at Indiana University Bloomington. Membership eligibility for Tau Sigma is based upon superior academic achievement (defined by at least a 3.5 non-cumulative GPA) by transfer students during their first semester here at Indiana University Bloomington. Congratulations new inductees!

Apply to be a Welcome Week Assistant
Want to be a part of one of IU’s largest traditions? Be a Welcome Week Assistant! WWAs get to move back to campus early (at no extra cost if you live on campus), welcome and help new students, plan and participate in some great events, and have a great time doing it! Learn more about Welcome Week and WWAs here.

Choices and Challenges
Who am I? Where am I going? How do I get there? These are important questions to ask when choosing a major and career. Below are workshops provided by the Career Development Center to help you navigate these questions. All workshops will take place in the Career Development Center, located at 625 N. Jordan Ave.

Who am I?
It’s a question everyone asks at one point or another! This workshop will give you the tools you need to learn all about who you are and how to leverage yourself in order to pursue a major and career you’ll love. You’ll learn about all the different self-assessment instruments available to you through the Career Development Center and how they position you to handle the BIG questions.
Wednesday, Mar. 2: 6-7pm
Thursday, Apr. 7: 6-7pm

Where am I going?
What should I major in? Do I need to choose a career path already? In this workshop you will learn how to explore majors & careers, so you can make the best choices possible.
Thursday, Mar. 3: 6-7pm
Tuesday, Apr. 5: 6-7pm

How do I get there?
This workshop will teach you how to find valuable opportunities along the way and how to put together a great resume!
Tuesday, Mar. 1: 6-7pm
Wednesday, Apr. 6: 6-7pm
Quick Notes

Important dates: Below we provide a couple of dates to note. For a list of important academic dates, visit studentcentral.indiana.edu.

- FAFSA Due - March 10
- Spring Break - March 12 (after last class)–20
- Residence Centers close for Spring Break: March 12, 10am
- IU Day - April 12
- Little 500 - April 15-16

The IU Bucket List: Your "Must Do at IU"

What have you accomplished on the official IU Bucket List so far? You can see the official list, suggested by students like you, at this link. Look for items such as these:

- Experience an opera at the Musical Arts Center
- Learn about controversial sex research at the Kinsey Institute
- Play Frisbee in Dunn Meadow

This month's featured Bucket List item: Paint your face for an IU basketball game. Display some Hoosier Nation spirit and go all out by painting your face for a highly anticipated game!

Additional Resources

Visit the FYE events calendar for upcoming programs on campus and around Bloomington.

Still have questions? Check out the Online IU Resource Guide, a tool that provides links to services and information related to academic life, campus involvement, housing, health and wellness, transportation, and more.

And, as always, connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for announcements, ideas for getting involved, and insights from students who have been in your shoes.