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The University of Southern Indiana is committed to principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action.

MISSION AND VISION

The place to be...

...yourself.

Break the mold, learn new things, discover new passions.

...for community.

Engage in a diverse and supportive learning environment.

... for convenience.

Academic buildings are a short walk or hop on the campus shuttle.



Congratulations on your admission to the University of Southern Indiana!

This is a memorable achievement in your academic journey, and we are excited to welcome you to our vibrant campus community. One of the next steps you will want to take is selecting your on-campus housing. With convenient access to classes, resources, and activities, on-campus housing not only enhances your academic experience but also offers a comforting space to relax and connect with fellow students.

Here, you will find information about campus housing and how to apply. Oncampus housing is a popular option for many students!

With Screaming Eagle Pride,

The Housing and Residence Life Team

Housing and Residence Life

Shaping our living learning experience into an exceptional community.

Mission

It is the mission of Housing and Residence Life to provide a high-quality, affordable, convenient and safe living environment for members of the USI community that is culturally enriching, conducive to academic success and creates opportunities for personal growth.

Core Values

Collaboration • Diversity • Innovation Integrity • Learning





THE PLACE TO BE

College is a time of transition—and a time of preparation.

Living on campus is an outstanding way to prepare for life beyond the college experience. You will learn basic living skills like cooking, laundry, cleaning and budgeting. When you become part of our housing community, you take advantage of the rich variety of educational, social, cultural and recreational activities that will help you now and in the future.



Campus Living Advantages

Choice

First-year students may choose to live in campus apartments or in the residence halls. Students in their second, third and fourth years may choose to live in one of four different apartment areas.

Convenience

By living on campus, you are always close to academic buildings, Rice Library, the Recreation, Fitness and Wellness Center (RFWC), campus activities, athletic events, campus dining options and the campus shuttle bus. Because things are convenient, you seldom have to search for a parking space, something to do, or help when you need it.

Save Money

Campus living is affordable, maintenancefree and your bills are predictable. Internet service, utilities (electric, water, sewage) and shuttle bus service are provided at no additional cost. This leaves you free to focus on the most important things—your academic and personal success!

Academic Support

Campus housing provides educational programs, theme learning communities, computer labs, study lounges and quiet hours to maintain an environment supportive of academic success.

Friendship

From the day you move in, you'll find a variety of educational and social programs that help ease your transition to USI. Living on campus provides the best environment for expanding your understanding of people and for making new friends.

Involvement

Campus living also provides great ways to easily get involved in USI campus life by joining clubs and organizations, participating in intramurals, attending athletic events, taking on leadership roles, exploring academic programs and simply kicking back and hanging out with friends.

Safety and Security

Campus housing is staffed with full-time professional and part-time student staff who are dedicated to supporting your success at USI. Housing staff members are available and on call. USI Public Safety is always available to assist you.

Technology Services

All campus housing facilities have direct Ethernet connections (residents must provide Ethernet cables) and wireless Internet access to serve your academic needs. Computers and print stations are located in the residence halls, Housing and Residence Life office and Residence Life Community Center. Students are close to University computer labs and can get technical support from the USI Information Technology department.



LIVING OPTIONS

Whether you are in a campus apartment or one of the residence hall suites, you will have all you need to succeed.

Campus housing is divided into six communities: two residence halls and four campus apartment complexes. All rooms are furnished and are equipped with wired and wireless Internet access. Utilities are included in your housing rate. All campus communities have laundry facilities for student use and parking near where you live.

Residence Halls

Newman and Governors Halls

Newman and Governors are located to the east of University Boulevard, across from academic buildings and adjacent to the Recreation, Fitness and Wellness Center (RFWC) and Rice Library. The halls are freshmen-only buildings.

O'Bannon and Ruston Halls

O'Bannon and Ruston are located to the east of University Boulevard, across from academic buildings and adjacent to the Screaming Eagles Valley Complex and Disc Golf Course. The halls house the Theme Learning Communities and are freshmenonly buildings.

