

# ILLINOIS TECH

Discover. Create. Solve.

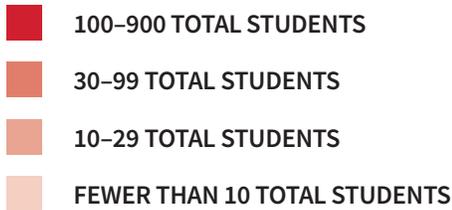
A GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS



# A Few Reasons

WHY WE ARE THE TOP CHOICE FOR YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATION

## International Students Country of Citizenship



**95%**

OF ILLINOIS TECH FACULTY MEMBERS HOLD THE HIGHEST DEGREES IN THEIR DISCIPLINE.



**38%**

% International Students

**About 3,000** Undergraduates

**12:1** STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO



### Transfer Students

APPROXIMATELY

**25%**

OF ENTERING FALL CLASS



### Graduate and Law Students

**About 3,500**



THE PAYSCALE COLLEGE ROI REPORT RANKED ILLINOIS TECH THE #1 BEST VALUE COLLEGE IN ILLINOIS FOR THE MID-CAREER EARNINGS OF OUR GRADUATES (AFTER FINANCIAL AID).



THE COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE IS RANKED AS THE #16 MOST ADMIRED ARCHITECTURE SCHOOL IN THE U.S. (UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM) BY DESIGNINTELLIGENCE.

## THREE THINGS YOU'LL FIND ONLY AT **ILLINOIS TECH**—AND NO PLACE ELSE



### Chicago's Tech University

Illinois Tech is the only tech-focused university in the Chicago area. From skyscrapers to startups, Illinois Tech has fueled the city's rise as a global metropolis.



### Opportunity and Value

Illinois Tech is an engine of opportunity, providing the best ROI in the state and among the best in the nation.



### Active Learning

At Illinois Tech students learn by creating, inventing, and solving—not just in the classroom.



# #39

EDUCATIONAL "BEST VALUE" RANKING  
—U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT (2021)

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# Our Hometown: Chicago

Chicago is an amazing place to study, conduct research, and explore a diverse range of intellectual and professional pursuits. From medicine to financial markets and from high-tech startups to nonprofits, Chicago provides countless pathways in life. The city's growing tech field feeds growth in multiple sectors, including science, law, management, energy, and marketing and creative industries.

With the city now home to dozens of accelerators, incubators, and co-working spaces, there has never been a better time to be in Chicago. The education students receive from Illinois Tech helps them become part of the innovation that is driving Chicago forward and helping the city gain global recognition as an international hub for talent and infrastructure.

## Endless Culture and Activities

When you get hungry, your options are endless! Chicago has more than 5,000 restaurants, ranging from Italian to Taiwanese and from Indian to Ethiopian.

Chicago is also home to countless music venues. Get your fill of live jazz at venues like Buddy Guy's Legends, Kingston Mines, and the Green Mill Cocktail Lounge. Or attend one of the many popular music festivals that call Chicago home, such as Lollapalooza and Pitchfork. If you're a classical music enthusiast, you'll enjoy listening to the world-renowned Chicago Symphony Orchestra. If it's laughs you're looking for, be sure to check out Chicago's comedy clubs, including The Second City, iO Theater, and the Laugh Factory.



