



**INDIANA UNIVERSITY  
BLOOMINGTON**

## Policy on Free Speech

At any time, an organization or student may exercise his/her right to free speech in Dunn Meadow and at the Sample Gates. No reservation forms are necessary. Dunn Meadow is the only space on campus designated by the IU Board of Trustees as a spontaneous free speech area.

The Indiana University Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct recognize that freedom of inquiry and discussion are important components in the educational development of students. The University acknowledges the rights of students to exchange thoughts and opinions, to speak, write, and publish freely on any subject in accord with Constitutional guarantees and legal requirements. This broad principle, the cornerstone of the educational process in a democratic society, receives full expression in the University's statements about student rights and responsibilities.

The laws of Indiana provide that criminal trespass occurs when a person without a contractual interest in the property knowingly and intentionally: 1) enters real property after having been denied entry by the person responsible for that property or that person's agent, 2) refuses to leave the real property having been asked to leave by the person responsible for the property or that person's agent, or 3) interferes with the possession or use of real property without the consent of the person responsible for the property.

For more information on the policies on free speech on campus, please contact Student Activities at (812) 855-4311.

### Information about Demonstrations on Campus:

As an institution of higher education, Indiana University is committed to the free exchange of ideas. In accordance with its responsibilities under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, Indiana University affords students, faculty, staff and visitors the right to assemble and express their opinions in public areas of the campus. The First Amendment also prohibits Indiana University, as a public institution, from taking any position on or action against a message or a speaker based on the content of the message. While you are here, you may see or hear demonstrators who express ideas that you consider to be distasteful. Please remember that Indiana University does not endorse the message of any particular speaker or group of speakers.

If you are approached by demonstrators and you do not wish to engage in discussion with them, it is advisable to refrain from provoking or ridiculing them.

If you feel that your physical access to the campus and its facilities is being blocked or that your personal safety is being violated or threatened by demonstrators, you may call the IU Police Department at 911 in emergency situations or 855-4111 in non-emergencies.

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