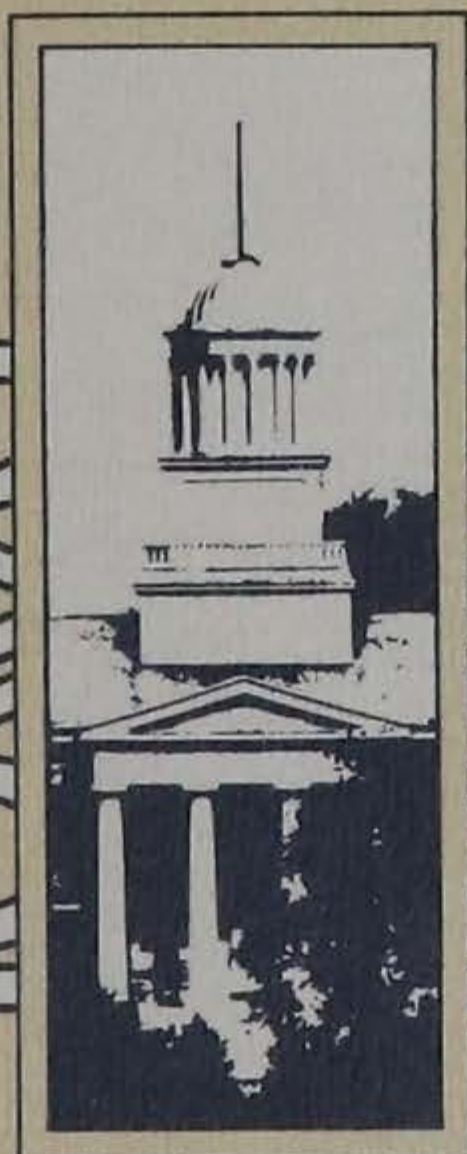


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Parent's Guide

to The University of Iowa



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Welcome

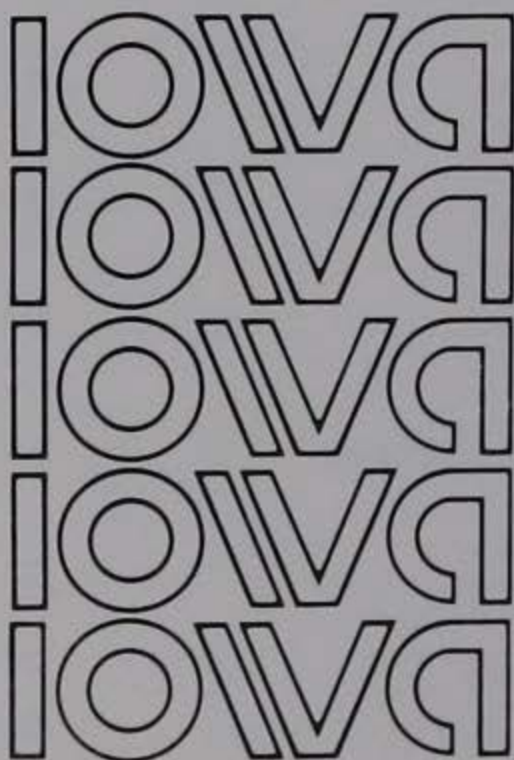
As your sons and daughters embark on this new phase of their lives and make adjustments to living away from home and doing college-level work, you, too, must make adjustments. Your role is a very important one, for while you must let your children go, let them grow, let them make decisions and perhaps mistakes, they still need your love and support.

Several years ago in a talk to parents of University students, Gladys Jenkins, former lecturer in home economics, said:

It is difficult to give up being parent-people who have the control and responsibility for our children. Parents of young adults can no longer be the controllers but must be counselors instead. Have the courage to let your young people make their own choices. The young people with parents behind them are the ones that can solve their problems.

The college years are very exciting and sometimes difficult for both students and parents. We at the University want to help with the transition. We hope this guide will answer many of your questions and let you know where to go for additional information and assistance.

The University of Iowa Parents Association
and the Orientation Office



The Parents Association

As parents of undergraduate students at The University of Iowa, you are members of The University of Iowa Parents Association, whose purpose is to help you understand and share your sons' and daughters' University experience.

The association provides a two-way communication link between parents and the University.

Its on-campus office serves as your University information center, linking you with UI offices and personnel. All association members receive a quarterly newsletter published by the Parents Association.

