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You're in!



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Make It Yours: Finalize Your Admission

Congrats on your acceptance to **Illinois Tech**! Before we dive into all the great things you'll experience as a Scarlet Hawk, you need to complete one simple task to secure your place in the incoming class: ***Send in your deposit to finalize your admission.***

Finalize Your Admission Today. Log on to: **iit.edu/ug_admit**

Once you send in your deposit you can:

- Reserve your room on campus
- Register for Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration (**SOAR**)—*required for all students to attend*
- Work with advisors to build your course schedule

Very Important Admission Deadlines

SPRING ACCEPTANCE

- **Immediately:** Complete your housing reservation, FAFSA application, and **SOAR** registration
- **January 7:** Move In Day
- **January 9–10:** Attend **SOAR**
- **January 13:** First day of class

FALL ACCEPTANCE

- **October:** FAFSA opens. Submit your federal student aid application as early as possible to maximize your available aid and receive your complete award package. Illinois Tech's FAFSA code is 001691; use IRS data retrieval for faster processing using tax information. (**fafsa.ed.gov**)
- **December:** Housing contracts open. All first-year students are required to live on campus for the first two years of study.* Housing is assigned beginning in June on a first-come, first-served basis.
**Students who live with a legal guardian within 20 miles of campus may submit a housing waiver.*
- **February:** **SOAR** registration opens; required for all students
- **March:** Complete financial aid award packages sent to FAFSA filers
- **April:** Course registration opens
- **August:** Join us at Illinois Tech



Remember to Check Your Hawk Email

Instructions for how to log in—including your user ID and password—will be emailed to you soon.

Welcome to Illinois Tech

Congrats on getting accepted to Illinois Tech! I know that this is a huge stepping stone for your future career path, and I'm sure that it is a big weight off your shoulders. My name is Maddy Urig, and I am one of the Senior Hawk Ambassadors. We are a group of students on campus that works with Undergraduate Admission to share our student experiences and provide insight for prospective students on what it means to go to Illinois Tech. I have been involved in this program since my freshman year as a member of Junior Hawks, a volunteer group that trains and hires potential Hawk Ambassadors. I had the pleasure of attending visit events, shadowing tours, chatting with families, and getting to share unique stories of my time as an Illinois Tech student.

Making a decision about which college to attend is a very intense process; each school is unique and has its own identity. I wanted to find a school that matched my personality. I knew that wherever I went, I would more or less get the same education; for example, you can only change so much about mechanical engineering from school to school. I am very serious about my studies, but I also wanted an atmosphere where I could meet new people, see new places, and really become my own person. Living in small towns prior to college left me so curious about the world. I knew I would never be satisfied if I didn't tap into those curiosities. I wanted to pick a school where I could thrive while stepping out of my comfort zone, and even be encouraged to do so. Illinois Tech has given me the perfect opportunities.

We're a small school; it's really easy to get close to classmates in your major and have those late-night study partners cramming for exams. It's also easy to meet fellow students. You get to know people from your weekly routine, such as people you always see on your walk to class or during your lunch break or in the library. I could sense that familiarity within the student population when I visited campus, so my best advice is to go with your gut feeling. It's really easy to fall in love with a campus. But you can't find that gut-feeling comfort just anywhere. I'm confident I made the right college decision by following that initial feeling I had when I visited campus.

My favorite thing about Illinois Tech is my peer group. From friends to classmates to lab partners, we have such an intelligent and driven student population that I am continually inspired. I've discovered the students here are incredibly genuine, and I love being in the atmosphere that our students create. We build up each other—socially, academically, professionally—rather than competing with each other. A school such as Illinois Tech was such a refreshing change for me right out of high school that I am continually thankful for the friends and peers who I have connected with by choosing to come here.

If you'd like to learn more about Illinois Tech, I encourage you to visit campus or make an effort to talk with current students. We have an immersive visit opportunity—Hawk Preview Days—where you can sit in on a class, take tours of campus, stay overnight in a residence hall, and get to experience the life of a student. I hope to see you at Hawk Preview Days!

Best,

Maddy Urig

Mechanical Engineering 4th Year



PIN IT! GRIN IT! SHOW US HOW YOU CELEBRATE!

Wear your Illinois Tech pins with pride (find yours inside this package). Go to a beach, your high school, a mountaintop, the street—wherever! Snap a photo of yourself sporting your pins, and share your excitement with the world.

Post your photos on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram!

Tag Illinois Tech! Use **#FutureScarletHawk**



Look Sharp!

It's time to dress the part! Show your Illinois Tech pride all over town by wearing your **annual Illinois Tech Spirit T-shirt**.



Meet the Spirit T-shirt Designer

Carlos Lopez (Information Technology and Management '19) designed this year's Illinois Tech Spirit T-shirt. His inspiration for the T-shirt "came from my experience at Illinois Tech over the last four years. I have met so many people from various parts of the globe, and I wanted to incorporate that into the design. I've also made various friends from different majors and worked with people from different industries, so I wanted to showcase the diversity of Illinois Tech with the different symbols in the design."

