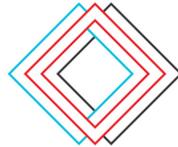


CREATING BROADER ACCESS AND SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

Indiana University joined the American Talent Initiative (ATI) in 2018, with signed approval from President Michael A. McRobbie. Through this initiative, IU is partnering across campus and throughout the region to expand access and support for students.



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Transfer initiatives

Community Hoosier Link:

- Expanded this guaranteed-admission program to include a commuter option for students living in the service area
- Partnership with Ivy Tech Bloomington

Transfer Tuesdays:

- Established regular visit days for transfer students to learn about their steps to IU
- Partner with academic advisors to provide personalized guidance

College Advising Corps

- Working with 4 rural high schools and 2 urban high schools
- Hiring 4 counselors to serve the students in those high schools
- Partnership with CRE, ROI, and Ivy Tech Bloomington

Veteran outreach

New Admissions position:

- Established the role of senior associate director for veterans and special populations

Campus partnership:

- Working with the Center for Veteran and Military Students to support incoming and current students with military connections and to guide faculty and staff to best serve that population

Exploring pipeline programs

- Researching pipeline programs throughout the U.S. to consider new programs and integrate recruitment and messaging strategies into existing programs
- Discussing partnerships with the School of Education and other campus partners to build curriculum for 8th, 9th, and 10th graders

Test-optional

- IU Bloomington looks to further expand access to an IU degree through the adoption of a test-optional admissions policy.
- Beginning with the 2021 terms, students applying to IU can choose whether to have SAT or ACT test scores considered as part of their application.

Equity in the student experience

- Conversations and insights from ATI's Summer Institute on Equity in the Academic Experience to the IU Bloomington campus
- Goals: Provide equitable opportunities for engagement, clearly articulated value propositions, and proven practices to minimize or eliminate gaps in progression and graduation
- Partnership among BFC, CITL, DEMA, FYE, OVPSA, OVPUE, and the School

Mentor Collective

- Engagements with peer and/or alumni mentors improve student retention and career development
- Hamilton Lugar School, O'Neill School, School of Education, CEWiT, and IU Online are already participating
- More than 38,000 engagements (conversations and texts) have occurred between nearly 3,000 students and 2,000 mentors through this partnership



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