

Options for Families Assigned to IBS



Summer 2019

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Since we learned about the housing situation in Fort Collins, our IBS team has been praying for you and thinking about how we can provide the best developmental experience for you while offering workable housing solutions that are reasonably priced. Keep checking back because this document will be updated as we receive more information.

Registration Instructions

Option #1: IBS in Fort Collins

Classes start on Tuesday, June 18 and end on Wednesday, July 17. Plan on arriving either Sunday, June 16 or Monday, June 17. You will register for IBS courses using the [Cru19 registration](#) link. If you wish to request one of the two-room suites described below, select Summit (suite style, with A/C). You don't need to add other preferences.

If your family does not want to participate in the meal plan, please add a note in your registration where it says, "please share anything that would be helpful to know . . ." Also, if you have a very large family and need more than two rooms, please add a note as well in this same box. Finally, if you want to live near another family attending IBS, please add their name.

You will receive your final on-campus housing assignment by email 10-14 days prior to your arrival date.

Please choose your top 3 dorm preferences:

1st Dorm Preference

Summit (suite style, with A/C)

2nd Dorm Preference

Choose one...

3rd Dorm Preference

Choose one...

Please share anything that would be helpful for the housing team to know when making housing assignments

Option #2: Hybrid Live/Virtual IBS

You will NOT register for the Hybrid IBS courses using the Cru19 registration. We created a [special page on the IBS website](#) with information about your course options as well as a registration link. Please note that we added two new one-week face-to-face courses as well. Registration for the Hybrid courses will open **Wednesday, Feb. 20**.

Clarifications:

- If you happen to be taking one or two courses in Fort Collins, you will need to register on the Cru19 site for those courses.
- If you chose to take any of our regular five-week virtual summer virtual courses, you will need to register for those courses on the [IBS virtual page](#).

Option #1: Attending IBS in Fort Collins

For many families, the best option will be attending IBS in Fort Collins. Benefits include the following:

- Both spouses will be able to take a full load of IBS courses since Kids Care/Camp and CruStu (Jr/Sr High) will run all summer
- Live together and experience community with other families
- Receive graduate credit for your IBS courses (virtual courses do not have a grad credit option)

- Connect with other staff who will be in Fort Collins
- Stability for your family being in one place for the summer
- Offers best learning experience (with four face-to-face courses)
- Enjoy weekends in the mountains of Colorado

As always, you are welcome to find your own housing using VRBO, AirBnB, Craigslist, etc.

On-Campus Suites: Although we have no apartments to offer families, we do have two-room air-conditioned suites with a private bathroom in the dorms. Each room has two twin XL beds, two desks and a closet (for a total of 4 twin XL beds). They are joined by a private bathroom. We will provide a microwave and small fridge. There is also a community kitchen in each dorm as well.

Understanding that you will not have a living room like in a traditional apartment, Team19 is going to create fun outdoor hangout spaces with furniture, corn hole, etc...to provide a place to linger. In addition, the community rooms in the dorms will have spaces for games, conversations, and memory making.

Kids Stay Free: Because they are not able to provide apartments for us, the university is offering a special rate to IBS families who stay the whole summer on campus. The nightly rate for the two-room suite is \$50 per family (and this rate continues through Cru19). You may wonder “How many kids stay free?” The answer is the number of kids that will fit in the two room suite (probably three or less). If a two-room suite would not accommodate your family, see the paragraph below about larger families.

Kids Eat Free: Knowing that the biggest challenge for families is most likely food, CSU is working with us to give families good options. We have two options:

- **Option 1 - Two Meal Plan with Kids Free:** We have a great two-meal per day option (lunch and dinner). The cost would be \$25 per day for each adult with up to three kids eating free (\$50 per day for the whole family, regardless of kids ages). This meal plan applies to the whole summer and is only available to those who attend IBS all summer and Cru19.
- **Option 2 - No Meal Plan:** Because your food storage and preparation options are so limited, we recommend this option only if you or your kids have unique food allergies. (NOTE: Based on our contractual agreement with CSU, the no meal plan option is only available to families attending IBS for the whole summer who would have normally been placed in an apartment. Singles and couples without kids attending IBS as well as families attending Cru19 must participate in the meal plan.)

If you choose two-room suite with the meal plan, your cost would be the same as a couple without kids. Hence, kids stay free and up to three kids (any age) eat free.

What about larger families? We do have some dorm-suite options that could accommodate larger families but they are very limited. You could always request more than one 2-room suite, but only if you are comfortable with all the rooms not being connected. The cost for a second suite is an additional \$50/night.. For many larger

families, the hybrid second option (see below) may be a better fit. Larger families who want to be in Fort Collins all summer will probably be best served by finding their own housing.

For questions about Cru19, write cru19.info@cru.org. For questions about IBS, write ibs.info@cru.org.