## Maximize Your Career Objectives

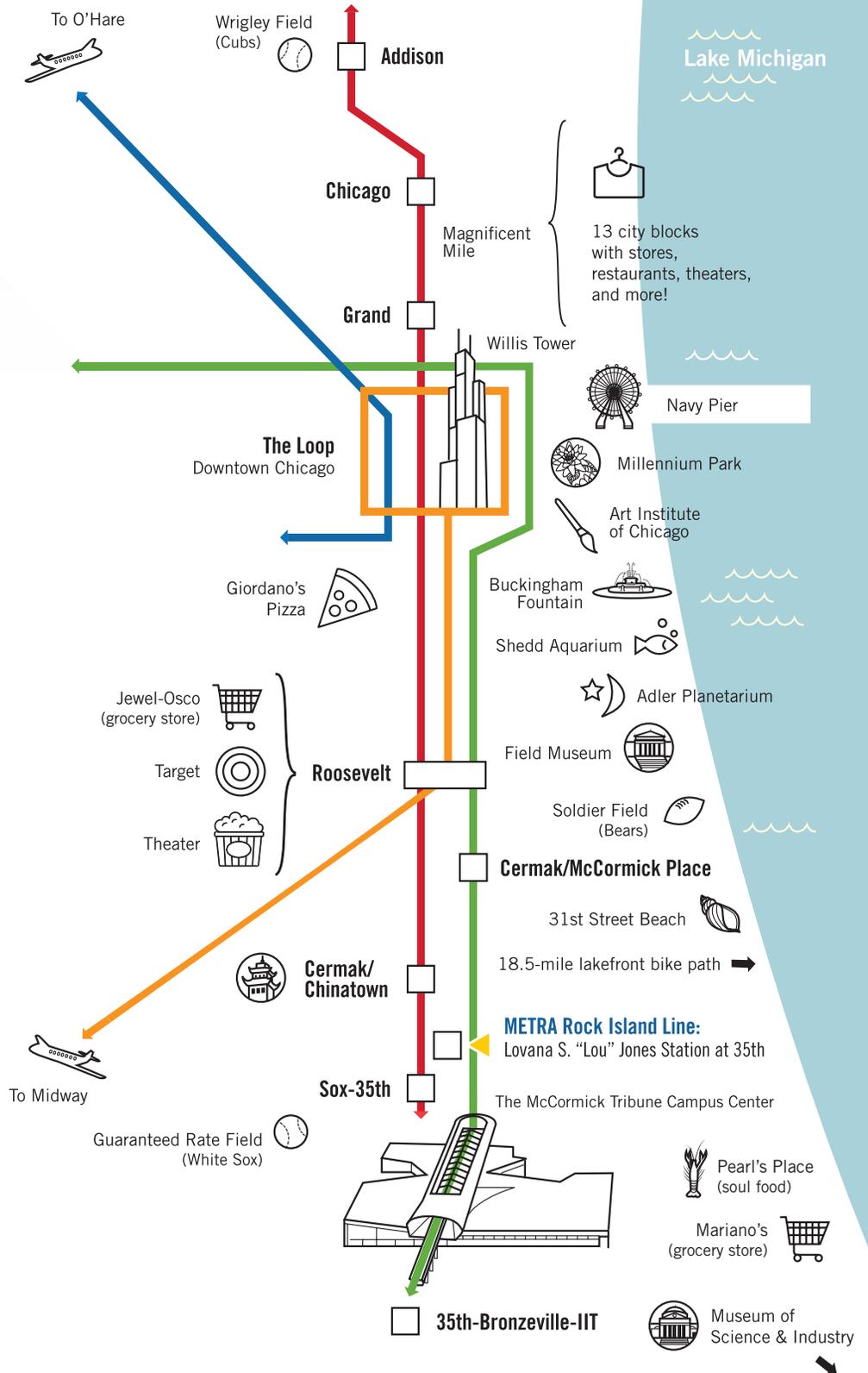
Home to companies like Aon Corporation, Archer Daniels Midland, Boeing, Exelon, Google, McDonald's, Morningstar, Orbitz, Salesforce, SAP America, United Airlines, Walgreens, and many more, Chicago is where individuals gather to connect and move business forward.

## 77 Community Areas to Explore

In Chicago you can make your way through the 77 community areas that make up the city. Flying into Chicago, many students marvel at our skyline, complete with architectural stunners such as the Wrigley Building and Tribune Tower.

There's no better way to experience Chicago than on an architectural boat tour. You can also rent a Divvy bike and cruise along Chicago's 18-mile long Lakefront Trail. Don't forget to stop at one of Chicago's 25 beaches along the shoreline that stretches from south to north along Lake Michigan.

Along the lakefront, stop by Grant Park's famous Buckingham Fountain before making your way to Maggie Daley Park. With more than 20 acres of green space, the park offers climbing walls and a quarter-mile-long skating ribbon. Another iconic landmark is Millennium Park's Cloud Gate, better known as "The Bean." Millennium Park also features the Jay Pritzker Pavilion, where you can check out the free summer concert series and outdoor movies.



Every Illinois Tech student receives a **Ventra U-Pass**, which gives you unlimited access to Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) public transportation citywide. Take the "L" downtown or to any of the endless number of neighborhoods. Your U-Pass will get you there.

CTA Train Lines: ■ RedLine ■ Green Line ■ Orange Line ■ Blue Line  
□ Denotes a CTA or METRA Train Stop Location



# Welcome to Your New Classroom

Illinois Tech's **Ed Kaplan Family Institute for Innovation and Tech Entrepreneurship** is our new home for big ideas. The Kaplan Institute is the HQ of our IPRO Program, Idea Shop, world-renowned Institute of Design, and work spaces where your entrepreneurial endeavors can incubate and flourish. Special programming fosters creativity, ideation, and no-holds-barred thinking—and is designed to help students prepare to launch the next great invention.



