# 2020VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE

## General Election

## MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

You can be a key contributor to our democracy with three simple actions:

**Register** to vote and take part in democracy by learning about your voter rights and the upcoming elections.

**Learn** about campus and the world by attending speakers, events, and dialogues.

**Advocate** for others by using your voice, running for an officer position, or joining a student organization or campus committee.

## USING OUR GUIDE

You can find out more about serving our community with this Voter Information Guide. This packet will provide educational information to help you understand how to vote and research information on the election. This packet will focus on voting in Indiana. Any non-Indiana voter can find information about their individual state by searching online with [your state] Secretary of State.

Indiana voters can visit **www.indianavoters.in.gov** and voters from other states can visit **www.vote.org** for more information.

If you have questions, please email the Civic Engagement Assistants at **ccsecea@iupui.edu.**

# IMPORTANT INDIANA FALL ELECTION DATES

Monday, October 5 - Last day to register to vote
Tuesday, October 6-November 2 - Early voting begins at noon
Thursday, October 22- Deadline for absentee ballot applications
Tuesday, November 3-General Election Day

Additional dates and information can be found at **www.in.gov**

## 2020 PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES

**September 29, 2020:** 1st Presidential Debate, Cleveland, OH
**October 7, 2020:** Vice Presidential Debate, Salt Lake City, UT
**October 15, 2020:** 2nd Presidential Debate, Miami, FL
**October 22, 2020:** 3rd Presidential Debate, Nashville, TN

Visit debates.org to learn more about debates in the U.S.

# MARION COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION

Marion County is holding the general election on November 3, 2020.

While the presidential portion of the election usually takes the spotlight, location and state positions are just as important.

**Congress**

U.S. House Indiana District 7

**Statewide Offices**

Lieutenant Governor of Indiana
Governor of Indiana
Attorney General of Indiana
Indiana Court of Appeals 4th District
Indiana Court of Appeals 5th District
Indiana Supreme Court
Indiana State Senate District 36
Indiana House of Representatives District 97

**Marion County**
Marion County Surveyor
Marion County Coroner
Marion County Treasurer

Marion County Superior Court
Marion County Circuit Court

**Indiana Court of Appeals 2nd District**

## REGISTERING TO VOTE OR CONFIRMING VOTER REGISTRATION

Indiana voters can visit **www.indianavoters.com** and out-of-state voters can visit **www.vote.org.** You will need to input your legal name, date of birth, and county to see your status. To register to vote, you will need your driver's license number.

## EARLY VOTING IN MARION COUNTY

In Indiana, you can cast your vote before Election Day. Early voting allows you to cast your ballot in person at the Marion County Election Board office up to 28 days before an election on October 6:

**Indianapolis City County Building**
**Marion County Election Board Office**
200 E. Washington St., W122, Indianapolis, IN, 46204

Other early voting sites begin on October 26 include:

**Krannert Park Community Center**
605 S High School Rd., Indianapolis, IN, 46241

**MSD Lawrence Admin Building**
6501 Sunnyside Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46236

**Perry Township Government Center**
4928 Shelby St., Indianapolis, IN, 46227

**St. Luke's UMC**
100 W 86th St., Indianapolis, IN, 46260

**Warren Township Government Center**
501 N Post Rd., Indianapolis, IN, 46219

Hours will differ from location-to-location so please review the opening and closing hours and parking information at vote.indy.gov/location

## IUPUI VOTER REGISTRATION & EVENTS

We have plenty of opportunities for you to register right on campus or attend an event to understand more about the election process.

**Panel Discussion on the 19th Amendment,** Aug 28, 2020, 1:00 p.m., via Zoom

> **Host:** IU McKinney student chapters of the American Constitution Society & Women's Caucus

**Voter Registration Table:** Sept 10, 10:00 a.m.-1 p.m., Center Center Information Table

**Voter Registration Table:** Sept 17, 10:00 a.m.-1 p.m., Center Center Information Table

**The 2020 Birch Bayh Lecture & Constitution Day Program,** Sept 17., 5:30 p.m., via Zoom

> **Host:** IU McKinney School of Law

**National Voter Registration Day:** Sept. 22, 10:00 a.m.-2 p.m.,  Campus Center Information Table

**Where Do We Go From Here?: Voting and Social Activism:** Sept. 22, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., via Zoom

