Getting You
TO,
INTO
and
THROUGH

Graduate & Professional School

IUPUI GRADUATE OFFICE
THE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
It’s important to know your educational and professional goals when making the decision to go to graduate or professional school. If you think you can best achieve your goals through graduate education, make a commitment and keep those goals in mind to help you get to, into, and through graduate or professional school.

**GET TO**

the right university that will springboard your career using campus visits and web-based research as tools to make an informed decision.

**GET INTO**

the perfect program by submitting a polished application that represents you and your goals well.

**GET THROUGH**

graduate or professional school by enlisting support from a network of sources on and off campus.

In addition to family, friends, and faculty mentors, be sure to tap campus career and financial aid advisors, student organizations, writing and communication specialists, international and community engagement options, and teaching experts.

**THE WHY**

People choose to go to graduate or professional school for a variety of reasons. What’s yours?

- Enhance job satisfaction
- Advance career
- Increase earnings
- Earn necessary credentials
- Teach at the university level
- Contribute to the knowledge base
- Develop skills and interests into a specific career
**THE CAMPUS**

IUPUI is Indiana’s premier urban public research campus. At IUPUI, you can choose from more than 250 graduate degrees in 17 schools from both Purdue University and Indiana University. In total, IUPUI enrolls more than 30,000 students (8,000+ are graduate/professional students) who represent all 50 states and 122 countries.

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**Kimberly Dreison**  
PhD in Clinical Psychology  
Having grown up in Los Angeles, CA, I particularly appreciate Indianapolis’ low cost of living and ease of getting around the city (in terms of both light traffic and abundant parking). I also enjoy the unique outdoor resources that this city has to offer, such as the Monon Trail and Canal Walk.

**Alan Tyson II**  
PhD in Music Technology  
Indianapolis reminds me of a large city and a small city all in one. There are opportunities in Indianapolis that give it the “feel” of a big city, yet the culture and positive values of the city remind me of a smaller, more intimate setting.

**Jeff Gehlhausen**  
MD/PhD in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
Between word of mouth, my own research, and meetings with faculty members on campus, I learned about a number of fantastic mentors at IUPUI performing great basic science research with a disease-related focus.

**Preethi Srinivas**  
PhD in Human-Computer Interaction  
I have always wanted to pursue education in a well-recognized research-focused institution, and the School of Informatics and Computing (SOIC) at IUPUI is run by a group of well-renowned faculty that fit this criterion.

**Taylor Rhodes**  
MPA in Nonprofit Management and MA in Philanthropic Studies  
For my programs specifically, IUPUI was the best choice. The IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs is top ranked and the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy is globally recognized as the first of its kind.

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**THE CITY**

Located in the heart of downtown Indianapolis, IUPUI offers its graduate students many job, internship, community engagement, research, and social and recreational opportunities. As the 12th largest city in the country, and the state capital of Indiana, Indianapolis has close proximity to several major interstates, thus its nickname: Crossroads of America.

We’re home to professional sports teams, state-of-the-art concert venues, numerous bike lanes and trails, an emerging foodie scene and nightlife, as well as businesses ranging from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies.

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According to livability.com, Indianapolis is ranked as having the “No. 3 Downtown in the U.S.” based on entertainment options, beautiful architecture, green spaces and planning that went into the city’s design.
# THE PROGRAMS

