

New student estimated expenses

2009–2010 academic year

Tuition and fees

Illinois residents	\$10,679
Room and meal plan (multiple occupancy, 5-day unlimited meal plan)	\$7,916
Total	\$18,595

Estimated costs

Books and supplies	\$1,026
Transportation	\$999
Miscellaneous	\$2,545
Total estimated	
personal expenses	\$4,570
Average yearly budget	\$23,165

Your important Illinois State University Web sites

Admissions

IllinoisState.edu/admissions

Office of Disability Concerns

www.DisabilityConcerns.ilstu.edu

Financial aid and scholarships

IllinoisState.edu/financialaid

Registrar

www.Registrar.ilstu.edu

University Housing Services

www.Housing.ilstu.edu

Off-Campus and Nontraditional Student Services

www.DeanofStudents.ilstu.edu/offcampus

Adult Learner Services

www.EnrollmentManagement.ilstu.edu

Passages Welcome Weekend

www.Passages.ilstu.edu

- Specialist in deaf and hard of hearing—teaches students from preschool through age 21 in public schools and other specialized programs. This program is one of only three unique programs in Illinois to offer this specialty. Our program is unique because we have children who are deaf or hard of hearing on-campus attending the University Laboratory Schools.
- Specialist in low vision and blindness—teaches students from preschool through high school who are blind or have low vision.

College of Fine Arts

Art and music articulation information

Students are admitted to the Schools of Art and Music by portfolio review and an audition respectively, followed by a placement examination. In the past, the review process identified generally strong students who were sometimes weak in particular areas covered by one or more articulated courses. In those cases, students were asked to repeat the courses as a condition of admission in order to improve their chances of success in later courses. This approach worked in practice, but is not in the spirit of course articulation.

The new approach is to place transfer courses following the portfolio review or audition/examination. The result for the student will essentially be the same as before. The major requirements can be fulfilled by transfer courses where performance indicates that the student has a sufficient mastery of the content. The impetus here is to ensure that students have an accurate foundation to be successful.

If you, or faculty and staff, would like additional information, contact Janet Tulley at jatulle@ilstu.edu or (309) 438-3566 for the School of Music. Contact Nancy Fewkes at nfewkes@ilstu.edu or (309) 438-5627; or Deanna Deatrack at dsdeatr@ilstu.edu or (309) 438-5621 for the School of Art.

Music

Students interested in a major or minor must audition for entrance to the School of Music. Student wishing to enroll for fall 2009 may audition January 17, February 7, February 21, or February 28. Due to class registration deadlines for transfer students, an early audition is encouraged. Applications for audition and audition repertoire requirements are available on the School of Music Web site at www.IllinoisState.edu/finearts.

Transfer student talent and merit scholarship consideration is made at the time of audition. Depending on budgetary allocations and need of the school, scholarships range from one-time awards of \$1000 to annual awards of \$6000. No additional applications are necessary.

All transfer students who have previously taken college-level music theory and aural skills (ear) training must take a placement exam after being admitted to the School of Music by audition. If you have questions, please contact Janet Tulley, assistant to the director of the School of Music, by e-mail at music@IllinoisState.edu or call (309) 438-3566.

Music theory day

On Friday, November 7 the School of Music hosted a Music Theory Day to share music theory and aural skills curriculum with music faculty from community colleges throughout Illinois. Martha Horst, coordinator of music theory, at Illinois State led the eighteen attendees from ten community colleges in an overview of the curriculum for all four semesters of the theory and aural skills courses. Those in attendance received information regarding our textbook usage and semester break-down of course content. Faculty in attendance welcomed the conversation with their fellow music theory faculty and left with a greater understanding of the University's expectations. Additional music theory and aural skills collaboration is anticipated through the Association of Illinois Music Schools.

Mennonite College of Nursing

Beginning fall 2009 Mennonite College of Nursing will be increasing student enrollment for the traditional Prelicensure B.S.N. sequence by adding a second point of entry to the sequence. The admission cycle will remain the same, but prospective students will be offered either fall or spring starting points into the program. The college will balance these starting points in order to increase the total number of accepted students each academic year while managing available resources and maintaining program quality.

Beginning spring 2010 admission, the accelerated nursing program will require students to complete the certified nurse aide training prior to starting the program.



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Community College Counselor

Spring 2009 update

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Web site: IllinoisState.edu/admissions
IllinoisState.edu/apply

Financial Aid

Telephone: (309) 438-2231
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Web site: IllinoisState.edu/financialaid

Housing

Telephone: (309) 438-8611
Web site: www.Housing.ilstu.edu

Articulation handbooks

www.Registrar.ilstu.edu/students/transfer/course_articulation

Application deadlines

It is important that students apply to Illinois State one year in advance of the semester they plan to enroll. As our enrollment targets are met, it may be necessary to establish deadlines earlier than those published. Depending on enrollment patterns, it may not be possible to admit all qualified applicants. In order to receive the best consideration, students should apply during the priority filing period for the term for which they are applying.