> **Host:** IUPUI Black Faculty & Staff Council

**Debate Watch Party:** Sept 29, 9:00 PM-10:30 p.m.  via Zoom

**Voter Registration Table:** September 30 10:00 a.m.-1 p.m., Center Center Information Table

**Mock Election:** October 5-8, via @JagsVote Instagram

**Debate Watch Party:** October 15, 9:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m. via Zoom

**Debate Watch Party:** October 22, 9:00 p.m-10:30 p.m. via Zoom

**Pre-Election Day HQ:** Nov. 2, 10:00 a.m.-2 p.m., via @JagsVote Instagram

**Election Day HQ:** Nov. 3, 10:00 a.m.-4 p.m., via @JagsVote Instagram

## ENGAGE WITH US

Our Civic Engagement Assistants are available to present on a variety of topics for you, your class, or your student organization. These presentations are offered at no cost and are available upon request at least three weeks in advance. The presentations we have available are:

**Civil Discourse**: Civil discourse is a key component of political engagement. You'll learn about key issues related to local and national government, the impact you have when you vote, and what is required to institute change in an organization.

**How to Vote**: Learn about the processes that are encompassed in voting. This presentation covers topics such as: researching issues and candidates, voter registration deadlines, voting in-person, and mailing in your ballot.

**Indianapolis Public Transit**: Public transportation is often avoided because of a lack of knowledge and fear of embarrassment. This topic breaks down how to use public transportation throughout the city.

**Understanding Government**: Refresh on which parts make up our federal and local government. Learn about the responsibilities of elected officials throughout the multiple levels of government (federal, state, and local).

For more information or to request a presentation, please visit **https://studentaffairs.iupui.edu/contact/request-presentation.html**.

## INDIANA VOTING METHODS

**Absentee Vote by Mail**: The application to request this ballot in Indiana must be <u>received</u> by your county election board office by October 22. You can mail, fax, email, or hand deliver the application, and the locations are on page two of the application. Visit **www.in.gov/sos/elections/2402.htm** for more information and to view the correct forms.

**Early Voting**: All Indiana counties offer early voting. You must early vote in the county you are registered in (i.e., Marion, Monroe, Hamilton, etc.). In order to find the early voting sites, dates, and times for your county, visit your county election board website or call, or visit

**www.indianavoters.in.gov**

**Election Day Voting**: On Election Day, you must vote at your precinct location. Your polling location can be found on **www.indianavoters.in.gov** In Indiana, the polls are open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Election Day. If you are in line by 6 p.m., you will be able to vote.

## RESEARCHING CANDIDATES AND ISSUES

There are many nonpartisan sources that provide information on candidates and issues.

- **www.vote411.org** – Organized by the League of Women Voters, you can provide your address and get personalized information on candidates.
- **www.ballotpedia.org** – This site includes a sample ballot, links to candidate bios, voting records, public statements, and more.
- Your local county election board website.

## VOTER ID LAWS

Public Law 109-2005 requires Indiana residents to present a government-issued photo ID before casting a ballot at the polls on Election Day. Under Indiana Code 3-5-2-40.5, which defines "proof of identification", your photo ID must meet four criteria to be acceptable for voting purposes. It must:

1. **Display your photo**.
2. **Display your name**. The name must conform to your voter registration record. Conform does not mean identical.
3. **Display an expiration date**. The ID must be current or have expired sometime after the date of the last general election.
   a. NOTE: An ID issued by the US Department of Defense, a branch of the uniformed ser vices, the Merchant Marine, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (or Veterans Administration), or the Indiana National Guard is not required to have an expiration date or can state that the document has an "Indefinite" expiration date.
4. **Be issued by the State of Indiana or the U.S. Government**. This includes your CrimsonCard because IUPUI is a state public school. Your name must still conform to your voter registration records. Jagtags are ineligible because they have no expiration date. In most cases, an Indiana driver's license, Indiana photo ID card, Military ID, or U.S. Passport is sufficient.

If this is your first election, you might need to provide additional documents at the polls that confirm your address if you registered by mail.

Acceptable documents may include:

• Indiana Driver's License or Indiana State Identification Card with the voter's current name and address that they are registered under.
• A current utility bill with the voter's current name and address.
• A bank statement with the voter's current name and address.
• A government check with the voter's current name and address.
• A paycheck with the voter's current name and address.

Visit **www.photoid.in.gov** for more information.

If you are unable to present an ID meeting these requirements, you may cast a provisional ballot. If you cast a provisional ballot, you have until noon 10 days after the election to follow up with the county election board and either provide the necessary documentation or affirm one of the law's exemptions applies to you.

