

Postdoc Orientation 1: Pre-Start Focus

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Orientation's Goals

- Connect you to our office and Postdoctoral Affairs staff
- Connect you to relocation and onboarding resources
- Provide key contacts for housing, HR, and campus services
- Answer your questions about the transition to Purdue and West Lafayette
- Build community with other new postdocs



NOTE: We have embedded links in these slides for you to access resources, so when you see an underlined word that is likely a link for you to click!

Who We Are

- Postdoctoral Affairs is housed in the **Office of the Vice Provost for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars**
 - OGSPS for short!

- Our mission is to empower postdoctoral scholars to advance their careers and contributions by connecting them to resources and community.

- Hiring and onboarding are done at the department level

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Where are we?

OGSPS Postdoctoral Affairs

Young Hall, Room 170

155 Grant Street

West Lafayette, IN

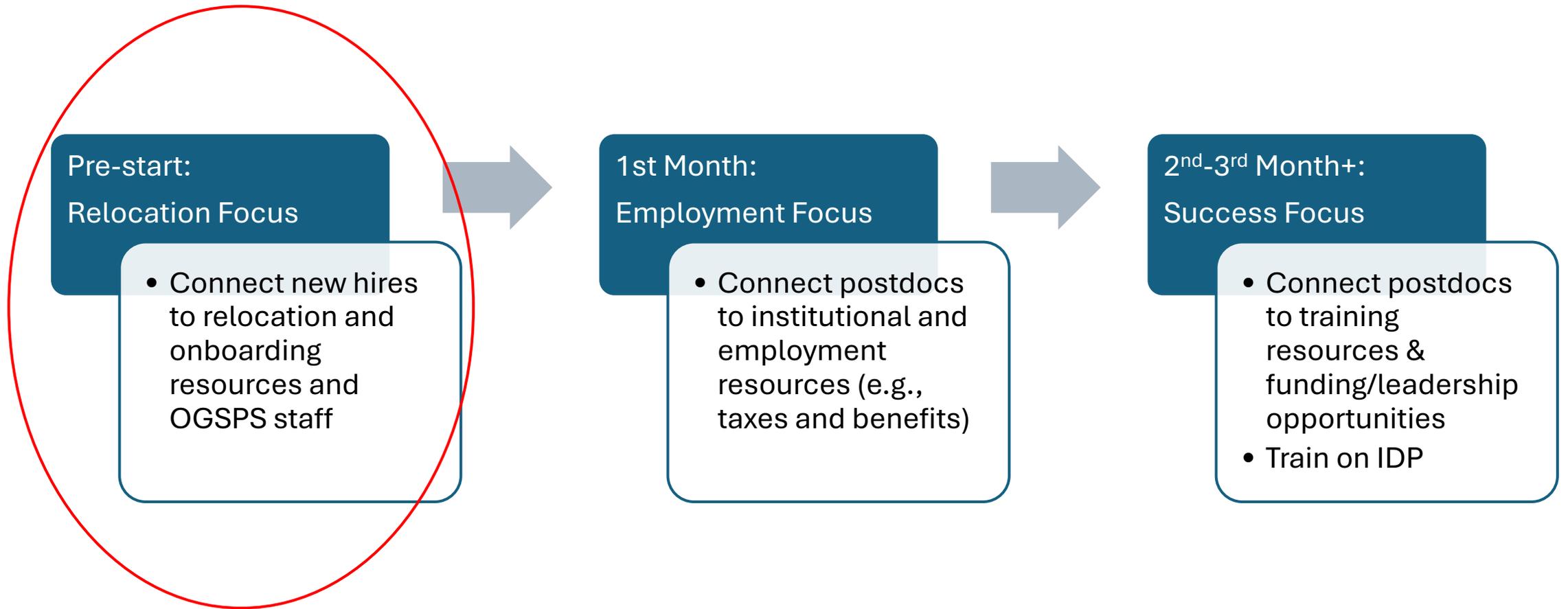
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OGSPS Postdoc Orientation Series



Pre-Start Orientation Topics

1. Off Campus Housing Services
2. Transportation Services
3. Living in West Lafayette, IN
4. Onboarding Resources
5. International Scholar Resources
6. Postdoc Community Portrait
7. Postdoc Programs & Events