Term	Priority filing period	Application deadline	Supporting document deadline
Summer/Fall 2009	September 1–November 15	April 1	June 1
Spring 2010	April 1–July 31	November 1	November 1

Electronic transcripts

Illinois State is able to receive electronic transcripts. By sending transcripts electronically, a student's file can be processed much faster since it doesn't go through the mail.

There are four methods we use to receive transcripts electronically: XAP, Docufide, eSCRIPT-Safe, and Connect EDU.

Community College Counselor Day

Community college advisors are invited to visit campus and learn about campus updates and departmental highlights. We invite you to attend the Illinois State University Community College Counselor Day on Thursday, September 24, 2009 located in the Bone Student Center.

Find Your Major Web site

The University has developed a "Find Your Major" Web site to assist students with the pragmatics of selecting a major. This Web site provides a multitude of options and tools to assist students exploring a future career. Access the site at www.FindYourMajor.ilstu.edu.

Student and counselor blogs

A Web site had been created for prospective students to read and ask questions about the daily lives of current Illinois State students. Prospective students also have the opportunity to ask questions to a select number of admission staff members who also provide information for prospective students such as deadlines, requirements, transferring credits, etc. We encourage prospective students and advisors to read these blogs to enhance their perspective for the University.

Transfer admission guide

Prospective transfer students should refer to the Transfer Admission Guide to determine the courses required for admission into a particular major. View the guide online at: www.Admissions.ilstu.edu/transfer/requirements.

Transfer students should also complete the equivalent of English 101, Communication 110, and a general education math course prior to transferring. Completion of these courses provides each transfer student a smooth transition to the University and an easier progression toward graduation.

Admission Web site

We have recently developed a new admission Web site: www.Admissions.ilstu.edu/transfer. The transfer admission Web site assists students before they apply, during the application process, and once they are admitted to Illinois State. This Web site also includes an area for community college advisors. Helpful resources are now available in one easy location for advisors to assist students.

Scholarships for transfer students

The Community College Transfer Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship valued at \$3,000 (\$750 per semester for two years). One award is reserved for a member of Phi Theta Kappa. In order to be considered and to compete for this scholarship, candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Earn a cumulative admission grade point average of 3.5/4.0.
- Complete the A.A. or A.S. degree by the time they enroll at Illinois State. The A.A.S. degree is not eligible for this scholarship.
- Be a first-time community college transfer student at Illinois State for the spring, summer, or fall 2009 terms. Part-time students are not eligible.

Students need to be admitted to Illinois State by March 1, 2009, to be eligible for the scholarship. Invitations are automatically mailed to qualified, admitted students in early March. Candidates are required to submit the scholarship application materials and a 500-word essay online. For more information about the Community College Transfer Scholarship, contact the Office of Admissions at (800) 366-2478.

Transfer Day Program

The Transition and Orientation Services Office offers an orientation/registration program for incoming transfer students. Students will receive an orientation on academic policies and procedures, meet with an academic advisor and advance register for classes, and attend an informational fair. This program will provide transfer students with many tools to assist with the transition to the University.

Semester of enrollment:	Fall 2009	Semester of enrollment:	Spring 2010
Transfer Days:	Friday, March 20, 2009 Friday, March 27, 2009 Friday, April 3, 2009 Friday, April 10, 2009	Transfer Days:	Friday, October 9, 2009 Friday, October 16, 2009 Friday, October 23, 2009

Spanish speaking services

Spanish speaking students or parents who wish to learn more information about the University can contact admission counselors, Dave Marcial or Allegra Menken. Both Dave and Allegra are bilingual and available to help translate information. Dave can be contacted at (309) 438-7066. Allegra can be contacted at (309) 438-2921.

AAT implementation

Illinois State will accept the AAT degree in secondary math, early childhood, and special education as a baccalaureate-oriented associate's degree. Since the AAT in secondary science does not include the full IAI transferable core (GECC), individual components of the AAT in secondary science will be audited separately.

Students transferring with AAT degrees that include the IAI GECC will satisfy the University's general education requirement. Students transferring AAT degrees that do not include complete IAI GECC will be allowed to complete the remaining courses at Illinois State and will satisfy general education requirements upon completion of the full IAI GECC.

Other courses included in the AAT programs will be articulated according to current articulation agreements with individual community college partners. Additional review is planned for the future to re-evaluate course transfer in the area of special education.