The association sponsors a Parents Day brunch in the fall and co-sponsors a luncheon during Parents Weekend in the spring.

One source of emergency financial help available to students is a short-term, interest-free loan fund maintained by the association in the Office of Student Financial Aid.

The association was organized in 1955 as the Dads Association. It was reorganized in 1971 to include both mothers and fathers. It is governed by a board of parent directors elected by the membership.

The Parents Association address is:

Ken Donelson, secretary
5 Old Capitol
The University of Iowa
Iowa City, Iowa 52242
Telephone (319) 353-5691



A Historical Perspective

Meeting in what is now Old Capitol, the First Iowa General Assembly chartered The University of Iowa February 25, 1847, just 59 days after Iowa's admission to statehood.

After several years of planning and debate about where the state university should be located, the University opened in Iowa City in March 1855 with 19 students and three faculty members.

From its beginning The University of Iowa has admitted women on an equal basis with men, and it was the first state university in the country to do so. With that start, the history of the University is replete with other firsts.

Iowa Landmarks

Its law school was the first west of the Mississippi River. Founded in Des Moines in 1865, the school was moved to Iowa City to become part of the University in 1868.

The UI Health Center had its beginning in 1870 with the establishment here of one of the Midwest's first university-based medical schools. Dentistry followed in 1882, pharmacy in 1885, nursing in 1898.

The University established a one-year program in civil engineering in 1871; it had offered instruction in engineering since 1857.

In 1872, the University established the nation's first college-level professorial chair in education.

Between 1900 and 1930 the University pioneered the recognition of psychology as a science, established the nation's first school of religion based in a state university, and originated the interdisciplinary science of speech pathology.

During the 1930s the University became one of the first universities to accept creative work—sculpture, painting, poetry, musical composition, drama, fiction—as theses for advanced degrees. The University also pioneered educational development and basic skills testing of elementary and high school students, college entrance testing, and test processing.

Since the 1950s the University has been a primary contributor to the nation's space exploration efforts and has been responsible for a number of discoveries in the field of space radiation. It is the only university in the world where the complete design and construction of space satellites takes place.

In its forward-looking approach to arts, sciences, and humanities, the University has created an atmosphere of exploration and intellectual wealth. Most important The University of Iowa has been dedicated throughout its history to helping students become constructive individuals and contributing members of society.

The University Today

The University of Iowa today is recognized as one of the nation's major institutions of higher learning in the diversity of its programs and the quality of its faculty and facilities.

The University of Iowa is the smallest of the nine state universities in the "Big 10," and students spend much of their time in small groups. Most freshman discussion classes and laboratories have between 15 and 20 students, and University residence halls are arranged in houses for 50 to 80 students.

Faculty members at Iowa have earned distinction in fields ranging from speech and hearing science to the printmaking art, from urology to the writing of innovative law, from hydraulic research to clinical psychology, from space science to new music. They are exploring new concepts in learning in such areas as biometry, urban and regional planning, family medicine, public affairs, and communication science.

The University has ten colleges: Liberal Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Dentistry, Graduate, Law, Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy.

University enrollment in September 1980 totaled 25,100. Undergraduate enrollment was 17,204, including 3,326 entering freshmen. Of the entering freshmen, 75 percent come from Iowa.

The Campus

The University's 60 principal buildings are well spaced on 1,375 acres of trees, shrubs, flowers, and grassy expanses.

It takes about 10 minutes to cross the campus on a bicycle and about 15 minutes on foot.

Students generally have most of their classes in the same area. In a four-block area on the east side of the campus are the Colleges of Education, Engineering and Business Administration, most departments in the College of Liberal Arts, the main library, and the student union.

The campus merges on the east with downtown Iowa City. Iowa City's nonstudent population is 28,000. Many residents are University faculty and staff members and their families. The way of Iowa City life is casual and friendly.

Learning at Iowa

The University of Iowa is committed to providing students with a broad education, combining cultural enrichment with the basic skills needed for career development.

Since 1855 the University has been educating undergraduate students, and all undergraduate degree programs build on a liberal arts foundation to provide the basic skills and knowledge necessary for success in work and in life.

As it becomes increasingly difficult to predict economic conditions and what jobs will be available, it is estimated that young people will change jobs at least six times in their lives. Undergraduate studies at the University prepare students to meet change flexibly and resourcefully.

Areas of Study

General requirements provide the basis for a liberal arts education. Undergraduate requirements at Iowa include course work in the social sciences, natural sciences, rhetoric and literature, historical/cultural studies, physical skills, mathematics, and foreign language.