Carlos is now working on his master's degree in cyber forensics and security at Illinois Tech.

Keara Rigg
(Chemistry 4th Year)



I will

- **become a pediatric gastroenterologist**
- **reduce the stigma associated with inflammatory bowel disease**
- **attend the Tony Awards**

"I have always had an interest in the medical field but did not know exactly where my interest would lead me. The students and staff at Illinois Tech have helped me create my path for the future and have given me the skills and confidence needed to accomplish my dream of becoming a pediatric gastroenterologist."

Keara is an ostomy ambassador at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, where she participates in a program that allows her, a former patient, to mentor current patients. "Having a serious illness can be an extremely isolating experience, especially for children. I love giving back in any way that I can," she says. At Illinois Tech she works as a student ambassador and is music director of the a cappella group X-Chromotones, president of the theater group 33rd Street Productions, and a M. A. and Lila Self Leadership Academy scholar.

My "I Will" Story

At Illinois Tech our students join a community of people who take pride in setting serious goals, challenging the status quo, and achieving excellence. Whatever their aspirations, our students find the confidence to go for it. And when it comes to their future, when they say, "I will," they mean it.



Julia Honda

(Psychology 2nd Year)

I will

- help people overcome issues and be comfortable in their own environments
- travel the world and teach kids in Third World countries
- swim with penguins off the Galápagos Islands

“At Illinois Tech professors know your name and work, and they expect great things from you—and will help you get there. It is a close-knit community where you can walk through campus and know people at every turn, which creates a very welcoming experience.”

Julia, a San Diego native and soccer student-athlete, says that she was excited to come to Illinois Tech to excel both on the field and in the classroom. “I loved the thought of playing for a [NCAA] Division III school because I would receive a vigorous education but also be able to play competitively against other great schools.” She enjoys the flexibility Illinois Tech’s psychology program offers and is in the industrial and organizational track, looking to enter a career in human resources or training and development.



Julio Cesar Reyes

(Architecture '19)

I will

- manage a design/build firm where I envision the firm’s identity to be focused on the collaboration of architects and artists to execute future urban development
- develop a student STEM group network in underserved suburban cities such as Blue Island and Harvey
- attend the FIFA World Cup in 2026

Julio created the United Minds Inspiring Innovation scholarship, which supports undocumented Illinois Tech undergraduates who demonstrate financial need but do not qualify for federal aid. As part of his IPRO course, he founded the research project En Mi Cuadra Pilsen La Cultura Vive and hosted a roundtable to discuss community murals, development, and architecture among leaders in Chicago’s Pilsen neighborhood. Julio credits his advisor with helping him to land three internships in the construction and design industry in the past two years. Julio is now an assistant project manager at Clune Construction Company in Chicago.



So Many Ways to Get Involved

College is a lot of work. Hard work. But that doesn't mean it's all work and no play. As one of Illinois Tech's smart, dynamic students, you will find lots of ways to pursue your passions.

Our diverse list of more than **150 student organizations** includes the groups:

- Alternative Spring Break
- Biomedical Engineering Society
- Engineers Without Borders
- Student Government Association
- Quidditch
- Illinois Tech Robotics
- WIIT 88.9 FM
- 33rd Street Productions
- Table Tennis Club
- Society of Women Engineers
- Illinois Tech Speech and Debate Team
- esports at Illinois Tech

Get ready to join one—or join a bunch.

And at Illinois Tech you can even start your own student group!



664+

Student events held on campus each year





Join the Greek Squad

Greek organizations have been an important part of the Illinois Tech educational experience on campus for more than 100 years. Anyone is welcome to join!

Illinois Tech has **10 Greek chapters** (eight fraternities, two sororities), and members make up about 12 percent of the student body. Membership provides opportunities for leadership development, scholastic achievement, and lifelong friendships.

Recruitment week takes place during the first week of the fall and spring semesters. At that time chapters will host activities that are open to the entire student body. This is a great opportunity to meet Greek members, find out more about them, and get to know other students.

Housing is available in the Greek houses, but students are not permitted to move into a house until their second semester.

WEB.IIT.EDU/GREEK-LIFE



Join a Varsity Team

Illinois Tech is proud of our legacy of excellent student-athletes. At Illinois Tech you can really get in the game—and still get a world-class education.

Men's Programs: Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Lacrosse, Soccer, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball

Women's Programs: Basketball, Cross Country, Lacrosse, Soccer, Swimming and Diving, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball

Want to Be a Scarlet Hawk?

Visit illinoistechathletics.com and click the Recruit Me tab to complete a Recruit Me Form for the sport you are interested in playing.



Intramurals

Our extensive intramurals program lets you get moving at everything from cricket and yoga to dodge ball and martial arts and even **a color run!**

- Flag football
- Badminton
- Tennis
- Bags/cornhole

... and many more!

