

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Campus Visit Guide



Before Your Visit

- Check the Ames weather forecast and dress in comfortable, weather-appropriate clothing and comfortable shoes – the day will include quite a bit of walking around campus.
- Review your itinerary for the day. Double check your schedule and directions before leaving home. Contact us 24 hours in advance with questions/changes.
- Download and check out the MyState app. This app has a map of campus, information about Iowa State, and more!

During most weekday visits you will have the opportunity to learn more about Iowa State University, tour campus and the residence halls, and interact with current students. Many visits will also include an academic session specific to your interests led by an adviser or professor. We encourage you to take advantage of the time you'll have on campus and prepare a list of questions. Here are a few questions to think about before your visit.

Questions to ask an admissions counselor:

- What are my next steps in the admissions process?
- How many majors are at Iowa State?
- What is the average class size?
- What is the student to faculty ratio?
- What academic support is available for students?
- What is the job placement rate for Iowa State students?
- How much does it cost to attend Iowa State?
- What scholarships are available for students?
- What states/countries are students from?
- What percentage of students are from out of state?
- What is the percentage of multicultural students?
- What is the international student population at Iowa State?
- What is the percentage of male to female students?

Questions to ask an academic adviser (weekday visits only):

- What is the average class size for this major?
- What research opportunities are available for students?
- How do I get involved in research?
- What learning communities are available for students in this major?
- What scholarships are available for students in this major?
- What is the career outcome rate for students in this major?
- What type of jobs/graduate school opportunities are there?
- What internship or job opportunities are available for students?
- What study abroad opportunities are there for students in this major?
- What student organizations are specific to this major?

Questions to ask current students:

- Why did you choose Iowa State?
- What is your favorite thing about Iowa State?
- What advice do you have for a new student to Iowa State?
- What is your favorite Iowa State tradition?
- Did you change your major? What was the process like?
- What type of academic resources do you utilize?
- What is your favorite class and why?
- What hands-on learning opportunities have you had in your classes?
- Which residence hall did you live in?
- What is your favorite thing about living on campus?
- What events take place in the residence halls?
- Were you in a learning community?
- What student organizations are you involved in?
- What is there to do in Ames?
- How do you get around campus?
- Can I bring a car to campus? Where do students park?
- Is campus safe? What safety resources are available on campus?

After Your Visit

- Let us know how your experience went on campus by completing this evaluation: admissions.iastate.edu/visit/eval.php
- Send us any follow-up questions. You can email admissions@iastate.edu or call 800-262-3810.

