



**PGSG**

Purdue Graduate Student Government

# Tips for Graduate Living 2004-2005

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# INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Purdue University!

This is the seventeenth edition of the Purdue Graduate Student Government Tips for Graduate Living\*, an informational booklet for new graduate students. It is a consolidation of information acquired from other publications, research, and personal experiences. We would appreciate feedback on this publication. Please send comments to:

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This booklet is available electronically online at: <http://www.purdue.edu/pgsg/gradtips.pdf>

We hope your stay at Purdue University will be an enjoyable and pleasant learning experience. Please let PGSG know if there is anything we can help you with.

\*Purdue Graduate Student Government was formally known as the Graduate Student Association.

## WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear fellow graduate student,

On behalf of the officers and members of the Purdue Graduate Student Government (PGSG) I would like to extend our warmest welcome to you. I am sure you will become more familiar with PGSG and its activities during the course of your career at Purdue. Our organization is the voice of graduate students at Purdue University. In cooperation with members of the faculty, administration, and other student organizations, PGSG works to improve the quality of living for graduate students, to build a stronger academic community, and to enhance graduates' social connections. At this time, with our recent separation from Purdue Student Government, we are focusing on assuring all departments on campus are represented and that no graduate student is left without a voice. We will also strive to provide more opportunities for social, academic, and professional growth. The key to our success is the committed group of individuals who represent the graduate students departments as Senators. It is my pleasure, as President, to work with such a diverse and intellectually engaging group of people.

We invite you to become involved by attending PGSG Senate meetings, checking us out online, or contacting your departmental senator for more information. If you want to expand your graduate studies experience and meet a diverse group of individuals, there is no better way of doing it. In addition to personal contacts, we are starting an online forum for graduate students to share their experiences and provide advice.

I wish you the most enjoyable experience at Purdue University and I hope to meet you soon at one of our events. For the latest list of events and information, please visit us online: <http://www.purdue.edu/pgsg>.

Regards,

Jennie Blankert  
President, Purdue Graduate Student Government

# PURDUE GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

## MISSION

The PGSG represents the graduate student body of Purdue University. The mission of the PGSG is to:

- A) To identify and address academic, social, and professional concerns of Purdue Graduate Students.
- B) To act as a liaison with Purdue University administration, faculty, and student government bodies.
- C) To promote communication and interaction among Purdue graduate students.

PGSG works to fulfill its mission by building working relationships with the Graduate School, University administration, and student organizations. Most notable is our tie with the Black Graduate Association, as a large number of our senators are also members of this group. We hope in the coming year to build ties with other graduate student associations across the university.

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## UNIVERSITY SENATE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

PGSG nominates graduate students to serve on faculty and administrative committees as representatives of the graduate student body. Listed below are the faculty and administrative committees (having student representation) that frame policies and oversee the functioning of Purdue University. Several of these positions are reserved for graduate students and the rest are open to graduate and undergraduate students alike.

### UNIVERSITY SENATE COMMITTEES

- University Senate Educational Policy Committee
- Educational Policy Committee
  - Academic Progress and Records
  - International Educational Programs
  - Superior Students
- University Senate Faculty Affairs Committee
  - University Grade Appeals
- University Senate Student Affairs Committee
  - Athletic Affairs
  - Student Financial Aid
- University Senate Resource Policy Committee
  - Architectural and Landscape Design and Planning
  - Library
  - Parking and Traffic
  - Academic Computing Policy Committee
  - Visual Arts

### ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES

- Campus Appeals Board
- Military Programs
- Orientation of New Students
- Residence Review

### COUNCILS

- Graduate Council
- Teacher Education Council

### GENERAL PUBLIC COMMITTEES

- Commencement
- Convocations

### HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEES

- Laser Safety Committee

# THE UNIVERSITY AND GRADUATE SCHOOL

## THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School oversees graduate education at Purdue University. Regardless of your department, all graduate students are officially enrolled and receive their degrees from the Graduate School. Questions about academic requirements, student progress or performance, grievance procedures, and faculty-student relationships that cannot be addressed within individual departments may be directed to the Graduate School deans. Also, the Graduate School has established a formal procedure through which students may appeal decisions made by departmental graduate committees. For more information, please contact the Graduate School, which is located in Young Graduate House and can be reached at 494-2600.

## HOW TO GRADUATE IN THE MINIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME (AND OTHER POINTERS)

As with all large organizations, Purdue has its own rules. One of the main reasons that students find themselves here longer than they need to be is that they didn't follow one or more of the rules in order to graduate. PGSG recommends that you get a copy of the following publications:

- University Regulations:  
<http://www.purdue.edu/oop/univregs/>
- The Graduate School Bulletin (or your departmental published requirements on graduation)
- Traffic and Parking Regulations
- International Student Handbook (for international students): These can be obtained from the Office of International Students and Scholars (ISS), 494-5770, Room 136, Schleman Hall. If you have a mailbox on campus, you can ask the ISS office to send you a copy via campus mail.
- A Manual for the Preparation of Graduate Theses  
<http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/thesis.cfm>

Obtain these, read, and follow them. As soon as you can, file a plan of study with the Graduate School. A plan of study protects you from changes in your department. If you know the rules, they can

help you throughout your Purdue experience. Several publications and additional information can be found at:

<http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/>

## FEE REMISSIONS FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS AND STAFF

Graduate students with assistantships have all but approximately \$550 (depending upon the school) for general fees remitted each semester. Note that as of Fall 2003, international students are also required to pay an additional \$50 per semester to maintain their full-time graduate student status. This fee helps to maintain services provide by the ISS office. These include but are not limited to: tax counseling, reports to home country, visa assistance, and federal reporting. Note that to be paid as a graduate student staff member, an individual must be enrolled as a graduate student in a degree or teacher license program, be registered for at least three credit hours and pay general fees. Also, note that to be paid during the summer, you must register for summer school; however, the fees are half of the normal semester fees. International students who are not on graduate assistantships need to register for at least nine credit hours during the fall and spring semesters to maintain full-time graduate student status. Those students on assistantships require at least six credit hours during the fall and spring semesters. Note that international students do not have to be registered for summer courses to maintain full-time status. For further information, check with the Office of International Students and Scholars (ISS), 494-5770, Room 136, Schleman Hall, for registration details.

## RESIDENCE STATUS FOR TUITION PURPOSES

If you are paying your own tuition, the benefits of in-state residency are obvious: in-state fees are much cheaper! If you are on a teaching or research assistantship, your residence classification currently will not affect your out-of-pocket expenses. New rules make it harder to switch from out-of-state to in-state status. International students typically pay out-of-state fees when they are not on graduate assistantships. When they are on an assistantship, international students pay in-

state fees.

The Graduate School is responsible for initial residence classification of all graduate students. The Office of the Registrar is responsible for the residence reclassification of continuing students. Each case is considered on an individual basis. It is suggested that you address your residence inquiries to: Office of the Registrar, Room 45, Hovde Hall. You may call 494-6165 to ask questions or make an appointment.

### **TAXES**

Over the past several years, the tax situation for graduate students has changed several times. However, it finally appears that the tax laws have stabilized. You should contact your department head or departmental business office for specific information regarding your tax situation. International graduate staff are required to visit the Payroll Office in Freehafer Hall of Administrative Services as soon as possible.

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS**

Stipends for all teaching and research assistantships are subject to taxation, and the University is required to withhold taxes from all such payments. Fee remissions for teaching and research assistantships are not subject to taxation. Your teaching and research assistantships are not subject to Social Security withholdings.

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

The part of a fellowship or a scholarship that is used for tuition and course-related expenses, such as books and supplies, is not taxable. The rest of the fellowship or scholarship (living expenses, travel, etc.) is considered taxable income. The University does not withhold taxes from these awards.

### **TAX DEFERRED ANNUITY (TDA)**

As a graduate student staff member of Purdue University, you may be eligible to participate in a tax deferred annuity (TDA), along with other faculty and staff members. TDA's permit you to accumulate additional retirement savings of your own to supplement retirement benefits from Social Security and other pension plans. Contributions to TDA's are made on a salary reduction or tax deferred basis. This means that money you put into your TDA is not taxed until withdrawn during retirement.

Individuals who begin TDA's early in their careers find that their options are expanded for early retirement and higher income levels during retirement. While you may start a TDA at any time, the earlier started, the greater the flexibility provided.

If you are interested in starting a TDA, you may do so at any time during the year by calling the Retirement Office in Personnel Services at 494-1693. You may change the amount of the TDA contribution only once each calendar year.

### **PURDUE LIBRARIES**

Purdue has a decentralized library system. The Purdue University Libraries consist of the HSSE (Humanities, Social Science, and Education) Library in Stewart Center, the John W. Hicks Undergraduate Library, underground in front of Stewart Center, and 13 school and departmental libraries located throughout the campus. The libraries you probably will use the most are the school or departmental libraries associated with your field of interest and the HSSE Library, because of its function as the central library.