Off Campus Housing Services

Off Campus Housing Services

- Assist students/postdocs in all aspects of their housing experience
- Educate students/postdocs through programming and outreach
- Provide consumer information on landlord/tenant issues
- Develop working relationships with area landlords and community organizations
- Serve as a resource for the off-campus student/postdoc population

Off Campus Housing Services

Housing Search Help:

- Monitor local housing availabilities
- Track rental rates and the rental housing market
- Roommate Finder
- Work with third-party vendor to promote the site and resources
- Landlord Ratings Tool

Campus Edge on Pierce Apartments (Shared Housing) ★★★★★

134 Pierce St, West Lafayette, IN 47906 - [Map](#) - [East of Campus](#)



🕒 Last Updated: 3 Days Ago

🚶 0.5 miles to Purdue University



Rent Special
Now Waiving our \$200 Security Deposit!!

All Studio 1 Bed 2 Beds 3 Beds 4+ Beds

Beds	Baths	Rent	Max Occupants	Availability	
Studio	1 Bathroom	\$1,454 - \$1,504 / Bedroom 🏠	1 Resident	8/16/24	View Model
1 Bedroom	1 Bathroom	\$1,799 - \$1,899 / Bedroom 🏠	1 Resident	8/16/24	View Model
1 Bedroom	1 Bathroom	\$2,149 - \$2,199 / Bedroom 🏠	1 Resident	8/16/24	View Model

Off Campus Housing Services

- Provide step-by-step directions on how to successfully rent an apartment
- Share information on being a good neighbor in the community
- Share detailed pricing reports with postdocs looking to be within a specific budget
- Update postdocs on market conditions and whether it would be favorable to sign a lease or wait until incentives may be offered
- Advise postdocs on what to know before signing a lease
- Discuss what a postdoc can possibly rent within their budget
- Highlight options and differences in both individual apartments and per-bed shared rentals
- Provide postdocs with updated information on rental occupancy and timelines

Off Campus Housing Services

To access any of these off-campus housing services,
email or call:

Ashley Darnell

Associate Director of Off-Campus Student Services

adarnel@purdue.edu

(765) 496-1841

Transportation

West Lafayette Transportation

Walk, bike, or ride?

SP+ Campus Transit

- **FREE**, expanded service just for Purdue
- Updated routes, schedules & on-demand rides, get the app [here!](#)
- Free, daily shuttle rides to- and from- Indianapolis location; learn schedule and pick-up locations [here](#)

CityBus

- Operates off-campus routes only
- \$99 for Fall 2025 semester pass (no student discount 😊)
- Purchase using [MyCityBus app](#)

Parking

- Purdue staff park on campus with an “invisible” permit
- Staff must purchase their own permit, paid annually in full or pre-tax payroll deduction
- Staff can buy “A” permits (\$250/year) or “B” permits (\$100/year)
- Use [map](#) to determine best lot for you
- Details at [Parking Services website](#)

Renting Rides

- Rent bicycles or scooters scattered across campus using [Vevo app](#) (seasonal)
- Rent a car on demand, 24/7, using [Zipcar](#). Annual membership is free for Purdue staff. Apply [here](#).

Ride Share, Taxis, and Shuttles

- Uber, Lyft, and local taxi services available
- Airport shuttles:
- [Lafayette Limo](#): runs every two hours, 9 times a day, 365 days a year
 - [Reindeer Shuttle](#): runs 5 times daily

Living in W. Lafayette, IN

Airports

Indianapolis International Airport (IND)
1 hour 15 minutes south of Purdue (70 miles)

Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD)
2 hours north of Purdue (128 miles)

Purdue University Airport (LAF)

Purdue University has partnered with SkyWest for commercial air service to Chicago's O'Hare International Airport through United Express, a regional network operated by United Airlines.



