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# STUDENT HANDBOOK

## 2025-2026

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# Welcome



Welcome to Purple Ace country, a place where you can think and do and embrace your future. As for our future, you are now a part of it and we are excited that you chose the University of Evansville to pursue your educational goals and join an incredible network of faculty, staff, alumni, and fellow students to help you along the way. I am confident that this is one of the best decisions of your life.

In addition to our commitment of strong academics, we embrace our responsibility to help make our communities a better place. College is much more than a degree – college will prepare you for an ever-changing world by bringing academics to life through real world internships, expanded hands on learning experiences, and the opportunity to learn inside and outside the classroom.

This year, we were pleased to introduce the Lincoln Commons complex located at the intersection of Weinbach and Lincoln, among several exciting enhancements to our campus infrastructure – and with more to come.

While you are at UE, the Student Handbook is a very important resource for you and provides our expectations of all members of our community, including the Academic Honor Code and the Student Code of Conduct. You will also find information about University services and many other things that will be very helpful to you as you begin your pathway to success.

I hope that you make the most of your time at UE by engaging in campus life, exploring new opportunities, making new friends, and leaving your legacy on our 170 years of making a difference in the lives of people. Our mission is to empower you to think critically, act bravely, serve responsibly, and live meaningfully in a changing world, and I look forward to taking this journey with you. Welcome to UE – and wear lots of Purple!

With my best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Pietruszkiewicz', written over a faint, light-colored rectangular background.

Christopher M. Pietruszkiewicz

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University of Evansville



You have chosen to join a vibrant and engaging academic community in which we support everyone's intellectual, interpersonal, and professional goals. Each year brings new faces and new opportunities to our campus community. I am very excited about this year and am glad you are here to embrace everything the University of Evansville has to offer.

The 2025-2026 Student Handbook is an important reference tool. It contains valuable information about the University, including policies, procedures, resources, and important dates. This handbook is intended for both new and returning students. It has information that will help you navigate many of the day-to-day operations and procedures of the university.

This is a very special time in your life. It is my hope that you will find this year full of life-changing experiences, both in and out of the classroom. I encourage you to learn more about your peers but also our faculty and staff who have dedicated their careers to educating generations of students. Our entire campus community will work together to prepare you to live a meaningful life in a changing world.

In kindness,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Carpenter', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rachel S. Carpenter, DPS  
*Vice President for Student Affairs*  
*Dean of Students*



Aces,

On behalf of the Student Government Association (SGA), I would like to welcome you to a new academic year at the University of Evansville! My name is Vivian Slaton, and I am honored to serve as your SGA President for the 2025-2026 academic year. This handbook will be a great resource as you begin your academic journey, so I implore you to have a general knowledge of its contents and refer back to it when you have questions about your rights and responsibilities at UE.

The SGA plays several vital roles in supporting your journey here at the University of Evansville. First and foremost, we are here to be your voice as a member of the Student Association in all University matters. Each member of the SGA Executive Board, including myself, was elected or appointed to represent you on all levels of the University. We are committed to advocating for you. We are here to support you, answer your questions, and to help guide you through university procedures. Additionally, the SGA is here to govern and budget the Student Activities Fee and oversee the organizations that it funds. Supporting the organizations that make our campus so special. If you have any questions about how SGA can assist you in your journey at the University of Evansville please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of the Executive Board.

Whether you are just beginning your journey or returning for another chapter, I encourage you to take full advantage of all our campus has to offer. Your time here is more than just a degree; it is a unique opportunity to grow, connect, and discover what drives you. I encourage you to get involved—join a club, attend an event, speak up, and leave your legacy. This is your campus, and your engagement helps shape it. A great first step is attending the organization fair that will be hosted at the beginning of the Fall semester to discover what opportunities the University of Evansville has to offer you!

Once again, if you have any questions, do not be afraid to reach out to myself or any of the other members of the SGA Executive Board. Ultimately, we are here to serve our peers. Good luck on this journey, I can't wait to see what you will achieve.

Best,

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# Mission and Core Values

## ***Mission Statement***

To empower each student to think critically, act bravely, serve responsibly, and live meaningfully in a changing world.