The complete card catalog for all the University's libraries (through 1990), the Interlibrary Loan Service, the majority of the master's and Ph.D. theses written at Purdue, and a number of other services are available in the HSSE Library, with the entrance located on the first floor of Stewart Center.

The John W. Hicks Undergraduate Library is oriented toward undergraduate students, with an emphasis on general reference materials, popular reading materials (i.e., paperbacks, magazines, American and foreign newspapers), lots of study space, extended hours, and a comfortable lounge. Adjoining the undergraduate library is a 24-hour study lounge. The Instructional Media Center and various reserve materials are located in the lower level of the Undergraduate Library.

Since 1998, the libraries have an integrated an on-line library system that provides computerized access to all materials acquired since 1976. Each library has terminals that allow users to search the catalog by author, title, keyword, or subject. In addition, substantial databases are available through THOR for journals in many different

disciplines. These search engines help graduate students locate journals in their field of interest e.g. Biological Abstracts for the Sciences and the Social Science Citation Index for Humanities. THOR also is available through any terminal on the campus computer network through the World Wide Web. The URL address is:

<http://www.lib.purdue.edu>

Another useful source of academic research can be found at the URL address: <http://www.webofscience.com>. Furthermore, Purdue libraries are gradually moving into the realm of electronic journals so that articles are now readily accessible online (typically in PDF formats). This is especially the case for newer articles, that is, those published within the last 5 years. Graduate students thus have the option of saving the document in a .pdf file format for later reading or printing it out at the computer terminal. To see if your journal is available online, visit: <http://www2.lib.purdue.edu:2994/frames.asp>

Photocopiers are available in nearly all of the libraries. The best (and quickest) way to make copies is to get a CopyCard, which is a debit card one can use in any copier. The cards are available at any of the large libraries and can be purchased with cash or a departmental account number. Copying made with a CopyCard costs a penny less per page than copying made with change. Not all departments provide funding for copy cards. Blue copy cards can be purchased with cash, while yellow copy cards can be purchased with departmental account numbers.

#### **FINANCIAL AID AND STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Each year, approximately 60% of Purdue's graduate students are supported by graduate appointments. It is in your best interest to keep abreast of the changing financial situation and financial assistance opportunities available. A description of selected fellowships, traineeships, and appointments for graduate students is available in the Graduate School, Room 160, Young Graduate House or may be accessed via the Graduate School's Home Page at: <http://www.gradschool.purdue.edu/>. This comprehensive listing presents a summary of appointments available throughout the University and is a very good starting point. International students typically are not eligible for any

fellowships funded by the federal government, and can only work a maximum of 20 hours (0.50 FTE) per week during the fall and spring semesters. They are, however, allowed to work the full 40 hours per week during the summer. For additional inquiries, please check with the Office of International Students and Scholars (ISS), 494-5770, Room 136, Schleman Hall, about employment and other restrictions.

The Division of Financial Aid Office, located on the third floor of Schleman Hall, can assist you with student loans. You need to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to have eligibility determined for federal student loans. The FAFSA is available in the third floor lobby of Schleman Hall. You also may request a FAFSA application through the Financial Aid Voice Response System by calling 494-5050 or file online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>.

The Division of Financial Aid Student Employment Office in Schleman Hall maintains a centralized listing of jobs on the Student Services Information On-line (SSINFO) system daily. SSINFO lists on-campus student employment and off-campus work. These job listings also are aired by the Center for Instructional Services (CIS) Purdue Cable channel. The teletext service can be seen on Insight Communications, Channel 5, and University Residence Television Antenna System, Channel 15. Keep on the lookout for opportunities to work with professors on projects, as consultants in computer labs, as residence hall counselors, or in the various jobs in the Student Union, etc.

#### **SSINFO (STUDENT SERVICES INFORMATION ON-LINE)**

SSINFO, or Student Service: information Online, is a tool that you will want to know as soon as possible. You can use it to access your personal information, such as your course and exam schedules, your academic records (your grades will be posted here), make transcript requests, and also change your residential address etc. Other services provided by SSINFO include housing information, financial aid information, employment information and Purdue's Electronic Directory Services, including email addresses. Check out <http://www.ssinfo.purdue.edu> for more information.

**MAIL\* HUB**

Mail\*Hub is the University-wide email directory service. It can be used to look up anyone at the University, change your profile, and forward your Purdue email to any email address you specify. To find out more about Mail\*Hub, visit <http://directory.purdue.edu/>.

**GRADUATE ORGANIZATIONS**

Getting the most out of your time at Purdue means getting involved. Purdue has hundreds of student organizations, so likely there is an organization just waiting for your ideas. Contact the student activities and organizations area of the Dean of Students Office at 494-1231. The database student organizations is available at [http://www.purdue.edu/odos/sao/student\\_organization\\_database.htm](http://www.purdue.edu/odos/sao/student_organization_database.htm).



# WHAT TO DO IN GREATER LAFAYETTE

This section answers one of the most commonly asked questions at Purdue, "What is there to do in the Greater Lafayette Area?" We have provided a list of things to do in this section. For more information about Greater Lafayette, call the Convention and Visitors Bureau (888-841-3299 or 447-9999) or visit the Purdue Visitor Information Center.

## CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

### Culture on Campus

- International Center, 523 Russell Street, West Lafayette (743-4353): Call during office hours, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Friday, or visit <http://www.intlctr.org>.
- Black Cultural Center, 1100 Third Street (494-3092): Visit <http://www.purdue.edu/bcc/> for more information..

### West Lafayette

- Morton Community Center, 222 North Chauncey (775-5120): Programs for recreational, social and educational purposes. Classes offered for adults and children.
- Purdue Bands (494-3952): Don't let the name fool you. Purdue actually has an orchestra and a marching band, as well as several jazz and concert bands. Most concerts are free and there are frequent performances.
- Purdue Convocations (494-3933): Purdue has live, professional entertainment and speakers of interest. Performances include plays, music, dance, opera; Broadway, comedy, magic, and films. For more information on Purdue Convocations, call the Convocations Office at 494-9712 or the Box Office at 494-3933 or checkout their website at: <http://www.convos.purdue.edu>
- University Theater (494-3074): Varied shows are produced and performed by theater arts students, faculty, and visiting performers.
- Tippecanoe County Amphitheater (463-2211): This outdoor theater hosts a variety of plays, concerts, and boat and car shows from late spring to early fall. Visit <http://www.county.tippecanoe.in.us/departments/parks/> for more information.

- Ticketmaster: Ticketmaster sells tickets for performances and sports events throughout Indiana and nearby states, as well as other parts of the country. There is a Ticketmaster outlet located in Lafayette at L. S. Ayres department store in the Tippecanoe Mall Tickets also are available by calling 743-5151 or at <http://www.ticketmaster.com>.

### Lafayette

- Tippecanoe Arts Federation: A free newsletter with calendar of events and local news is available free upon request by calling 423-ARTS.
- Civic Theater of Greater Lafayette (formerly Monon Depot Theater), 313 North 5th Street (423-7529): This small and intimate theater sets the scene for many locally produced plays and lesser known concerts.
- Lafayette Symphony Orchestra, 111 North 6th Street (742-6463)
- Long Center for the Performing Arts, 111 North 6th Street (742-5664): A large and decorative theater (Historic Mars Theater) is used for the more prominent performances that come to Lafayette, as well as movies and theater organ recitals.
- Riehle Plaza, Second Street (476-4407): The new railroad depot and walking bridge across the Wabash River connecting Lafayette to West Lafayette features concerts and other events near the depot.
- Lafayette Arts and Crafts Market: Every Saturday, May-October 6:30AM-12:00PM, 5<sup>th</sup> and South Street in Lafayette.
- Lafayette Farmers Market: Every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, May-October, 6:30AM-12:00PM, 5<sup>th</sup> and South Street in Lafayette.