Most bachelor's degree programs require a minimum of 124 semester hours of credit: approximately one-third in general education courses, one-third in the student's major field, and one-third in elective courses. Most students complete the general requirements during the first two years of school.

The University offers undergraduate degrees in more than 80 major fields, from Asian studies to marketing, from biomedical engineering to recreation education. There are interdisciplinary programs including World Order Studies, Women's Studies, Afro-American Studies, and Latin American Studies.

Students may choose one or two major areas, or may choose one or two minor areas in addition to a major.

Freshmen enroll either in the College of Liberal Arts or the College of Engineering. Qualified applicants to the Colleges of Business Administration, Nursing, and Pharmacy transfer into those colleges at the beginning of the sophomore or junior year.

Nearly one-fourth of the University's freshmen enroll without declaring a major, and half of those declaring majors change them at least once. Students should not feel pressured to declare a major their first year on campus.

Academic Advice

Students plan their programs with the help of academic advisers. Students who have declared majors are assigned to advisers from the faculty of their major departments. "Open majors" are students who have not declared majors. They receive guidance in planning their academic programs from professional advisers in the Undergraduate Academic Advising Center. For more information about academic procedures you can call the Liberal Arts Advisory Office, (319) 353-5185.

Students have many sources of assistance in deciding on a major, improving study skills, choosing a career field, and clarifying graduation requirements.

Among these sources are the Liberal Arts Advisory Office, college and department offices, Orientation Department, Career Planning and Placement Center, University Counseling Center, Department of Special Support Services, Office of Services for the Handicapped, the Reading Lab, the Writing Lab, the Math Lab, and the Registrar's Office.

A pamphlet called *Where Do I Go for Advice?* describes these and other sources of assistance and gives their locations and telephone numbers. *Where Do I Go for Advice?* is distributed to every new student. It can also be picked up at the Orientation Office on the first floor of the Iowa Memorial Union, (319) 353-3743.



Classes at Iowa

In a typical semester a student is enrolled in four to six courses for 15 or 16 credits and spends three to five hours a day in class. The class day begins at 7:30 A.M. Class periods are 50 minutes, with 10 minutes between classes. About two hours of study time outside of class for every hour in class is considered average.

Where a student should study is an individual matter. Students living in the University residence halls have personal desks in their rooms. There are also special study areas in every University residence hall and in each of the 14 libraries on the campus. The Main Library is open 7:30 A.M. to 2:00 A.M. Monday through Thursday, 7:30 A.M. to midnight Friday and Saturday, and 10:00 A.M. to midnight on Sunday.

Grades

The University uses a grading system in which A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1. To be in good standing a student in the College of Liberal Arts must have a 1.50 grade-point average through the freshman year and a 1.60 entering the sophomore year. A College of Engineering student must have a 1.70 average through the freshman year. Requirements are higher each succeeding year.



An entering freshman who is admitted in good standing but fails to maintain good standing during the first semester is expected to regain it during the second semester. Upperclass students are allowed two successive semesters on academic probation.

Students placed on probation or dismissed from a college receive written notice. Copies of such notices are sent to parents or guardians of freshmen and sophomores who are unmarried and under 18 years of age. In all other cases, *only* the student receives the notification.

The Registrar's Office maintains all students' academic records. Records are confidential. Students can either pick up their grade reports at the end of the semester or receive them by mail. Grade reports are sent to parents *only* at the student's request. This procedure is in agreement with the provisions of the Buckley Amendment, which was adopted by Congress in 1974.

Saturday and Evening Classes

Students interested in attending classes during the evening hours, on Saturdays, or through correspondence study can take courses offered through the Center for Credit Programs. Information about these special Saturday and Evening and Guided Independent Studies programs can be obtained from the Center for Credit Programs, W400 East Hall, (319) 353-4963.



Living at Iowa

Students may choose from a variety of housing options, including residence halls, sorority or fraternity chapter houses, and off-campus housing. Where students live their first year at Iowa is an individual matter.

New students often find residence hall life an excellent introduction to the University. It gives them an opportunity to meet many other students and to take part in a variety of educational, cultural, recreational, and social activities.

A new entering-year program has been carefully planned to help first-year students in the residence halls make the transition to living away from home and doing college-level work. The program offers academic and nonacademic activities in the residence halls. Residence halls provide a convenient and productive environment at minimal cost.

