

Director of Sustainability Affairs JOB DESCRIPTON 2025-2026

What is the Indiana University Student Government (IUSG)

Founded in 1912, Indiana University Student Government (IUSG) exists to protect student rights and enrich student life. As the voice for all undergraduate and graduate students at IU Bloomington, IUSG works to ensure student perspectives shape decisions at all levels of governance. Beyond advocacy, IUSG develops and implements programs and projects that support students and address key campus challenges. IUSG is structured into three branches, Executive, Legislative, and Judicial, mirroring the federal government to ensure democratic representation and efficient governance. The Executive Branch, led by the Student Body President and Vice President, spearheads initiatives while advancing strategic priorities through its departments and offices. By fostering an inclusive and supportive campus, IUSG ensures that every Hoosier can thrive, academically, socially, and personally.

Responsibilities as a Member of the IUSG Executive Branch

- Participating in weekly Cabinet meetings and any required one-on-one meetings.
 Additionally, attending emergency meetings as needed.
- Advising the Executive Team on departmental or office matters and broader issues affecting the student body.
- Developing and presenting proposals to the Executive Branch on events and programs within your department or office's scope.
- Managing a department-level or office-level budget with precision and accountability.
- Collaborating with Executive Branch members, other branches of IUSG, and student organizations to implement and execute programs effectively.
- Engaging with the Student Body Congress when relevant legislation impacts your department or office.
- Responding to emails and texts in a timely manner.
- Consulting with the Executive Press Secretary and President before engaging with the press or making any public statements on behalf of IUSG.
- Acting as an extension of the President, you will provide expertise in your department or
 office while representing IUSG on university committees, internal hiring committees, and
 ad hoc committees as appointed by the President.
- Upholding the IUSG Code of Conduct, and any standing rules established by the Executive Branch, while demonstrating respect for fellow members and a commitment to the IUSG Constitution and Bylaws.

Background of the Director of Sustainability Affairs

The Secretary of Sustainability Affairs advocates for student interests and develops programs that promote environmental awareness, conservation, and sustainable practices on campus. The position is responsible for collaborating with campus partners, educating students on sustainability efforts, and advancing initiatives that improve environmental responsibility across campus. The position has historically been instrumental in launching a Green Dorm Checklist, organizing educational events on topics such as recycling and IU's Climate Action Plan, and working to improve sustainable practices within student housing and campus facilities.

Specific Responsibilities of the Director of Sustainability Affairs

- Developing and promoting sustainability initiatives that encourage environmentally responsible practices across campus.
- Organizing educational events and outreach programs to engage students in environmental awareness and action.
- Advocating for improvements in campus sustainability infrastructure, including waste management, energy efficiency, and resource conservation.
- Working with university stakeholders to provide student input on the Climate Action Plan and ensure transparency in its development and implementation.
- Collaborating with the Secretary of Transportation and Infrastructure to implement sustainable transportation solutions and promote campus sustainability.
- Updating, managing, and expanding the Green Dorm Checklist to help students adopt sustainable practices
- Leading an executive committee and facilitating meetings that provide students with opportunities to engage in the department's work.
- Overseeing a First-Year Intern, providing guidance on their project, and supporting their development within IUSG.

Required Meetings and Work Hours

- Cabinet meetings are held every Tuesday from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Attendance is required.
- Weekly or biweekly one-on-one meetings with the Chief of Staff, First-Year Intern, and Executive Committee are scheduled mutually, each lasting 30 minutes to one hour.
- The role requires a commitment of 3-5 hours per week for administrative and rolespecific tasks.
- A minimum of one front desk shift of at least one hour is required every two weeks.
- If representing IUSG on a university committee, monthly meetings are expected.
- In total, the role requires approximately 8-10 hours per week.