### Chicago

- Chicago Dance Coalition (312) 419-8384
- Chicago Music Alliance (312) 987-1123

## ANNUAL EVENTS

- Black History Month (494-3092): Every year during the month of February, the Black Cultural Center puts together a series of lectures, performances, movies, and other social and cultural activities. Visit <http://www.purdue.edu/bcc>.
- Springfest (494-4554): In an effort to reach a broad range of people with entomology, Bug Bowl was created to teach people about insects. This annual event, held in April, is sponsored by the Department of Entomology.
- Concert Under the Stars Series: The University Bands present, a week-long series of free concerts in mid-April at Slayter Hill. The most well known of these concerts is the "1812" Concert. Contact the Bands general office at 4943952 for more information.
- Dancing in the Streets (742-2313): Held in late summer, this is a downtown back-to-the-50's night and includes outdoor food booths, street dancing, and a classic car show.
- Feast of the Hunter's Moon (476-8411 or 476-8402): This is an annual event held in October at Fort Ouiatenon, featuring a recreation of an 18th Century French and Indian encampment on the banks of the Wabash River.
- Grand Prix: Racing fans, this mid-April event is for you. A go-cart version of the Indianapolis 500 is held on the racetrack north of the football stadium. For more information, call 494-7527.
- Indiana Fiddlers' Gathering (742-1419): Held the last weekend in June, this is a weekend festival of traditional folk, bluegrass, and country music on the grounds of the Tippecanoe Battlefield.
- International Food Bazaar (743-4353)
- The International Center holds an international food bazaar in the spring. Traditional cuisine from all over the world is available for sampling at a very nominal charge.
- Purdue Christmas Show (494-3941): Over 36,000 people attend the annual PMO Christmas Show, which is held in the Elliott Hall of Music during December.
- Round the Fountain Art Fair (742-2313): Held on Saturday of the Memorial Day weekend at the end of May, on the Courthouse grounds, this fair features the juried works of about 100 regional artists.
- Stars and Stripes (742-6463): This is the annual Independence Day celebration (July 4), featuring the Lafayette Citizens Bank in an outdoor concert at the Train Depot in Lafayette, followed by fireworks.

- The Strawberry Festival (742-0075): Sponsored each June by the YWCA, this festival offers strawberry shortcake, music, crafts, and children's games.
- Taste of Tippecanoe (423-2787): Tippecanoe Arts Federation annually sponsors this event in June, which has become the most popular event for sampling great food and local music.

## ART AND MUSEUMS

University Art Galleries (494-3061)

- Ralph G. Beelke Memorial Gallery Creative Arts Building 2
- Robert R. Ringel Gallery on the main floor of the Purdue Memorial Union
- Stewart Center Gallery off the west lobby of Stewart Center
- Krannert Drawing Room Gallery first floor of the Krannert Building
- Greater Lafayette Museum of Art, 101 South 9th Street (742-1128)

### Other Attractions:

- Tippecanoe County Historical Museum (476-8411): This museum has unique exhibits covering the history of this area of Indiana from prehistoric to recent times.
- Indianapolis Museum of Art (317)923-1331
- Art Institute of Chicago (312)443-3600

## FESTIVALS

Many local festivals take place all over the state throughout the year, and there are many historic and scenic locations worth visiting. For a copy of the Indiana Festival Map and Guide and information on recreation in Indiana, call (317) 232-8860 or go to the Purdue Visitor Information Center.

## WINERIES

Pack a picnic and head toward the vineyards. Indiana's wineries produce award winning dry table wines (both red and white), fruit wines, and wine coolers. Most wineries are open daily and offer free tasting in a relaxed, casual atmosphere. To get a complete list of wineries in Indiana, call the Purdue University/Indiana Wine Grape Council at (765) 496-3842. Go to: <http://www.vintageindiana.com>.

## **PUBLIC LIBRARIES**

- West Lafayette Public Library 208 Columbia Street (743-2261)
- Tippecanoe County Public Library 627 South Street (429-0100)

Both public libraries are open every day. You can borrow books, CD's, and movies free of charge. They also host many workshops, seminars, and children's programs. Call for details.

## **PARKS**

### **West Lafayette**

- Celery Bog Nature Area, Lindberg Road: Hiking trails through part of the wetlands. Visit the Lilly Nature Center.
- Centennial Park, Corner of Lawn & Vine Streets: Playground and small shelter for picnics.
- Cumberland Park, Cumberland Avenue and Salisbury Street
- Fort Ouiatenon (476-8402): This fort has picnic and recreation areas, and a boat launch on the Wabash River. Admission is free, and the park is open from 8 a.m. until dusk.
- Happy Hollow Park, Happy Hollow Road: 68 acre park with playground, picnic shelters, softball, volleyball, hiking trails, and sled run.
- Horticulture Park, Airport Road and State Street: Adjacent to the president's mansion and maintained by Purdue, a 24-acre woodland park for a serene walk or jog with plenty of birds and squirrels to watch.
- Lommel Park, Essex Street and Wilshire Avenue: Picnic shelter, playground, and softball area.
- Mascouten Park, North River Road near Happy Hollow Road intersection: Picnic areas, playground, boat launch, and fishing.
- McCormick's Woods, Cherry Lane and McCormick Road: Enter this hiking trail from Cherry Lane and enjoy a peaceful walk through the woods.
- Pickett Memorial Park, Stadium Avenue and McCormick Road: Picnic areas and open fields located on the Purdue campus. Reserve the picnic area at the Co-Rec.
- Ross-Hill Park, South River Road: Picnic shelter, playground, softball area, and hiking trails.
- Tapawingo Park, Brown Street Levee by the Wabash: Lighted volleyball, basketball, and tennis courts, playground, picnic areas, and fishing.
- Tommy Johnston Park, Wood and Chauncey Avenue: Basketball, volleyball, picnic shelter, and playground with lots of sand.

### **Lafayette**

- Battle Ground Historical Park, Tippecanoe Battlefield (567-2147): This national historic landmark boasts a 104 acre park, museum, picnic areas, and historic and scenic trails.
- Columbian Park, Zoo and Water Park, 1915 Scott Street (Office: 771-2220, Pool: 771-7946, Zoo: 771-2231): For more information, visit <http://www.city.lafayette.in.us/park/zoo/>.
- Digby Park, Canal Road: Lighted softball fields, 24 horseshoe courts, and playground.
- Lyboubt Sports Park, Canal Road: Three lighted softball fields, eight sheltered horseshoe courts, playground area, basketball courts, and volleyball.
- McAllister Park, Canal Road: Eighteen-hole golfcourse, softball fields, soccer fields, and model airplane strip.
- McCaw Park, Union Street and Creasy Lane: Picnic shelters, playground, and baseball fields.
- Munger Park, Greenbush Avenue: Playground, picnic shelter, and fishing pond.
- Murdock Park, 18th and Ferry: Picnic areas, playground, basketball courts, little league baseball park, and sled runs.
- Neil Armstrong Park, South 9th Street and Beck Lane: Tennis and basketball courts, youth baseball fields, picnic areas, and playground.
- Shamrock Park, Wabash Avenue: Softball field, playground, tennis and basketball courts, picnic area, and in-line skating hockey court.
- Tippecanoe County Fairgrounds, 1401 Teal Road (474-5906): In late summer the county sponsors a week long 4-H fair with rides, exhibits, farm animals and lot of great food. This event features exhibits of handmade crafts and posters made by local 4-H club members, and is a great way to get to know the rural community.
- Wabash Heritage Trail: This river hiking trail runs along the Wabash River from the Tippecanoe Battlefield to West Lafayette and then continues toward Fort Ouiatenon.

For more information or for picnic shelter reservations, call: Lafayette Parks and Recreation Department (771-2220), Tippecanoe County Parks and Recreation Department (463-2306), Purdue Division of Recreational Sports (494-3108), West Lafayette Parks and Recreation Department (775-5110), or visit their website at <http://www.county.tippecanoe.in.us/departments/parks/>.

## CANOEING SITES

The best information on canoeing in Indiana can be found in the Indiana Canoeing Guide, which can be purchased from the Department of Natural Resources (317) 232-4180. A short list of local canoe liveries includes:

### Tippecanoe River

- Hodges Canoe (Delphi) (765) 564-6806 River Junction (Lafayette) (765) 589-3875
- Tippecanoe Rental (Winamac) (219)278-7841 (Saturday and Sunday only)

### Sugar Creek

- Clements Canoe Inc. (Crawfordsville) (765)362-2781
- Sugar Valley Canoe Trips (Marshall) (765)597-2364
- Turkey Run Canoe Trips (Rockville) (765) 597-2456

### Wildcat Creek

- Monitor Canoe Trips (Lafayette) (765) 589-3506

## PLEASANT GETAWAYS

A short or longer scenic drive to parks, preserves, wildlife areas, and other points of interest near Lafayette and throughout Indiana can take you to places away from the Purdue campus crowds and noise. First, call 800-688-3378 and get the Indiana Division of Tourism to send you "Play Money," which is a large group of coupons for discount activities in Indiana. Then, call 800-289-6646 and ask for a copy of Recreation Guide, published by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources or pick up a copy from the Purdue Visitor Information Center. For a complete list of parks, check information at <http://www.state.in.us/dnr/parktake/index.html>.

