You’re IN! #UICbound

Welcome to Chicago’s Public Research University
We’ll help you cultivate your potential and reach your goals.

Life as a student at the University of Illinois at Chicago means being part of a diverse and academically talented community in one of the greatest cities in the world. Here, you will have the tools, people, and resources to shape your college experience and reach your goals and dreams.

Welcome to your future. Welcome to UIC.
You probably have questions about your next steps and how to make your transition to UIC as smooth as possible. This booklet features a checklist of the most important steps you need to take to get ready to join us for the fall semester.

Visit our admitted student resource page at: admissions.uic.edu/admitted for more detailed information.
As you explore your financial aid options, payment plans, and employment scenarios, it will be helpful to have an idea of your expenses for the year.

The costs on the right represent estimates for the combined fall and spring semesters during the academic year. Exact costs are assessed each semester and are determined according to several factors. These factors include, but are not limited to, your academic major, whether you choose to live on or off campus, and your residency status.

* Cost estimates are based on the 2014-15 school year and are subject to change. See admissions.uic.edu/tuition for the most up-to-date information.
** UIC program differentials apply to certain academic majors only. See admissions.uic.edu/tuition for details.
*** Housing rates vary based on room and meal plan. UIC students are not required to live on campus. See housing.uic.edu for more information.

**START LIVING (ON OR OFF CAMPUS)**

**ON CAMPUS**

With UIC housing, you’ll have a team of hundreds of students, faculty and staff who, through programs like peer tutoring, faculty in residence and more, will make sure you’re getting the most out of Campus Housing, UIC, and Chicago. Not to mention you’re steps from the classrooms!

**OFF CAMPUS**

UIC enjoys an enviable location at the center of one of the world’s greatest cities. Some students choose to live at home with their families, or reside in private, off-campus facilities.
WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DIRECT & INDIRECT COSTS?
Direct costs are those expenses that you have to pay to UIC and indirect costs are expenses you will incur because you are attending college. Indirect costs are used in financial aid packaging, and to help plan costs for the year. They are not added to your bill (except for room and board if you’re living on campus).

DOES UIC HAVE AN ENROLLMENT DEPOSIT?
UIC does not have an enrollment deposit. Just mark “yes” on your intent to enroll form in the my.uic.edu portal before May 1 to secure your spot.

WHERE CAN I FIND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT UIC’S PATHWAY TO ENROLLMENT?
The two best places for all the information you need are the admitted student resource page and the portal.

admissions.uic.edu/admitted and the new student portal at my.uic.edu.

LET’S GO.
(VISIT OPTIONS FOR ADMITTED STUDENTS)

FIRESTARTER (Saturday, December 6)
We know that the transition from high school to college can be challenging. Firestater helps you build a community with other early action students so you can hit the ground running in the fall.

IGNITE (Saturday, April 2)
The UIC college you join makes a big impact on your time here as a student. IGNITE is your chance to start to form connections within your college with other incoming students, faculty and staff.

AFTERBURN (Thursday, April 7).
Sometimes it’s easier to ask your questions online. Our admissions counselors and current students will be ready to chat and will broadcast sessions regarding financial aid, next steps, student life, and more.
# ADMITTED STUDENT CHECKLIST

**IN THE PORTAL (my.uic.edu)**

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<td><strong>IDs and Portal Access</strong></td>
<td>Start by setting up your NetID and Enterprise ID. These IDs are necessary to access the my.uic.edu portal and other enrollment functions.</td>
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<td><strong>Accept your Offer</strong></td>
<td>You have until May 1 to accept your offer of admission. Submit your Intent To Enroll at the my.uic.edu portal. UIC does not have an enrollment fee or deposit.</td>
<td>As soon as possible, before May 1</td>
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<td><strong>Placement Exams</strong></td>
<td>Beginning in February, you will be prompted to take required placement exams in the my.uic.edu portal. Completing these tests help guide your first semester courses, and allow you to register for Orientation.</td>
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<td><strong>Register for New Student Orientation</strong></td>
<td>At orientation, you will register for classes, meet your adviser, and prepare for your first semester at UIC.</td>
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<td><strong>Tuition &amp; Payment Options</strong></td>
<td>Tuition is assessed after classes begin, but you can review and set up optional payment plans now.</td>
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<td>Placement for housing is first-come-first-served. If you are considering living on campus, you should apply early to maximize your chances getting your preferred residence.</td>
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DECEMBER
Federal Student Aid PINs
US citizens and permanent residents can request Federal Student Aid PINs to e-sign the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at pin.ed.gov

Visit in person at Firestarter (December 6)

JANUARY
Complete FAFSA
US citizens and permanent residents should file their FAFSA forms between January 1 and February 15th (or as soon as possible after) to maximize their eligibility for state and federal aid.

FEBRUARY
Placement Exams
Beginning in February, students will have access to placement exams. These exams must be completed before students can register for Orientation and sign up for fall classes.

MARCH
Student Financial Award Notification
In mid-March, notifications for financial aid will begin to be distributed to US citizens and permanent residents. Award letters can be found at the my.uic.edu portal.

APRIL
Visit in person at IGNITE (April 2nd) or online with Afterburn (April 7)

MAY
National Candidate Reply Date
Students planning to attend UIC should accept their offer of admission via the Intent to Enroll form at my.uic.edu by May 1st.

JUNE / JULY
Housing Room Assignment
In mid-June through July, students who elected to reside on campus will be notified of their room assignments.

Orientation
New Student Orientation programs begin for students who have accepted their offer of admission and completed placement exams.

Summer College
Summer College offers a wide variety of programs aimed at assisting students transition to UIC and improving their placement results.

AUGUST
Tuition estimate assessment
Tuition will be estimated for financial aid disbursement in mid to late August.

First Year Move-In-Day
Campus residents move in the week before classes begin.

New Student Convocation
The official kick off for the new year, this event is on Sunday, August 21.

First Day of Classes
See you in class on August 22nd!