OPENING IN FALL 2020

George J. Kacek Hall

A Mies Masterpiece Revitalized for Today's Students



Imagine living in a beautifully modernized historic residential building designed by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, one of the most influential architects in history. You will have that opportunity when Illinois Tech's George J. Kacek Hall reopens for new residents in fall 2020.

The building will feature residential floors in a "pod-style" configuration, with student rooms pinwheeling around central study and social lounge areas. Opening up the corridors and shared spaces to the light and views of the outdoors on all four sides of the building will alleviate one of the least desirable aspects of dorm-living—a lack of natural light.

Watch for updates on the Residence Life website so you can be one of the first to live in this renewed Mies design.

[HOUSING.IIT.EDU](https://housing.iit.edu)



McCORMICK STUDENT VILLAGE

McCormick Student Village (MSV) encompasses the traditional values of a college residence hall. Built as the first residence hall on Mies Campus, MSV provides large lounges, multiple study areas, and many opportunities to interact with fellow students. MSV has a comfortable and friendly atmosphere. A central common area and one main entrance/exit connect all residence halls, fostering a safe community.

ROOM OPTIONS

- ▶ 176-square-foot room shared with one other student, with shared bathrooms on each floor
- ▶ Small single rooms and double deluxes (*suites with kitchens*)

AMENITIES

- ▶ Key card access to building entrance
- ▶ 24-hour security
- ▶ Computer lab
- ▶ Bicycle storage
- ▶ Voice, data, television jacks in each room
- ▶ Furnished private and common areas
- ▶ Large common-area lounges and study areas on first floor
- ▶ Individual floor lounges with access to cable TV and a microwave
- ▶ Staff on premises 24 hours a day
- ▶ Game room
- ▶ Big-screen TVs and DVD players in lounges
- ▶ Multiple laundry facilities onsite



Remember: Complete Your Room and Board Contract Online

Once you submit your deposit, you will have access to our online **Room and Board Contract** or **Housing Waiver Form**. Incoming first-year students are required to live on campus for their first two years unless they live with their legal guardian(s) and their commute is within 20 miles of campus.

Where Will You Live?



STATE STREET VILLAGE

State Street Village (SSV) offers you one of the finest college residence options in the country. Designed by Helmut Jahn, a renowned architect, SSV is a collection of three residence halls. SSV North and Middle contain double suites, which are one of two housing options available to first-year students. SSV South contains apartments available to students after their first year.

ROOM OPTIONS

- ▶ 460-square-foot “quad suites,” which are two separate suites with a shared bathroom, housing four students. This is the only room option available to first-year students in SSV.
- ▶ Studio, two-, three-, and six-bedroom apartments with private kitchens and baths. This option is available to students after their first year.

AMENITIES

- ▶ Elevators
- ▶ Key card access to entrances and student rooms
- ▶ 24-hour security
- ▶ Voice, data, television jacks in each room
- ▶ Individual temperature controls in each quad suite or apartment
- ▶ Floor-to-ceiling picture windows with thin slat blinds
- ▶ Furnished private and common areas
- ▶ Fifth-floor lounges and rooftop decks in each pavilion, with spectacular city views and audio/visual systems
- ▶ Staff on premises 24 hours a day
- ▶ Access to fully equipped kitchens
- ▶ Bicycle storage
- ▶ Multiple laundry facilities onsite with online-monitoring capabilities
- ▶ Fully furnished rooms and apartments

Nobody goes to college expecting to live in a mansion. But you may be surprised when you see the features and penthouse views of our campus residences. Illinois Tech’s **State Street Village** was named one of the “coolest dorms in the nation” by *U.S. News & World Report*.

College is about lasting friendships, and you’ll find those in our residence halls. You’ll also find your space—and room to be yourself. Quiet places when you need it, and places to kick back when it’s time to unwind. Make instant friends just by walking down the hall. Have a late-night debate in the lounge. Round up a group for a pick-up game.

Most of all, have fun.

Find additional information, including more on rates and room types, online at housing.iit.edu.

Campus Dining Options



Are you vegan? Gluten-free? On the “see-food diet” (you see food, you eat it)? We’ve got it all, and our students help to select the menus each semester. In addition to traditional cafeteria service be sure to check out on-campus locations for Saffron Indian and Middle Eastern and Halal foods, Asiana Cuisine and Tea House, and Do-Rite Donuts. Still hungry? Check out one of Chicago’s 77 community areas, each with its own cultural and culinary flair.

DINING.IIT.EDU



Need special room or meal accommodations?

web.iit.edu/cdr/services/disability-housing
web.iit.edu/housing/dining-dietary-preferences

The City Is Your Playground

Chicago is a city of 77 neighborhoods.
Some of the best are in our backyard.



THE MAG MILE

Shopaholics, rejoice! From head to toe, if you're looking for it, you'll find it here.



BRONZEVILLE

Take a trolley tour around our historic neighborhood, filled with architectural landmarks and eateries.



THE LOOP

From finance and trade to theaters, our central business district keeps the city humming.



BRIDGEPORT

Home to baseball's Chicago White Sox, cafes, and tasty burger joints.