Following is a list of some specific park and recreation agencies:

- Division of Fish and Wildlife (317) 232-4080 or (765) 463-0032
- Division of Forestry (317) 232-4105 or (765) 463-4762
- Division of Nature Preserves (317) 232-4052
- Division of Reservoir Management and State Parks (317) 232-4124
- Division of State Museum and Historic Sites (317) 232-1637
- Indiana Division of Tourism (888)365-6946

## Short Drives

- Clegg Botanical Gardens (423-1325): Located at 1845 North on County Road 400 East. Wander through the trails of this wooded area with numerous cultivated and natural plants. Open to the public (and free) from 10 a.m. to sunset every day. The spring wildflowers are the best in the area.
- Martel Woods: Several hundred acres. Entrance off 725 West between State Road 26 and Division Road about 8 miles west of West Lafayette. Tree plantations, fields, and native woodlands. Owned by the Purdue Department of Forestry. Excellent for a quiet walk in solitude.
- Purdue Wildlife Area: Entrance via driveway at 8003 State Road 26 about 9 miles northwest of Lafayette. Owned by Purdue University. Visitors must sign in. Marshes, fields, and small woods. Good in spring and fall for aquatic wildlife.
- Wabash Heritage Trail: This is a very nice trail along the river that starts at the Tippecanoe Battlefield, comes to Riehle Plaza in downtown Lafayette, crosses the Pedestrian Bridge to West Lafayette and continues south along the banks of the Wabash river to Fort Ouiatenon.
- Wolf Educational and Research Wildlife Park (567-2265): Examine a pack of wolves and a herd of bison up close and discuss their behavior with researchers. See <http://www.wolfpark.org>.

## Longer Scenic Drives

- Brown County (812) 988-6406: Famous for its scenic forest, Brown County State Park is located approximately 50 miles south of Indianapolis near the junction of State Roads 135 and 46.
- Conner Prairie (317)776-6000 or (800)966-1836: Located on the north side of Indianapolis (near Carmel), Conner Prairie is a living-history museum. This translates into people dressed, working, and behaving as they would have in 1836.
- Fall Creek Gorge Nature Preserve (Potholes Preserve): Located in Warren County, near Kramer. Take 41 North from Indiana 28 and 1.5 miles after 41 North separates from Indiana 28, there is a high voltage transformer. At that location, turn right (east) onto a gravel road (025 East). The preserve serve is on the left side, before a small bridge crossing Fall Creek. The preserve is owned by the Nature Conservancy and features trails, cliffs, streams, potholes, and a waterfall. In the summer, many people like to splash through the potholes, but in the spring or

fall, few people visit this lovely preserve. No fee.

- Fort Harrison State Park, 5751 Glenn Road, northeast Indianapolis, (317) 591-0904: This park has 1700 acres for fun and recreation, offering hiking and biking trails, horseback riding, fishing and picnicking.
- Indiana Beach (574) 583-4141: Located on the shores of Lake Shafer, north of Monticello.
- Indiana Dunes (219) 926-1952
- Located on the shores of Lake Michigan, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and Indiana Dunes State Park are Indiana's answer to the coastlines.
- Indianapolis Zoo (317) 630-2001: This city zoo opened in 1988 and is hailed as one of the most modern designs of any urban zoo in the country. It is located at 1200 West Washington Street.
- Portland Arch Nature Preserve: This attractive wooded area with streams and a natural arch is well worth the drive. It is a beautiful place for a walk or a picnic. It also features an interesting plant community. State nature preserve. No fee.
- Rockville: The scenic route to Rockville, Terre Haute, and the surrounding area has many old covered bridges, many of which you still can drive over. Very scenic in early spring and fall!
- Shades State Park (765) 435-2810: Just 17 miles south of Crawfordsville on State Road 47 in Waveland, the park offers beautiful sandstone cliffs and shady ravines for hikers and picnickers. Canoeists can also paddle along Sugar Creek.
- Turkey Run (765) 597-2635: Located off State Road 47 southwest of Crawfordsville, this park features miles of trails through deep sandstone ravines and stands of aged forests along the Sugar Creek.

#### RECREATIONAL SPORTS ON CAMPUS

- Purdue Recreational Gymnasium (494-3108): Purdue's Recreational Gymnasium (Co. Rec). The Co-Rec serves as the playground for Purdue students, faculty, and spouses. For more information, visit <http://www.purdue.edu/recsports>.
- Club Sports (494-3110): The Division of Recreational Sports is actively involved in providing assistance to student organizations recognized as club sports. Each recognized club receives guidance, facility usage, and some financial support. Each club has a callout at the beginning of the academic year. For additional information, visit: <http://www.purdue.edu/RecSports/club/clubsports.html>.

- Informal Sports: Once you have successfully entered the Co-Rec, there is a spectrum of activities available. The facilities include archery range, basketball courts, indoor tracks, volleyball courts, rifle ranges, 21 racquetball/wallyball courts, swimming pool, weight/exercise rooms, and much more. All of the fun, however, is not strictly behind the doors of the Co-Rec. Outside are horseshoe pits, volleyball courts, and 130 acres of baseball diamonds. There are 14 tennis courts west of the Co-Rec and, for you really athletic individuals, there is a 1.5 mile exertrail for your enjoyment. For more information, call 494-3139.
- Intramural Sports (494-3117): For individuals interested in intramural sports, there are many available. Divisions include Graduate Men, Graduate Women, Faculty & Staff, All Campus, and the Guys & Gals. Each division has a wide range of sports. For more information, visit: <http://www.purdue.edu/RecSports/im/im.html>.

#### ATHLETIC EVENTS

The Purdue Boilermakers offer a wide variety of spectator sports. These include football, women's volleyball, men's and women's basketball, swimming, wrestling, and baseball, among other. For more information, call the Ticket Office in the Intercollegiate Athletic Facility at 494-3194 or visit <http://purduesports.collegesports.com/>.

#### BARS

We have compiled a listing of our popular bars in West Lafayette and Lafayette. This is only a sampling of the bars in the area; there are several others to visit in the Greater Lafayette Area. Note that the drinking age in Indiana is 21, and you can expect to be carded in most bars. Indiana law does permit you to be in a bar/restaurant if you are under 21 if you are accompanied by your parents, but most establishments prefer that you not push this rule.

In Indiana, beer and wine can be sold in grocery and drug stores. Liquor can be sold in liquor stores and some drug stores, but there are limits on the total volume a drug store can sell to one customer. Many bars offer a "carry-out" service, but remember that Indiana now has an "opencontainer" law, which prohibits open containers of alcohol in motor vehicles.

Indiana law restricts the sale of alcohol on Sundays to restaurants only (with no "carry-outs" allowed). However, most bars qualify as restaurants because they serve some kind of food.



#### West Lafayette

- Harry's Chocolate Shop, 329 West State Street (743-1467):  
<http://www.harryschocolateshop.com>
- Jake's Roadhouse Bar and Grill, 135 South Chauncey Avenue (743-5253)
- Wabash Yacht Club, 135 South Chauncey Avenue (743-6075)
- The Neon Cactus, 360 Brown Street Levee (743-6081)
- Veno's, Purdue West Plaza, 1400 State Street (743-1112)

#### Lafayette

- Chumleys, 122 North 3rd Street, (420-9372)
- Knickerbocker Saloon, 113 North 5th Street (423-2234)
- Lafayette Brewing Company, 622 Main Street, (742-2591)
- The Pub, 407 Union Street (423-2576)
- Riehle Brothers, 2270 Concord Road (474-4499)
- Sergeant Preston's of the North, 6 North 2nd Street (742-7378)

#### LATE NIGHT SNACKS

Most of these places are open 24 hours, so you 'll never have to go home hungry!

- Denny's, 4260 State Road 26 East, L (448-1007)
- La Bamba, 134 West State Street, WL (743-2311)
- Steak N' Shake, 2 Sagamore Parkway North, L (447-6091) and 200 Meijer Drive, L (447-3375)
- Taco Bell, 135 South Chauncey Avenue, WL(V) (743-4433)
- Triple XXX Restaurant, 2 North Salisbury Street, WL (743-5373)
- White Castle, 2151 Sagamore Parkway South, L (447-2641)

#### COFFEE HOUSES

- Cafe Mocha 200 South Street, WL (743-3029)
- Cafe Vienna Espresso Bar & Bakery, 208 Suite A State Street, WL (743-4446)
- Java Roaster, 130 North 3rd Street, L (742-2037)
- Murky Waters Coffee Company, 219 Main Street, L (429-4300)
- Panera Bread, 300 E State St, WL (Wabash Landing; 746-2400)
- Seattle Beanery, Purdue West Shopping Plaza, WL (746-3918)
- Starbucks, On the Levee, West State Street

- Village Coffee House, 100 Northwestern Ave., WL (743-5316)

#### BOWLING LANES

- Market Square Lane, Market Square, L (447-4106)
- Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl, 2331 Brother Drive, L (477-6500)
- Purdue Memorial Union (PMU) (494-8990) - Located on the ground floor—Students pay only \$1.25/game!
- Star Lanes, 1701 Schuyler Avenue, L (742-0443)

#### POOL HALLS

- Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl, 2331 Brother Drive, L (477-6500)
- Nick's Billiards Cafe, 402 Brown Avenue, WL (743-1128)
- Purdue Memorial Union (PMU) (494-8991): Located on the ground floor between the Purdue Memorial Union and Stewart Center, this is a popular student hangout. Students pay \$4.00 an hour for a table.

