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IIT offers the advantages of a small, private college combined with a major research university.

The IIT education is distinguished by the integration of rigorous learning content, professional perspectives, and applied experiences.

It is distinguished by an educational environment that is personalized, research based, experiential, and internationally diverse.

At IIT, you will also be located in the heart of one of the world's greatest cities, Chicago.



IIT offers the personal touch of a small school. You'll know your professors and they will know you. You can talk to them, get advice, make connections; they can watch your progress, point out opportunities, help you steer your course.

The IIT Legacy in Humanities



The Honorable James Roche (L.L.P. '60) was Secretary of the United States Air Force. Prior to that, he was the president of the Electronics Sector of Northrop Grumman. He also served as a member of the senior staff of the Senate Armed Services and the Intelligence Committees in the U.S. Senate, as well as in the U.S. State and U.S. Defense Departments. He is a retired captain in the U.S. Navy.



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Humanities at IIT: Where Can They Take You?



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What Are the Humanities?

The humanities explore all facets of the human experience. They examine history, language, literature, communication, art, and thought through the prism of the past as well as the lens of today. They provide the means to undertake a critical analysis of human existence and the questions that human beings have pondered across time, space, and place.



Why Are They Important?

The humanities help us to understand human experience; to develop personal consciousness; to fulfill civic duty.



Where Can a Humanities Degree Take You?

As a student in the humanities, you develop the ability to think clearly and solve problems, to analyze ideas and data, and to communicate effectively. You gain a foundation for graduate school or work in education, law, business, and other professions.

Technical writers earned an average of almost \$66,000 in 2009. High school teachers earned an average of about \$55,000 per year, and advertising and promotion managers earned an average of nearly \$98,000 per year. (Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor)

Just some of the places where students from our program have gone:

- **Law school** (University of Chicago, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, University of Minnesota)
- **Graduate school** in marketing and communications (IIT Stuart School of Business)
- **Business** (DraftCB, ThoughtWorks Studios, The Nerdery, Claritas, ABT Electronics, Citigroup Diners Club, Gallagher Benefit Services)
- **Government** (Argonne National Laboratory)
- **Education** (DePaul University, Columbia College)

Resources for students

- Digital Communications Research and Instructional Lab
- Speech analysis lab
- Writing Center
- Paul V. Galvin Library and Archives
- Center for the Study of Ethics in the Professions
- Summer in Paris program
- Research assistant opportunities



Why Humanities at IIT?

If you want to use both sides of your brain—integrating a creative, human-centered approach with an understanding of science and technology—the Lewis Department of Humanities program at IIT is for you.

Humanities at IIT explore the human experience in an interdisciplinary context. You will use analytical, critical, and empirical approaches to study the nature, history, and communication processes of many disciplines, including the sciences and technology.

Courses emphasize communication skills, ethics, and global and historical perspectives in small classes that provide a rich and personal learning experience.

Three majors are available:

- humanities
- professional and technical communication
- journalism of science, business, and technology

You may specialize in art and architectural history, communication, culture and language, history, linguistics, literature, or philosophy.

The Lewis Department of Humanities also offers an honors law program, a special curriculum that allows you to obtain an undergraduate degree at IIT and subsequently study law at IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law.

You may conduct research in fields such as Latin American, urban, women's, and gender history. You may conduct archival work, design documents and Web projects with local and national clients, or aid in speech analysis research.

As a humanities student, you are eligible to apply for the College of Science and Letters Undergraduate Summer Research Stipend of \$5,000 for 10 weeks of research.