CHINATOWN

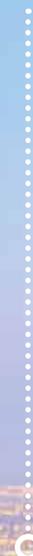
A bustling area, from dim sum in the morning to ramen at night. Bubble tea, anyone?



PILSEN

Tacos, tamales, carnitas, and more. Be sure to check out the cool art galleries and murals, too.

**ILLINOIS
TECH**



And you can get to them all using your CTA Ventra U-Pass!

WEB.IIT.EDU/STUDENT-AFFAIRS/U-PASS-PROGRAM 

Signature Educational Experiences

Hands-On Learning Gives You the Edge

Idea Shop

Illinois Tech's Idea Shop has the rapid-prototyping equipment you need to turn your idea into reality—a state-of-the-art lab featuring 3-D printers and a 3-D scanner, multiple CNC milling machines, a vacuum former, and laser cutter. Innovations come in all shapes and sizes in this massive innovation hub, but they all have two things in common: they are the byproducts of imagination and the potential start of something extraordinary.



Special Initiatives Prepare You for Success



Ed Kaplan Family Institute for Innovation and Tech Entrepreneurship

Ideas come to life in Illinois Tech's newest building and the home of innovation, design, and enterprise on campus.



Academic-Focused Groups

Offering you hands-on opportunities, groups include Illinois Tech Robotics, IIT Motorsports, IIT CEO, Design/Build abroad, MEDLIFE, the Cyber Forensics and Security Lab, professional groups for nearly every field, and dozens more.



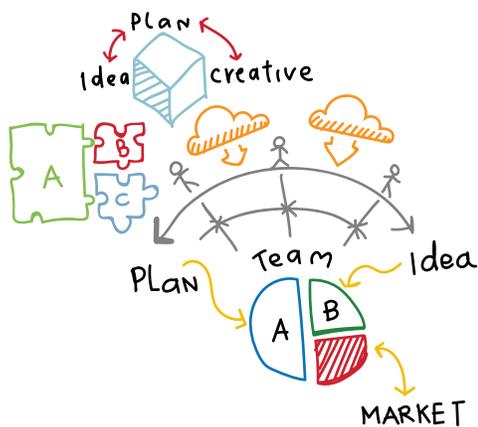
M. A. and Lila Self Leadership Academy

Learn to lead and stand out through this special program offering extensive training and mentorship.



First-Year Experience

Our first-year living communities help you navigate life as a college student and meet new friends through programs like Game of Hawks.



IPRO, Our Signature Undergraduate Program

Illinois Tech's very own **Interprofessional Projects (IPRO) Program** gives you the power to see the world through a different lens. One of only a few programs like it in the country, IPRO joins you with students from various majors to develop a solution to a real-world problem. And IPRO will give you an advantage—employers tell us they hire grads with the same teamwork and leadership skills that Illinois Tech students learn in IPRO.

Other IPRO courses have challenged students to:



Develop a platform for safe prescription-drug disposal



Harvest condensate from HVAC systems to create drinking water for humans



Work with a developer to design a zero-net-energy community in Geneva, Illinois



Develop a high-performance, single-seat Formula-style vehicle for entry in the SAE International Formula Hybrid Competition



Create an educational, web-based platform for guests at the Chicago Design Museum



Study the relationship between wastewater injection and earthquakes in Oklahoma

The Supinator: An IPRO Case Study

Inspiration: For several years, Professor of Mechanical Engineering Kevin Meade, a clinical orthotist, led teams of students to Latin America to provide orthotic treatment to youngsters with scoliosis through IPRO. Then Meade suffered a stroke, causing him mobility loss on his right side.

Challenge: Meade's former students created an IPRO project with the goal of tailoring a standing wheelchair called Mobilus to address Meade's specific needs.

How They Tackled It: IPRO students divided into three groups: one was tasked with retrofitting Mobilus; the second interviewed and videotaped Meade to determine his needs; and the third group designed an arm therapy device they dubbed The Supinator, which attaches to Mobilus and helps the hand turn up and down.

Testing: Students worked with a local rehabilitation hospital to test the device, while one of Meade's colleagues in Colombia piloted The Supinator there.

How They Engaged Others: Students in a capstone business class at Illinois Tech researched and developed four distinct business models for The Supinator.

Elevate Your Education

Illinois Tech places a premium on experiential, hands-on, action-oriented learning. We believe this robust approach to education transforms our students into graduates who are uniquely equipped to create, solve, and innovate—people who will change the world.

Elevate at Illinois Tech connects you with out-of-classroom opportunities and other experiences that propel your education to new heights. From internships to immersive research to study abroad, Elevate programs empower you to be a dynamic leader and innovator—a knower *and* doer.

The best part: You can participate in Elevate in as early as your first year of undergraduate study! That's just one of the many aspects of Elevate that make it truly distinctive.



Transform Your Experience

Regardless of your major at Illinois Tech, Elevate allows you to choose from a list of global opportunities that are not only challenging, fun, and rewarding, but that also give you the relevant and specialized experience to stand out.