#### GOLF

- Edwood Glen Country Club, 1601 East 650 North, WL (463-1100)
- Lafayette City Course, 800 Golfview Drive, L (476-4588)
- Par View Golf Course, 3121 State Road 26 West, WL (743-9912)
- Ravines Golf Course, 8525 Division Road, WL (497-7888)
- Purdue University Birck Boilermaker Golf Complex, 1202 Cherry Lane, WL (494-3139)

#### MOVIES

##### Local Theaters

Goodrich Quality Theaters operate all the movie theaters in the Greater Lafayette Area. For a listing of movies in all the theaters call 447-3446 or check it out on the Web at <http://www.qklink.com/movies>.

- Eastside 10, 300 Farabee Drive North, L
- Lafayette 7, 3525 McCarty Lane, L
- Wabash Landing 9, Brown Street Levee, WL

##### Movies on Campus

Purdue Student Union Board Recently released popular films are shown on weekends in Fowler Hall. The cover charge is usually \$2.50

### Cinema Now

Critically acclaimed domestic and foreign films are shown in Fowler Hall. Contact Purdue Convocations at 494-3933 for information on series tickets or visit:

<http://www.convos.purdue.edu/>.

Check the Exponent for movies and times locally, or the Indianapolis Star for times in Indianapolis.

### DINING ON CAMPUS

- Boiler Metro Minimart (496-3333): Hot entrees, vegetables, salad bar, hot breakfasts, fast food grill, fresh fruit, pastry, ice cream, snacks, desserts, and beverages. Open for breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snacks all day long, every day. Entrees are \$2.50-\$5.00.
- John Purdue Room (494-6845): Offers table services, primarily by reservation, some walk-ins. Homemade soups, sandwiches, salad bar, and light entrees. Open for lunch weekdays. Entrees are \$5.00-\$7.00.
- John Purdue Room International Dinner Series (494-6845): Offers fine dining, primarily by reservation, some walk-ins. Features a different ethnic meal each evening with costumes, music, and decorations. Open for dinner weekdays. Complete dinners are \$9.00-\$15.00. Call for menu information and reservations.
- Sagamore Room (494-8945): Buffet lunch dining room. Open for lunch weekdays. Entrees are \$3.00-\$7.50. Call for reservations.
- Stone Hall Cafeteria (494-4742) (Department of Restaurant, Hotel, Institutional, and Tourism Management) : Serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner, and is open for snacks all day, weekdays. Entrees are \$2.00-\$3.00
- Villa Pizza, PMU: Breadsticks, pizza, and other assorted snacks. Open till 10 p.m., weekdays.
- Pappy's: Self-service snacks, hot and cold sandwiches, cookies, nachos, etc. Open from morning until about midnight, Monday through Friday, and from 5 p.m. until midnight on Saturdays and Sundays.
- Union Market: Cafeteria with hot entrees, vegetables, salad bar, hot deli, cold deli, hot breakfasts, fresh fruit, fast food grill, desserts, snacks, and beverages. Open all day, every day, from breakfast through dinner until 7 p.m. Entrees are \$2.50-\$5.00.

### DINING OFF CAMPUS

With the recent culinary boom in the Greater Lafayette area, it would be next to impossible to list even a small number of restaurants here. Several are already listed in the Bars and Late-Night Dining sections of this handbook; others can be found in the local Yellow Pages under restaurants. Also, a new telephone service called Restaurant Reach will give you the address of a restaurant in a particular region of town, based on the particular type of food that interests you. Call 523-3292, ext. 328. Since the call is free, you should get at least what you paid for.

# LIVING IN GREATER LAFAYETTE

## CAMPUS HOUSING

Graduate students can choose to live either on campus or off campus. The University offers on campus housing through Hawkins Hall for single students, Purdue Village for married students, and also off-campus housing through the Purdue Research Foundation.

Hawkins hall provides double and single rooms for single students. Many other facilities such as washers and dryers, gymnasium, and food services also are provided. A student needs to sign a contract to live there, which is binding for the full academic year unless you leave Purdue. For more information, contact: Housing Secretary, Graduate Housing, Hawkins Hall, (494-7187) or visit:

<http://www.housing.purdue.edu/HousingChoices/Hawkins.htm>

The Purdue Village offers housing for married graduate students and single parents on the southwest side of campus. They offer 9-month and 12-months (summer extension) leases for unfurnished apartments. Housing includes a living room/kitchen, one or two bedrooms (two bedrooms available only for families with children), and a bathroom. Washers and dryers are located in the basement of each building. All apartments come with utilities paid (including Purdue Cable) except for long distance. For more information, contact Purdue Village Housing Office, 250 Nimitz Drive, West Lafayette, (494-2090) or visit:

[http://www.housing.purdue.edu/HousingChoices/Purdue\\_Village.html](http://www.housing.purdue.edu/HousingChoices/Purdue_Village.html)

NOTE: Rates are subject to change without notice. For the current rates, please visit:

[http://www.housing.purdue.edu/ProspectiveStudent/NewStudent\\_Rates.htm](http://www.housing.purdue.edu/ProspectiveStudent/NewStudent_Rates.htm)

The Purdue Research Foundation (PRF) owns many houses near the campus. These houses are well kept, as Physical Facilities maintains them just like the actual campus buildings. Rents are usually lower than average; pets are permitted in PRF houses (not apartments) with a pet deposit. For more information, contact: Real Estate Manager, Purdue Research Foundation, Division of Real Estate and Housing, 201 Russell Street #4, West Lafayette, (496-6245) or visit:

<http://www.prfrealestate.com>

## DON'T LIKE TO PAY FOR YOUR HOUSING?

You can also be a graduate staff resident for Hawkins hall with a primary role of acting as a liaison between management and student residents. You are also expected to handle weekend desk duty, serve as temporary building deputy, and assist in planning social activities for the resident graduate students. This requires a maximum of 20 hours per week: a small price to pay for a private room, phone, and remission of University fees and tuition except for staff fees. The University also tacks on a cash stipend. Applications may be obtained at the office of either Graduate House.

You can also be a resident assistant (RA) for undergraduate halls. This job is equivalent to a regular part-time job and requires you to be "on duty" at least four nights a week to enforce the University's many rules for undergraduate residents. The University pays tuition, provides free room and board, and also pays a small stipend. Application for RA positions and more information can be found at <http://www.purdue.edu/housing> or call University Residences, Smalley Center (494-1000).

## OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

The most common approach to housing is to live off campus. This is an involved topic, and the best method would be to consult one of the publications available from the Office of the Dean of Students in Schleman Hall. Off-Campus Housing Services, which is the largest housing resource, can be a big help in locating an apartment. For more information you can contact Carole Smith at [cjsmith2@purdue.edu](mailto:cjsmith2@purdue.edu), call at 494-7663, or visit:

<http://www.purdue.edu/odos/administration/housing.htm>

Most local landlords require 12-month leases, although some six- and nine-month leases are available. Typically shorter leases will result in higher rental fees. One also may sublease an apartment for a semester or a summer session from someone leaving campus. One should be careful to make sure that certain specifics are



placed in writing in the lease. These include specification of who is responsible for repairs and maintenance, including mowing the lawn and snow removal; what utilities are included in the rent; and when the security deposit will be returned. You can visit SSINFO at [www.ssinfo.purdue.edu](http://www.ssinfo.purdue.edu), which maintains a searchable list of apartments under the housing option in the student life section. Student ratings and opinions on local housing can be viewed at:  
<http://www.purdueonline.com>

For most of the apartments, a security deposit, ranging from \$50 to two month's rent, is required and is returned in full if no damages are found when you move out. When entering in a housing contract or lease, it is important to know your rights and also those of your landlord. These rights are permitted by Indiana State Law; more information can be obtained for free from: Indiana Legal Services, 639 Columbia Street, P.O. Box 1455, Lafayette, IN 47902-1455 (1-800-382-7581 or 765-423-5327 or <http://www.lsol.org>).

Parking near rental property can be difficult. Many of the larger streets in West Lafayette have parking restrictions on one or both sides at certain hours, or all the time. You should examine the parking situation before renting. As far as transportation to campus is concerned, if you live more than 1.5 miles from the campus, you may apply for a commuter parking permit from Purdue. Information about the local transportation system can be obtained by calling Greater Lafayette Public Transportation Corporation (GLPTC) at 742-7433. For more details, please see the transit and parking at Purdue sections of this chapter.