## IU Herman School of Art & Design

**Art Education**

**Art Therapy**

**Visual Art**

**Ceramics**

**Furniture Design**

**Photography & Intermedia**

**Printmaking**

**Sculpture**

**Visual Communication Design**

## IU Kelley School of Business

**Accounting**

**Business Administration**

**Accounting**

**Entrepreneurship**

**Marketing**

**Supply Chain Management**

**Business of Medicine**

**Taxation**

## IU Lilly Family School of Philanthropic Studies

**Philanthropic Studies**

## IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health

**Biostatistics**

**Epidemiology**

**Global Health Leadership**

**Health Administration**

**Health Policy**

**Health Policy & Management**

**Health Systems Management**

**Product Stewardship**

**Public Health**

**Biostatistics**

**Environmental Health**

**Epidemiology**

**Health Policy & Management**

**Social & Behavioral Sciences**

## IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law

**Advocacy Skills**

**Civil and Human Rights**

**Environmental Law**

**Environmental & Natural Resources Law**

**Jurisdiction**

**Laws**

**American Law for Foreign Lawyers**

**Corporate & Commercial Law**

**Health Law, Policy & Bioethics**

**Intellectual Property Law**

**International & Comparative Law**

## IU School of Art & Design

**Dentistry**

**Dental Materials**

**Endodontics**

**Operative Dentistry**

**Orthodontics**

**Pediatric Dentistry**

**Periodontics**

**Prosthodontics**

**Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery**

## IU School of Business Administration

**MBA**

**Accounting**

**Accounting**

**Entrepreneurship**

**Finance**

**Marketing**

**Supply Chain Management**

**Visual Communication Design**

## IU School of Education

**Elementary Education**

**Secondary Education**

## IU School of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences

**Dental Internship Professional Certificate**

**Health & Rehabilitation Science**

**Health Sciences**

**Nutrition & Dietetics**

**Occupational Therapy**

**Physical Therapy**

## IU School of Informatics and Computing

**Biocomputation**

**Clinical Informatics**

**Data Science**

**Health Informatics**

**Health Information Management & Exchange**

**Health Information Security**

**Human-Computer Interaction**

**Informatics**

**Informatics for Public Health Professionals**

**Medical Informatics**

**Library Science**

## IU School of Liberal Arts

**American Philosophy**

**American Studies**

**Applied Anthropology**

**Applied Communication**

**Biometrics**

**Economics**

**English**

**Geographic Information Science**

**Health Communication**

**History**

**International History**

**Public History**

**United States History**

## IU School of Medicine

**Anesthesia**

**Biochemistry & Molecular Biology**

**Cellular & Integrative Physiology**

**Clinical Research**

**Genetic Counseling**

**Innovation & Implementation Science**

**Medical & Molecular Genetics**

**Medical Dosimetry**

**Medical Neuroscience**

**Medical Science**

**Medical Student Training Program**

**Nursing**

**Advanced Practice Nursing**

## IU School of Nursing

**Nursing**

**Adolescent Nursing**

**Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner**

**Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner**

**Family Nurse Practitioner**

**Infant Nursing**

**Nursing in Health Systems**

**Nursing Education**

**Nursing Informatics**

**Nursing Practice**

**Nursing Science**

## IU School of Physical Education and Tourism Management

**Event Tourism**

**Research**

**Sports Event Tourism**

## IU School of Public and Environmental Affairs

**Criminal Justice & Public Safety**

**Disaster Health Management**

**Homeland Security & Emergency Management**

**Library Administration**

**Public Affairs**

**Public Relations**

**Sociology**

**Medical Sociology**

**Spanish (Teaching)**

**Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages**

**Teaching Literacy**

**Teaching Writing**

**Translation Studies**

## IU School of Social Work

**Social Work**

**Mental Health/Addictions**

**Child Welfare**

**Health**

**Leadership**

**MSW Direct Program (Online)**

## IUPUI School of Engineering and Technology

**Biomedical Engineering**

**Computer-Aided Mechanical Engineering**

**Digital Signal Processing**

**Electrical & Computer Engineering**

**Energy Management & Assessment**

**Human Resource Development**

**Hybrid Electric Vehicle Technology**

**Mechanical Engineering**

**VLSI Technology**

**Music Therapy**

**Systems Engineering**

**Technology**

**Information Security & Assurance (Online)**

**Applied Data Management & Analytics**

**Facilities Management**

**Motorsports**

**Organizational Leadership**

**Technical Communication**

## IUPUI School of Science

**Archaeology**

**Astronomy**

**Biology**

**Biocomputing**

**Biological Sciences**

**Chemistry**

**Civil Engineering**

**Computer Science**

**Electrical & Computer Engineering**

**Environmental Engineering**

**Geology**

**Geophysical Sciences**

**Geosciences**

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**Geosciences**

**Mathematics**

**Physics**

**Psychology**

**Zoology**

* Indicates areas of concentrations

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THE APPLICATION PROCESS

This serves as a general guideline. It is important to contact your program of interest to get their specific application requirements.

