

# OPINION

DUE AUGUST 16, 2013  
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## HOW TO APPLY:

- Fill out an IDS application online at [idsnews.com/jobs](http://idsnews.com/jobs)
- Answer all questions in a single document. Start a new page for each section.
- Email your application and resume to [opinion@idsnews.com](mailto:opinion@idsnews.com), [casefarr@indiana.edu](mailto:casefarr@indiana.edu), and [wdmcdona@indiana.edu](mailto:wdmcdona@indiana.edu)

## PERSONAL INFO

1. Name
  2. Class year
  3. Majors/Minors
  4. Phone number
  5. Email (@indiana.edu)
  6. How did you learn about the position?
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## GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. Attendance at weekly editorial board meetings is mandatory. Are you available Fridays at 3 p.m?
  2. We want to increase our presence online. Do you have a twitter, and are you comfortable publishing that handle? Would you be willing to create a professional twitter handle in order to join the IDS online community? Please share your experience with blogging or social media.
  3. Briefly describe your political philosophy.
  4. Choose a specific story you have been following in the news. What interested you about this story, and what opinions have you formed?
  5. Will your column have a common theme or subject? What will you be writing most about?
  6. Why do you think your voice should be included in the IDS opinion section?
  7. Because our readers are primarily IU students, we try to tailor our opinions to issues that uniquely affect the IU-Bloomington community. What local story have you been following, or think deserves more coverage? Why is this story important?
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## MARRY/SEX/KILL

From the following list, choose 3 people, one of whom you will marry, one you will sex, and one you will kill. Then give us your reasons. You must choose a different person for all three.

*Amanda Bynes • Beyonce • Hillary Clinton • Justin Bieber • Paul Ryan • Guys in the Big Cheese truck • Michael McRobbie • Cody Zeller • Kim Jong Un • Lil Bub • Dudes on skateboards • Wendy Davis • Anthony Weiner*

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## COLUMNISTS

Write a 400-600 word column responding to one of the following topics.

## ILLUSTRATORS

Create an illustration in response to one of the following topics.

## COLUMATORS

If you are interested in both writing and illustrating, please apply for this position.

**One of your samples must be locally focused**

If you do not connect one of the following back to the IU, Bloomington, or Indiana, your other sample must be local. Using outside sources to support your claims is encouraged.

1. *More and more college women are using sugar daddies to pay their tuition. This is disgusting, yet another example of American culture's moral failings.*
2. *Rolling Stone Magazine's recent cover featured suspected Boston Bomber Dhokar Tsarnaev. While journalists have an obligation to report on these events, the choice was a cheap ploy by the publication to increase readership.*
3. *Though many college students in the US have permits to carry concealed weapons on their person, most colleges and universities have rules against the practice on campus. This is a gross violation of Second Amendment rights.*
4. *Nationwide, average student debt is \$26,600, yet tuition keeps increasing. This is an unfortunate situation, but colleges need those tuition dollars to provide a good education.*

Write a column or create an illustration responding to the given topics.

If you submit a column as your first sample, submit an illustration on any topic for the second.

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Please make sure that either your column or your illustration is about IU, Bloomington, or Indiana.

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**Please submit one more sample of your work. If you do not connect one of the above topics to IU, Bloomington, or Indiana, this sample must be locally focused.**

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**THANKS  
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