“Elevate gave me my first notable professional experience. It opened up networking opportunities, as well as the ability to interact with researchers of differing academic backgrounds. It was extremely informative to not only discuss their research in the lab, but also to hear about the experiences that led to them becoming research professionals. As the youngest and least experienced in the laboratory, it was highly insightful to have the interactions with both my assigned mentor and others working in the lab.”

— **Alysia DeSimone** (Chemical Engineering 3rd Year)

Through the Elevate program, Alysia participated in a 10-week summer research experience that allowed her to continue her research of Bi-phasic photocatalysis. While working in the lab every day, she ran trials and analyzed the effectiveness of nanocavities in a phase change reaction. Alysia received mentorship from her supervising faculty member, Assistant Professor Jean-Luc Aytou, a 2018 National Science Foundation CAREER Award-winning researcher.

[ADMISSIONS.IIT.EDU/ELEVATE](https://admissions.iit.edu/elevate)



High Value + Amazing Outcomes

#1 in Illinois

for 20-Year Mid-Career Earnings/ROI
(after financial aid)

—PayScale

#2 in the Nation

for Overall Upward Mobility Among
Highly Selective Private Colleges

—The Equality of Opportunity Project and the *New York Times*

#1 in the Chicago Region

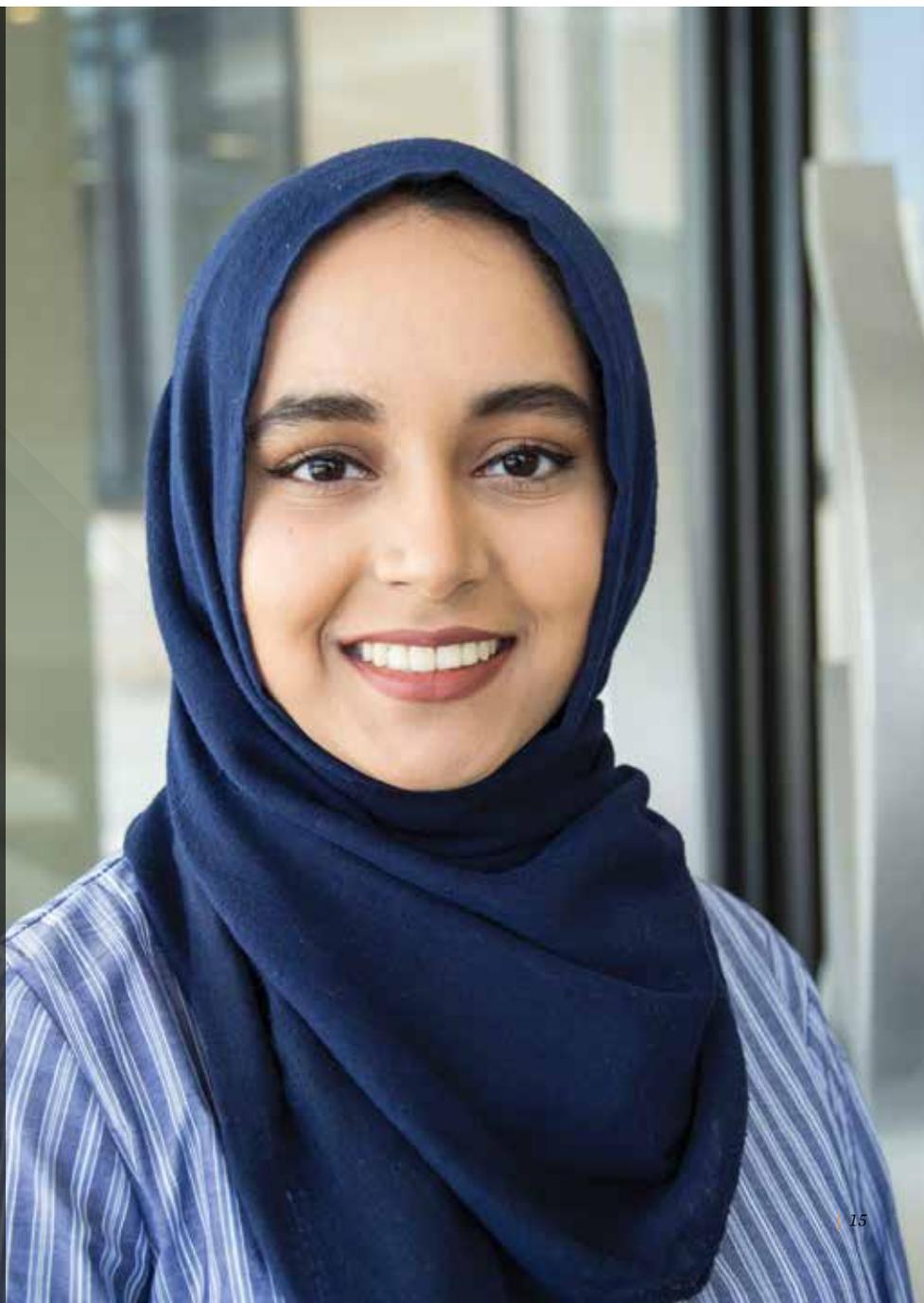
for Occupational Earnings Power

—The Brookings Institution

“Illinois Tech will give you such a powerful set of tools to be able to face the world. This university will encourage you to question, answer, and listen to yourself as well as to others. The communities you join will be your home and will help you create a network that lasts well beyond your four years here. Illinois Tech is a place where you will find the perfect mix of innovation, comfort, and even a little bit of adventure!”