Option #2: Hybrid Virtual/Live IBS

Although face-to-face IBS courses in Fort Collins will be a great option for many families, it may not work well for everyone, especially some larger families. To address this, we have developed a hybrid option involving a mix of virtual and face-to-face courses. Here are few important details you'll want to know about this option:

- The format of these courses will be different from our traditional online IBS courses. They will be “live” virtual courses involving lecture and discussion.
- You will attend class at a fixed time each day (in the comfort of your home).
- They will be one week in length.
- Virtual courses are not available for graduate credit.
- Each course will require advance preparation.
- There is no child care involved with this option which means that couples will not be able to complete as many courses.
- Each couple selecting this option will be asked to complete at least four courses, with each spouse taking at least one course.
- At least one of the four classes you take as a couple needs to be face-to-face.
- Because we want to create the best developmental environment we can, we need to keep class size small. As a result, this option will only be available to larger families.

Second Year Courses (OT Survey, BI, BC, GBHS)

If you need second-year courses, including Biblical Interpretation and Communication, you will take a one-week version of Biblical Interpretation that will be live but virtual followed by a one-week face-to-face version of Biblical Communication. Then you will take a one-week version of OT Survey in June followed by God/Bible/HS in July. Your schedule will look like this:

- Biblical Interpretation, May 20-24 (live virtual)
- Biblical Communication, June 3-7 (face to face, Austin, TX)
- OT Survey, June 17-21 (live virtual)
- GBHS, July 8-12 (live virtual)
- We will also be offering [all the normal five-week summer virtual courses May 19 to June 26](#).

You also have the option of doing two face-to-face courses in Fort Collins. The hybrid BI/BC will be finished before classes start in Fort Collins.

Third Year Courses (CWVE, HCS, CW, CH)

We are still working out a plan for third year courses involving a mix of face to face courses and virtual courses.

- Christian Worldview and Ethics, May 6-10 (face to face in Portland)
- Humanity/Christ/Salvation, June 3-7 (live virtual)
- Humanity/Christ/Salvation, June 12-15 (face to face in Xenia, OH)
- One spouse would come to Fort Collins for two weeks and complete two face-to-face IBS courses. For many families it may work best to do this during the first two weeks of IBS (June 18 to July 1). We're offering Apologetics and Christian Worldview and Ethics June 18-July 1. We have an amazing lineup of professors for our third year courses in Fort Collins.
- Church History, July 8-12 (live virtual)
- We will also be offering [all the normal five-week summer virtual courses May 19 to June 26](#).

FAQ

Based on previous summers, I've heard people say that the cost for a family to live in the dorms for the entire summer is astronomical. Is this true?

In the past, our on-campus pricing structure was designed for singles and couples without kids. The cost for a family with older kids was cost-prohibitive. That will NOT be the case this summer. For families attending IBS all summer, the cost of the two-suite dorm will be less per night than the cost of an apartment in the past and we're working on meal options that will accommodate a variety of preferences.

Where can I find more information about IBS?

You can find information about the Colorado IBS [here](#) including schedule, costs, professors, course descriptions, etc.

Has the course schedule been posted for Fort Collins IBS?

Yes. You will find it [here](#).

When will IBS registration open?

Registration will open in February 11, 2019. You will register for IBS at the same time you register for Cru19 (using the same registration system).

Will the discounted rate on my room apply to Cru19 as well?

Yes, the rate is for the entire summer and you have to stay the whole summer to get the rate.

My spouse has been assigned to Campus Team Leader training. Can I pursue option 2?

Yes.

Regardless what format I pursue (virtual, face-to-face), how many IBS courses am I expected to complete?

If IBS is your summer assignment, a full load is four IBS courses. In the case of families doing option 1, many will take six courses between the two spouses. If your family pursues option 2, see the note above about course expectations.

Can I take two virtual courses and then come to Fort Collins the last two weeks and take two live courses?

If you are a large family, yes. However, the special rate on the two-room suite is only available if you attend IBS all summer. In addition, just as apartments were allocated in previous summers, the assignment of two-room suites will be prioritized based on the total number of IBS courses a couple is taking between the two of them.

Can anyone do the hybrid option with Biblical Interpretation and Communication?

No. In order to create a good learning environment, we need to keep the size small. This option will only be offered to larger families.

If I do the hybrid option with Biblical Interpretation and Communication, can I still come to Fort Collins the second cycle of IBS and take two live courses?

Definitely. The hybrid BI/BC does not conflict with any of the courses offered in Colorado. It will be done a week for the Fort Collins IBS begins.

Can I take Biblical Interpretation virtually and then take the Biblical Communication at some point in the future?

No. You must take BI and BC together.

Can I take Biblical Interpretation virtually and then take the Biblical Communication live in Fort Collins?

No. You must either choose the live option in Fort Collins (June 18-July 17) or the hybrid BI/BC option (May 20-24, June 3-7).

How is the IBS leadership team feeling about these unexpected challenges?

We were deeply disappointed when we discovered that we had no apartments to offer families but also see the Lord's hand in this. The morning I (Keith Johnson) found out about the housing situation, I had been reading the story in the Mark's gospel about Christ's

miraculous provision of the loaves and fishes for the people he was teaching. It was as if the Lord was reminding me to trust his ability to provide (whatever that might look like). We believe the Lord has great things in store this summer. We're especially grateful for God's provision of two-room dorm suites on campus at an affordable price.