## ***Core Values***

### **Integrity**

We promote academic and personal integrity to establish a culture of trust. Academic integrity begins with all students pledging to abide by our honor code, and extends to faculty, staff and administration adhering to our code of conduct. It culminates in an expectation of professionalism, transparency, and respect in all interactions. Personal integrity includes practicing informed, ethical decision-making, and respecting the ideas, rights, boundaries, and beliefs of others. Each member of our community is accountable and prepared to act as a responsible citizen of the world.

### **Innovation**

We recognize the value of interdisciplinary teamwork, creative problem solving, global immersion, and learning experiences at home and abroad. We recognize the value of learning from failure. We have the freedom, flexibility, and motivation to create experiences that help our students think critically and act bravely. Each member of our community is challenged to discover novel solutions to modern problems and to become a catalyst for progress.

### **Intellectual Curiosity**

We strive to develop lifelong learners. We introduce students to a variety of ideas that sharpen existing interests and awaken latent ones. We challenge students to stretch their minds, while supporting them with strong faculty engagement. Research, experiential learning, and community outreach foster intellectual curiosity while exposure to new ideas and technologies broadens our students' view of the world and what might be possible.

### **Inclusive Community**

We value openness and collaboration and recognize that inclusion leads to personal growth. Our commitment to actively fostering a diverse range of cultures and perspectives reflects the characteristics required to thrive in an increasingly global society. The university demonstrates and benefits from inclusion by welcoming all.

### **Education for the Whole Person**

We cultivate intellectual, moral, social, physical, emotional, and spiritual wellness through engagement and discovery. We value the liberal arts, sciences, and professional programs as paths to intellectual and personal growth, and we encourage the integration of knowledge across disciplinary lines. We promote engagement in organizations, programs, and the community as essential to personal development. We equip individuals to examine their world, articulate their values, and develop the character needed to live healthy lives of meaning and purpose.

## ***Vision Statement***

The University of Evansville – a leading private university in the Midwest – is recognized nationally for developing students' personal and professional competencies, cultivating critical and creative thinkers, and producing ethical, global citizens equipped to thrive in a world of complexity and change. We accomplish this by attracting and retaining talented and motivated students who succeed within a diverse, supportive, and sustainable environment.

# Profile of the University of Evansville

The University's history began as the dream of one man – John C. Moore – a resident of Moores Hill, Indiana (a small-town west of Cincinnati). Moore was the original #UEChangemaker. He wanted a college for his community, and he made it a reality on February 10, 1854, when the original charter for Moores Hill Male and Female Collegiate Institute was drafted. The college was the fifth co-educational college in the United States. Classes began September 9, 1856.

The college's name was officially changed to Moores Hill College on September 20, 1887. In 1917 George Clifford, a prominent Evansville businessman who later became a University trustee, convinced the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Church that Moores Hill College should be moved to Evansville since it was the only city in Indiana without an accredited college within a 50-mile radius.

Residents of the city raised \$500,000 in one week in 1917 to move the college to Evansville. It reopened in 1919 as Evansville College, and in 1967 the college was renamed and incorporated by the Indiana legislature as the University of Evansville.

Today, the University is a private, United Methodist Church-related, comprehensive university with a mission to empower each student to think critically, act bravely, serve responsibly, and live meaningfully in a changing world.

UE is ranked as a top Midwest university by U.S. News & World Report with approximately 2000 students from 46 states and 48 countries. More than 75 undergraduate areas of study are offered in the William L. Ridgway College of Arts and Sciences, Schroeder Family School of Business Administration, College of Education and Health Sciences, and the College of Engineering and Computer Science. The University also offers seven master's degree programs (health services administration, innovative leadership in heritage management, public service administration, public health, leadership, physician assistant science, and athletic training) and a doctoral degree program (physical therapy).

UE also ranks as one of the top master's degree granting institutions for the percentage of undergraduate students who study abroad. UE operates our own study abroad program at Harlaxton College in Grantham, England.