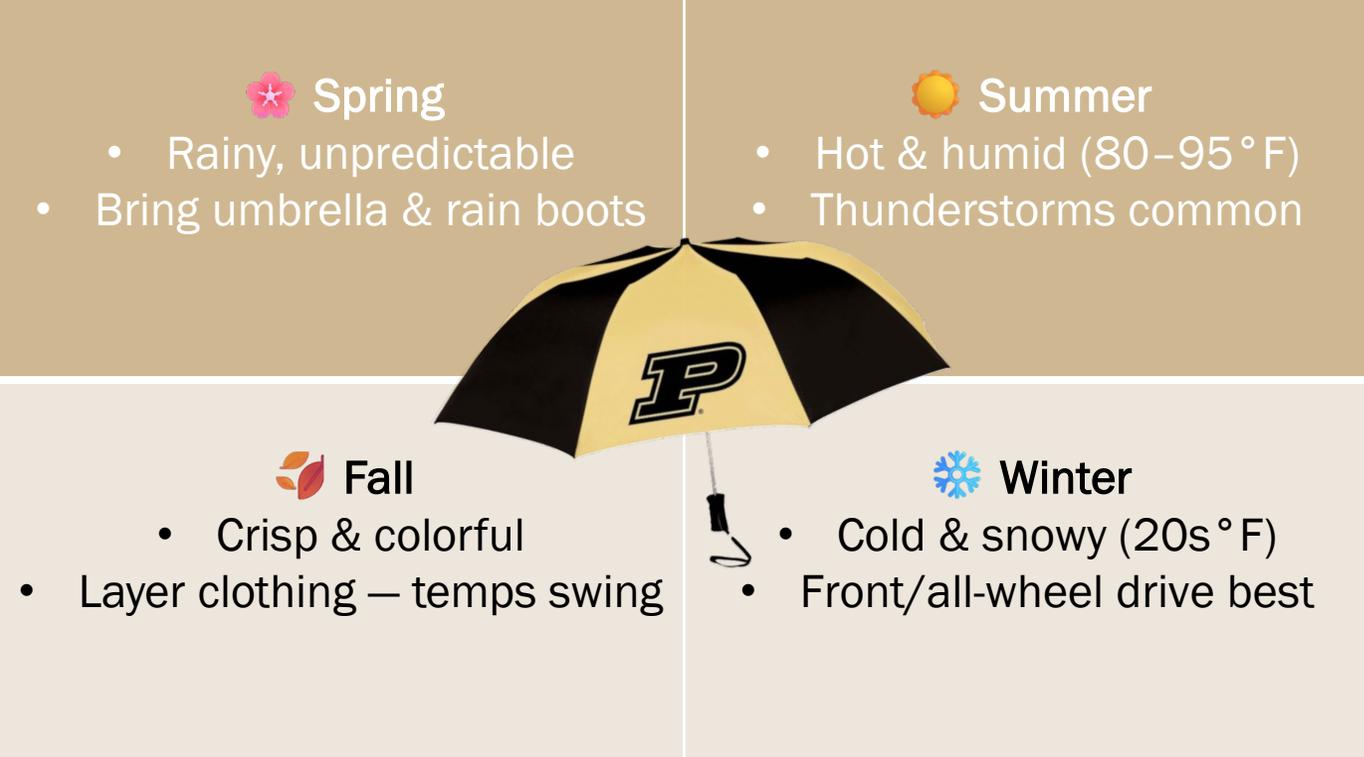
Weather

West Lafayette experiences all four seasons — sometimes in the same week!

Be prepared for hot, humid summers, crisp colorful falls, snowy winters, and rainy springs. Weather can change quickly, so layers and planning ahead are essential.

For reliable updates, we recommend:

- WLFU Weather App (local station)
- National Weather Service (Indianapolis Office)
- Weather Channel / AccuWeather apps



The graphic is a 2x2 grid with a central umbrella icon. The umbrella is yellow and black with a large black 'P' logo. The grid is divided into four quadrants, each representing a season with its own icon and weather characteristics.

Spring	Summer
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rainy, unpredictable• Bring umbrella & rain boots	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot & humid (80–95 °F)• Thunderstorms common
Fall	Winter
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Crisp & colorful• Layer clothing — temps swing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cold & snowy (20s °F)• Front/all-wheel drive best

Old Indiana saying: If you do not like the weather, wait 10 minutes!

