WELCOME

TO YOUR REDBIRD LIFE!

YOUR JOURNEY TO BECOMING A REDBIRD STARTS NOW!

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VISIT CAMPUS

Come to campus to experience life as a Redbird and get answers to any questions you may have. Sign up for a Transfer Student Visit or one of our Open House programs at IllinoisState.edu/TransferVisit.

REGGIE TIP!

Meet other students in your major, connect with future classmates across campus, and ask current students questions. Look for an email to join our private online community.

Admitted student events

Watch for an invitation to Redbird events exclusively for admitted students.
REVIEW YOUR STATEMENT OF TRANSFER CREDIT

You will receive a Statement of Transfer Credit that shows how your credits will transfer to Illinois State. Transfer credit is awarded for grades of D or better. Only credit hours transfer; grades are not transferable. If you earn an associate of arts (A.A.) or an associate of science (A.S.) degree from a regionally accredited community college, you will transfer to Illinois State with junior standing and all general education requirements met.

We accept a maximum of:
- 70 semester hours from two-year institutions
- 90 semester hours from four-year institutions
- A combined total of 90 hours from two-year and four-year institutions

If you have questions about your Statement of Transfer Credit, contact the University Registrar at (309) 438-2188 or visit Registrar.IllinoisState.edu.
ATTEND A TRANSFER DAY PROGRAM

Meet with your academic advisor

The Transfer Day Program is the orientation program for transfer students. You’ll meet your advisor, register for classes, and get your Redbird ID card during the semester before you attend.

Register to attend

You will receive an invitation in the spring that explains how to schedule an appointment with your advisor. Be sure to sign up soon after you are invited as space and course selections are limited. A $40 fee will be charged to your student account, which covers the cost of the Transfer Day Program, transfer evaluation, and registration.

Planned dates

- Friday, March 18, 2016
- Tuesday, March 22, 2016
- Friday, March 25, 2016
- Friday, April 1, 2016
- Friday, April 8, 2016
- Friday, April 22, 2016
- Friday, June 6, 2016

REGGIE TIP!

**UID:** (University Identification Number)

A number was assigned to you at the time you applied to Illinois State. It’s used in place of your Social Security number to identify you at the University.

**ULID:** (University Logon Identification)

The account you’ll use to access your email, the University network, and other electronic resources.
TAKE YOUR MATH PLACEMENT EXAM

Your Illinois State academic advisor will help you determine whether or not you need to take the exam. Before you register for a math class at Illinois State, you must either take the COMPASS math placement exam or complete an appropriate prerequisite course with a grade of C or better.

The COMPASS exam is offered through University College Testing Services at Illinois State and at several remote testing sites throughout the state. Call (309) 438-2100 or visit IllinoisState.edu/Compass for a current list of remote sites and to learn more about the COMPASS exam.

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

Apply for financial aid

The first step in applying for financial aid is to submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at fafsa.gov. Our preferred filing date for FAFSA is March 1. However, for best consideration for all types of aid, we recommend filing as soon as possible after January 1. You can check your financial aid status online at IllinoisState.edu/Apply.

Search for scholarships

Our Scholarship Resource Office posts scholarship information and application deadlines at IllinoisState.edu/Scholarships. If you are transferring with 30 or more college credit hours and a grade point average of 3.5 or greater, you may qualify for the Transfer Student Scholarship. We will notify you by email in March if you are eligible to apply.

Find your job

It’s easy for you to find a job at the Student Employment Fair offered each semester. You can browse a variety of on- and off-campus part-time job opportunities (12–15 hours on average per week). Learn more about employment at FinancialAid.IllinoisState.edu/Jobs. Search for on- and off-campus job opportunities at IllinoisState.edu/Jobs.

Pay your bill

You have the option of paying your tuition and fees in full at the beginning of the semester or establishing a payment plan with Student Accounts. You can find out everything you need to know about tuition, fees, rates, billing due dates, and payment options on the Student Accounts website at StudentAccounts.IllinoisState.edu.

Financial Aid Office
(309) 438-2231
FinancialAid.IllinoisState.edu
FinancialAid@IllinoisState.edu

Student Accounts
(309) 438-5643
StudentAccounts.IllinoisState.edu

REGGIE TIP!

We highly recommend you take a transferable, college-level math course prior to attending Illinois State.

FAFSA school code
001692

Filing date
Our preferred filing date for FAFSA is March 1.

REGGIE TIP!

Be sure to update your school of attendance on your FAFSA. The cost of attendance difference may affect your financial aid award.
DECIDE YOUR LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

Living on campus
The University On-Campus Housing Policy requires students to live in University housing their first two years out of high school. Students who have been out of high school more than two years are exempt from the University On-Campus Housing Policy.

Residence halls and Cardinal Court
The residence halls and Cardinal Court are primarily for students required to live on campus, with a limited amount of space available for students who have been out of high school for more than two years. Students interested in these options should contact the Housing office for additional details or complete a request to live on campus at IllinoisState.edu/HousingDiningContracts.

