Staying in Status
Franklin Hall 306
Email: intlserv@indiana.edu
Phone: 812-855-9086
www.indiana.edu/~intlserv

Hours: 9-12 and 1-4 Monday-Friday
Quick Question Advising: 1:00-3:30 Monday-Friday
• Issue visa documents for travel and to extend your stay in the United States
• Assist with visa documents for your dependent family members
• Provide assistance with applications to change visa status
• Supply limited information on travel to other countries
• Assist with paperwork for you to withdraw from all classes

**OIS works for IU, NOT for Homeland Security. We do have a responsibility to report information to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security about you if you drop below full-time enrollment, work without authorization, or your visa document expires. We are a safe place to come and ask questions. We’re here to help you!**
What You Need to Know

- Maintaining your status
- Employment
- Travel
- What are all these websites?
Status Maintenance

• Read your IU email REGULARLY!
  – We will email you from intlserv@indiana.edu or from sevisiu@indiana.edu

• Enroll full-time each fall and spring semester
  – Undergraduates must enroll in 12 credits
  – Graduates must enroll in 8 credits
  – Check the OIS website for information about exceptions
  – Check with OIS advisors BEFORE you underenroll!

• Keep your documents valid
  – Do NOT let your I-20 or DS-2019 expire!

• Work ONLY with authorization first!

• Check OIS website for more information:
  – http://www.indiana.edu/~intlserv/students/f-1/status/index.php
  – http://www.indiana.edu/~intlserv/students/j-1/status/index.php
• Work ONLY with authorization
  – F-1? You can work on-campus (paycheck from IU) for up to 20 hours per week during academic year
    • 20+ hours per week during annual vacations
    • F-2? CANNOT work
  – J-1? You can work on-campus (paycheck from IU) for up to 20 hours per week during academic year WITH written authorization from program sponsor
    • 20+ hours per week during annual school vacations
    • J-2? Can work with authorization card from USCIS
Off-Campus Employment
F-1 Students

• F-1 students can work off-campus with:
  – CPT during program of study or OPT after program of study
  – Work MUST be within field of study
  – MUST have authorization BEFORE you begin working!

• See OIS website for more information:
Off-Campus Employment

J-1 Students

- J-1 students can work off-campus
  - Academic training during or after program of study
  - Work MUST be within field of study
  - MUST have authorization BEFORE you begin working!

- See OIS website for more information:
Travel Outside the U.S.

- Get travel signatures on your documents BEFORE you leave Bloomington
  - Submit travel signature request on iStart (http://istart.iu.edu)
- Keep your passport valid for 6 months beyond the date you plan to return to the US
- Keep your F-1 or J-1 visa valid upon the date of your return to the US
- Questions about travel to other countries? Come to OIS!
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• iStart

Welcome to the iStart Services Login Page

Technology is key to our proactive approach. Our information services and experienced staff enable efficient management of student and scholar data, and our iStart portal provides individualized, web-based services. The following are the types of iStart online services available for international students, scholars, & staff.

Full iStart Client Services for Students & Scholars

Secure services requiring login with your institutional Network ID and password. These services include:

1. View and update information on file
2. Submit electronic form (e-form) requests for travel signatures, reduced course load authorization, program extensions, etc.
3. Access alerts and notes on file that require action in order to maintain legal status

Limited Services for Students & Scholars

Limited services requiring login with your University ID number and date of birth. These services include:

1. Limited student services like registration for orientation or SEVIS transfer-in.
2. Limited initial intake forms for J-1 scholars or H-1B employees.

These services will NOT provide all the functionality of the full iStart client services.

Limited iStart Services

The following are additional iStart services:

International Student & Scholar Statistical Reports
Anonymous Feedback (surveys, evaluations, etc)
Administrative Services for University Departments
Technology Update
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- OneStart

OneStart is Indiana University’s Web-based application portal that provides a common front door to online services at all IU campuses. OneStart offers easier and more direct access to the multitude of services available for students, faculty, and staff. The goal for OneStart is to create a virtual campus community—a place to study, work, collaborate, and have fun.

IU News: Administrative Offices

IU receives Environmental Stewardship Award for energy-saving Microsteam Power System. Carrier Corp. has presented Indiana University with an Environmental Stewardship Award, in recognition of the university’s commitment to sustainable systems and in celebration of the milestone reached by the energy-saving Microsteam Power System used for green power generation in Indiana University’s Central Heating Plant. The microsteam has produced one gigawatt hour of electricity since it was installed in January.

CTSI awards early-stage research grants to scientists at IU, Purdue, Notre Dame. Ten teams of Indiana scientists have been awarded $750,000 in grants from the Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI). The awards will encourage statewide collaborations and speed the development of new medical treatments and services.

High school students interning through CTSI-NEED program, “take it to next level.” When people ask Kaehn Hawn how she’s spending her summer vacation, they rarely expect the answer they receive. While many her age are stretched out in the sun or toiling at a summer job, Hawn, a junior at Warren Central High School, has been contributing to laboratory research on targeted gene therapy for colorectal and cervical cancer.

Media Advisory: Explore sustainability work of young STEM students Monday during Media Day at IU Science Camp. Indiana University will host a Media Day introducing the press to the workings of the two-week Experiential Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp for a diverse group of Indiana middle school students. Designed to stimulate interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), the camp this year focuses on the theme of “Understanding Sustainability From the Ground Up: The World of Water.”

Australia’s national university honors IU president. Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie earned a major distinction in his native Australia today (July 16) when he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters degree during a ceremony at The Australian National University, Australia’s top-ranked institution of higher education.
Stayed Tuned

• For more information
  – Check out our website
  – Call our office
  – Email our office
  – Stop by our office

Have a great semester!