
THE
INDIANA UNIVERSITY STUDENT ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS

This past semester, we worked hard in order to provide meaningful change on behalf of the student body. Read our semester-in-review to get a glimpse of the work we do.

Successfully advocated for increased and improved lighting around campus.

During the summer, new lights were installed in Dunn Woods. Broken lights can still be reported [here](#).

Advocated for Naloxone, a drug used to save lives in the event of a drug-overdose, to be available at the Health Center. Thanks to OASIS, [free Naloxone kits](#) are available to pick up at the Health Center.

Mentored 20 [freshman interns](#) across all parts of IUSA through the Freshman Internship Program. Along with participating in a 1cr. leadership seminar, these freshmen were partnered with Senior Staff members to help research and execute programs to benefit the student body. Interns were involved in creating the Off-Campus Housing Survey, researching student fees at other Big Ten universities, and exploring the possibility of adding an interactive sculpture to campus.

Formed a [Sustainability Department](#) which worked with the Special Projects Department to create a Bike Share program plan.. This Bike Share program has support from the Office of Sustainability and other campus groups. This is a long-term project in the beginning phases of planning.

Partnered with TurboVote and Defend Our Future to register IU students to [vote](#). We believe in student engagement beyond the IU campus. Students have the right to participate in the political process and we were proud to help them register to vote and request absentee ballots where necessary.

Acted as a bridge between the University and Greek chapters to push for a better Housed Greek Organization Agreement. In reflecting concerns from students in the Greek community, we encouraged student leaders to voice their opinion and negotiate a more fair outcome.

Conducted an internal audit of the IUSA Readership Program. In an effort to ensure student fees are going to services students actually benefit from, we researched utilization of the Readership Program across campus.

Asked the Dean of Students Office to organize a campus safety walk to be held in the spring semester. Due to the large number of students residing off-campus, a safety walk would help give Administration a real perspective of life as a student after hours. Our hope is that this event can highlight lighting issues and

IUSA joined the Homecoming parade to celebrate Homecoming festivities! To spread awareness of IUSA and engage more with the IU community, we entered the Homecoming Parade with a punny walking entry titled “Always Lending an Ear”, featuring an ear of corn.



Built connections with the City of Bloomington to have a deeper conversation on homelessness around campus. In light of growing student concerns about aggressive panhandling and a desire to contribute to the City’s solution, opening this conversation allowed first contacts to be made in order to have better information on the environment and current/proposed actions.

Partnered with IU Athletics to distribute free water bottles at the student tailgate lot. Keeping students hydrated is a game day priority for us. IU Athletics provided resources for our staff members to meet with students, talk about our work, and hand out water.



Diversity and Inclusion hosted a photo booth at the IMU World's Fare to celebrate the diversity of our student body. IU is home to a vast array of students from different backgrounds and we were excited to share these individuals on our Facebook page for friends beyond campus to see.



Diversity and Inclusion partnered with J Street IU, Oxfam, SSI and No Lost Generation to host a Refugee Crisis Event. This collaborative event educated students on how to directly help with the refugee crisis. Information about volunteer opportunities in Europe was shared to allow students to make a difference and help people through language tutoring, direct assistance, and healthcare needs.

Worked with IU Athletics to improve the General Admission line experience for Men's Basketball games. In light of safety concerns from students, we joined IU Athletics' conversations to review the GA line and recommend changes.

Partnered with Union Board and Black Student Union to host a unity event at Showalter Fountain. After the recent election, student leaders held a gathering on campus to share our commitment to inclusion.

Created a breakdown of tuition and student fees to better inform students of University functions. This breakdown can be found [here](#).

Coordinated a successful lobbying campaign to get the US Congress to pass mental health reform legislation which was signed by President Obama. This legislation advances awareness of mental health and improves community mental health resources which help students in general.

Spoke at the Board of Trustees Meeting about the need for improved [mental health](#) resources resulting in the creation of a campus Mental Health Task Force. Students at IU have been calling on administrators to improve access to mental health services. We shared the desire for counselors-in-residence and the number of sessions included under

the health fee. Additionally, we highlighted student groups and leaders such as those within the Greek community working to create a peer support network.

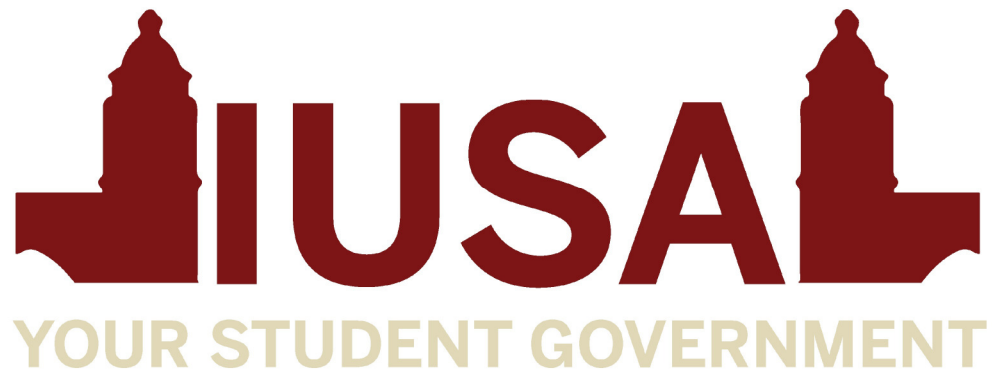
In-Progress

Created an [Off-Campus Housing Survey](#) which will be distributed in late January to collect input about local housing options. The results of this survey will be compiled into a report and paired with resources from Student Legal Services and Bloomington's Housing and Neighborhood Development Department. The guide is meant to allow students to make better-informed decisions as consumers in the Bloomington housing market.

Designing a plan to institute a safety resource officer in each student organization. This person would act as a resource on sexual violence prevention and mental health resources.

Working with the Office of Completion and Student Success to ensure “15-to-Finish” messaging is included in academic advising appointments. To complete their degree, most students must take 15 credit hours each semester and we believe it's important students know this from the beginning of their college career.

Exploring the possibility of adding an enhanced social justice requirement in the curriculum. We began to meet with various faculty and staff members regarding the addition of a social justice requirement to the curriculum across campus. We look forward to working closer with the Bloomington Faculty Council and the General Education Review Committee to explore this possibility.



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