Community Shopping

Shopping Destination	What You'll Find	Bus Access Info	Links	
 TARGET	Target – State Street (West Lafayette)	Groceries, home goods, clothing, electronics, pharmacy	Lines 4B or 23 ; short walk from campus stop	Target
	Walmart Supercenter (West Lafayette)	Full grocery, household goods, clothing, pharmacy	Lines 4B, 1B, 8, 10 ; direct from campus	Walmart
	Pay Less Super Markets (West Lafayette)	Full-service grocery with bakery, deli, pharmacy, produce	Line 4B to Sagamore Pkwy stops nearby	Pay Less
	Sams Club (Lafayette)	Bulk groceries, fresh produce, household items, electronics, bulk goods, and members-only specials	CityBus Route 11 Creasy Lane	Sam's Club
	Better World Market (West Lafayette)	Asian & international groceries – spices, produce, specialty foods	Route 4B + transfer to downtown Brown St stop	Better World Market
	Meijer (Lafayette)	Large full-service grocery, pharmacy, home goods, clothing	Route 8 (Sagamore West)	Meijer
	Tippecanoe Mall (Lafayette)	Major stores: Macy's, JCPenney, Kohl's, Dick's Sporting Goods; + 100+ specialty shops	Take 4B to Lafayette , transfer to local lines	Tippecanoe Mall



Purdue Shopping!

<https://ag.purdue.edu/departments/ansc/butcherblock/>



Boilermaker Butcher Block

Premium meats raised and processed by Purdue Animal Sciences students

Purdue Shopping!



Boiler Bee Honey is produced and sold right here at Purdue University by students in the Department of Entomology. The honey comes from hives maintained on campus, giving students hands-on experience in beekeeping and pollinator research. Every jar supports educational opportunities and research on honeybee health, sustainability, and the vital role pollinators play in our environment. Available for purchase at the Butcher Block.

Purdue Shopping!

<https://www.purdue.edu/surplus/index.html>

Location

698 Ahlers Dr.
West Lafayette, IN 47907
(Parking is available off of S. Russell St.).

Hours

Monday through Friday, 12-4 p.m.
Closed all **university holidays**.

Accepted payments

- Visa
- MasterCard
- Discover
- American Express
- Cash
- Checks
- Apple Pay



- Computers & parts
- Office furniture
- Lab equipment
- Athletic apparel
- Bikes
- Beds frames
- Mechanical equipment
- Plumbing equipment
- Chairs/couches
- TVs & monitors

Dining Memberships

PURDUE
Food Co. 

Retail Dining Memberships 101



A Retail Dining Membership is different from a residential plan in that it is exclusively declining balance dollars meaning that there are no meal swipes. You can spend as little or as much as you want when you want. A Retail Dining Membership unlocks delicious meals, coffee, snacks, and more, at 30 locations across campus. Your membership loads your declining balance funds conveniently onto your Purdue ID so there is no need to carry around additional cash or cards. Visit our [locations page](#) for additional information, including menus and hours of operation.



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Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
<p>\$45.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$5!• \$50 of declining balance.• Great place to start... you can add more funds as needed! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>	<p>\$90.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$10!• Receive \$100 of declining balance.• Best Value for On Campus Dining! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>	<p>\$135.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$15!• Receive \$150 of declining balance.• Great for monthly budgeting! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>
Tier 4	Tier 5	Tier 6
<p>\$180.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$20!• Receive \$200 of declining balance.• Best for snacks and coffee! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>	<p>\$300.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$40!• Receive \$340 in declining balance.• Good for semester planning! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>	<p>\$650.00</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get an extra \$85!• Receive \$735 in declining balance.• Great for annual planning or daily retail dining! <p>Learn More</p> <p>Add To Cart</p>

https://purdue.campusdish.com/MealPlans/Category?cat=Retail_Dining_Memberships_14593&lid=14593

Co-Rec

The Co-Rec is Purdue's main recreation facility and is open to postdocs through a RecWell membership. It offers a full fitness center with weights and cardio equipment, an indoor track, group exercise classes (yoga, cycling, Zumba, HIIT, barre, etc.), basketball and racquetball courts, an aquatics center with lap lanes and leisure pool, a climbing and bouldering wall, turf fields, and outdoor recreation areas. The Co-Rec is also the home base for intramural sports, sport clubs, and wellness programs.



