

Instructional Design Services

Our instructional designers can work with faculty in order to create unique learning experiences for students. The services they can provide to you include, but are not limited to:

- Developing objectives and making sure that the content of the course matches those objectives
- Revise and rewrite content in order for it to address the aforementioned objectives
- Structure content and learning activities to encourage student learning
- Create media to support learning
- Develop assessments

Listed below are our instructional designers. Please feel free to contact them with any questions you may have.

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It's On Blue

In the spring, our university joined an initiative called It's On Us. The program is an awareness campaign to attempt to eliminate sexual assault on college campuses. According to the It's On Us website, there are four goals of the program: "to recognize that non-consensual sex is sexual assault, to identify situations in which sexual assault may occur, to intervene in situations where consent has not or cannot be given, and to create an environment in which sexual assault is unacceptable and survivors are supported."

Indiana State joined the initiative in an attempt to educate students and faculty about what sexual assault really is and possible actions to take to eliminate it. In August, the university launched its own program: It's On Blue. The program consists of an online educational course that typically takes no more than a few hours to complete.

In June, the Board of Trustees adopted a new policy stating that each student and all faculty members need to complete the training as a part of a

mission to make campus safer and to stress the importance of helping individuals who have been sexually assaulted.

Initially, the due date for this online course was September 30. However, the university is finding that there are still many students and some faculty members who have not completed the training. As an incentive to finish the training, the university has decided that faculty members will not receive a pay increase until the training is completed.

You should be able to access the online course through emails that have previously been sent to you. If you no longer have the email, visit <https://www.campusclarity.com/signup> to register for the course. If you have further questions, you are encouraged to visit <http://www2.indstate.edu/itsonblue/> for more information.



Career Center

Although your students are online and many of them live quite a ways from campus, the Career Center can still be very beneficial to them and it is very important to let them know that. Below are some of the center's best services to students:

- Job and Internship Information
- Career Exploration
- Four Year Plans
- Clothing Closet
- Career Learning Modules

Just because students may be the majority of people who take advantage of the career center does not mean that it's not also beneficial for professors. Below are just a few services that the Career Center offers to faculty members:

- Career Advisors/College Liaisons
- Classroom and Organization Presentations
- Formalizing the Internship/Field Experience
- Funding Opportunities
- Career Learning Modules
- Occupational Outlook Handbook
- Tips for Writing Letters of Reference

Best Outdoor Activities for Winter

As winter is approaching very quickly, it's important to remember that you still need sunshine and fresh air occasionally. Although it may be easier to stay inside where it's warm, bundling up and playing in the snow always creates memories that will last a lifetime. As the end of the semester draws nearer and you're dreading grading all those essays and exams, remember that sometimes, you need to have a little bit of fun, too. Here are some of the best activities you can participate in:

- Build a fort or igloo with your children

Even if you don't have children yourself, you're likely to have little ones in your life one way or another. There are few things greater than seeing a beaming smile on a child's face. Building a fort or an igloo is a 100% guaranteed way to make children grin from ear to ear for the entire day. Bonus points if there is hot chocolate involved!

- Go ice-skating

You may have to drive a little bit for this activity if you live in Terre Haute, but it will be more than worth it. Although the activity will require some coordination and practice, the first few stumbles will make you laugh harder than you have in a long time.

- Sit on your porch

This activity is definitely one for finals week. Students are incredibly stressed about passing their exams, but they forget that professors also get stressed! Take a cup of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate onto your porch, have a seat, and grade essays and/or exams. Don't forget to really bundle up and make sure you have gloves and a nice, warm blanket!

- Take your dog for a walk

This activity is for those who really don't like cold weather, as you only need to be outside for just a few minutes. Don't have a dog? Walk alone and go to the end of the street and back. The cool, crisp air will be enough to calm you down in ten minutes or less.



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Each day, we post to our Facebook and Twitter accounts. These posts will give you information about what's happening on campus and around Terre Haute. We will often provide you with interesting random facts and take a look back at what happened on this day in history. Our personal favorites are the Throwback Thursday posts, where we post photos from around campus that were taken any time during the 1900s.

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