# Student Information Directory

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Student government offices (SGA, Congress, and Ombudsperson) are located on the second floor of the  
Ridgway University Center within the Student Life Center



# University Calendar

## Fall Semester 2025

Classes Begin	Wednesday	August 20
Last Day to Register/Add Courses	Tuesday	August 26
Last Day to Drop w/o a "W"	Tuesday	August 26
Labor Day, No Classes	Monday	September 1
Fall Break, No Classes	Saturday – Tuesday	October 11-14
Last Day to Drop/Withdraw with a "W"	Friday	November 7
Thanksgiving Break, No Classes	Wednesday – Sunday	November 26-30
Reading/Study Day, No Classes	Thursday	December 4
Final Examinations Begin	Friday	December 5
Final Examinations End	Thursday	December 11
Last Day of Term	Thursday	December 11

## Winter Intercession 2025

Winter Intercession Begins	Friday	December 12
Last Day to Add/Drop without a W	Monday	December 15
Last Day to Drop With a W	Thursday	January 1
Winter Intercession Ends	Saturday	January 10

## Spring Semester 2026

Classes Begin	Monday	January 12
Last Day to Register/Add Courses	Friday	January 16
Last Day to Drop w/o a "W"	Friday	January 16
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No Classes	Monday	January 19
Spring Break, No Classes	Saturday – Sunday	March 7-15
Easter Break, No Classes	Thursday – Sunday	April 2-5
Classes Resume	Monday	April 6
Last Day to Drop/Withdraw with a W	Friday	April 10
Reading/Study Day	Thursday	April 30
Final Examinations Begin	Friday	May 1
Final Examinations End	Thursday	May 7
Last Day of Term	Thursday	May 7
Commencement	Saturday	May 9

## Summer Session 1 – 2026

Classes Begin	Monday	May 18
Classes End	Friday	June 19

## Summer Session 2 – 2026

Classes Begin	Monday	June 22
Classes End	Friday	July 24

# Campus Facilities

The campus of the University of Evansville has grown from one building to more than 33 major classroom and residence buildings. They bear the names of outstanding University faculty, administrators, and friends throughout the years of the institution's growth and development. What is behind the name of the buildings you use each day?

**University Bookstore (1959)** provides books, supplies, UE clothing, newspapers, snack foods, greeting cards, stationery, magazines, room decorations, and gift items. The bookstore, formerly housed in the building now known as Sampson Hall, was moved to 1935 Weinbach Avenue in 1994 and then to the Ridgway University Center in 2008.

**Bower-Suhrheinrich Library (1986)** was named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Suhrheinrich, and **Clifford Memorial Library (1957)** was named in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Clifford. The University of Evansville Libraries offer extensive services and hours of operation. Located in the Clifford Memorial Library are library collections, the Veterans' Lounge, the Center for Innovation & Change's Changemaker Incubator, the University archives, the Center for the Advancement of Learning, the Writing Center, and the Office of Technology Services.

**Carson Center (1962, addition 1977)**, named for former trustee William A. Carson, contains two gyms, a pool, weight training rooms, athletics offices, and classrooms. Outside the building are athletics fields, and areas for intramural games.

**General Services (1984)** houses the Office of Purchasing, the Office of Public Safety, Central Receiving, and Copy and Mail Services. It is located on Frederick Street near the Lloyd Expressway.

**Graves Hall (1974)**, named for the University's 20th president, houses classrooms and offices for the Departments of Nursing and Health Sciences, Physical Therapy, Communication, and Exercise and Sport Science on the first two floors. The third floor houses the College of Education and Health Sciences.

**McCarthy Greenhouse (2015)**, named in honor of Burkley and Sharon McCarthy, this 2,560 square-foot, state-of-the-art greenhouse is located on the east side of the Koch Center for Engineering and Science.

**Hyde Hall (1967)** was named for Melvin W. Hyde, the University's fifth president. The lower-level houses classrooms and theatre facilities. On the first floor are the Department of Psychology, Department of Theatre, Shanklin Theatre and ticket office, the May Studio Theatre, a small auditorium, and classrooms.

**John L. and Belle Igleheart Building** was donated to the University in 1928 by Mr. and Mrs. John L. Igleheart. It houses the Offices of Development and Alumni and Parent Relations.