As you look for apartments, keep in mind that many complexes have 5-10% discounts off monthly rent for graduate staff. Research assistants, teaching assistants, and students on fellowships qualify for such discounts. Contact the leasing offices of the apartment complexes you are interested in to see if they offer such discounts.

## UTILITIES

If utilities are not included and you must pay them yourself, the utility companies can give you figures showing the past electricity and gas expenses for the apartment in which you are interested.

### Gas

Vectren Energy Delivery, 1250 South Creasy Lane, L (1-800-777-2060): No deposit required for new customers, although for some, deposits depend on their credit histories, with the minimum being \$70. Service usually begins within one working day after completing the application. For more information, please visit:  
<http://www.vectren.com/web/holding/frameset.jsp>

### Electricity

Cinergy, PSI Energy, 601 North 3rd Street, Lafayette (1-800-521-7212): New customers might be asked to pay a deposit if no previous credit history exists. Service should begin the next business day following the request. For more information, please visit:  
<http://www.cinergypsi.com>

Tipmont REMC (Electric COOP) (1-800-726-3953): A deposit is required only if the person has an outstanding bill with Tipmont and/or if the electric service was previously disconnected because of payments. It usually takes one business day to connect the service. For more information, please visit: <http://www.tipmont.org>

### Water

Indiana-America Water Company, 1(800)492-8373, 1007 Happy Hollow Road, WL 47906  
For more information, please visit:  
<http://www.indiana-american.com>

### Lafayette Water/Wastewater

20 North 6th Street, L (476-4488)  
Initial start-up fees vary according to the size of the service line needed. Applications may be made by phone.

### Telephone/Internet

Verizon, 661 Main Street, L (1-800-483-2893)  
You will have to pay installation charges. Options such as long distance service, internet access are also available. For more information, please visit  
<http://www.verizon.com>

### Resnet

The Purdue University Residence Network Service (ResNet) allows members of the University community to access campus computing facilities and the Internet from the comfort of their residences using their own personal computers. This service is available to students living on-campus in University residences as well as to faculty, staff, and students living off-campus in the greater Lafayette area. For more information, please visit:

<http://www.itap.purdue.edu/resnet/>

### BANKING

Three banks/credit unions are located on campus: the Purdue Employees Federal Credit Union (PEFCU), Bank One, and Huntington National Bank. All of these and others have Automatic Teller Machines (ATM) on or around campus.

PEFCU (497-3328): Popular PEFCU accounts with students include free world-wide checking, share draft checking, split-rate savings accounts, and car loans. PEFCU also offers a Visa Card to its members. This card has a substantially lower interest rate (see PEFCU for current rate) than most, there is no annual fee, and an immediate credit line of \$2,500 may be offered to graduate students on assistantships. The PEFCU branches are located near the campus at 540 Northwestern Avenue and also in the Purdue Memorial Union.

Bank One (423-0300) offers two campus locations, multiple locations in the West Lafayette/Lafayette area, and 24-hour cash machines throughout the area including certain residence halls. They have a variety of checking accounts and offer wire transfers. Bank One locations near the campus are at 210 West State Street (across from Chauncey Village: 423-0201) and 309 Sagamore Parkway, West (423-0428).

Huntington National Bank is a nationally acclaimed bank. HNB has three locations in Lafayette and one in West Lafayette at 2405 N Salisbury Street, WL (463-5722). Offers 24/7 personal banking services (1-800-480-2265).

### Additional Issues:

#### Direct Deposit of Paychecks

If you are a graduate student or staff member, you can arrange to have your paycheck direct-

deposited to any local bank. To do this, fill out a form in your department's business office and contact your bank or credit union.

### Check Cashing

The Purdue Memorial Union offers a check cashing service for 50 cents. The amount is limited to \$50, and you must show your student ID. Checks from out-of-town banks are accepted.

### Foreign Currency

Unfortunately, none of the banks in the West Lafayette/Lafayette area provide foreign currency exchange services. The closest place to obtain and/or change foreign currency is at the Indianapolis Airport. For information on current exchange rates, visit:

<http://www.oanda.com/converter/classic>

### VOTER REGISTRATION

Tippecanoe County residents can register to vote at the voter registration office in the Tippecanoe County Courthouse, located in downtown Lafayette, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. To register, you must be a U.S. citizen, 18 years of age or older, and must reside here for 30 days prior to an election. For more information, call 423-9303 or 423-9316. You also may register to vote when you register your car. (See details at the Auto License Branch located near the County Court Houses.)

### INDIANA DRIVER'S LICENSE

In order to obtain an Indiana driver's license, you must surrender your present driver's license, take a written test and a vision test. If you have an out-of-district or out-of-country license, or you have never had a license, you will need to take a written test, vision test, and a driving test. If you are only renewing an Indiana state license, you probably will not be asked to take a written test, but you will have to take a vision test. Those who need to take the written test should obtain a copy of the Indiana Driver's Manual to study for it. International students can get a certified translation from your home country to be able to speed up the license process. Due to stricter guidelines following 9/11, international students may need to bring their passports to a license branch in order to process their license and vehicle registration. Please check with a local licensing branch for further information. The West Lafayette license branch is located on 720 West Navajo Street (call: 464-

1525) and the Lafayette license branch is located on the north end of Lafayette at 2200 Elmwood Avenue, behind the Market Square Shopping Center (call 448-3738). License branch hours for both locations are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays; 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Wednesdays; and 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays. Please make sure to call ahead of time for office hours and fees.

### **INDIANA AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION**

To obtain an Indiana license plate, you must bring your title and proof of insurance (with policy number) to either of the Auto License Branches mentioned above. If you have a loan on your car, the lien-holder may have the title. In this case, you should take the name and complete address of the lien-holder to the Auto License Branch. They will write to the lien-holder to obtain a copy of the title and inform you when they receive it. It is recommended that the Auto License Branch be avoided at the beginning and the end of the month, as these are the most crowded times. For information and to verify fees, please visit: <http://www.in.gov/bmv/>

### **WEST LAFAYETTE'S RULES**

- Noise ordinance: Excessive noise can mean a fine of \$53 to \$300 and a trip to the West Lafayette court. It is in effect all day, every day, but is most often cited at night. Usually, you get a warning visit first, but if the officers come back a second time, you can expect a citation.
- Limits on Number of Roommates: Usually no more than three unrelated persons may occupy any house or apartment in the city, and many apartments are zoned for fewer occupants. The city tries to maintain housing standards through housing inspection every two years. You should contact the Department of Development (775-5160) to determine the allowable occupancy of specific properties.
- Parking: Parking in the business district is limited to two hours in any one parking space. In the areas adjacent to campus, public parking may be limited to either one, two or three hours in any one spot. Parking on any city street for longer than 24 hours is prohibited and may result in towing at the owner's expense. Parking on the space between the sidewalk and curb, on the sidewalk, and in front of driveways or fire hydrants is prohibited, as well as unauthorized parking on private property.

- Residences: Cutting trees in the public right of way requires a permit from the Engineering Department (775-5130). Sidewalks must be cleared of snow six hours after a snowfall or sunrise. Littering is prohibited—no trash or junk should be visible on the property.
- Pets: Dogs are not allowed to run loose or to create noise or smells that annoy neighbors or other citizens, and they must be licensed.
- Public intoxication: It can lead to arrest in situations of vandalism, fighting, and loitering. No person shall bring into, have, keep, carry, serve, or drink any intoxicating beverage within the city parks (or on campus).

For more information, specific details, and precise wording of the city ordinances, you should contact the West Lafayette City Hall (775-5100), 609 West Navajo and visit:

<http://www.city.west-lafayette.in.us>

### **PARKING AT PURDUE**

A summary of the rules and regulations for parking is given here. For complete information, consult the booklet entitled, Traffic and Parking Regulations, which is available at the Visitor Information and Parking Services Center located in the Northwestern Avenue Parking Garage, call 494-9494, or visit:

<http://www.adpc.purdue.edu/PhysFac/parking/>.

If you are going to park on campus, you must get a parking permit, especially if you intend to park during the "Restricted Hours," which are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday every week of the year, whether or not the university is officially in session.

If you are employed by the University at least 3/4 time, you are considered as staff and qualify for an A or a B parking permit. The difference is that you pay more for an A permit for the privilege of parking in the "better" spaces. Usually that means that with an A permit you can park in the lower levels of the garages, while with a B permit, you will have to climb a few flights of stairs. Please contact the parking office for rates for A and B parking. They can be found on the parking website.

Unfortunately, international graduate students are not eligible for either the A or B permits because US immigration restricts international students to only 20 hours (1/2 time employment) of work per week.

