Who are we?

• Hawk the Vote is a non-partisan student initiative on campus working to increase voter registration, education, and turnout.

• We are a team of 4 undergraduate students that are passionate about voter engagement

• Part of the Office of Leadership, Service and Civic Engagement

• We operate out of the Community Space in the IMU 145
What is Civic Engagement?

• Working to make a difference in your community through service and action

• Methods of civic engagement:
  • Participation in politics: voting, volunteering for campaigns, registering people to vote, serving on commissions and boards
  • Community service: volunteering for non-profits, helping with the 2020 Census, advocating for a cause you're passionate about, lobbying elected officials
  • Civil discourse: talking to your peers about what you believe/care about, engaging across political differences, seeking to understand rather than criticize
Voting Fun Facts!

• In 2018, U of Iowa students voted at a rate of 44.9%.
  • This was a 16.7% increase from the last midterm election
• Nationwide, youth turnout doubled in the 2018 midterm elections
• In the State of Iowa, you can register at the polls on Election Day!
  • *This is not true in all states
Election Resources

- Vote.uiowa.edu
  - Info on voter registration, absentee ballots, in-person voting
  - Candidate guides for local, state, and federal elections
  - Access to a voter hotline for quick voting questions
- Johnson County Auditor's Office
  - Has lots of information about special elections
  - Office that handles voter registration and absentee ballot request forms
  - Call this office for Voter ID Pin (for ABRF)
Ways to Vote

• **Early**
  • In Iowa, early voting can run for up to a month before Election Day (Oct. 5th). No matter where you live, anyone can vote early at locations found on the auditor’s website.

• **Absentee**
  • If you prefer to vote by mail, you can request an absentee ballot and mail it in before Election Day. Make sure to request before the deadline (Oct. 18th) and mail it in as soon as possible, so that it will arrive at the Auditor’s office before 8pm on Election.

• **Election Day**
  • If you love the thrill of voting on Election Day (Nov. 2nd), you will need to go to your specified location that can be found online. All polling locations have been modified for health reasons.
In Person Voting

• What you bring on Election Day is different for Iowa resident and those who are out-of-state.
• Out-of-state voters must bring their Voter Identification cards (signed) or re-register at the polls.

What is a valid form of ID to show at the polls?

• Iowa Voter Identification Card
• Iowa Driver’s License
• Iowa Non-Operator ID
• U.S. Military ID or Veteran ID
• U.S. Passport
• Tribal ID Card/Document
In State

You should receive your Voter Identification Cards within 2 weeks of registering to vote

Out of State

This notice will not be accepted as identification at the polls.
Do I have to prove my residence?

A voter who moves to a different precinct in the same county where the voter is registered will be required to prove identity and residence. If the voter’s acceptable ID card/document also shows the voter’s new address, no further proof is needed. If it does not include the voter’s new address, the voter may provide a separate proof of residence, including:

- Residential lease
- Utility bill, including a cell phone bill
- Bank statement
- Paycheck
- Government check
- Other government document
- Property tax statement

Each of the separate proofs of residence must include the voter’s name and current address and be current within 45 days. A separate proof of residence may be in an electronic format – such as a document on a cell phone – or on paper.

• If you are not registered to vote at your current address by Election Day, you can register at the polls.
• You will need to bring valid ID and proof of address
Absentee Ballots

• You are legally able to claim either your home address or your university address as your voting residence – but not both

• Some states require an excuse for an absentee ballot – Iowa does not

• Absentee Ballots allow you to vote at home and not have to worry about getting to the polls on Election Day, regardless of your residence
Absente Ballot Request Forms and Voter Registration

• We will now walk you through filling out a voter registration form and an absentee ballot request form.

• If anyone needs to register to vote forms are available:
  • At front desks of all residence halls
  • IMU front desk
  • downloadable on the Hawk the Vote website
  • Iowa residents can fill out and submit VRF online (link found on Hawk the Vote website).
  • Studentvotes.org/hawk-the-vote (On vote.uiowa.edu website)
    • Request a voter registration and absentee ballot request form to be mailed to your address
# State of Iowa Official Voter Registration Form

In Iowa, you are not qualified to vote if you have been convicted of a felony and have not received a restoration of voting rights. You may apply to the Governor to restore your voting rights.