University Residence Halls

The University operates ten residence halls accommodating 5,600 students.

Daum House and Burge, Currier, and Stanley halls are clustered on the east side of the campus, closest to classes in liberal arts, business, education, and engineering. Rienow, Slater, Hillcrest, South Quadrangle, Quadrangle, and Westlawn are clustered on the west side of the campus, closest to the health sciences and recreation facilities.

Most rooms in University residence halls are for double occupancy, but singles, triples, and quadruples are also available.

Stanley Hall is for women only. All other halls house men and women on alternating floors.

Students may request rooms in closed, limited, or open areas. No guests of the opposite sex are permitted in closed areas. They are permitted during designated hours in limited areas, and without restriction in open areas. Students in open areas may, however, impose limits by majority vote.

Students wishing to enhance their skills in speaking a foreign language and to improve their knowledge of a foreign culture may choose to live in the Language House, a special-interest area in Westlawn.

The Language House offers students opportunities for living and learning experiences in Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. Interested students need to complete a special application form available from any of the University language departments or from the Residence Services Office in Burge Hall. Students need not be language majors to live in the Language House.

For the 1981-82 school year, the University will lease six floors of the Mayflower apartment complex for 422 students.

In the Mayflower, students live in suites with a double room and a study on either side of a shared kitchen and bathroom. Residents may choose to take board contracts at other residence halls.

The annual rate for a double with full board (20 meals a week) is \$1,834. Partial board plans are available. Room contracts without board are not offered, but students not living in University residence halls may purchase board plans.

A signed residence hall application is a contract, and the contract is valid for the entire school year, unless the student's University registration is canceled before the school year ends.

Residence Hall Services

Residence halls are organized in houses, which range in size from 50 to 80 students. Most residence hall activities are planned at the house level.

Each hall has a live-in staff. A head resident is responsible for coordinating all activities in the hall, and resident assistants—upper-class and graduate students with special training—are responsible for programming, counseling, and advising in each of the houses.

The Undergraduate Academic Advising Center, which provides academic advisers for undergraduate students who have not declared majors, has offices in Burge Hall on the east side of the river and Quadrangle on the west side.

Selected University classes meet in the residence halls. Supervised small-group study sessions, supplemental books, audiovisual materials, and computer access are also available in residence halls.

All rooms are furnished with beds, mattresses, wastebaskets, study lamps, chest-desks, drapes, lavatories, telephones, and bulletin boards. Many rooms have air conditioning. Linen, bedding, and small refrigerators may be rented at a nominal rate.

Other facilities in the residence halls include lounges, study rooms, television rooms, recreation rooms, typing rooms, and coin-operated laundry facilities.

Dining facilities for the east-side residence hall group are located in Burge and Currier, for the west-side group in Hillcrest and Quadrangle. The food service operates on an at-cost basis.

For information, contact the Residence Services Office, Burge Hall, (319) 353-5210.

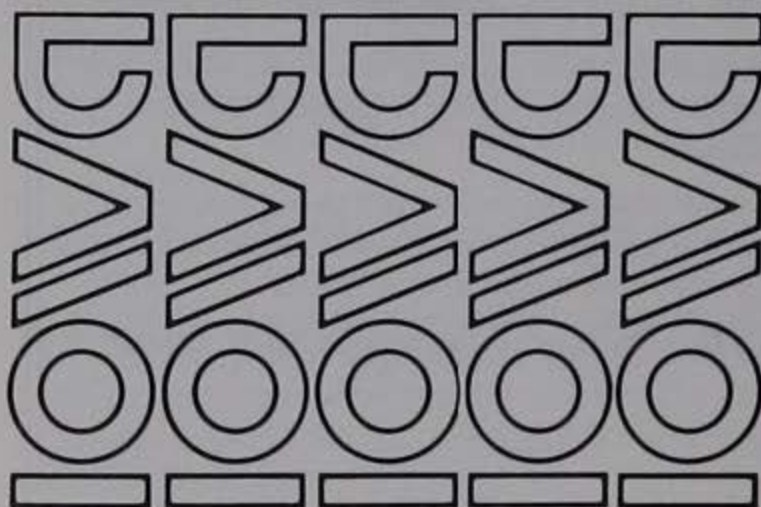
University Student Family Housing

The University has 799 units of student family housing. Monthly rental rates for 1981 range from \$102.50 for an efficiency apartment to \$177 for a two-bedroom apartment or mobile home. All units are unfurnished. For information contact the Residence Services Office, Burge Hall, (319) 353-5210.