If you live about 1.5 miles or more from campus, you may be eligible to get a C permit. There will be two types of C permits available, a surface lot permit or a garage lot permit. You will need to bring proof of your address and driver's license. The precise boundary for the C permit is listed in the Traffic and Parking Regulations booklet. The C parking spaces usually are found on the top levels of the parking garages and in lots on the edge of campus. You can confirm the availability of these permits and verify rates by calling parking office at 494-9494 or by visiting the Purdue parking website.

Students are not allowed to park at visitors' meters on campus. If you do get a ticket, you have the right to appeal. You must report to the Visitor Information and Parking Services Center within 10 days and fill out a request for appeal. A \$3 late fee will be added if you do not appeal and do not pay your fine within 10 days. Your case will be heard by the Student Court. If you feel you've been wronged, by all means appeal, as people frequently do win their appeals!

### **BIKES**

You should have your bike registered with the West Lafayette Police Department (WLPD) in case it gets stolen. You should be aware that a bicycle that is registered can receive a ticket if it is not parked at a legal site (bicycle racks). Outside the University, if racks are available, bicycles should be parked in places that cause minor obstruction to pedestrians. Bikes are not allowed in the buildings. Check the city ordinance for more information (775-5100). Outside the campus, bicycles cannot be ridden on the sidewalk. The WLPD is located at 609 West Navajo, and registration costs \$1. Call 775-5210 for information.

### **LOCAL BUS SERVICE**

Greater Lafayette Public Transportation Corp. (GLPTC) (742-RIDE): Flash your student ID and it's free! Purdue students ride all CityBus routes for free - all the time! All students have to do is flash their valid Purdue student ID to the bus driver when boarding the bus. Whether traveling around campus on one of the Campus Loop routes or going to the Tippecanoe Mall, all CityBus routes are free. For route and schedule information about CityBus, call 742-RIDE or check out CityBus on the internet at [www.gocitybus.com](http://www.gocitybus.com).

### **OUT-OF-TOWN BUS SERVICES**

- Greyhound & Trailways, 200 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Street (742-8836): There are three trips a day to and from downtown Chicago and Indianapolis. Trips to all other destinations must travel through either Indianapolis or Chicago. Call for current schedules and prices or visit <http://www.greyhound.com>.
- Lafayette Limo, 2525 Klondike Road, WL (497-3828): This is a shuttle service to and from the Indianapolis airport. Vans leave every two hours from the Purdue Memorial Union between 4:55 a.m. and 8:55 p.m. and from the Indianapolis Airport between 4:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. The limo also stops at the University Inn on Northwestern Avenue, Follett's at the Purdue Service Center, and at the Radisson Hotel in Lafayette. For more information, please visit <http://www.lafayettelimo.com>.
- Tri-State Coach Lines (800-248-TRIP or 219-944-1200): This is a shuttle service between Merrillville (Indiana) and O'Hare and Midway airports in Chicago. Merrillville is located in northwestern Indiana about one and a half hours from West Lafayette. The pickup point is at the Dunkin' Donuts at the K-Mart Plaza on U.S. 30. The O'Hare bus leaves Merrillville once each hour; passengers going to Midway need to board the O'Hare bus and then transfer to the Midway bus in the Indianapolis Boulevard Station. Buses leave O'Hare once each hour and Midway once every two hours. Buses leaving from United Airlines at O'Hare leave 15 minutes earlier. All buses run every day of the week. Tickets may be bought on the bus. You will need to arrange for your transportation to Merrillville. Some people also prefer to leave their cars at the bus station. For information about timings and rate please call the above numbers or visit: <http://www.busville.com/tristate.cfm>.

### **TAXIS**

- Four Star Taxi, 175 Farabee Dr., L ( 4486150 or 742-8400).
- City Cab, L (477-1234)
- Twin city taxi, L (742-5585)
- Fast Cab, WL (474-4450)

### **FLIGHTS FROM PURDUE AIRPORT**

- Lafayette Aviation (743-9692): The club provides charter service, rental, and air maintenance for those few who can afford it.

## TRAIN

AMTRAK (800-872-7245): Now located in Riehle Plaza on 2nd Street in downtown Lafayette. Trains go to Chicago on Monday, Tuesday, and Saturday mornings. Trips require that reservations be made ahead of time. You will receive a reservation number and code when making a reservation at the 800 number above. You will give these to the agent on the train, and you will pay for the ticket on the train as well. Call for schedules and fares. You can also visit <http://www.amtrak.com>.

## CAR RENTAL

Many of the companies listed below have special rates, so it pays to shop around with a few phone calls before making a reservation. Check the Yellow Pages for other local short and long-term car rentals in both WL and L. Make sure that you ask for the Purdue staff discount. Most major credit cards are accepted.

- Ace, 447 Sagamore Parkway, WL (463-5548) or 710 Sagmore Parkway N, West Lafayette, IN 47904 (446-1167)
- Avis, Purdue University Airport, WL (446-1167); reservations (800) 331-1212; general information (888) 897-8448
- Bob Rohrman Automotive Group, 701 Sagamore Parkway South, L (448-1000)
- Budget, Purdue Airport, WL (743-9620 or 800-527-0700) <http://www.budget.com>
- Enterprise, 105 North Creasy Lane, L (448-4246 or 800-325-8007); 2525 Salisbury Street, Suite B (463-4804); and Purdue Airport (743-7858)
- Mike Raisor Ford, 2051 Sagamore Parkway at State Road 38 East, L (447-9444)
- National, Purdue Airport, WL (743-8455 or 800-CAR-RENT)

## TRAVEL SERVICES

We recommend that any extensive travel plans be made through a travel agent. These travel agencies are conveniently located and welcome student and University business:

- Imperial Travel, 2150 Sagamore Parkway, North, WL (447-7666)
- Irvine Travel Service, 127 Northwestern Avenue, WL (743-2116)
- Lafayette Travel Service, 200 West State Street, WL (743-9626)
- Purdue Student Government Travel Department (494-7201)

## RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

There are about 58 religious organizations listed on SSINFO website in student organization sections under religion category. Please visit this site to find out more information about those that interest you. The direction to the website are as follows: 1. Go to [www.ssinfo.purdue.edu](http://www.ssinfo.purdue.edu) 2. Click on Student life Section 3. From drop down menu, select student organizations page 4. click on category labelled religious.

Members agree to abide by a Code of Ethics, which calls for mutual respect, professionalism, and respect for all students and their religious preferences. If you have questions, contact the Office of the Dean of Students (494-1747).

## HEALTH CARE

Purdue University Student Health Center (PUSH) (494-1700): The Student Health Center provides comprehensive medical and mental health care to Purdue students and their spouses. It is an accredited ambulatory health care facility that provides outpatient care, excluding maternity and pediatric services. The health center is staffed by full-time physicians, including one psychiatrist.

According to a brochure distributed by the Purdue University Student Health Center, the student health fee entitles you to the following:

1. An unlimited number of visits to the PUSH outpatient clinic. (There is a charge for minor office procedures.)
2. Diet therapy consultations.
3. A limited number of hours (per semester) of consultation with the mental health service staff.
4. The services of the "Urgent Care" physician. A patient is charged for use of the "Urgent Care" facility, supplies, and medication.

You may walk in any time during outpatient hours to see a physician or nurse practitioner. However, if your concern is less urgent, it is recommended that you make an appointment to see a physician. Visit <http://www.purdue.edu/push> for more information.

### Urgent Care 494-1724

Mon.-Fri., 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m., weekdays during Fall and Spring Semesters when classes are in session.



Sat.-Sun., 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., during Fall and Spring Semesters when classes are in session.  
Mon -Fri., 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., during Summer Session and times when classes are not in session.

For more information visit:

[http:// www.purdue.edu/PUSH/](http://www.purdue.edu/PUSH/) and then follow a link to urgent care.

#### Women's Clinic 494-1700

It is open from Monday to Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and is closed during weekends. This clinic offers variety of gynecological services and health counseling. Appointments for a well woman exam can be made by calling 494-6804.

#### STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE

Purdue has a University-subsidized health insurance program, which includes vision, for graduate student staff members who have at least a half-time assistantship (teaching, research, or administrative/professional). Graduate students on fellowships also receive a supplement for medical insurance. All graduate staff must carry the University policy unless they can show healthcare coverage under a different policy. Those who do not hold assistantships are eligible to participate in the voluntary student health insurance program. All international graduate students are required to have health insurance while they are enrolled at Purdue. Graduate students who are on 0.5FTE assistantships will automatically be covered under staff health insurance. The current fee of \$18 per month is automatically deducted from your monthly salary unless otherwise specified. However, international graduate students who are only on 0.25FTE assistantships will have to obtain the student health insurance coverage which can range between \$300-\$400 each semester. Please refer to the student health insurance brochure included in your welcome folder for more information.

Eligible graduate staff are enrolled automatically for single coverage in the university plan and are provided information regarding enrollment for spouses and dependents. Information is provided to each eligible graduate staff member at the time payroll is activated. Coverage becomes effective with the first day of employment and continues as long as employed in an eligible position. For more information, please contact your departmental business office.