Gyms close to Purdue

Parkwest Fitness

1330 Win Hentschel Blvd, West Lafayette
Full gym, cardio & strength machines, group classes, childcare

Faith West Fitness Center

1920 Northwestern Ave, West Lafayette
Fitness center, basketball court, weight/cardio equipment

HOTWORX West Lafayette

2410 N Salisbury St, West Lafayette
24/7 infrared heated workouts: yoga, HIIT, barre, pilates

CrossFit West Lafayette

304 Brown St, West Lafayette
Group CrossFit classes, coached strength & conditioning

Ismail Center (Purdue, Lyles-Porter Hall)

Cardio machines, strength training, fitness studio, consultations

John R. Dennis Wellness Center

City of West Lafayette facility
Group fitness classes, gym spaces, wellness programs

Impact Zone Training Center

2781 Klondike Rd, West Lafayette
Martial arts, strength & conditioning, personal training

YWCA Greater Lafayette

605 N 6th St, Downtown Lafayette
Gym access, wellness classes, fitness programs, women-focused options

Intramural Sports

Activity/Event	Format	Registration Dates	Regular Season Dates	Tentative Playoff Dates
Inner Tube Water Polo	League	8/25-8/27	9/2-9/18	9/29-10/9
4v4 Sand Volleyball	League	8/25-8/27	9/2	9/23-10/23
3v3 Basketball	Tournament	8/25-8/27	8/31-9/11	
Fall Softball Classic	Tournament	8/25-8/27		8/31-9/11
Singles Outdoor Tennis	Tournament	8/25-8/27	8/31-9/21	
Flag Football	League	8/25-8/27	9/7-10/2	10/5-10/30
Outdoor Soccer	League	8/25-8/27	9/7-9/25	9/28-10/23
Pickleball	League	9/1-9/3	9/14-10/2	10/5-10/9
Cricket	Tournament	9/15-9/17	9/21-10/2	
Cornhole	Tournament	9/29-10/1	10/5-10/9	
Indoor Volleyball	League	10/6-10/8	10/19-11/6	11/9-11/20
Team Handball	League	10/6-10/8	10/19-11/6	11/9-12/4
TREC Soccer	League	10/6-10/8	10/19-11/6	11/9-12/4
Bowling	League	10/6-10/8	10/19-11/20	11/30-12/4
Bocce	Tournament	10/20-10/22	10/26-11/6	
Sitting Volleyball	Tournament	10/20-10/22	10/26-11/6	
Euchre	Tournament	11/10-11/12	11/19	
All Campus Basketball	Tournament	11/10-11/12		11/30-2/11

Postdocs can join Purdue’s intramural (IM) sports by registering with their Purdue account and having a RecWell membership. Intramurals offer a wide range of recreational leagues and tournaments for all skill levels, including basketball, soccer, volleyball, softball, flag football, kickball, ultimate frisbee, dodgeball, and floor hockey. Individual and dual options like pickleball, racquetball, tennis, badminton, and table tennis are also available, along with one-day events and esports tournaments. Participants can join teams with friends, departments, or register as free agents through IMLeagues.

Entertainment & Fun

On Campus

Activity / Venue	What to Expect	Links
Purdue Convocations	Broadway shows, concerts, lectures	Convocations
Purdue Theatre	Student theatre productions, plays, musicals	Purdue Theatre
Purdue Christmas Show	Annual holiday tradition with music & performance	Christmas Show
Slayter Center of Performing Arts	Outdoor concerts, movie nights, sledding	Slayter Center
Union Rack & Roll (PMU)	Bowling alley & games inside Purdue Memorial Union	Union Rack & Roll
Movies - Wabash Landing 9	9-screen movie theater with new releases	Wabash Landing 9
Downtown Lafayette	Art galleries, cafés, boutiques, music venues, festivals	Downtown Lafayette
Celery Bog Nature Area	Trails, bird watching, peaceful walks in nature	Celery Bog
Columbian Park Zoo & Wild Tykes Play Zone (Lafayette)	Family-friendly zoo, carousel, small amusement rides	Lafayette Zoo , Visit Indiana
Wolf Park	Wildlife preserve with wolves, bison, foxes; educational tours	Wolf Park
Prophetstown State Park	Hiking, picnicking, prairie landscapes, nature center	Prophetstown , Visit Indiana

Community (CityBus Accessible)

Onboarding Resources

Onboarding



Onboarding (Before You Arrive)

1. Watch for onboarding emails from Purdue Human Resources & your Business Office.
2. Prepare documents for the I-9 (passport, visa, or other accepted ID).
 - Form I-9 is used by U.S. employers to verify the identity and employment authorization of individuals hired for work in the United States.
3. Set up access to Purdue systems (Career Account & BoilerKey).
4. Review benefit options and be ready to enroll once you start.
5. Plan to get your Purdue ID card when you arrive.