Off-Campus Housing

The Housing Clearinghouse at the Campus Information Center in the Iowa Memorial Union maintains up-to-date listings of rental units available in the Iowa City area. They are in very limited supply, so students who want off-campus housing should begin looking for it as early as possible.

In January 1981, the average monthly rental rates were: \$110 for a room; \$205 for an efficiency apartment; \$225 for a one-bedroom apartment; \$300 for a two-bedroom apartment; and \$390 for a three-bedroom apartment. Although it is possible to find housing at rates that are higher or lower, these averages provide a general guide.



The Housing Clearinghouse also maintains lists of students who want to share off-campus housing, suggests other resources to use in seeking off-campus housing, and offers a packet of helpful information about rentals. To receive more information contact the Housing Clearinghouse, Iowa Memorial Union, (319) 353-6710.

The Greek System

Thirteen sororities and 19 fraternities have chapter houses at the University. Costs vary somewhat from house to house but are generally comparable to costs of other types of student housing. Sororities do not encourage freshmen to live in chapter houses.

Each sorority and fraternity chapter has its own governing structure. Panhellenic, meaning "all-Greek," is the coordinating body for the activities of Iowa's sororities. The coordinating body for fraternities is the Interfraternity Council. Formal rush for both sororities and fraternities is held approximately one week before classes. Formal rush information is sent automatically each spring to all entering freshmen and transfer students.

To receive detailed information on sororities and fraternities contact the Student Activities Office, Iowa Memorial Union, (319) 353-7107 for sororities, or (319) 353-5230 for fraternities.



Meeting Expenses at Iowa

The University recommends that entering students have sufficient funds to meet basic expenses for at least the first semester and preferably for the first year.

Projected cost figures developed by the University's Office of Student Financial Aid for the 1981-82 school year range from \$3,834 for Iowa-resident undergraduate students living on campus to \$5,234 for nonresident undergraduates. These figures include tuition, room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous personal expenses. The personal allowance figure of \$800 includes entertainment, laundry, personal items, clothing, and other miscellaneous expenses, but not such costs as automobile expenses.

There is, of course, great variation between one student's personal expenses and another's. Dress on campus is casual, and many films, concerts, and lectures are available at no charge. Students can get to any spot on campus or downtown either on foot or by using the free campus bus system.

Students may trade skills (for example, one student might give another guitar lessons in exchange for help in a class) and buy used textbooks. The IMU Bookstore offers students a 5 percent discount on all new books, and students run a book exchange to buy, sell, and trade used textbooks at the beginning of each semester in the Iowa Memorial Union.

Billing

The University Business Office has already established an account for your son or daughter and will send bills to his or her University address three times each semester—the first of September, October, November, February, March, and April—for one-sixth of the year's University costs plus incidental charges. The \$50 residence hall deposit is credited against the first month's bill.

Payments must be received by the University Business Office (4 Jessup Hall) within 15 days after the billing date. Failure to pay a bill by the due date results in cancellation of the student's registration. There is a \$10 fee for reinstatement, and only one reinstatement will be granted during a semester.

Students may pay their entire tuition bill for the semester before the first billing at the University Business Office.

Charges billed to student accounts include tuition and fees, University residence hall and fraternity/sorority room and board costs, and charges for such incidental items as library and parking fines, and Student Health and University residence hall service fees. Students may also charge purchases at the Iowa Memorial Union to their University accounts.

Most students open checking accounts at one of the local banks, since it is often difficult to cash out-of-town checks.

Financial Assistance

All forms of financial assistance generally available to students are administered by the Office of Student Financial Aid (208 Calvin Hall). These include scholarships, grants, long-term educational and short-term emergency loans, work-study opportunities, and part-time job placement.

A student may complete either the Financial Aid Form from College Scholarship Service or the Family Financial Statement from ACT. Both applications are used for all federal financial assistance.

Applications will not be considered without parents' financial information submitted on either the ACT Financial Aid or College Scholarship Service forms, except in the case of students who are "independent" as defined by University guidelines and who have submitted notarized statements confirming this status. In addition to the regular application procedure, students applying for work-study must make an appointment with a financial aid counselor by contacting the Office of Student Financial Aid.

