

## Signature Centers

A Signature Center is a research unit distinctly identifiable with IUPUI. In addition to representing an area of research strength, the center will usually build on some ongoing activities and have many of the following attributes:

- Signature centers will often be interdisciplinary in character. They should have the capacity to attract significant external funding appropriate to the disciplines involved, including federal grants and foundation support. The centers need to bring academic distinction to the campus. After an initial period of campus-based seed funding, they should become largely self-sufficient in a 3 to 5 year time frame.
- The work of the center should have something unique and distinctive, which makes it stand out. It should not focus on an area commonly studied at many other universities, although collaborations with other institutions could be a desirable feature.
- The center should engage in work which takes advantage of the urban location in Indianapolis and establish partnerships with local community and cultural organizations.

Designated IUPUI Signature Centers - 2009-2010

Centers Funded under the Signature Centers Initiative - 2007-2008

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### MESSAGE FROM EVC PAYDAR

Academic Affairs promotes and supports the academic environment needed for the success of IUPUI's mission, including recruiting and retaining excellent faculty, fostering collaborations across the Campus, and managing changes in policies and practices that affect the academic life of the campus as a whole.

IUPUI, a core campus of Indiana University and the State's urban research and academic health sciences campus, is committed to excellence in teaching and learning; research, scholarship, and creative activity; and civic engagement locally, nationally, and internationally.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are excited to announce our programming for the coming year - [click here for details!](#)

Viehweg named interim director of IUPUI Center for Translating Research Into Practice.

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IU has established policies for protecting student information in third party cloud services. [Learn more](#)

IUPUI offers undergraduates numerous opportunities to gain hands-on research experience. [Learn more](#)

### EVENTS

PT Process for Deans, Directors, Chairs, Primary Unit Committee Chairs

Wed. Jul 18, 2012

Orientation for New Deans and Associate Deans

Fri. Jul 27, 2012

New Chairs Orientation

Fri. Aug 10, 2012

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