**Koch Center for Engineering and Science (1947, addition 1978, renovation 1979, addition 2001)** was named in honor of Robert L. Koch, a life trustee. It holds offices, classrooms, and laboratories for the College of Engineering and Computer Science and the Departments of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Mechanical and Civil Engineering, Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics.

**Krannert Hall of Art and Music (1962)** was named for philanthropist Herman C. Krannert. The lower level contains music listening rooms, practice rooms, and a lounge for music students. On the first floor are classrooms, Krannert Gallery art exhibit space, and Wheeler Concert Hall (named for Walton M. Wheeler Jr.). The second floor houses the art and music departments, as well as classrooms, studios, and art laboratories.

**The May House**, donated to the University in 1982 by Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie May, is the residence of the president's family.

**May Studio Theatre (1994)** was named in honor of donor Alice George May. The facility is a black box studio, which allows complete mobility of stage design, lighting, and seating. It is located on the northwest side of Hyde Hall.

**McCurdy Alumni Memorial Union (1951)** was named in memory of William H. McCurdy, charter trustee of the University. The facility was renovated in 1997, and the Schroeder Family School of Business Administration Building was added to the southern side in 2007. The main floor houses the Schroeder Family School of Business Administration offices. The second floor houses the Institute for Global Enterprise in Indiana and the Office of Education Abroad. The lower level houses the Department of Law, Politics, and Society.

**Neu Chapel (1965)** was named for Mr. and Mrs. Adam J. Neu. In addition to the sanctuary, the building houses the office of the University chaplain and Grabill Lounge, named in honor of Paul Grabill.

**Newman Center (1965)** is located at 1901 Lincoln Avenue. Newman Center is owned by the Catholic Diocese of Evansville and is used for various religious and social activities.

**Olmsted Administration Hall (1922)** was named for Ralph E. Olmsted, former University business manager. It houses the Offices of Accounting and Audit, Accounts Payable, Student Financial Services, Fiscal Affairs and Administration, Human Resources, Academic Services, Admission, the President, and Academic Affairs. Located on the third floor are classrooms, faculty offices, and the Departments of Foreign Languages, Creative Writing, English, History, Archaeology and Art History, and Philosophy and Religion. Classrooms are on the fourth floor.

**Ridgway University Center (2008)** is named for William L. Ridgway, a loyal and generous supporter of the University. The center houses the University's dining facilities, bookstore, student magazine and radio station, and the administrative offices for student and residence life.

**Sampson Hall (1959)**, originally the University Bookstore, was renovated in 1994 and named for Delbert J. Sampson, professor emeritus of psychology. The building houses the Crayton E. and Ellen Mann Health Center and the Offices of Content Delivery, Content Design, Content Development, and University Relations.

**Schroeder Family School of Business Administration Building (2007)** was named for several generations of the Schroeder family, long-time University friends. The building is Evansville's first LEED-certified structure.

**Shanklin Theatre (1967)** was named for Robert French Shanklin and the Shanklin family. The theatre seats 486 and is joined to Hyde Hall on the first floor.

**Student Fitness Center (1991)** houses a variety of student recreational facilities, including racquetball courts, aerobic and free weight areas, and court space.