The Schools of Art and Art History, Journalism and Mass Communication, and Music have additional assistance programs. For details, write to the director of the school in which you are interested.

If your student has been awarded a scholarship, the amount of the scholarship will be credited to his or her University account; scholarships aren't disbursed in cash. Some scholarships are renewable, but renewal isn't automatic—the recipient must reapply each year.

Part-Time Jobs

The University of Iowa has a strong commitment to student employment. The earnings of the more than 6,000 students employed here part-time during the 1980-81 school year totaled over \$6 million.

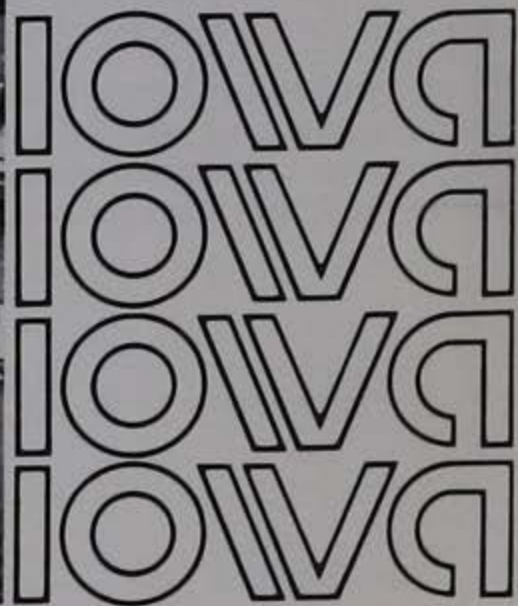
Part-time jobs can provide students with monetary and educational benefits. Jobs that directly relate to educational goals enable students to gain valuable employment experience.

Freshmen may choose to work depending on their class loads, cocurricular activities, and ability to manage time. The minimum student wage for on-campus employment is \$3.35 an hour.

An entering student seeking part-time work might begin in his or her residence hall. The residence halls employ students in food service and as desk clerks. Interested students should see their food service or area manager as soon as possible, as these jobs are filled quickly. Students should contact the Residence Halls Food Services, Room 1-B, Quadrangle, (319) 353-3550.

For other part-time job openings, students should visit the Office of Student Financial Aid, which posts both University and off-campus listings, and check local newspaper ads.

The Office of Student Financial Aid handles all questions dealing with financial assistance and student employment. It is in 208 Calvin Hall, (319) 353-3085.



Health Service at Iowa

All registered students are eligible for primary medical care at Student Health Service in the University Health Center on the west side of the river. Student Health is staffed by 11 physicians, including a psychiatrist, and 33 other health professionals, including nurses and laboratory personnel.

Students are not charged for examinations, consultations, and diagnostic services, but they are charged for medication, laboratory procedures, corrective devices and recuperative aids (such as crutches), and inpatient care.

Student Health Service fees are substantially lower than standard rates, and most Health Center units also charge students at reduced rates, although some charge standard rates. Dental care at reduced rates is available to students at the University Dental Clinic in the Dental Science Building.

Student Health Service information and a medical history report form are mailed to new students with their letters of admission. It is important for students to furnish Student Health Service with the medical history reports to assure prompt and effective care.

All medical records are confidential, and no information is released without a "release of information" signed by the patient. In the event of severe illness or injury to a student under legal age, parents and guardians will be notified. In the case of minor complaints or if the patient is of legal age, parents are notified *only* at the student's initiative.

Insurance

The University strongly urges that all students be covered by health and accident insurance.

For students not already covered by health and accident insurance, the University sponsors a major medical health and accident insurance plan at a group rate. Students who wish to subscribe to this program must do so before the close of registration for classes.

The program is administered through the University Business Office, not through Student Health Service.

Student health insurance information and application forms are mailed to new and continuing students in late July and early August.

If you wish to telephone for information, the numbers are (319) 353-4168 for insurance and (319) 356-2247 for Student Health Service.

Getting Around at Iowa

We strongly recommend that your son or daughter *not* bring a car to the University.

For most students, having a car here is more a nuisance than a convenience. Students living in the University area are not permitted to park on the campus during the class day, except by special permission, and parking near the campus is scarce and metered.

Most students find it easy to get around campus by foot, by bicycle, or by riding one of the University buses. The campus is compact and can be crossed on foot in about 15 minutes, or by bicycle in about 10 minutes. The University provides bicycle racks at residence halls, classroom buildings, and the Iowa Memorial Union. All bicycles must display a current Iowa City license. The fee is \$2 for a four-year registration. Licenses are available at all Iowa City fire stations and bicycle shops.