# Experiential Learning at Illinois Tech

Illinois Tech's signature programs are rooted in hands-on learning—and this experience is unmatched at other universities. Our students are exposed to active learning in their courses and outside the classroom, and they can participate beginning in their very first year of study.

## Interprofessional Projects (IPRO) Program

Since 1995 our **IPRO Program** has been a bragging right for Illinois Tech. It remains one of just a few programs like it in the country. IPRO joins students from various majors to work in teams to solve real-world problems, often on behalf of companies and nonprofits that sponsor the projects. IPRO allows you to gain firsthand experience working with engineers, scientists, business people, psychologists, technologists, and architects to attack a challenge and create smart solutions with measurable impacts.



## Idea Shop

Every idea needs fuel to be successful. Illinois Tech's **Idea Shop** helps to ignite ideas with cutting-edge tools to help students transform their new products and inventions into reality. This state-of-the-art, rapid-prototyping lab houses 3D printers and scanners, multiple CNC milling machines, a vacuum former, and laser cutter. Full-time staff advise students on everything from equipment use to product marketability. You can use the Idea Shop for a class project, research project, or your own personal endeavor.

**Elevate**  
ILLINOIS TECH

## Experiences for Students That Let You Soar

**Elevate** is the umbrella organization that connects Illinois Tech students with experiential learning opportunities, including on- and off-campus research, internships and co-ops, study abroad, and additional opportunities such as short courses to further round out your education.

For more information on the Elevate program visit the Elevate website: [admissions.iit.edu/elevate](https://admissions.iit.edu/elevate).



*Through Elevate, Illinois Tech students from every major can study abroad on six continents (all except Antarctica).*

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# Faculty and Research

# Access and Impact

It may come as no surprise that Illinois Tech—home of the country’s first research nuclear reactor and the university that operates the nation’s first functional microgrid—is known for advanced research that is moving the needle toward significant innovation.

Through our academic departments, and our research centers and institutes, we offer our students the opportunity to participate in meaningful, hands-on, and boundary-breaking research. Illinois Tech’s research partnerships with locally based national laboratories such as Argonne and Fermilab, leading medical schools, tech incubators, and government organizations provide our students unparalleled experiences and training at world-class facilities.

Our professors include editors of scientific journals, entrepreneurs, influential design and architecture practitioners, academic society fellows, and thought leaders in numerous fields. As important, our faculty are excellent teachers, uniquely regarded for their accessibility to students and for their commitment as advisors and mentors. You will receive personalized guidance during your course of study.

[RESEARCH.IIT.EDU](https://RESEARCH.IIT.EDU)





## University Technology Park at Illinois Tech

Chicago's premier tech park, UTP is located on campus and houses companies in life sciences, engineering, computer science, and energy, many of which employed Illinois Tech students. One of UTP's first tenants was the cloud storage company Cleversafe, which employs several Illinois Tech graduates and was sold to IBM.



## IIT Research Institute

Founded in 1936 as the research arm of the university, this independent, not-for-profit contract research organization specializes in preclinical safety and toxicology, inhalation toxicology, biodefense, and infectious disease studies, and evaluates the efficacy and preclinical safety of cancer therapeutics.

# Academic Degree Programs

Illinois Tech's seven academic colleges offer more than 190 different degree options.

## The Colleges of Illinois Tech

- Armour College of Engineering
- Chicago-Kent College of Law
- College of Architecture
- College of Computing
- Institute of Design
- Lewis College of Science and Letters
- Stuart School of Business

## Programs Legend

- B.S./B.A.C.**—Bachelor of Science, Professional Bachelor's\*
  - M.A.S.**—Professional Master's
  - M.ENG.**—Master of Engineering
  - M.S.**—Master of Science
  - J.D.**—Juris Doctor
  - J.S.D.**—Doctor of Judicial Science
  - PH.D.**—Doctor of Philosophy
  - DUAL DEGREE**—Dual Degree Option
- \*Professional bachelor's: Bachelor of Architecture, Bachelor of Industrial Technology and Management, and Bachelor of Information Technology and Management