Supplemental dental insurance is now available for an additional cost. For further information or enrollment material, call 1-800-237-0903. Enrollment in this program is voluntary. Make sure there are physicians that meet your needs in the Greater Lafayette area before you enroll.

#### HOSPITALS IN LAFAYETTE

- Home Hospital (447-6811), located at 2400 South Street, is a fully operational health care facility with a HeartCare Clinic, Center for Women's Health Care, Sportsmed Center, and Regional Diabetes Center.
- St. Elizabeth Medical Center (423-6011), located at 1501 Hartford Street, houses an Eating Disorder Clinic and a Sports Medicine Program, as well as standard health care facilities.
- St. Elizabeth Hospital (423-6466), located at 116 N 16<sup>th</sup> Street, L 47904
- Arnett Clinic (4448-8000), located at 2600 Greenbush Street, Lafayette 47904. If you chose Arnett Clinic and are covered by the Grad Staff insurance, you have a higher co-pay percentage than if you chose Home or St. Elizabeth.

Purdue University Pharmacy (494-1374): Students may have prescriptions filled in the pharmacy located in the Heine Pharmacy Building, adjacent to the Student Health Center. The pharmacy is operated by the School of Pharmacy and Pharmacal Sciences and is staffed by pharmacy students, under the supervision of registered pharmacists. Prices generally are lower than at local drug stores, and prescriptions from private physicians are filled, as well as those from the Student Health Center. Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, during the Fall and Spring semesters when classes are in session, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Saturday, during the Fall and Spring Semesters when classes are in session, and 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, during Summer months and when classes are not in session.

#### COUNSELING SERVICES ON CAMPUS

- Office of the Dean of Students 207 Schleman Hall (494-1254): General counseling is provided relating to personal, academic, financial, educational, and career concerns. Special counseling is available for student spouses, older students, and students with disabilities. Financial assistance is provided via emergency loans.

- Counseling and Guidance Center, Room 3202, Beering Hall of Education (494-9738) or visit <http://www.edst.purdue.edu/cd/pgcg/>: Counseling related to career planning and interpersonal relationships is provided to individuals or groups.
- M.D. Steer Audiology and Speech Center (494-3789 or 494-4299) Hcavilon Hall, B 11: Diagnosis, treatment, and counseling for speech, language, and hearing disorders are provided for a charge.
- Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) 494-1707 or visit <http://www.purdue.edu/caps/> Psychology Department, 1120 Psychological Sciences Building (494-6995) Purdue University Student Health Center (PUSH, Room 246) (494-1707): Counseling relating to human relations, self-esteem, social skills, eating disorders, depression, and stress management are provided free of charge for the first eight sessions (by appointment only).
- Individual, Couple, and Family Therapy Center (494-2939): Fowler House (corner of State and Intramural). Confidential counseling is available to individuals, couples, and families. Those counseled need not be related to Purdue in any way. "Couples" and "families" need not be traditional. Premarital counseling is also available. Fees are assessed on a sliding scale.
- Lafayette Crisis Center (1-765-742-0247) or toll-free at 1-877-419-1632: It is located at 1244 N, 15<sup>th</sup> Street, L 47904. Open 24 hours a day.
- Security Escort Service: Security Escort Services (494-SAFE) Free escort services provided by Purdue Police from 8 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. on Thursdays, and 9:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays during academic school year.

## PETS

State law requires that all pets be vaccinated for rabies. There are many animal clinics and hospitals in the area.

- Purdue Small Animal Hospital (494-1107) (Veterinary Teaching Hospital, School of Veterinary Medicine) located at 1249 Lynn Hall (on Harrison Street)
- PetSmart (447-3306) 3500 State Road 38 East, Lafayette (in the Kmart Plaza): A wellness clinic is available free of charge for office exams and visits. The clinic is open every other Sunday. Vaccines are available for a fee at the wellness

clinic.

- Petersburg and Paw Prints Animal Hospital
- Paw Prints South: 2917 Old U.S. Hwy 231 South, Lafayette (474-2454)
- Paw Prints East and Petersburg: 2506 State Road 25 North, Lafayette (423-5500) Petersburg and Paw Prints offers veterinary services, grooming, and pet boarding.
- Tippecanoe County Humane Society (474-5222): 1705 South 2nd Street, Lafayette or visit <http://www.tipphumane.org>. The Humane Society adopts out dogs, cats, birds, and small animals such as rabbits, hamsters, and guinea pigs. Certain criteria must be met in order to adopt a pet.

## SHOPPING

Special Note: Before you go on a shopping spree at any of the locations given below, please remember that graduate students may be eligible for discounts at some of these places. A list of these discounts can be obtained at the front desk in Freehafer Hall of Administration.

- Aldi's: Sagamore Parkway (near the Tippecanoe Mall), L
- Tippecanoe Mall, 2415 Sagamore Pkwy (US 52), L: Five large department stores and over 50 specialty and boutique stores.
- Market Square, 2200 Elmwood, L: A couple of clothing stores and some boutique stores.
- Wal-Mart, 2801 Northwestern Ave., WL 463-0201
- Target Store Supermarket, 3630 State Road, 26E, L (446-8551)
- Thriftway Supermarket, 1416 W State Stret, WL (743-3136)
- Sam's Club, 3819 State Street 26 E, L (449-4307)

## GROCERIES

Some of the popular supermarkets in the area are:

- Aldi's: Sagamore Parkway (near the Tippecanoe Mall), L
- C&T Market: (Chinese vegetable and food products) 360 Brown Street Levee, West Lafayette
- Marsh: 3825 State Road. 26, L (447-2142), 2410 North Salisbury, WL (463-6725), 2250 Teal Road, L (474-8024)
- Meijer 4901 St. Rd. 26, L (449-9210)

- Payless: 1023 Sagamore Pkwy., WL (463-1556), 2513 Maple Point, L (behind Tippecanoe Mall, 447-7533), 1904 Elmwood, L (next to Market Square, 477-6475), 2844 U.S. 231 South, L (477-6475)
- Smitty's 1812 Northwestern, WL (past Ross-Ade, 463-6261)
- Asia Oriental Market (463-4114) 2400 Yeager Road, WL
- Hana Oriental Market for Japanese and Korean food products, 1832 Northwestern, WL (463-7434)
- Wal-Mart Supercenter, 4205 Commerce Dr., L 446-0100

### **FRESH PRODUCE**

Farmers Market (742-2313): Fifth Street between Main and Columbia, L. Get the freshest goods available, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from early May through late October. The market offers fresh garden flowers, vegetables, fruit, baked goods, honey, jams, and jellies, all grown by local growers. Open from 6:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

### **BOOKSTORES**

- Barnes and Noble, 2323 Sagamore Parkway South, L (449-4330)
- Book wald, INC. 311 Sagmore Parkway N, L (448-1131)
- Boiler Book Store, 616 W State Street, WL (743-9696)
- Borders by the Levee
- Buck Creek Books, 838 Main Street, L (742-6618)
- City News, 426 Main Street, L (742-6426)
- Earl Plaza Books, 402 North Earl Avenue, L (448-1305)
- Follett's Black and Gold Mine, 714 Northwestern Avenue, WL (743-5342)
- Follett's Boiler Bookstore, 616 West Stadium, WL (743-9696)
- Follett's Purdue West Bookstore, 1400 West State Street, WL (743-9642)
- Follett's Village Bookstore, 308 West State Street, WL (743-4616)
- Little Professor Book Center, 500 Sagamore Parkway West, WL (463-7323 )
- University Bookstore, 720 Northwestern Avenue, WL (743-9432)
- University Bookstore, 360 West State Street, WL (743-9618)

- Von's Books, 315 West State Street, WL (743-1915)
- Waldenbooks, 2415 Sagmore Parkway S, # B6, L (447-7231)

### **NEWSPAPERS**

- Purdue Exponent (743-1111): 460 Northwestern Avenue, WL, Monday-Friday mornings
- Lafayette Journal and Courier, 217 North 6th St., L (423-5511), Monday-Sunday mornings
- Lafayette Leader, 22 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, L (423-2624) Thursdays
- Indianapolis Star (219-583-6822), Monday-Sunday mornings

### **TELEVISION**

- WLFI-TV, Lafayette Channel 18, a CBS affiliate, P O. Box 2618 WL 463-1800
- Insight Communications, 325 Creasy Lane, L (447-6886)
- Satellite Services, 1006 Roberts St, L (423-2440)

### **USEFUL WEBSITES**

<http://www.purdue.edu/VPSS>  
<http://www.purdueonline.com>  
<http://www.ssinfo.purdue.edu>  
<http://www.yellowpagecity.com>  
<http://in.allpages.com>  
<http://www.city.west-lafayette.in.us/>