Living off campus
University Housing Services operates Fell Avenue, School Street, and Shelbourne Drive apartments as options for students who are not required to live on campus. Fell Avenue and School Street apartments are available specifically for qualifying upper-class students. Shelbourne Drive primarily houses students who are married or in domestic partnerships, students with dependents, graduate students, and qualifying upperclassmen. You can apply for these options at IllinoisState.edu/HousingDiningContracts.

Other options
Our Off-Campus Services website is a good place to start if you’re interested in housing not owned by the University. You’ll find a link to an off-campus housing database that provides rental listings, roommates, rights and responsibilities of off-campus students, and more on our website.

Meal plans
Our two conveniently located dining centers and various on-campus retail restaurants offer many choices ranging from fresh salad and stir-fry to pizza and sandwiches. Meal plan options vary depending on your living location. For more information about specific plans, visit our website.

Campus Dining Services
(309) 438-8351
Dining.IllinoisState.edu

Meal plan options vary depending on your living location. For more information about specific plans, visit our website.

THINK ABOUT YOUR TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Student parking
Parking permit information is mailed to students who live in the residence halls or university-owned apartments. Off-campus students may visit the Office of Parking and Transportation to purchase a commuter parking permit. You can find out about costs and parking locations at Parking.IllinoisState.edu.

Student transportation
You can travel on- and off-campus free of charge through Illinois State’s shuttle bus or Bloomington-Normal public transit with your Redbird ID card. Learn more at Parking.IllinoisState.edu.
YOUR FINAL STEPS

Finalize your admission file
Send your final college transcript(s) to the Office of Admissions before classes start. If you’ve earned an A.A. or A.S. degree, make sure the degree is posted on your final transcript.

Submit your immunization records
All students must have proof of health immunizations on file with Student Health Services by August 1, 2016, to avoid a late fee and being blocked from future class registration.

Your doctor or a public health clinic staff member must certify that you have had a tetanus/diphtheria (T/d) vaccine within the last 10 years and two measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccines since your first birthday.

There are two ways for you to submit your immunizations:
1. Providing a copy of your Illinois School Certificate of Child Health, which is available from your high school; or
2. Providing a copy of your immunizations from your physician’s office.

Immunizations
(309) 438-7559
HealthServices.IllinoisState.edu/Immunization

START YOUR REDBIRD LIFE

Move in and attend Welcome Week
We can’t wait for you to get to campus! Come to campus the week before school starts to get settled into your new place, get acquainted with campus, buy your books, and participate in Welcome Week activities. Welcome Week is a great way to get more comfortable on campus. Check out the schedule at WelcomeWeek.IllinoisState.edu.

Begin classes
Your first day of classes as a Redbird is Monday, August 22, 2016.

Student health care
Illinois State Student Health Services provides quality, convenient primary health care to students. You can see a licensed physician or advanced practice clinician for the following services:

- Routine examinations
- Treatment
- Urgent care

Student Health Services
(309) 438-8655
HealthServices.IllinoisState.edu

All full-time students must have health insurance coverage. The University offers a health coverage plan that is included in your tuition/fee costs that either supplements existing family coverage or serves as primary coverage for students with no other insurance. For more information about the benefits of student health insurance and keeping versus canceling the coverage if you already have insurance, visit our website.

Student Health Insurance
(309) 438-2515
IllinoisState.edu/Insurance

REGGIE TIP!

Immerse yourself in Redbird Life at Welcome Week. Catch live entertainment, learn more about your major, get information about student organizations, and attend special transfer student sessions crafted with you in mind.
ADDITIONAL CAMPUS RESOURCES

Campus Recreation
(309) 438-7529
CampusRecreation.IllinoisState.edu
Student Fitness Center with cardio equipment, weights, and aerobic classes; club and intramural sports; outdoor trips and equipment rentals; 18-hole golf course; tennis courts; and Bowling and Billiards Center

Career Center
(309) 438-2200
CareerCenter.IllinoisState.edu
Major and career exploration, career fairs, job search workshops, and résumé writing assistance

Child Care Center
(309) 438-5026
ChildCareCenter.IllinoisState.edu
Child care for children of Illinois State students (children ages 3–10)

Disability Concerns Office
(309) 438-5853
DisabilityConcerns.IllinoisState.edu
Exam accommodations, sign language interpreters, and note takers

International Studies and Programs
(309) 438-5276
InternationalStudies.IllinoisState.edu
Study abroad, International House, and cultural activities

Parking and Transportation
(309) 438-8391
Parking.IllinoisState.edu
Parking permits and transportation options

Student Counseling Services
(309) 438-3655
Counseling.IllinoisState.edu
Personal and career counseling, group counseling, and crisis intervention—all services provided to students are on a voluntary, confidential, and no-fee basis

Technology Support Center
(309) 438-HELP
SupportCenter.IllinoisState.edu
ULID services, email, and technology questions

TechZone
(309) 438-8334
TechZone.IllinoisState.edu
Computer repair and maintenance; new computer and equipment sales; and discounts on software and Apple, Dell, and Lenovo/IBM hardware

University College
(309) 438-3217
UniversityCollege.IllinoisState.edu
Academic advising, study skills workshops, Transfer Day Program, and Transfer Student Seminar

Veterans and Military Services
(309) 438-2207
Veterans.IllinoisState.edu
Assistance with military educational benefits, forms for military grants, and scholarships