## YOUR RIGHTS AS A COLLEGE STUDENT

College students may register to vote at one of two places:

1. The address where they live while attending school.
2. The address where they live while not attending school.

It is a violation of election law to challenge a voter solely on the basis that: (1) the voter is enrolled in an educational institution or; (2) the voter's address on the registration record is at an address which is housing provided for students by an educational institution. (IC 3-5-4.5-2)

## DISABILITY VOTER RIGHTS

• You have the right to vote privately and independently.
• You have the right to vote, even if you have a guardian.
• You have the right to assistance to vote, if you would like.
    ◦ Assistance must be requested before you enter the voting booth.
    ◦ You can receive assistance from poll workers or a family member, friend, or other person of your choosing.
    ◦ You cannot receive assistance from your boss or union representative.
• You have the right to an accessible polling location. All locations must have at least one accessible voting machine, and the facility, including entrances and pathways, must be accessible.
• You have the right to vote absentee or early.

Visit Indiana Disability Rights, **www.in.gov/idr/2596.htm,** for more information.

## PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

The following information is taken from the Voter's Bill of Rights.
A provisional ballot allows the voter to cast a vote if:

1. There is a question about the voter's qualification to vote in the precinct (e.g., the voter is not on the poll book) which is not resolved by a fail-safe procedure and the voter believes he/she is qualified to vote in the precinct.
    OR
2. The voter has been challenged as not qualified to vote in his/her precinct
    (example: the voter did not have photo identification)
    A person may not challenge the right of an individual to vote at an election in the precinct solely on the basis of the individuals:
    ◦ Enrollment in an educational institution.
    ◦ Registration to vote at an address that is housing provided for students by the educational institution.
    ◦ Actual or perceived affiliation with a political party.
    ◦ Support or opposition to a candidate or the adoption of a public question.

The voter's provisional ballot will be kept separate from the other ballots cast in that precinct. After Election Day, the county election board will decide whether the voter was qualified to vote in that precinct and whether the voter's ballot should be counted. The voter will be able to contact the county election board after Election Day to find out whether the voter's ballot was counted or not and why.

There are several situations in which a voter may be required to cast a provisional ballot:
1. The voter is lacking the requisite photo identification.
2. The voter's name appears on the poll list, but they have been challenged as not eligible to vote at the precinct for some other reason sworn to in writing by the person who challenges the voter's eligibility to vote.
3. An order has been issued by a court extending the hours that the poll must remain open.

When casting a provisional ballot, the same rules and procedures that generally apply to a traditional paper ballot apply to cast a provisional ballot, but there are some special procedures that are similar to casting an absentee ballot.
1. The voter must mark the provisional ballot privately, unless the voter is entitled to and requests assistance.
2. The voter must enclose the provisional ballot inside a provisional ballot secrecy envelope provided for this purpose (Form PRO-2) and seal the envelope.
3. The voter must return the sealed envelope, with the ballot inside, to the inspector.
4. **In order for your vote to count, you must visit your county election board office 10 days after the election by noon,** and either provide the necessary documentation or affirm one of the photo ID law's exemptions apply to you.

For more information on provisional ballots, visit **www.in.gov/sos/elections/2651.htm**

## VOTER RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

If you feel that your rights have been violated or if you have been witness to any form of voter fraud, please contact any of the following local, state, or federal offices:

**Indiana Secretary of State and Indiana Election Division Fraud and Accessibility Grievance Line (HAVA - Help America Vote Act)**
**https://www.in.gov/sos/elections/2653.htm**
6 a.m. – 7 p.m. EDT on Election Day, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on regular business days.
(866) 461-8683

**Indiana Protection and Advocacy Services (IPAS) for voters with disabilities**
**https://www.in.gov/idr/2434.htm**
4701 N. Keystone Ave. #222, Indianapolis, IN, 46205
(Toll-Free) 800 622-4845
(Voice) 317-722-5555
(TTY) 800-838-1131

**Indiana Election Division Direct**
(317) 232-3939
Toll-Free: (800) 622-4941

**Indiana State Police Criminal Investigation Division**
(317) 232-4338

**Federal Department of Justice Civil Rights Division**
(202) 307-2767
(800) 253-3931

**Public Integrity Section, Election Crimes Branch**
(202) 514-1421

**Nonpartisan and Nongovernmental Election Protection Hotline**
(866) 687-8683
Visit **www.photoid.in.gov** for more information.