Students living in Residence Halls are required to have an Eagle Meal Plan (see pg. 11).

Campus Apartments

O'Daniel South

This group of 10 apartment buildings is on the northeast side of campus, near the Residence Life Resource Center, which includes a community laundry room.

O'Daniel North

Within this area of 11 apartment buildings is the Housing and Residence Life central office, mail center and four community computers with printing station.

McDonald East

These apartments offer easy access to Schutte Road or the main campus. Greek life and Graduate/Independent housing are located in McDonald East.

McDonald West

This community has nine apartment buildings and the Residence Life Community Center, which includes a laundry facility, community space, computers, ATM and convenience store. This area includes freshmen-only buildings.

Housing offers both same gender and gender inclusive room assignments. Gender inclusive housing allows students to live with roommates and suitemates regardless of gender identity.

For more information contact our office at living@usi.edu or visit USI.edu/housing/ housing-options/gender-inclusive-housing.



RATES AND CONTRACTS

Apply

The 2025–2026 housing application and contract will be available online December 2. There is a \$50 non-refundable application fee and a \$300 Room Reservation Fee. The deadline to cancel the contract without penalty is June 1, 2025. Room selection for new students will be in May 2025.

To access the housing application process, visit USI.edu/housing.

Contracts

Read the contract terms and conditions carefully before electronically signing the contract. The contract terms and conditions are available at USI.edu/housing. If you have questions before you sign, contact us at 812-468-2000, living@usi.edu or USI.edu/housing.

All students living in University housing sign a contract for the academic year and any cancellations will result in the charges listed in the terms and conditions being applied to your student account.

Renter's Insurance

The University of Southern Indiana strongly advises that personal renter's insurance be purchased by students living in housing. USI shall not be directly or indirectly liable for loss or theft of personal property, or for damage or destruction of such property by fire, water or other causes. Check your family's homeowner's insurance policy; college students living on campus may be covered.

For more information about our Housing and Residence Life communities and frequently asked questions, check out our website USI.edu/housing.

Residence Halls

Two-Bedroom Unit

Four-person/two-bedroom suite \$2,704/semester

Two-person/two-bedroom suite* \$3,706/semester

One-Bedroom Unit

One-person/one-bedroom studio* \$3,206/semester

Campus Apartments

Two-Bedroom Unit Four-person/two-bedrooms \$2,704/semester

Two-person/two-bedrooms* \$4,677/semester

Three-person/two-bedrooms

(McDonald East only)Small bedroom single\$3,706/semesterBig bedroom double\$2,704/semester

One-Bedroom Unit

One-person/one-bedroom*

\$5,881/semester *limited availability

FLOOR PLANS



Residence Halls

Newman, Governors, O'Bannon and Ruston Residence Halls Two-bedroom Floor Plan



One-bedroom Dimensions (floor plan not pictured) Room - 12' x 12' Bathroom - 6' x 5' Closet - 6' x 2.5'

All dimensions listed for Residence Halls and campus apartments are approximate.

Campus Apartments



One-bedroom Dimensions (floor plan not pictured) Living room - 15' x 11.5' Bedroom - 13' x 12' Bathroom - 6' x 8.5' Kitchen - 15' x 8'

O'Daniel North/South and McDonald West Apartments Two-bedroom Floor Plan



One-bedroom Dimensions (floor plan not pictured) Living Room - 14' x 11' Bedroom - 11' x 11' Bedroom Closet - 5' x 29" Bathroom - 11' x 8' Kitchen - 14' x 8'

THEMED LEARNING COMMUNITIES

Are you a first-year student who is curious and eager to start college?

Do you want to join a community with other first-year students who share your interests?

There's a place for that!



Find your community!

When you join a Themed Learning Community (TLC), you'll quickly meet other first-year students who share your interests and goals. Our TLC students will take two classes together in the fall, two classes together in the spring, and have a TLC support group that includes a program mentor from their college/program, an advisor from their college, and a peer mentor as well as each other.