MAJOR	B.S./B.A.C.	M.A.S.	M.ENG.	M.S.	J.D./J.S.D.	PH.D.	DUAL DEGREE
Advanced Manufacturing			■				
Aerospace Engineering	■						■
Analytical Chemistry				■			
Applied Analytics	■						
Applied Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics				■			
Applied Cybersecurity and Information Technology	■						
Applied Mathematics	■	■		■		■	
Applied Physics	■			■			
Architectural Engineering	■		■	■			
Architecture	■	■		■		■	■
Artificial Intelligence	■	■					
Astrophysics	■						
Behavioral Health and Wellness	■						
Bioanalytical Chemistry	■						
Biochemistry	■						■
Bioinformatics	■						
Biological Engineering		■					
Biology	■	■		■		■	■
Biology for the Health Professions				■			■
Biomedical Engineering	■	■		■		■	
Biomedical Imaging and Signals		■					
Business Administration	■	■			■		■
Chemical Engineering	■	■		■		■	■
Chemistry	■			■		■	
Civil Engineering	■			■		■	
Communication	■						
Computational Chemistry and Biochemistry	■						
Computational Decision Sciences and Operations Research				■			
Computational Engineering		■					
Computer and Cybersecurity Engineering	■						
Computer Engineering	■			■		■	■
Computer Information Systems	■						
Computer Science	■			■		■	■
Construction Engineering and Management			■				
Consumer Research, Analytics, and Communication	■						
Cyber Forensics and Security		■					
Cyber Security Engineering		■					
Cybersecurity		■					
Data Science		■					
Design		■				■	■
Design Methods		■					
Digital Humanities	■						
Electrical and Computer Engineering		■					
Electrical Engineering	■			■		■	■
Electricity Markets		■					
Energy Systems			■				
Engineering Management	■	■					
Environmental Chemistry	■						
Environmental Engineering			■	■		■	
Environmental Management and Sustainability				■			■



[WWW.IIT.EDU/ACADEMICS/PROGRAMS](http://WWW.IIT.EDU/ACADEMICS/PROGRAMS) 

MAJOR	B.S./B.A.C.	M.A.S.	M.ENG.	M.S.	J.D./J.S.D.	PH.D.	DUAL DEGREE
Finance				■			■
Financial Services Law					■		
Food Process Engineering		■		■			
Food Safety and Technology		■		■			
Food Science and Nutrition	■					■	
Forensic Chemistry	■						
Geotechnical Engineering			■				
Global Studies	■						
Health Physics		■					
Humanities	■						
Industrial Technology and Management	■						
Industrial Technology and Operations		■					■
Industrial-Organizational Psychology				■			
Information Technology and Management	■	■					
Intellectual Property Management and Markets		■					
Landscape Architecture		■					■
Law					■		■
Management Science				■		■	
Manufacturing Engineering			■	■			
Marketing Analytics				■			
Materials Chemistry		■					
Materials Science and Engineering	■		■	■		■	■
Mathematical Finance		■					
Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering			■	■		■	
Mechanical Engineering	■						■
Medicinal Chemistry	■						
Molecular Biochemistry and Biophysics	■			■		■	
Network Engineering		■					
Pharmaceutical Engineering		■					
Physics	■			■		■	
Power Engineering		■					
Psychological Science	■						■
Public Administration		■					■
Public Health							■
Public Works		■					
Rehabilitation and Mental Health Counseling				■			
Rehabilitation Counseling Education						■	
Science, Technology, and Society	■						
Social and Economic Development Policy	■						
Statistics	■						
Structural Engineering			■				
Taxation					■		
Technical Communication and Information Architecture				■			
Technological Entrepreneurship		■					
Technology and Humanities				■		■	
Telecommunications and Software Engineering		■					
Transportation Engineering			■				
Urban Systems Engineering			■				
VLSI and Microelectronics		■					



## Accelerated Master's Degrees

Illinois Tech offers a special program that allows you to complete **both your bachelor's and master's degrees in as few as five years.**

**Bonus:** You get to keep your undergraduate scholarships in your fifth year—and you pay the lower undergraduate tuition rate for graduate courses.



# Student Life

**664+** Student events held on campus each year

**150+** Registered student groups and organizations

## Tech Traditions

With endless options come unlimited opportunities to discover: diversity, inspiration, languages, landscapes, viewpoints, technology, history, future, surprises—and most important, yourself.



### Pumpkin Launch

That's not your imagination—it's just a pumpkin flying through the air. For 16 years Illinois Tech's Pumpkin Launch has tested the engineering prowess of student teams who design and build trebuchets, catapults—you name it—to see whose contraption can hurl a pumpkin the farthest.