The University operates a free bus system called CAMBUS that runs Monday through Friday. Two routes circle the campus at 10-minute intervals. Another provides express service between the west-side residence halls and the east side of campus. A shuttle route runs between the Pentacrest area and the University Health Center. There is CAMBUS service to the Oakdale campus and student family housing.

Off-Campus Transit

The Iowa City Transit System provides bus service to all areas of the community from 6:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday.

The Coralville Transit System provides bus service in Coralville and to the campus and downtown Iowa City from 6:00 A.M. until mid-



night Monday through Saturday. All Iowa City and Coralville buses arrive at and depart from the downtown area at the intersection of Washington and Clinton streets.

Iowa City is served by Greyhound, Trailways, and Missouri Transit bus lines. The depot is located three blocks east of the campus on the corner of College and Gilbert streets. For information, telephone the depot at (319) 337-2127.

United, Ozark, and Mississippi Valley airlines serve Iowa City from the Cedar Rapids/Iowa City airport approximately 25 miles from the campus. Limousine service picks up and delivers passengers to their residences. The one-way limousine fare is \$10. Limousine service must be reserved a minimum of one day in advance. The telephone number is (319) 337-7174.

Students who are driving or seeking rides to distant places post ride offers and requests on a ride board on the ground floor of the Iowa Memorial Union.

All students who own and/or operate motor vehicles—including cars, motorcycles, motorbikes, and motor scooters—within the Iowa City area must register them with the University Parking Office in the Iowa Memorial Union Parking Ramp and must display the registration decal as instructed. There is no fee for motor vehicle registration.

Fines for violations of campus motor vehicle regulations are charged to the University account of the student in whose name the vehicle is registered. Students receive copies of current campus motor vehicle regulations when they register vehicles. Copies are also available from the Office of Security and Parking on request.

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Outside the Classroom

Students at Iowa have a wealth of opportunities to enrich their educational experience through participation in cocurricular activities and by attending special events.

Cultural Opportunities

Iowa's Center for the Arts includes some of the finest performing arts and museum facilities in the nation.

Hancher Auditorium seats 2,680 people for programs by internationally eminent performing artists in music, dance, and drama. Students have first priority for tickets at reduced rates.

Clapp Recital Hall seats 720 people for faculty recitals, chamber music, chamber opera, and small ensemble performances.

The University Theatre and Studio Theatre present more than 40 student productions annually, including classic drama and new works by student playwrights.

The University Dance Theatre presents student concerts and a faculty concert on campus each year and makes a number of concert appearances in area schools. Two other student dance ensembles are Black Genesis Dance Troupe and Los Bailadores Zapatistas, a Chicano student group which performs traditional Mexican dances.

Performance opportunities in music range from the medieval/renaissance material of Collegium Musicum to the "pop" style of the Old Gold Singers, from Voices of Soul gospel singers to the all-tuba ensemble, Collegium Tubum, and from the University Symphony Orchestra to a jazz program that this year swept top honors at the nation's most prestigious collegiate festivals.

Auditions for all music, theater, and dance groups are open to all students.

At the UI Museum of Art, students can see works by major artists, an excellent collection of silver and jade, displays of student and faculty works, and touring exhibits.

The University has a fine natural history museum in Macbride Hall, and the recently restored Old Capitol building houses a museum of the frontier days of the state and the University.

The University's main library and Iowa City's public library offer current books and periodicals and extensive research facilities.

Recreational Opportunities

The University's Division of Recreational Services provides a well-balanced offering of programs and facilities for students, including more than 20 intramural sports and activities, classes, and opportunities for informal physical and recreational activity.

Intramural activities range from flag football to canoeing and racquetball.

Sports clubs offer students opportunities to participate in such activities as rugby, soccer, lacrosse, sailing, rock climbing, fencing, and the martial arts.

The instructional program ranges from private tennis lessons to a seven-week yoga class.

Participants in the division's outdoor program have opportunities for such activities as weekend spelunking or cross-country skiing trips.

Among sports and recreational facilities available to students are tennis, basketball, volleyball, and racquetball courts, softball fields, swimming pools, running tracks, and weight machines.