Foreign language requirement

We encourage transfer students to complete foreign language graduation requirements prior to attending Illinois State University.

1. College of Arts and Sciences

All graduates in the College of Arts and Sciences must satisfy a foreign language requirement that may be met by:

- Three years of one language in high school.
- Completion of the second semester or higher of a college level foreign language with a grade of C or better.
- American Sign Language may be used to fulfill this requirement by transfer credit.

2. Bachelor of Arts degree

All students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in any program will require knowledge of a foreign language as demonstrated by successful completion of LAN 115 (three semesters), or can be met by course proficiency test. Completion of three years in high school has no bearing on this requirement.

Academic updates

College of Applied Science and Technology

School of Information Technology

Information systems

- Integration of enterprise systems sequence—Students will learn the integration of business applications in a large computing system.

Computer science

- General computer science sequence—Students will merge skills in science, math, and computers into a career developing complex computer programs for very large corporations.

- Enterprise computing engineering sequence—Prepares students for system programmer/analyst positions in a large scale computing environment.

Department of Technology

The Department of Technology offers six areas of study: construction management, industrial computers systems, integrated manufacturing systems, graphic communication, renewable energy, and technology education. For the 2008–2010 catalog, students interested in graphic communication will have the option to study either print media management or Web media management. For more information and plans of study, visit www.tec.ilstu.edu or contact Cathy McKay, advisor for the Department of Technology, at (309) 438-2665.

College of Arts and Sciences

Department of Physics

The Department of Physics is a recognized leader in undergraduate physics education, having received separate national awards in recent years for its students, faculty, and curriculum. Our students choose from four degree sequences: physics, computer physics, physics teacher education, and engineering physics (a five-year, dual degree program with cooperating engineering schools). Smooth transition from community college is enhanced if the student's associate degree courses include a full slate of calculus-based physics as well as mathematics (calculus through linear algebra, with differential equations is recommended). A two-course sequence in general chemistry and a computer programming course are also recommended. Please visit www.phy.ilstu.edu for more information.

College of Business

Illinois State's College of Business placed 79th overall and 38th among public universities in the 2008 *BusinessWeek* magazine ranking of the best undergraduate business schools in the nation. This places the college among the top 20 percent of AACSB accredited business schools. Illinois State received the 2nd best ranking for Illinois schools.

The College of Business building is large, professional, and technologically sophisticated. The design of the facility blends the small college campus environment with a corporate presence and state-of-the-art technologies.

All prospective transfer students interested in a business major are strongly urged to complete an appropriate associate's degree program, and the required College of Business tool courses and computer competency requirements prior to entering the University.

College of Education

Illinois State University ranks as one of the top ten teacher preparation institutions in the nation among American Association of Colleges of Teacher Education institutions. Nearly one in eight Illinois public school teachers has a degree from Illinois State. The College of Education provides leadership in teacher education at the undergraduate level through the Curriculum and Instruction and Special Education Programs.

The Curriculum and Instruction Department offers four areas of teacher preparation:

- Early childhood education—prepares students to teach children from preschool through third grade.
- Elementary education—a high-demand program of choice in Illinois. The program certifies students to teach kindergarten through ninth grade.
- Middle level education—one of two programs in Illinois. While students in this program are certified to teach kindergarten through ninth grade, they are prepared with unique expertise in teaching young adolescents in a middle school setting. Students are required to complete courses that will prepare them to teach two subject areas.
- Bilingual-bicultural education—offered to students interested in using the Spanish language and culture as a teaching tool. This certifies students to teach kindergarten through ninth grade as it combines the elementary education major with courses specifically designed for the bilingual-bicultural approach. This area of teaching is in high demand.

The Special Education Department offers three areas of teacher preparation:

- Specialist in learning and behavior—teaches children with learning disabilities, emotional or behavioral disorders, mental retardation, physical disabilities, health impairments, and multiple disabilities.

Open houses and campus visits

Illinois State will host two open houses this Spring:

Monday, March 2, 2009Spring Open House

Monday, March 23, 2009Spring Open House

Families will have the opportunity to tour the campus, tour a residence hall, meet with campus representatives from academic and student services areas, and listen to sessions on financial aid. There is also a special session designed specifically for transfer students about enrollment at Illinois State.

Other campus visit opportunities

Students may make individual appointments with the admissions staff from 8 a.m.—4 p.m., Monday through Friday; and attend information sessions on most weekdays Monday through Friday throughout the year and on scheduled Saturdays from September through April. This group session includes a presentation by an admissions counselor, a student-led walking tour of campus, and typically a residence hall tour. Students can make a reservation for any of these options online www.Admissions.ilstu.edu/visit.

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