### The Bog

This subterranean on-campus hangout has been a gathering space for students since 1962 (fact: it's on the former site of an actual bog). Go bowling, play video games, or check out a band—and don't forget to grab some of The Bog's legendary waffle fries.



### Esports Excellence

Illinois Tech's competitive computer gaming program boasts some of the country's top players. With more than 30 competitors and 240 members in our esports club, and a roster of competition and viewing events, Illinois Tech's esports community runs deep.

## Our Full-Service International Center Is Here to Help You

We know moving to a new country is both exciting and intimidating. Illinois Tech's **International Center** is here to help you. The center can help you adjust to life on campus and the surrounding community by introducing you to resources that will make the transition easier. Staff can also assist with matters related to the United States Department of Homeland Security and document preparation for employment, program extensions, reinstatements, and change of status.

[IIT.EDU/INTERNATIONAL-CENTER](https://iit.edu/international-center)



# Live On Campus and Make Friends

Multiple residence hall options for undergraduate and graduate students at Illinois Tech offer you a variety of room styles and floorplans from which to choose. With wireless internet access, study and recreational lounge areas, laundry rooms, and print stations, our residence halls help you focus on your academics.

[HOUSING.IIT.EDU](https://HOUSING.IIT.EDU)



ILLINOIS TECH'S MIES CAMPUS WAS NAMED AS ONE OF THE "200 MOST IMPORTANT WORKS OF ARCHITECTURE IN THE UNITED STATES" BY THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.



# Intensive English Program

Illinois Tech offers the **Intensive English Program (IEP)** to help students and professionals refine their language skills. The program consists of four levels of instruction from high beginning to advanced, and enhances a participant's skills in listening, speaking, reading, writing, and grammar.

Students accepted to the IEP will study English, meet new people from different countries and cultures, and get to know Chicago while preparing for their academic and professional careers. Experienced full-time and part-time instructors with graduate degrees assist students in achieving their language goals.

[ENGLISH.IIT.EDU](https://ENGLISH.IIT.EDU)



# Checklist and Deadlines

## Undergraduate Checklist

- Application

[APPLY.COMMONAPP.ORG](https://apply.commonapp.org)



- Transcripts (GPA 3.0+ out of 4.0)
- English Language Proficiency Exams: TOEFL 90+, IELTS 6.5+, Duolingo English Test 110+
- Financial Affidavit of Support
- Copy of Passport
- SAT I or ACT (optional)
  - Middle 50% SAT: 1285–1370
  - Middle 50% ACT: 29–32
  - Middle 50% GPA (weighted): 4–4.36
- Course Descriptions (transfer students only)
- Official Transfer Credit Evaluation from Educational Credential Evaluators or Educational Perspectives (transfer students from non-U.S. institutions)

### Fall 2021 Deadlines

*Classes Begin August 2021*

**November 15:** Priority scholarship deadline

**May 15:** Admission deadline for international students living outside the U.S.

**August 1:** Admission deadline for international students living in the U.S.

### Spring 2022 Deadlines

*Classes Begin January 2022*

**November 15:** Admission deadline for international students living outside the U.S.

**December 1:** Admission deadline for international students living in the U.S.

### Tuition 2020–2021

Tuition rates vary based on the program and year the student enrolls at Illinois Tech. The following is an example based on current data. We encourage all students to speak to an admissions counselor to discover which options are available to them.

**Tuition:** \$48,670

**Fees:** \$1,820

**Room and Board:** \$15,328

**Health Insurance:** \$1,687

**Total:** \$67,505

## Graduate Checklist

- Application

[ADMISSIONS.IIT.EDU/GRADUATE](https://admissions.iit.edu/graduate)



- Application Fee
- Transcripts (GPA 3.0+ out of 4.0)
- Professional Statement
- Résumé (Stuart School of Business applicants only)
- Letters of Recommendation
- Official GRE or GMAT (optional for fall 2021):
  - University minimum is 292\*
- English Language Proficiency Exams: TOEFL 90+, IELTS 6.5+, Duolingo English Test 110+
- Financial Affidavit of Support
- Copy of Passport

### Fall 2021 Deadlines

*Classes Begin August 2021*

**January 31:** Ph.D. and priority application deadline

**May 15:** Application deadline

**July 1:** Last day to submit financial support form

**August 5:** Intent to enroll and deposit deadline

### Spring 2022 Deadlines

*Classes Begin January 2022*

**October 1:** Ph.D. and priority application deadline

**November 15:** Application deadline

**December 1:** Last day to submit financial support form

**January 1:** Intent to enroll and deposit deadline

### Tuition 2020–2021

Tuition rates vary based on full- or part-time status and program. Tuition is based on a per credit hour starting at \$1,614.