## RECOGNITION

IUPUI has been recognized nationwide for its student voting, including the All In Campus Democracy Challenge Silver Seal and Presidents' Commitment, Voter Friendly Campus designation, and being named one of Washington Monthly's Top 15 Institutions for Student Voting. We have been named one of 12 institutions to be a part of a project focused on global civic literacy, World101.

# Political Engagement at IUPUI

Multiple offices, centers, schools, and units are involved in advancing the civic learning and engagement of our students, faculty, and staff.

### American Demoracy Project (ADP)

The American Democracy Project (ADP) is a network of more than 250 state colleges and universities focused on public higher education's role in preparing the next generation of informed, engaged citizens for our democracy. ADP was established in 2003 as a nonpartisan initative of AASCU in partnership with The New York Times. The goal of the American Democracy Project is to produce college and university graduates who are equipped with the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and experiences they need to be informed, engaged members of their communities. http://www.aascu.org/programs/ADP/

### National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement (NSLVE)

IUPUI has participated in NSLVE project for the past four elections (2012, 2014, 2016, 2018). The reports show rates of student voter registration and voting broken down by different demographics. IUPUI reports can be found at go.iu.edu/jagsvote

### Institute for Democracy and Higher Education (IDHE) project

IDHE piloted a process for assessing campus climates for political learning and engagement in democracy. The process is based on research by IDHE on characteristics of campuses with unexpectedly high student voting raters. IUPUI used this model to assess our campus climate and developed recommendations for improvements. http://activecitizen.tufts.edu/idhe/

### All In Campus Democracy Project

A competition between campuses for the percent of students who vote based on NSLVE data. IUPUI received a Silver award in 2018. In 2020, Chancellor Paydar also signed on to their Presidents' Commitment which commits IUPUI to actively working toward a goal of full student participation in the 2020 election. allinchallenge.org

### Indiana Civic Health Index

The Indiana Civic Health Index is part of a national civic health index project of the National Conference on Citizenship. Locally, it is coordinated by the Indiana Bar Foundation with support from the Center for Civic Literacy, IU Northwest, the US Supreme Court, the Center for Representative Government at IU and IUPUI. A report is produced every two years that looks at indicators of our state's civic health – volunteering, voting, social connectedness, group participation and confidence in public institutions. IU Northwest has also conducted a campus civic health index and we have interest in seeing this done at IUPUI. https://inbf.org/Portals/0/Uploads/INCHI_2019_Final.pdf?ver=2019-11-04-143213-567

### NASPA LEAD Institution

IUPUI is a Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education (NASPA) LEAD campus. As such we commit to encouraging and highlighting the work of student affairs in making civic learning and democratic engagement a part of every student's college education. https://www.naspa.org/constituent-groups/groups/lead-initiative

**ETS HEIghten Pilot**

IRDS piloted ETS modules for Civic Competency & Engagement and Intercultural Competency & Diversity in spring and fall 2017. The Civic Competency & Engagement module looks at: civic competency, which includes civic knowledge, analytic skills and participatory or involvement skills; and civic engagement, which captures civic attitudes including efficacy and democratic norms and values, and civic participation and activities. The Intercultural Competency & Diversity module looks at: approach (e.g. tolerance for ambiguity, cross-cultural self-efficacy and positive cultural orientation); analyze (e.g. self-awareness, social monitoring, perspective taking/ suspending judgment and cultural knowledge application); and act (e.g. emotional regulation and behavior regulation).

**Ask Every Student**

Ask Every Student uses the framework that full student voter participation comes from integrating person-to-person voter registration into existing processes, such as orientation or classes that reach all students. Every campus has different challenges, opportunities, and context to create a program that asks every student about their democratic engagement plan. https://www.studentvoting.org/

**Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting**

The annual Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement Meeting is a conference intended to facilitate exchanges of knowledge and develop a sense of community around our shared civic learning and democratic engagement work. This meeting is designed around our CLDE theory of change.

https://www.naspa.org/events/civic-learning-and-democratic-engagement-meeting2

# Campus Resources

**Division of Student Affairs: Campus Center and Student Experiences**

Civic Engagement Assistants can provide presentations on civil discourse, how to vote, Inclusive Leadership for Teams, Indianapolis Public Transit, and understanding government. They host regular voter registration events and signature events include Debate Watch Parties, Mock Election, and March to the Polls.

https://studentaffairs.iupui.edu/get-involved/leadership-development/political-engagement-programs.html

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**Office of Community Engagement**
Supports the IU Government Relations team in connection with elected and appointed officials at all levels of government. They ensure compliance with university policies on political engagement and includes links to IU policies on political activities and free speech, and legislative bodies at the local, state and federal level. They house our campus voter guide that includes key dates, links to in-state and out-of-state voter registration and much more.