Start at least 15 months from anticipated enrollment

• Begin to draft a personal statement of your academic and professional goals.
• Explore graduate programs. Become familiar with faculty interests, entrance requirements, and deadlines. Visit the campus to learn more about it and your program of interest.
• Contact graduate programs that interest you and request information.
• Review for standardized entrance exam(s).

1 year before enrollment

• Share your personal statement with your professors, advisors, and mentors. Get their advice about which graduate programs you might consider.
• If you are currently a student, consult your campus writing center to review your statement.
• Narrow your graduate program choices.
• Register to take standardized entrance exam(s).

10 months before enrollment

• Take standardized entrance exam(s).
• Revise your personal statement, tailoring it to your chosen graduate programs.
• Order transcripts.

9 months before enrollment

• Read the application instructions and know the requirements.
• Ask faculty for letters of recommendation. Give them advanced notice and tell them the deadline.

8 months before enrollment

• Follow up to ensure supporting documents were received.
• Remind faculty of letters of recommendation deadline.

4–5 months before enrollment

• Accept or decline offer(s) of admission.

The Funding

Funding for graduate school is available but it may take some extra work on your part, as it can come from a variety of sources. Most graduate-level funding at IUPUI is offered through the academic schools and varies by department. Financial support could also be offered as assistantships. Ask someone in your program’s admissions office about these possibilities as well as any other sources of funding available.

For more information on awards and fellowships at IUPUI through The University Graduate School, go to graduate.iupui.edu/admissions.

Funding that comes from organizations and corporations unaffiliated with the university are also available.

For information on federal unsubsidized and PLUS loans, go to iupui.edu/~finaid.

Midwest Student Exchange Program

The Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP) was established by the Midwestern Higher Education Compact to increase interstate educational opportunities for students in its member states. The program enables legal residents of Illinois, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin to receive 150% of in-state tuition at IUPUI. Approximately 100 graduate/professional programs at IUPUI participate in this program. Read more at graduate.iupui.edu/admissions/msep.
The Graduate Student Community

Student Organizations
There are many student organizations and activities to participate in at IUPUI. A few that are focused on graduate and professional students are the Graduate Professional Student Government (GPSG), the Underrepresented Professional and Graduate Student Organization (UPnGO) and the Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS).

Academic and Professional Development

Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals (PFFP)
PFFP exposes current IUPUI graduate students and postdoctoral fellows to a full range of career options, responsibilities, and mentoring in academic and non-academic careers through year round programming.

Three Minute Thesis (3MT®)
The Three Minute Thesis (3MT®), developed by The University of Queensland, is an exercise that cultivates PhD students’ academic, presentation, and research communication skills. The competition supports their capacity to effectively explain their research in three minutes, in a language appropriate to a non-specialist audience.

Center for Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL)
IUPUI and Indiana University, Bloomington are members of the Center for Integration of Research, Teaching, and Learning (CIRTL), a network of 46 universities dedicated to the advancement of undergraduate education in STEM and other disciplines through the professional development of future faculty. CIRTL accomplishes this advancement through the core ideas of Teaching-as-Research, Learning Communities, and Learning Through Diversity. Go to cirtl.iupui.edu for more information.

Writing Group
The Graduate Student Writing Group provides graduate and professional students weekly support and accountability with writing projects such as theses and dissertations, grants or publications.