New Employee Orientation

Onboarding Guide

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Purdue University Human Resources website. It includes a search bar with the text "Find Info For" and a dropdown arrow, and a list of links: "Apply", "News", "President", "Shop", "Visit", "Give", "Emergency", and a magnifying glass icon. Below the navigation bar is the Purdue University logo and the text "Human Resources". A secondary navigation bar contains links for "HOME", "BUSINESS @ PURDUE", "BENEFITS / WELLNESS", "CAREERS @ PURDUE", "HIRING @ PURDUE", "SUPERVISING @ PURDUE", and "WORKING @ PURDUE". Below this is a breadcrumb trail: "New Employee Orientation > Onboarding Guide".

Onboarding Guide

The Onboarding Guide is organized by milestones, guiding you through your first steps in your career at Purdue.

Human Resources is here to help. Our [Teams](#) web page provides important contact information. You can also send questions to newemployee@purdue.edu.

PRE-BOARDING	+
FIRST WEEK	+
FIRST 30 DAYS	+
NEXT 9 MONTHS	+
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES	+

New Employee Orientation

First Steps Learning Module



We look forward to welcoming you to the Purdue community, whether you join us on campus at Indianapolis, West Lafayette, Fort Wayne or Hammond, or through Purdue Global. The website will guide you through your first onboarding steps. Among the steps include completing the new hire wizard (to collect paperwork), creating your password to access systems, and preparing for your appointment to complete Form I-9.

Click **Start** or a specific **Section** to get started.

- ☰ Completing the New Hire Data Collection
- ☰ Creating Your Password
- ☰ Purdue in Indianapolis - Retrieving Credentials
- ☰ Preparing for I-9 Appointment
- ☰ Student Hire (Undergrad and Grad) Sex and Violent Offender Registry Check
- ☰ Next Steps

International Scholar Resources

International Students and Scholars (ISS) Office

75% of Postdocs at Purdue are International!

- Visit the Purdue International Students and Scholars webpage: <https://www.purdue.edu/gpp/iss/>
 - Select Scholar Services and then choose what fits you best for helpful hints and information on:
 - Work visas
 - Preparing to Arrive in the USA
 - Housing
 - Utilities
 - Internet, Cable TV, and Mobile Cellular Telephone Services
 - Hotels
 - Weather
 - Passport
 - Visa
 - Money
 - Driver's license
 - Phones and electronic devices
 - Personal Documentation
 - Transportation

ISS Scholar Services Postdoc Page

This [page](#) has an overview of Visa and Permanent Residence information for new and prospective Purdue Postdocs.

The screenshot shows the Purdue University website page for International Students and Scholars (ISS) Postdocs. The header includes the Purdue University logo and the text "International Students and Scholars GLOBAL PARTNERSHIPS AND PROGRAMS". Below the header is a navigation menu with a hamburger icon and the word "MENU". The breadcrumb trail reads: "ISS Scholars, Faculty and Staff Services > Faculty, Staff, Scholars, and Postdocs > I-Am-A > Postdoc". A sidebar on the left contains a list of navigation options: "I-AM-A" (highlighted), "Visiting Scholar", "VUG", "Faculty", "Postdoc", "Scholar", and "I-539 Applications for Dependents". The main content area features the heading "Postdoctoral Researchers at Purdue" and two paragraphs of text. The first paragraph states: "Postdoctoral researchers are individuals hired primarily to engage in research at Purdue following the conferral of their doctoral degree. Purdue policy permits postdoctoral researchers to engage in only limited teaching - to a maximum of one course (3 credit hours) per semester." The second paragraph states: "Offers for postdoctoral appointments often are issued (and accepted) during the individual's final months of their doctoral program, and appointment start dates are set before the doctoral degree is conferred. By Purdue policy, the PhD must be conferred on or before the appointment start date. If an international doctoral candidates does not timely receive their PhD prior to the appointment start date, the appointment must not proceed. The department may choose to convert the appointment to a visiting scholar, staff or other appointment, or the department may withdraw the offer entirely. If the offer is to be converted, then this must be completed before they arrive in the USA (if entering the US from abroad) or before arriving on Purdue's campus (if already lawfully present in the USA)."