https://engage.iupui.edu/service-opportunities/voting-guide.html

Contact: Jennifer Boehm, Assistant Vice Chancellor, jrboehm@iupui.edu

**Office of Intercultural Literacy, Capacity and Engagement**

Coordinates personalized workshops, discussions and programming designed to provide the knowledge, skills and tools for individuals to work across differences. ILCE will facilitate collaboration with the professionals in all DEI units including Adaptive Educational Services, LGBTQ+ Center and Multicultural Center, all of which boast long-standing training programs. Representatives, both on- and off-campus, desiring more in-depth discussions, trainings and workshops can work with the ILCE professionals to develop unique sessions designed to meet more specific needs.

https://diversity.iupui.edu/offices/ilce/index.html

Contact: Dan Griffith, Director, dgriffit@iupui.edu

**Multicultural Center**

Seeks to support the entire student population promoting the value of diversity, broadening multicultural awareness and sensitivity, advancing cultural competence, and encouraging cross-cultural collaborative relationships through retention, engagement and education.

https://diversity.iupui.edu/offices/mc/index.html

Contact: Danielle Tate, Assistant Director, dltate@iupui.edu

**Social Justice Education**

Social Justice Education (SJEd) at IUPUI finds ways to help the community explore issues of power, privilege and oppression in an effort to create a more equitable campus, city, and world. We collaborate across IUPUI to bring programs, facilitations, and trainings to students, staff and faculty; some of these stand on their own and others are integrated into already established courses, retreats and trainings, and professional development series.

https://diversity.iupui.edu/offices/mc/socialjustice/index.html

# Campus Resources

**IUPUI Political Engagement Group**

The IUPUI Political Engagement Group (PEG) is an informal group of faculty, students and staff who are interested in advancing political engagement on campus. PEG generally meets monthly to coordinate and collaborate on things such as voter registration and engagement, political learning and civic engagement. Participation by anyone interested is welcome. Current members include representatives from the Office of Community Engagement, Division of Student Affairs, Center for Service and Learning, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, School of Science, Social Justice Education, Multicultural Center, Office of Intercultural Literacy, Capacity and Engagement, University Library and student organizations.

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**Center for Service and Learning**

Engages students, faculty, staff, and community members in educationally meaningful service to promote learning and development; advances best practices and research; achieves community goals through partnerships; and furthers the civic engagement mission of IUPUI.

https://csl.iupui.edu/index.html

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**Information Literacy Module in Canvas**

Information Literacy Online Toolkit, a cross-campus initiative to provide all IU instructors and students with an introduction to information literacy practices that promote critical thinking. It is available in Canvas by searching Information Literacy Online Toolkit.

**Diplomacy Labs**

IUPUI is one of 38 U.S. institutions of higher education that participates in the Diplomacy Lab, the U.S. State Department's initiative to 'course-source' research and innovation related to foreign policy challenges. Faculty and students can explore real-world challenges, contribute to the policymaking process and further global learning.

https://international.iupui.edu/global-learning/diplomacy-lab.html

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**New York Times access**
IUPUI University Library has purchased a subscription license for access to the New York Times and New York Times in Education where content is curated by faculty and include discussion prompts for multiple issue areas.

https://ulib.iupui.edu/database/nyt?_ga=2.110063301.1725504648.1596034747-402543857.1576513213

# National Resources

### The National Coalition for Dialogue and Deliberation

Dialogue and deliberation are most useful when people see a discrepancy between what is happening and what they think should be happening in the world or on an issue—yet there is no widespread agreement or shared understanding about what specifically should change.

http://ncdd.org/rc/what-are-dd/

### National Issues Forums

A nonpartisan, nationwide network of locally sponsored public forums for the consideration of public policy issues. It is rooted in the simple notion that people need to come together to reason and talk – to deliberate about common problems. These forums, organized by a variety of organizations, groups, and individuals, offer citizens the opportunity to join together to deliberate, to make choices with others about ways to approach difficult issues and to work toward creating reasoned public judgment. Forums range from small or large group gatherings similar to town hall meetings, to study circles held in public places or in people's homes on an ongoing basis.

https://www.nifi.org/en

### The Council on Foreign Relations: World 101

IUPUI was recently accepted into the American Democracy Project's Global Civic Literacy project, a new, one-year initiative in partnership with World101 from the Council on Foreign Relations designed to help students increase their knowledge of our global society and understand how global issues influence lives of everyday citizens.