GradGrants
The GradGrants office offers one-on-one sessions to identify potential sources of grants and fellowships, strategize before or during the application process, and review all materials before graduate students submit their applications. The office also offers grant writing assistance workshops.

THE RESEARCH AND IMPACT

- IUPUI researchers attracted nearly $429 million in external grants and awards for research funding in 2015-2016
- 2,021 external research grants were awarded in 2015-2016
- The campus includes about 86 research centers

Some examples of the work our IUPUI researchers are doing:

- Fabricating artificial facial parts using digital technology for patients who have had cancer surgery or facial trauma such as injuries sustained from a car accident, gunshot wound or burn.
- Advancing our understanding of blood pressure responses during exercise at different stages of pulmonary vascular disease development and with different exercise approaches.
- Researching how non-rainfall water sources, especially fog and dew, impact drylands agriculture. The data will improve scientists’ ability to predict how future climate change will affect these dryland environments, which are home to more than 2.5 billion people and represent the largest biome on Earth.
- Studying if prison populations can be reduced without endangering the public.
- Identifying risk and protective factors for chronic post-traumatic headache to develop effective preventive and therapeutic strategies for this common, debilitating symptom.
- Developing therapies to prevent or cure glaucoma.
- Understanding how different racial groups cope with pain which may inform chronic pain care and support individually tailored treatment.
- Finding a technique for detection of illicit enhancement of racing-tire performance.

Megan Stringer
PhD in Addiction Neuroscience
We administer various potential preclinical treatments to a mouse model of Down Syndrome (DS) to try and improve the various deficits that are seen in DS. The mouse model we use is a good model because it displays many of the cognitive and skeletal deficits that are seen in DS.

Akshayalakshmi Sridhar
PhD in Biology
As a graduate student, I got involved with Preparing Future Faculty and Professionals Program (PFFP) for career advice beyond my PhD. I first heard about the 3MT Competition via email and I was immediately excited to give it a shot. I was particularly interested in this event as explaining my thesis in layman terms is a situation that I encounter on a regular basis – in my interactions with teaching undergraduates, colleagues from different fields of science or explaining what I do to my family. (2015 3MT Competition at IUPUI first place winner)
The best way to experience IUPUI is to visit. Meet with an admissions representative and/or faculty and take a tour of the department and campus. Ask if you can meet students who are in your program of interest. Explore downtown Indianapolis to get a feel for the city.

**Organized activities for campus visits include:**

**Getting into Graduate School Information Sessions**
Our one-hour Information Sessions are offered four times/year to assist you with making the decision to go to graduate school as well as understanding the components of the application package. Many graduate programs host their own information sessions or Open Houses so be sure to check your program’s website.

**Accelerate Acceptance: The Secrets of Graduate School Admissions Speed Sessions – held annually in the spring**
Learn about topics related to graduate school admissions from graduate admissions experts in a speed-dating type model. Topics might include: Letters of Recommendation, Personal Statements, GRE Test Preparation, Application Process & Timeline, Funding Graduate School, and The Differences Between Undergraduate and Graduate School.

**Graduate School Admissions Boot Camp – held annually during the fall semester**
Boot Camp is designed to help you with your graduate or professional application with an in depth focus on personal statements. Other topics might include: Chat with Faculty, Funding Graduate School, and Preparing for the GRE.

**Graduate Expo at IUPUI – held annually during the fall semester**
This graduate education fair is a great place for you to learn about many of the programs at IUPUI and 40+ other universities from around the nation all in one place, which means saving money and time.

**Getting You Into IUPUI Institute – a multi-day event held annually during the fall semester**
If you are from an underrepresented and under-served background, and are interested in pursuing a doctoral or MFA program offered by IUPUI, apply to attend the Getting You Into IUPUI Institute. If you are selected, you will have a personalized agenda that may include meeting with faculty, staff, and current graduate students; touring program facilities; sitting in on a class; and receiving assistance on preparing your graduate school application. Selected participants receive a scholarship to cover travel and program related expenses.