



University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Intensive English Institute Newsletter



Upcoming IEI Events

Don't miss these great events coming up soon!
For more upcoming events, see <http://www.iei.uiuc.edu/calendar.htm>



Fall 2007

IEI International Game Night

Monday, November 17th - 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Asian American Cultural Center

Join in the fun of playing Scrabble, Twister, Blurt, Spoons, and more! You can also bring your own game to teach to others. The AACC is located across the street from the IEI. See you tonight!



Summer 2008

Convopartner Coffee Hour Potluck

Wednesday, November 19th - 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Asian American Cultural Center

A potluck is when everyone brings food to share. You can bring your convopartner, you can bring a dish to share, or you can just bring yourself. Just be sure to come and enjoy a variety of yummy treats!



Spring 2008

Volunteer at Wesley Food Pantry

Thursday, November 20th - *Time To Be Announced*

Wesley Foundation, 1203 W Green St, Urbana

On the third Thursday of every month, this food pantry provides groceries for over 400 people, so they need your help! Your service will help people with very limited incomes in the Champaign-Urbana community.



**Fall Break is Monday, November 24th through Friday, November 28th.
There will be NO IEI CLASSES. Enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday!**

FALL BREAK TRAVEL

If you are traveling outside of the US during the fall break you will need to carry your I-20 and a letter from the IEI office with you for re-entry.

So you need to do two things beforehand:

First, Make sure your I-20 is VALID (Check the dates on p. 1 #5, AND that page 3 is signed by Pam Fernandez (or Anna Kasten) at the bottom.

Second, please come to the IEI office the week of November 17-21 to get a letter from Rhonda.

FALL BREAK HOUSING

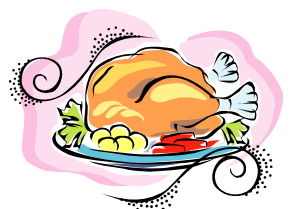
Undergraduate dormitory residents please note:

The Undergraduate University Residence Halls will close on Saturday, November 22, at 3 PM and re-open on Sunday, November 30, at noon.

If you want to stay in a residence hall during this break you **MUST** have a signed Break Housing Contract. Only PAR and ISR will be available. The cost is \$100.00 for the week. Contact the ISR front desk directly at 333-4640 to ask about availability.

**On Thursday, November 27th, you can enjoy a typical
American Thanksgiving celebration
by participating in the following free events:**

- Turkey Trot at Crystal Lake Park, Urbana, 9:00 AM**
A Turkey Trot is a great way to burn some calories before you eat your big Thanksgiving meal. You can run or walk the 1.5-mile course. Registration begins at 8:00 AM at the Crystal Lake Park Lake House. Run/walk begins at 9:00 AM. You'll see Binky Jandrich (*3S and 4T Reading teacher*) there, and maybe you'll win a turkey in the raffle.
<http://www.urbanaparks.org/events/239.html>
- Urbana High School's 37th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, 5:00 - 7:00 PM**
Urbana High School is located at 1002 Race Street in Urbana. This event is free and open to everyone who likes turkey, stuffing, and pie. Just call the reservation hotline at 384-1100 and give them your name, and the number of people attending. They will also provide free transportation to the school.



More Upcoming IEI Events



Convopartner Meet and Greet

Wednesday, December 3rd - 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
BASIC House, 1008 S. Lincoln Ave, Urbana

Practice English, meet new friends, and enjoy coffee and treats. Everyone is welcome to attend this event, with or without a Convopartner. BASIC House is located at the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Ohio Street.



IEI Movie Night: It's a Wonderful Life

Thursday, December 4th - 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
Location To Be Announced

This classic black-and-white film is one of the American Film Institute's "100 Best American Films", and it is Number 1 on their list of "Most Inspirational American Films." It's also a holiday favorite across the United States.

Important Information for All IEI Students – Please Read!

What Are Your Future Plans?

At the end of each semester, students are given a "future plans form" to explain what they will do when the semester ends. This is done because we have to update your immigration record in SEVIS. You will be receiving this form in the next few days, so you need to start thinking about your future. What are you doing next semester? Staying at the IEI? Transferring to a new school? Returning home? Your section leader will be handing out this form in class.

After you have received it, if you have any questions, please see Pam Fernandez, International Student Advisor, in office #101 in the IEI building. You may also contact Pam by e-mail at pafern@uiuc.edu

Coming Back to the IEI in Spring?

Save Money on Your Spring Tuition by Registering Early!

If you are planning to return to the IEI for the spring semester, you can save \$250 on your spring 2009 tuition. All you have to do is come in to the IEI office and pay a \$200 tuition deposit. You can register early starting on **Monday, December 1st**. The last day to register early and get the discount is **4:00pm Friday, December 12th**.

If you are a full-time student, your tuition bill (**not including fees and insurance**) for spring will then look like this:

IEI Spring 2009	
Tuition	\$3,730.00
Tuition Deposit Paid	(\$200.00)
IEI Student Discount	(\$250.00)
TOTAL DUE	\$3,280.00

If you are a part-time student, ask the IEI office about what discount you can receive.

When you come to the IEI office to register you will also receive your spring 2009 class choice form. This **MUST** be turned in no later than **4:00pm Friday, December 12th**.

Note to Sponsored Students: You need to come to the IEI office to register between December 1 – 12, 2008. We need to know if you are planning to study in the IEI in the spring. You will also need to complete the spring 2009 class choice form.

The Tuition Deposit is **NOT** refundable. This means that if you change your mind and decide not to attend the IEI in spring, you will not receive your tuition deposit back.

Changes in IEI Courses and Levels in Spring

Beginning in Spring, the IEI will add one more level and all of the levels will have new numbers. Check the IEI Bulletin Boards for a diagram that shows the new IEI courses and levels. The new levels will look like this:

ADVANCED	Level 600 Level 500
INTERMEDIATE	Level 400 Level 300
BASIC	Level 200 Level 100

We will be adding some new courses and there will be changes to some of the "old" IEI courses. Short course descriptions of the IEI courses will be available in the IEI office beginning on December 1st.