—Nadyah Mohiuddin (Biology/Psychological Science '18)

While a student Nadyah was a research assistant in Associate Professor of Psychology Arlen Moller's lab, an experience that enabled her to participate in Research Day and have papers published. She was a member of the American Medical Students Association and also worked as a scribe. She is currently pursuing an M.S. in biomedical sciences at Rosalind Franklin University.



Faculty Excellence

Professors Who Innovate and Inspire



WHERE INNOVATORS ARE OUR HEROES

Matthew Spenko

Professor of Mechanical Engineering
B.S. Northwestern University, M.S. and Ph.D.
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Director, Robotics Lab @ IIT

Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering
Matthew Spenko and his research team at the Illinois Tech Robotics Lab have taken cues from the Asian gecko lizard in their development of a surveillance robot that can climb up and perch on vertical surfaces. NASA hopes the mechanism that enables this robot's adhesive-like gripping ability can be used with robots designed to remove space junk from low Earth orbit.

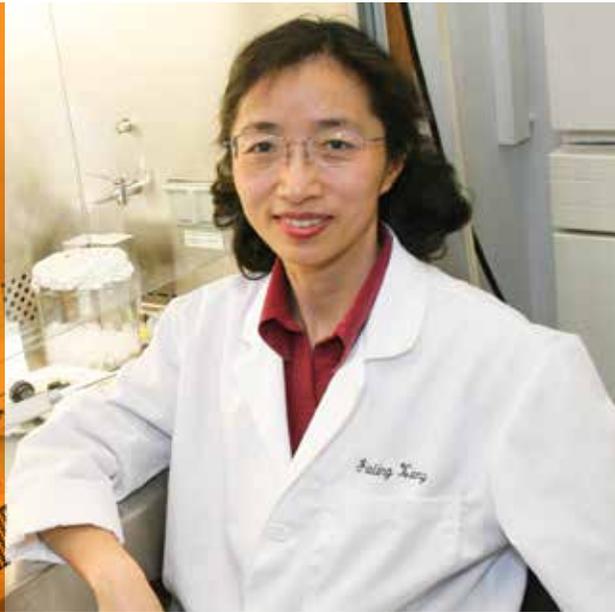
Part engineering and part biomimicry, this mechanism employs what is known as dry adhesion. It involves joining a molded material containing nano-sized hairs—much like the beta keratin setae on the feet of geckos, which are especially adept at gripping smooth surfaces—with charged electrodes whose polarized electrostatic fields create a force that enables the gripping of rough surfaces.

A focus of Spenko's lab is building robots that achieve mobility in challenging environments, which makes unwieldy surfaces like space junk right up the team's alley. The team developed HyTAQ, a teleoperated robot that is capable of both flying and rolling over rough terrain, and conducts research on how wheeled robots move over various types of soil. He and his group are currently working to create robots with accurate navigation that can work with and alongside humans.



95%

of our full-time instructional faculty members hold a doctorate or terminal degree



Jialing Xiang

Professor of Biology
M.D. Xuzhou Medical College, Ph.D. University of Alabama at Birmingham

Jialing Xiang's research team discovered a powerful tumor suppressor found only in cancer cells, suggesting the possibility that sick cells can generate a previously unknown protein that might be able to stop tumors from growing.

Researchers have known for some time that a common protein in the body is a key component in programmed cell death—a way that the body rids itself of potentially cancerous cells. When the body fails to express the protein, it can give way to tumor formation and resistance to chemotherapy.

Xiang's team discovered that, surprisingly, the combination of two "bad" things—two common occurrences in cancer—actually led to production of this new protein, which in studies showed signs of better response to certain chemotherapeutic drugs.

In addition to being a top researcher, Xiang has a system to identify potential undergrads to work in her lab and to tailor projects in her lab specifically so that each undergrad can meet their career goals.