As a student, faculty, or staff member, you can work with the free World 101 resources that includes 10 different units on global issues and six different regions of the world to develop campus curricular and co-curricular activities based in global civic literacy.

https://world101.cfr.org/

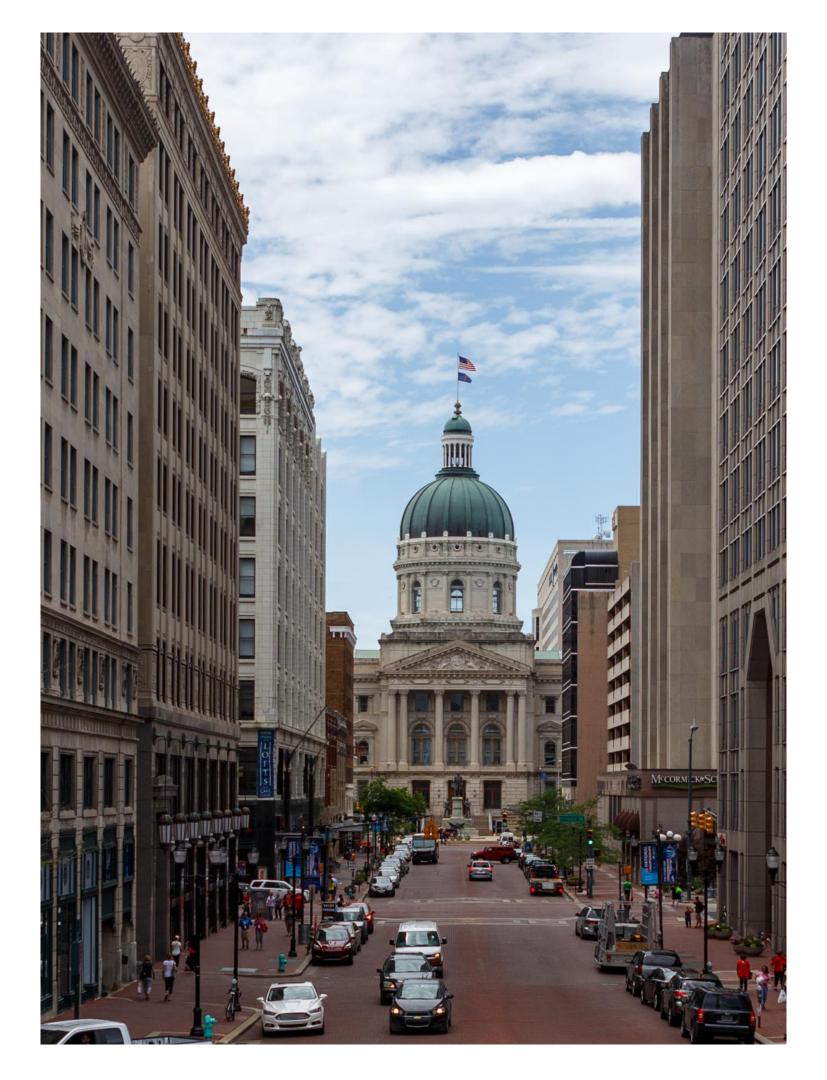### NASPA: Free Speech and Inclusive Campus: How Do We Foster the Campus Community We Want?

NASPA and the Kettering Foundation support deliberative dialogue as an ideal way to encourage civil dialogue on challenging topics that impact higher education and democracy across the country. Free Speech and the Inclusive Campus: How Do We Foster the Campus Community We Want? includes valuable suggestions for guiding groups through a deliberative dialogue forum on a controversial topic.

https://www.naspa.org/report/free-speech-and-the-inclusive-campus-how-do-we-foster-the-campus-community-we-want

### Teaching Civic Engagement Across the Disciplines

Now available in a free electronic format, evaluates the goals, challenges and rewards of integrating civic education into the curriculum, highlighting best practices across disciplines and campuses. Editors Elizabeth C. Matto, Alison Rios Millett McCartney, Elizabeth A. Bennion and Dick Simpson have gathered a diverse group of 38 contributors who approach civic engagement education from many perspectives to deliver a text that will be a resource for any educator.

http://web.apsanet.org/teachingcivicengagement/

# ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?

✱ The deadline to register is **Monday, October 5.**

✱ And the election is **Thursday, November 3.**

For more information, visit **engage.iupui.edu/vote**, or just scan the QR code.