Ethnic, Minority, and Religious Opportunities

Religious faiths represented in the Iowa City community include nearly all major denominations. Several maintain student centers near the campus. Campus ministers work ecumenically through the Association of Campus Ministers. Students have the opportunity to indicate their religious preferences during registration, if they wish to be contacted by a campus religious organization.

Several cultural/ethnic/minority centers offer students programs and a place to socialize. These include the Afro-American Cultural Center, the Chicano/Native American Cultural Center, the International Center, Hillel House, and the Women's Resource and Action Center.

Other Student Activities

There are more than 250 recognized student organizations on campus. They have a wide range of interests—recreational, social, cultural, political, religious. By University regulation, their membership is open to all members of the University community. Students who want to find out about existing organizations or who want to help in forming a new organization should visit the Student Activities Center on the first floor of the Iowa Memorial Union.

Many students choose to volunteer to work in community social service projects or at University Hospitals. Last year out of 400 hospital volunteers, 150 were University students.

In addition to offices for student activities, the Iowa Memorial Union has recreational facilities, including bowling alleys and a craft center, informal dining areas, meeting and study areas, and a bookstore.

Questions?

If you have a question concerning your son or daughter at the University, you can get help from many of the same sources available to him or her.

If you're uncertain where to go for help, or it's a personal matter, you can take your question to Phillip Jones, associate dean in the Office of Student Services, 101 Jessup Hall. If it's an emergency too urgent to deal with by letter, you can telephone Dean Jones at (319) 353-3120.

Call Toll-Free

You can call the University toll-free from anywhere in Iowa at 800-272-6412, and from anywhere in Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota, or Wisconsin at 800-553-6380. Or you can call University Information at (319) 353-2121.

Campus Information Center

If you need help locating an office or want information about University services, facilities, activities, academic programs, or housing, you can get it from the Campus Information Center, located in the south lobby of the Iowa Memorial Union. The center's telephone number is 353-6710.



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Glossary of UI Terms

- Bionic Bus** A free bus with a hydraulic lift available to handicapped students for transportation around the campus.
- CAMBUS** A student-initiated and student-operated free University bus system. Two routes circle the campus in opposite directions at ten-minute intervals.
- CLEP** College-Level Examination Program. By achieving certain scores in these exams, students may be exempted from part of their general education requirement, or they may receive University credit as well as an exemption.
- DI** The *Daily Iowan* is the student newspaper, a source of news and campus information and Iowa City's only morning paper. It is delivered free to students.
- GPA** Grade-Point Average. For every hour of A students earn, they are credited with four grade points; for an hour of B, three grade points; for an hour of C, two grade points; for an hour of D, one. A grade-point average is the total number of grade points divided by the number of credit hours attempted.
- Herky** A hawk character. The UI mascot.
- IMU** The Iowa Memorial Union, or the union. A center for student organizations, meetings, social and recreational activities, and information.
- Pentacrest** The heart of the campus, consisting of the Old Capitol and Macbride, MacLean, Jessup, and Schaeffer halls.
- RA** Resident Assistant. An upperclass or graduate student with special training responsible for programming, counseling, and advising in each of the residence halls.
- Semester or Credit Hour** Each course is worth a certain number of semester hours or credits. Often the number of semester hours corresponds to the number of hours spent in class each week, but not always. Most bachelor's degree programs require the completion of 124 semester hours of course work.
- TA** Teaching Assistant. A graduate student who assists in the instructional program of the University.
- U-Bill** University Bill. An itemized statement of charges due mailed to the student's local address three times a semester. U-Bills are mailed on the first of the month and payment is due by the fifteenth.

University Calendar

First Semester 1981-82

Beginning of advising and registration	August 24
Classes begin	August 26
University holiday	September 7
Homecoming	October 10
Parents Day	November 7
Thanksgiving recess begins 10 P.M.	November 24
University holidays	November 26, 27
Classes resume	November 30
Classes end	December 11
Final Examination Week begins	December 14
Final Examination Week ends	December 18
Commencement	December 19
University holidays	December 24, 25
University holiday	January 1

Second Semester 1981-82

Registration begins	January 14
Classes begin	January 18
Spring vacation begins 10:00 P.M.	March 19
Classes resume	March 29
Parents Weekend	April 16-18
Classes end	May 7
Final Examination Week begins	May 10
Final Examination Week ends	May 14
Commencement	May 15
University holiday	May 31

Summer Session 1982

Registration	June 7
Classes begin	June 8
University holiday	July 5
Summer Session ends	July 30
Commencement	July 30