Postdoc Community

Postdoc Community

Findings are based on data pulled from Purdue's employment -record database on May 1, 2025, and include information on 582 currently -employed postdocs.

- **Purdue Placement**

- Postdoctoral Scholars are working across Purdue's 13 colleges and centers.
- Three colleges take up three-fourths of the postdoc population, with the remainder fourth spread across 10 colleges and centers.

• College of Engineering	31%	$\underline{n} = 178$
• College of Science	24%	$\underline{n} = 142$
• College of Agriculture	19%	$\underline{n} = 113$
• Everywhere Else	26%	$\underline{n} = 149$

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- **Funding**

- Nearly three-fourths of all postdoc funding comes from the Federal government. Below is the breakdown of the 505 funding sources.
 - Federal Government 71% n = 357
 - Industry 16% n = 79
 - Foundations 7% n = 37
 - Voluntary Support 3% n = 15
 - Foreign Governments 2% n = 10
 - State & Local Governments 1% n = 7

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- **Demographics**

- The majority of Postdoctoral Scholars are Non-Resident Aliens (77%, $n = 445$); the remaining are either US Citizens (17%, $n = 101$) or Permanent Resident Aliens (5%, $n = 30$).
- Employees are asked to select their country of origin.
- Our postdocs originate from 44 countries, but three-fourths (75%) come from the following 8 countries:
 - China 23% $n = 136$
 - India 22% $n = 130$
 - United States 15% $n = 86$
 - Republic of Korea 8% $n = 45$
 - Islamic Republic of Iran 3% $n = 17$
 - Bangladesh 2% $n = 12$
 - Columbia 2% $n = 11$
 - Brazil 2% $n = 10$

Postdoc Community

Postdoc Country Connections!

Purdue has nearly 600 Postdocs from 44 countries!
If you want to connect to postdocs from a particular
country, email postdoc-affairs@purdue.edu
and ask to be connected!

Postdoc Country Connections!

Australia	1	France	4	Netherlands	2
Bangladesh	13	Ghana	2	Nigeria	5
Botswana	1	Greece	2	Pakistan	1
Brazil	13	Guatemala	3	Peru	4
Bulgaria	1	Hong Kong	1	Russian Fed.	7
Côte d'Ivoire	1	India	156	Saudi Arabia	1
Cameroon	1	Iran	25	Slovakia	1
Canada	5	Italy	7	Spain	11
China	136	Japan	5	Sri Lanka	3
Colombia	9	Kazakhstan	1	Sweden	1
Costa Rica	1	Kenya	1	Taiwan, China	7
Ecuador	3	Korea	46	Turkey	3
Egypt	7	Mexico	4	United Kingdom	5
Ethiopia	1	Nepal	6	United States	98
				Viet Nam	7

Purdue Postdoctoral Association (PPDA)



The Purdue Postdoctoral Association (PPDA) is a postdoc-led group that connects and supports the Purdue postdoc community.

The PPDA is run **by postdocs, for postdocs.**

It fosters professional development, career support, and social interaction, while also working to improve the postdoctoral experience at Purdue. The association highlights the important contributions of postdocs and provides opportunities to build networks across campus.



Visit PPDA: <https://purdueppda.org>

Now you can sit with fellow postdocs at Purdue Broadway, Music, and Theatrical shows!

Use **POSTDOC2526** when purchasing your seats to sit in the Postdoc Section!

This flyer lists 2025-26 Convos Programming.

POSTDOCS FOR THE Arts

EXPERIENCE LIVE PERFORMANCES WITH YOUR FELLOW POSTDOCS!