TLC rooms are two bedroom/four person; however, there are a limited number of two bedroom/two person and one bedroom/ one person units available.

TLC students also have the option to live in the residence halls with other members of their Themed Learning Community. For the 2025-2026 academic year, students will not be required to live in designated TLC rooms/suites, but we do recommend students take advantage of living with their community if possible.

Students in Living Communities typically earn a higher GPA than other first year students, and they report greater satisfaction with their first year experience.

Find your TLC!

In 2025-2026, USI will have seven TLCs (pending enrollment) including:

College of Liberal Arts

Romain College of Business Kinney College of Nursing

and Health Professions

STEM+

(for Pott College of Science, Engineering, and Education majors)

Exploring Majors

(for undeclared students and students still exploring their major options)

When you complete your Housing application, you'll be directed to a TLC application where you can choose your TLC and find your community!

Reminder: The TLC application is separate from the Housing application. You may apply for a TLC upon completion of the Housing application. Both are found on myUSI via the Housing icon.

Questions?

Visit USI.edu/theme-learning-communities-tlc, email USI.TLC@usi.edu or call 812-464-1833.

All TLC availability is dependent upon student enrollment.

Harolyn Torain Multicultural Leadership Scholarship

(students must be part of the MLS program to enroll in this TLC)

Pathways to USI

(students must be part of the Pathways Program to enroll in this TLC)

MEAL PLANS

Which Meal Plan is Right For You?

Take a look at the variety of options and choose the meal plan that is right for you.

Not interested in a meal plan, but still want to dine on campus in a convenient way? Try Munch Money. It's our pre-paid account for food service. Munch Money, when added to your Eagle Access card, will be granted an additional 7% bonus to be used in food service options. Munch Money is also tax-free.





Important Information

Fall meals begin on August 16, 2025.

Munch Money will begin on August 13, 2025.

Spring meals begin on January 11, 2026.

Munch Money will begin on January 7, 2026.

All Unused Munch Money will roll over from Fall to Spring. Any unused funds will expire at the end of the Spring Semester.

For further detailed information and deadlines, visit our website.

Stay up-to-date with all USI Dining events, offers, and giveaways! Students Text **USIDINING** to **82257** Parents Text **USIPARENT** to **82257** Staff Text **USISTAFF** to **82257**

Contact

812-464-1859 | foodmealplans@usi.edu | USI.sodexomyway.com



Contact us for terms and conditions. All meal plan changes must be sent from a USI.edu email address.

Eagle Meal Plans

Required for students living in Residence Halls but perfect for anyone who wants it all.

Red Eagle Plan	White Eagle Plan	Blue Eagle Plan
19 meals per week	14 meals per week	10 meals per week
\$500 Munch Money per semester	\$600 Munch Money per semester	\$700 Munch Money per semester
\$2,850 per semester	\$2,700 per semester	\$2,600 per semester

Eagle Plan Meal Swipes run Saturday - Friday and DO NOT rollover. A max of three swipes can be used per day, only one can be used for each meal period The Loft is open. One meal may be used for a board swap at Eagle Bistro 2:00 - 4:30 PM on weekdays and at select retail locations after 7:00 PM (3:00 PM on weekends.)

Block Meal Plans

Great for Apartment Residents, Faculty, and Staff.

Block 50+	Block 50
50 meals per semester	50 meals per semester
\$1,100 Munch Money per semester	\$600 Munch Money per semester
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\$1,600 per semester	31,200 per semester
Block 75	Block 25
Block 75	Block 25

Meal Swipes on Block Plans can be used as many swipes as they want at one time. Any unused meals in the fall semester will roll over to the spring semester. At the end of the Spring Semester, all unused meals expire.

Munch Money

Looking for Munch Money, but don't need a whole meal plan? We've got you covered. Scan the QR code or visit https://linktr.ee/USIDining and click on the Shop to purchase Munch Money.





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