

From the Desk of the Chancellor, August 22, 2011

As today is the first day all IUPUI schools are in session for fall, you likely will experience construction projects creating new challenges to getting to, from, and around campus. I know I did this morning! Below you will find a list of projects to help you plan your commute, avoid trouble spots, and determine alternate routes ahead of time (see [campus map](#)), but first here are the key tips:

Tips

- To get up-to-date parking and traffic alerts related to construction projects, check out this web site: <http://www.masterplan.iupui.edu/>.
- Subscribe to real-time [Twitter](#) updates from IUPUI Parking Services by following @IUPUIpark.
- Tune into 1610 AM Radio for parking information.
- For a limited time, during the first few weeks of the semester, we will make the University Library lawn and grassy areas along Beauty Avenue available for overflow parking.
- Parking Ambassadors will be on hand to help at lot entrances.
- Park in the Indiana Avenue lots, which has shuttle service to campus every ten minutes. More details are at www.parking.iupui.edu.

Here's what we can expect to face in the next few months.

Issues

- The construction of the Indianapolis Cultural Trail on Blackford will eliminate some 150-200 parking spaces in the short term and 120 permanently. We recommend users go to the currently under-used Gateway Garage between Blackford and California on Michigan Street, which now has elevator access to all five floors. Once the Cultural Trail is complete, Blackford will remain two-way north of Michigan and one-way south of Michigan.
- Lot 80, south of the Campus Center, off University Boulevard, has had many former B and E spaces converted to A sticker spots. Those displaced by this change should seek parking at the Gateway Garage north of Michigan, farther west in the Barnhill Garage, or at Lot 59 west of Barnhill Drive.
- Effective on or after Wednesday, August 17, there will temporarily be no through traffic from Blake and Ohio to the National Institute for Fitness and Sport (NIFS) due to the construction of the Sports Complex garage expansion. The drive from the Natatorium loading dock to University Boulevard will be closed due to construction. There will be two-way traffic to the Sports Garage from Blake Street. Motorists going to NIFS should use University Boulevard. Those going to Herron and the Sports Garage should use Blake Street from New York Street.
- Starting the last week of August for about three weeks, there may be lane closures on Indiana



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Avenue, 10th Street, and Elwood Street between 9 am and 3 pm as giant steel beams for the construction of the new Eskenazi Health Hospital are brought in under special permit from the city.

- Pedestrian access along Michigan, which has been restricted due to the construction of the Glick Eye Institute, will continue to be restricted as the city works on various crosswalks.
- Indiana Avenue north of Fall Creek will lose the northbound lane permanently to facilitate redevelopment construction near Bush Stadium (circa mid-September).
- There is construction on the White River Parkway West Drive from the 10th street bridge south past New York Street—creating one-lane traffic in both directions—and the potential for significant back-ups.

While we make every effort to minimize disruption with construction projects on campus, not all projects are under our control. I ask that everyone exercise patience and cooperation. I hope that faculty and staff are understanding of students and visitors who are late for classes or appointments until everyone has had a chance to be familiar with the most expeditious routes to their destinations.

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