**Qualifications**

1. Are you a citizen of the United States?  
   - Yes  
   - No
2. Will you be 18 years of age or on or before Election Day?  
   - Yes  
   - No

If you answered "No" to either of these questions, do not complete this form.

**ID Number**

Provide your Iowa driver's license, non-operator ID number, or the last 4 digits of your Social Security number if you have one:

- [ ] IA driver's license #: ____________________________
- [ ] IA non-operator ID #: ____________________________
- [ ] Last 4 digits of Social Security number: XXX—XX—__________
- [ ] I do not have an IA driver's license, non-operator ID, or Social Security number.

**Additional Information**

Date of Birth (month/day/year) __________/________/________

Gender  
- [ ] Male  
- [ ] Female

Phone and/or Email (optional)

**Your Name**

Last  
First  
Middle  
Suffix

**Address Where You Live**

Street Address  
City  
Zip  
County

If homeless or you do not have an established residence, describe where you reside:

**Where You Receive Mail (if different)**

Address/P.O. Box  
City  
State  
Zip

**Previous Voter Registration Information**

Your name was: ____________________________

Your address was: ____________________________

Your city and state were: ____________________________  
Your zip was: ____________________________

**Political Affiliation**

Political Parties:  
- [ ] No Party  
- [ ] Democratic  
- [ ] Republican

Non-Party Political Organizations:  
- [ ] Green  
- [ ] Libertarian

**Registrant Affidavit**

I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that:

- I am the person named above.
- I am a citizen of the United States.
- I have not been convicted of a felony (or I have received a restoration of rights).
- I am at least 17 1/2 years old.
- I live at the address listed above.
- I am not currently judged by a court to be "incompetent to vote."
- I do not have the right to vote anywhere else.

Signature: ____________________________  
Date: ____________________________

[Logo: Hawk the Vote]
# STATE OF IOWA OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST FORM

**YOUR NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH**

Last: 
Middle: 
Suffix: 
Date of Birth (month, day, year): / / 

**ID NUMBER**

Iowa Driver’s License or Non-Operator ID Number: 
OR 
Four-digit Voter PIN (can be found on Voter Identification Card): 

**YOUR IOWA RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

Home Street Address (include apt, lot, etc. if applicable): 
City: 
Zip: 
County: 

You must be registered to vote in the county to receive an absentee ballot. If you are registered to vote in the county, this form will be used to update your voter registration if the information provided on this form is different than the information on your registration record.

**WHERE YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT SHOULD BE MAILED**

Mailing Address/P.O. Box: 
City: 
State: 
Zip: 
Country (other than USA): 

**CONTACT INFO**

Phone: 
Email: 

Do not add this contact info to my voter record: 

**ELECTION DATE OR TYPE**

Choose only one election.
Election Date: / / 
OR 
General: 
Primary: 
City/School: 
Special: 

**PRIMARY ELECTION ONLY**

Check one political party: 
Democratic: 
Republican: 

**REQUESTER AFFIDAVIT**

I swear or affirm that I am the person named above and I am a registered voter or I am entitled to register at the address listed on this form. I am eligible to receive and vote an absentee ballot for the election indicated above.

Signature: X 
Date: 

Powers of attorney do not have legal authority to request an absentee ballot on behalf of another.
Early Voting Dates and Times

• Early voting times and locations have not been announced
• Early voting times and locations will be announced sometime after the October 4th
• Early voting will be available at the Johnson County Auditor's Office starting October 4th
Find your polling place on Election Day
Join Hawk the Vote!
Follow @votehawk

- External Relations
- Events/Workshops
- Strategic Assessment
- Social Media
- Be an Ambassador
Questions?

Follow us @votehawk on Twitter and Instagram
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