John Ronan

John and Jeanne Rowe Endowed Professor
in Architecture
B.S. University of Michigan,
M.Arch. Harvard University

Finalist for the Obama Presidential Center whose firm was named #4 among the "Top 50 in Design" by *Architect Magazine*; also designed the new Kaplan Institute on Illinois Tech's campus



Elisabeth Hildt

Professor of Philosophy
Diploma in Biochemistry, Ph.D.
and Habilitation, University of Tübingen
(Germany)

A bioethicist who directs Illinois Tech's Center for the Study of Ethics in the Professions, a pioneering research center that educates students and researchers to shape technological advancement in accordance with fundamental human values



Joseph Orgel

Professor of Biology and Biomedical Engineering
B.Sc. and Ph.D. University of Stirling (Scotland)

Researches structural biochemistry problems with links to the treatment of disease; led a team that studied how peptides in dinosaur bones hold clues for protein survival



Nasrin Khalili

Associate Professor of Environmental Management
B.Sc. and M.S.P.H. Tehran University,
Ph.D. Illinois Institute of Technology

Patent holder, engineer, and author who was part of a multinational effort to promote and facilitate cleaner production and sustainable industrial development throughout the Americas



Mar Hicks

Associate Professor of History
A.B. Harvard University,
M.A. and Ph.D. Duke University

Historian of technology, gender, and labor who authored the acclaimed book *Programmed Inequality*, which explored how Britain lost its early lead in computing by discarding the majority of its computer workers and experts, who were women

Fill Some Big Shoes

(and make your own footprints)

Illinois Tech alumni are solving some of the thorniest issues of our time. When you graduate you'll be prepared to join them in the get-ahead-and-change-the-world club.

And when we say the world, we mean all 24,901 miles of it. Our alumni are in more than 128 countries and all 50 states.

Robin Chaurasiya

(Political Science/Psychology '06)
Mumbai, India

It Begins with an Idea

Robin conceived of her nonprofit, Kranti, while studying global women's movements with one of her favorite Illinois Tech professors, Margaret Power, as an undergraduate. Today, Kranti, located in Mumbai, India, empowers young women to become agents of social change. Ranging in age from 12–20, the women at Kranti are survivors of human trafficking and daughters of sex workers. Kranti transforms the lives of these women by providing them with housing, mental health counseling, education, and the opportunity to volunteer in their communities. Kranti students have shared their stories across the globe, and Robin has been recognized worldwide. She was a top 10 finalist for the **2016 Global Teacher Prize**, known as the Nobel Prize for teaching, and named one of "25 Women Under Age 25 to Watch" by *Newsweek*.



Move Over, Einstein

Ordinarily, three patents in a single day would represent a banner achievement for a software engineer. Even three patents spread over the course of a career would constitute an impressive body of work. Yet for **Jason Resch** (Computer Science '06), a notice from the United States Patent and Trademark Office means it's just another day. In all, Jason has now racked up 1,084 patents (with more on the way) since joining Chicago-based cloud-storage company Cleversafe (now part of IBM) as an Illinois Tech undergraduate in 2005. That's on par with the number of patents Thomas Edison counted in his entire lifetime.



Liftoff!

Just five years after earning his undergraduate degree, **Jason Tenenbaum** (Aerospace Engineering '07) helped launch a spacecraft as an engineer for SpaceX. Jason worked on the Dragon spacecraft by helping to complete all of the rigorous testing and analysis required by NASA. It was the first commercially produced cargo flight to the International Space Station. "I couldn't ask to be in a more exciting place in the space industry right now," Jason says. "It's a huge challenge to develop a brand new spacecraft, complete all of the rigorous testing and analysis required by NASA, and then not only fly it to the space station but also return it back to Earth. The team at SpaceX that made this a reality is a phenomenal group of people, and I feel really lucky to be a part of it."

OUR ALUMNI: KNOW YOUR ILLINOIS TECH INNOVATORS

The spirit of innovation is alive at Illinois Tech. The accomplishments of our alumni are a testament to that.

RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR (M.S. CS '88)—
MEMBER OF THE TEAM THAT DEVELOPED
THE PENTIUM CHIP



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EMMY AWARD-WINNING BROADCAST
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DISCOVERED MANMADE
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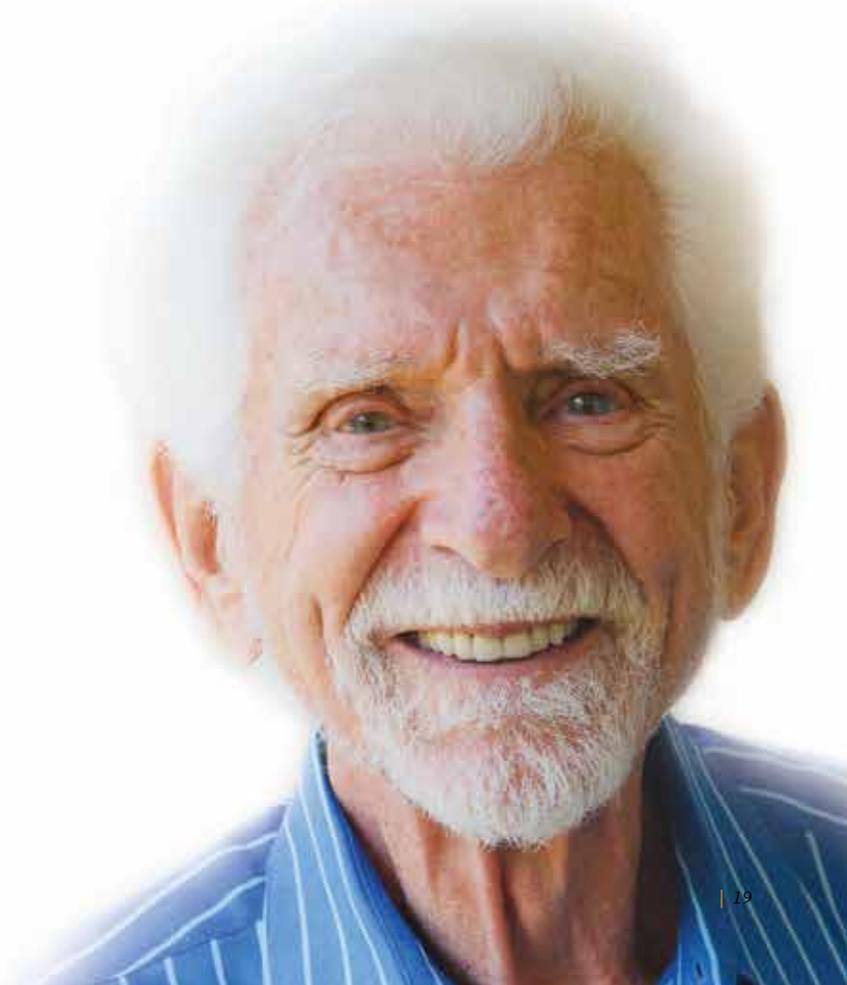