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Office of the Vice Provost for Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars

Purdue Postdoctoral Affairs is proud to partner with

CONVOS
PURDUE CONVOCATIONS

- ✓ Harlem Quartet
- ✓ The Book of Mormon
- ✓ The Martin Sexton Abbey Road Show
- ✓ Eric Zuber, piano
- ✓ Jim Brickman: The Gift of Christmas
- ✓ Kinky Boots
- ✓ Yellowjackets
- ✓ The Acting Company: Great Expectations
- ✓ Stomp
- ✓ Dungeons and Dragons: The Twenty Sided Tavern
- ✓ Mrs. Doubtfire
- ✓ Beetlejuice
- ✓ Menopause The Musical 2



TO PURCHASE TICKETS IN THE POSTDOC SECTION, VISIT:

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/CONVOSPOSTDOC25](https://bit.ly/convospostdoc25)



The above link will automatically populate the promo code POSTDOC2526

Postdoc Programs & Events

Peers & Professional Development!

POSTDOC POWER SESSION

Fuel Up on Fridays!

Join us every month to plug in to peers and professional development.



NEW TIME & LOCATION

Second Fridays of the Month from
11:30 AM to 1:30 PM
WALC B066

- 11:30-12:00 Coffee & Cookies Social sponsored by PPDA
- 12:00-12:40 Postdoc Presentation + Peer Feedback Survey
- 12:40-1:30 Professional Development Talk

Spring 2026 Dates

February 13

March 6

April 10

May 8

Register here:

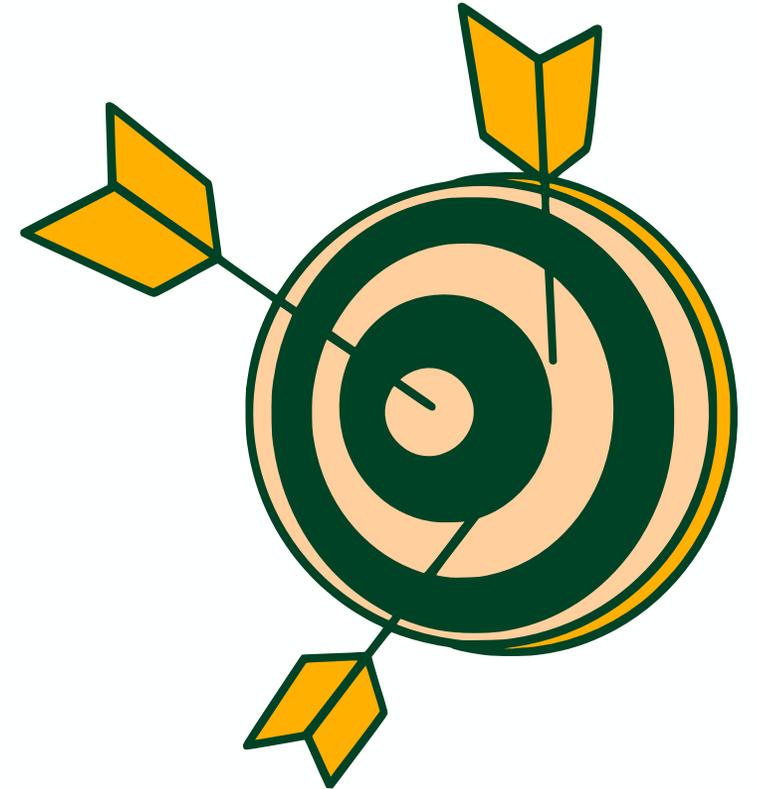
<https://gspd.gosignmeup.com/public/course/browse>

Strategic Postdoc-ing: How to Plan for Training Success

Learn how to use your time at Purdue to achieve your long-term career goal. This workshop leads you through the steps of developing an Individual Development Plan (IDP) to proactively seek the skills, knowledge, and experiences you need to compete for your dream job. Leave with tools and resources every postdoc needs for training success.

In-person workshop: 11:30 to 12:15 PM
Individual coaching time: 12:15 to 1:15 PM

Spring 2026 Dates: 1/6, 1/28, 2/18, 4/21



Every year we celebrate

***National Postdoc
Appreciation Week!***

Dates for 2026 are
September 21-25!

SAVE the DATES!



Pizza Party Kick-Off

MON 9/15, 5:30-7:30 PM



**Postdoc + PI
Ice Cream Social**

WED 9/17, 2-4 PM



Coffee, Tea & Donuts

FRI 9/19, 8-10 AM

**ALL UNDER THE POSTDOC PARTY TENT
ON MEMORIAL MALL LAWN!**

Thank You

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