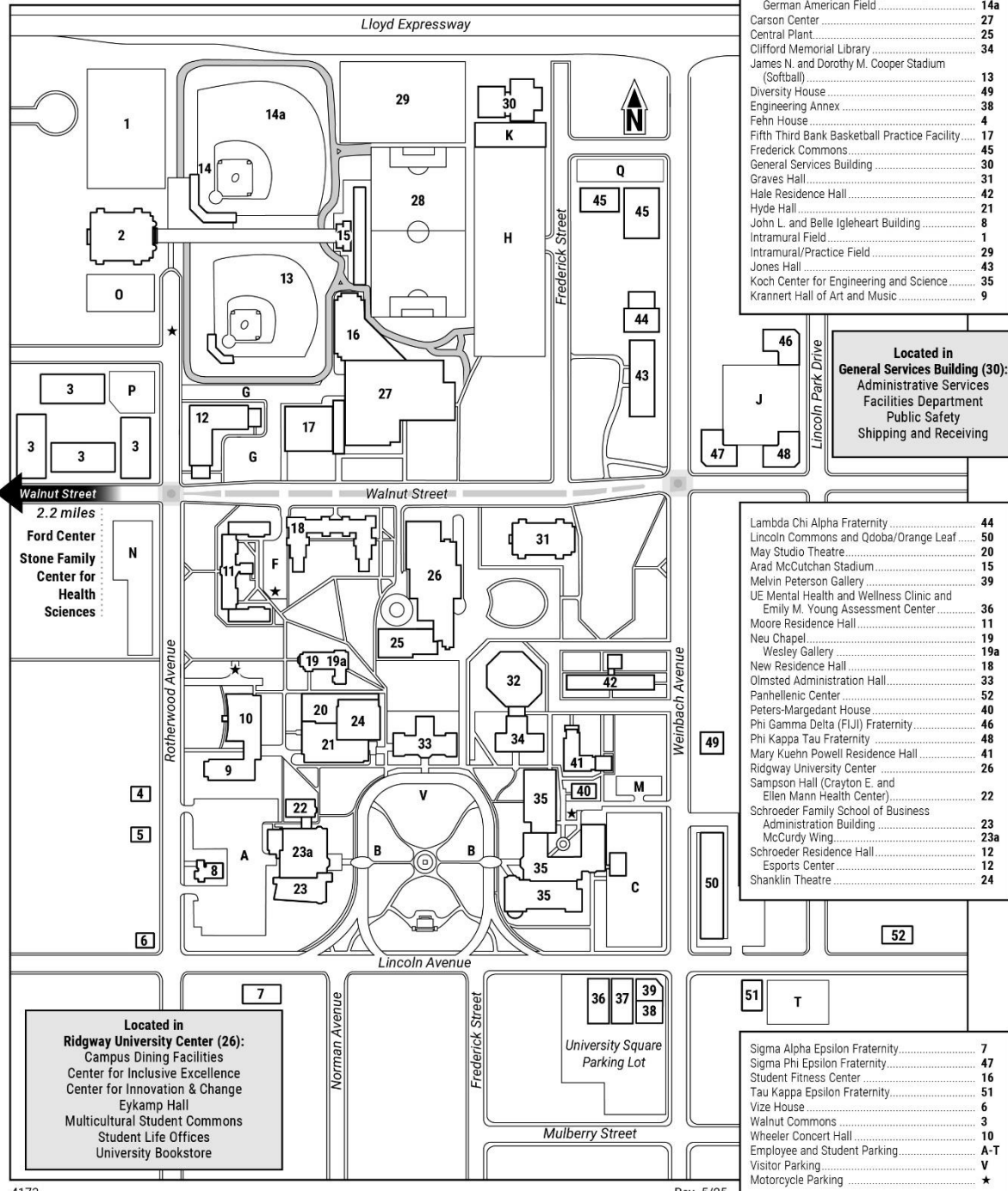
## Residential Facilities

- **New Hall (2022)**, currently no permanent name, this is a pod concept residence hall that houses 293 students.
- **Hale Residence Hall (1966)**, named for Lincoln B. Hale, fourth president of the University, is an all-men's residence that houses 184 students.
- **Lincoln Commons (2024)**, our newest residential facility featuring updated amenities within 4-person, 2-person and 1-person private bedroom floor plans. These apartments feature full beds and washer / dryers in each unit. A dining venue is available on the first floor.
- **Moore Residence Hall (1960)** was a gift of the Indiana Conference of the United Methodist Church. A coeducational hall, the building is home to up to 240 students.
- **Powell Residence Hall (1993)** was named for Mary Kuehn Powell, life member of the Board of Trustees. Home of the residential Honors Program, it houses students engaged in this academic program. A coeducational facility, Powell Residence Hall houses 100 students.
- **Schroeder Residence Hall (1995)** was named in honor of John H. Schroeder, life trustee. The hall is coeducational, housing 150 students. It is home to the University's Esports program.
- **Jones Hall (2005)** is an apartment-style complex with 21 four-person apartments, each featuring four single bedrooms, two bathrooms, a common kitchen, and a common living area.
- **University Townhouses (2013)** are fully furnished living spaces with ample room for up to 144 students. Each apartment features updated amenities within a two-story, four-person, private bedroom floor plan.

# Campus Map



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