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VICE PRESIDENT AND HEAD SCIENTIST
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"I've been fortunate in my life, but Illinois Tech was one of my luckiest choices. The fundamentals I learned at Illinois Tech have been my guiding light in everything I've done."

—**Marty Cooper** (EE '50, M.S. '55),
inventor of the cell phone

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Important Information for Parents and Families

Parents and families, Illinois Tech welcomes you to our community. You play a huge role in the success of your student at Illinois Tech. Your student relies on you for encouragement, advice, help with applications, bills—and, well, you raised them, so we don't have to tell you!

Find out everything your student needs to do before arriving at Illinois Tech. We've created this list of essential information to assist you in helping your student finalize enrollment. We've also included information about how you can stay connected with the university.

CONFIRM ENROLLMENT

Your student has been admitted to Illinois Tech, so that's an important step in our admissions process. Now he or she must secure enrollment by following the deposit instructions online at iit.edu/ug_admit.

FINANCIAL AID

More than 98 percent of Illinois Tech students receive some type of financial aid. Our goal is to help you understand funding options available for undergraduate study such as grants, work (or work-study), and loans. Be sure to submit your FAFSA as early as possible starting in October. Many students who do not qualify for federal or state aid will qualify for institutional grants. **Illinois Tech's FAFSA code is 001691.** Submit your FAFSA at fafsa.ed.gov. Complete financial aid award packages will be mailed to you in March.

Visit the website for Illinois Tech's Office of Financial Aid for important deadlines and more information: web.iit.edu/financial-aid.

HOUSING

Your student's housing priorities probably include laundry, wireless internet, skyline views, fun activities, and pizza—in no particular order. You want assurance that on-campus housing is safe, with 24/7 security, plus student and professional staff available anytime, anywhere to assist your student. At Illinois Tech we have both of you covered.

December: The **Room and Board Contract** is available at myroom.iit.edu for all students who have submitted their deposits. All new incoming students are required to live on campus for their first two years unless they live with legal guardians and the commute is within 20 miles of campus. Space fills up quickly, and we encourage students to register as soon as possible.

To sign up for housing and a board (meal) plan, your student should visit housing.iit.edu. There, your student can submit the contract online or complete the Housing Waiver Form to indicate they will live at home.

STUDENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Illinois Tech is committed to the well-being of your student. Our Student Health and Wellness Center offers a range of services including counseling, medical care with doctors and nurses, health insurance, and more. Illinois Tech automatically enrolls your student in our health insurance plan unless your student opts out of this service. To learn more about our offerings or to review the insurance waiver, visit iit.edu/shwc.



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Have questions you need answered?

Connect with your student's admission counselor at admissions.iit.edu/undergraduate/contact-us or call our office at 312.567.3025.

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Parents: Connect with Illinois Tech!

Illinois Tech has online resources just for parents and families. You can also sign up to receive *Illinois Tech Today*, the university's newsletter, which has information about campus events, financial aid deadlines, student career services, and more.

Tech Connect (network for families):
web.iit.edu/campus-life/tech-connect/join

Undergraduate Admission page for families:
admissions.iit.edu/undergraduate/families

Illinois Tech Today newsletter:
iit.edu/news/iittoday

HAWK PREVIEW DAYS

A special invitation for admitted students!

Mark your calendar to join us at **Hawk Preview Days, March 5–6 and April 2–3, 2020**, when you can meet other admitted students, attend classes, spend the night on campus, and just get to know Illinois Tech.

RSVP ONLINE AT
admissions.iit.edu/hawkpreview

Can't make it to Hawk Preview Days or just can't wait that long to visit us? Pick a day that is convenient for you to visit with an admission counselor, take a tour, stay overnight, meet a professor...or all of the above!

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