**All Graduate Programs** (except College of Architecture, Institute of Design, and Chicago-Kent College of Law)

**Tuition:** \$29,052

**Fees:** \$2,950

**Room and Board:** \$15,328

**Health Insurance:** \$1,687

**Total:** \$49,017

For a complete list of tuition rates, visit

<http://go.iit.edu/intlbroc-tuition>.

\*GRE minimum is based on program.

<https://admissions.iit.edu/graduate/apply/gre-requirements>

# Financing Your Degree

## Think college is expensive?

It's important to consider not just the cost of your education but also the long-term value. Illinois Tech creates opportunities in the most in-demand fields—and the returns for our graduates in both the workplace and their daily lives are well documented.

LEARN MORE ABOUT FINANCIAL AID AT [IIT.EDU/FINANCIAL-AID](https://go.iit.edu/financial-aid) 



**AN  
EDUCATIONAL  
BEST VALUE**

—*The Princeton Review,*  
*Fiske Guide to Colleges,*  
*Kiplinger's, Money Magazine*

## Undergraduate Scholarships

### Merit-Based International Scholarships

International students are automatically considered for merit-based international tuition scholarships, which range from \$10,000–\$30,000 per year.

### M. A. and Lila Self Leadership Academy Scholarship

Named for former University Regent Al Self and his wife, Lila, the M. A. and Lila Self Leadership Academy Scholarship is a distinguished and prestigious award given to the top applicants to the university who demonstrate exceptional leadership potential. Leadership Scholars receive full-tuition scholarship in the initial year of admittance to the academy. For each year following the first, students are only required to cover any annual increase to tuition.

### FIRST Robotics and WRO Scholarships

These scholarships are available to students who participated in the FIRST Robotics Championship, FIRST Tech Challenge, or a World Robot Olympiad team in high school. (\$25,000 annually)

## Graduate Scholarships

### ACE Scholarship

The ACE award is a partial-tuition scholarship for master's-level study at Armour College of Engineering that encourages participation in various educational, research, and/or leadership activities and projects that are expected to enhance your educational experience and contribute to your professional competence in your chosen field of study.

### Tech Edge Scholarship

This merit scholarship is available only for students in the Master of Information Technology and Management (ITM) program. The Tech Edge Scholarship awards graduate ITM students up to \$10,000 in support toward their total graduate tuition.

### IIT College Scholarship

The IIT College Scholarship is awarded to students studying chemistry, applied mathematics, or physics. The scholarship caps out at \$2,500 per semester and is renewable for four semesters. This award can be used for summer and can be deferred up to one year. Students participating in the India Online program are not eligible for this award.

### Data Science Excellence Scholarship

A limited number of merit-based partial-tuition scholarships are available to data science students. This scholarship is awarded to the top students based on consideration of their GRE scores, GPAs, and academic and professional experiences.

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UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS,  
VISIT [GO.IIT.EDU/UG-INTERNATIONAL](https://go.iit.edu/ug-international) 

FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF  
GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS,  
VISIT [GO.IIT.EDU/GRAD-INTL-SCHOLARSHIPS](https://go.iit.edu/grad-intl-scholarships) 

## Questions?

Contact:

### Undergraduate Admission

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Phone: 312.567.3025

Email: intl@iit.edu

Website: admissions.iit.edu

### Graduate Admission

Toll Free: 866.472.3448

Phone: 312.567.3020

Email: grad.admission@iit.edu

Website: admissions.iit.edu/graduate



For help with the application process and information specific to your country, please contact your local Education USA advising center.

[educationusa.state.gov](http://educationusa.state.gov)



### Take a Virtual Tour

Can't make it to campus—or just can't wait until you get here in person? Visit us now... virtually! Go to [iit.edu/virtualtour](http://iit.edu/virtualtour) to view a cool online virtual tour of our buildings, labs, open spaces, and more!

### Virtual Opportunities for International Applicants

Illinois Tech Admissions offers virtual tours, virtual counselor appointments, or virtual information sessions. Visit our website to learn about these opportunities.

[GO.IIT.EDU/UGA-VIRTUAL-VISITS](http://GO.IIT.EDU/UGA-VIRTUAL-VISITS)



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