

fusion

welcome new OU students

Greetings from Ottawa University! I hope you are having a fun-filled summer! The Office of Student Affairs, along with the rest of the offices here on campus are working diligently this summer in preparation for your arrival in August. We are very excited to have you become part of our family here at Ottawa University.

The purpose of this newsletter is to give you some specific information about what to expect when you arrive in August. We want to make sure and communicate important dates and times so we can minimize your stress and help in your transition as you go off to college. I understand the anxiety that some of you might be feeling, but understand that you are not alone. Transition and change are a part of life and a part of growing up. I want you to know we are a Christ-centered University who embraces diversity and we will help and guide you along the way. We are truly excited that you have chosen Ottawa University. This is our home and we welcome you and can't wait to share all the wonderful experiences that our home has to offer.



Tom Taldo
Dean of Student Affairs

from the dean of instruction!

I'm excited to welcome you to Ottawa University!

As Dean of Instruction, I'm devoted to assuring that your educational experiences at The College are engaging, thought-provoking, affirming, surprising, and inspiring. This year we will be launching several new initiatives focused on the lives of first-year students, based on our findings during a year-long self-study with Foundations of Excellence, and these efforts will integrate academics, social life, and activities in innovative ways. We hope you will bring plenty of enthusiasm and curiosity!

I'm looking forward to meeting each of you when you arrive on campus this fall! In the meantime, you can find me on Facebook: www.facebook.com/karen.ohnesorge, or you can contact me via email with any questions: karen.ohnesorge@ottawa.edu.

Warmly,



Karen Ohnesorge; PhD
Dean of Instruction

important dates

Roommate Assignments Mailed	July 1
Fall Tuition Fee Payment Due (<i>Go to the MyOttawa Portal</i>)	August 8
Fall Athletes (<i>Football, Volleyball, Soccer</i>) Move-in	August 13
New Student Move-in	August 19
Orientation (<i>Mandatory</i>)	August 19-21
Enrollment Confirmation	August 19
First Day of Classes	August 22

Important Note: NO ONE will be allowed to check into the residence halls until the enrollment confirmation process has been completed. Parents will NOT be allowed to check in for you!

appliance policy

Only cooking appliances with self-contained heating units may be used in student rooms. Such appliances include coffee makers, hot pots, hot air popcorn poppers, microwave ovens, etc. Appliances with an exposed element or that use oil are not permitted. Only small appliances are allowed in residence halls. Full-size or apartment-sized refrigerators, freezers or similar items are prohibited. Refrigerator must be 4.0 cubic feet or smaller. Refrigerators exceeding these guidelines are prohibited.

important checklist

- √ Health History Form
- √ Meningitis Vaccine
- √ Copy of Insurance Card
- √ Automobile Registration Information
- √ Immunization Records
- √ Clothing
- √ Personal Hygiene Items
- √ Physical (Student-Athlete)

things to bring (required)

- √ Laundry baskets/supplies
- √ Pillow(s)
- √ Bedding: sheets (extra long); pillow cases; blankets
- √ Towels & washcloths
- √ Bed Spread/Comforter

you may also want.....

- √ Clock
- √ Television
- √ Computer and Printer
- √ Power strip
- √ Microwave
- √ Trash Can
- √ iPod/MP3 Player
- √ Digital Camera
- √ Study Lamp

what not to bring.....

- √ Pets
- √ Full size refrigerators (see above)
- √ Extension cords
- √ Firearms
- √ Fireworks

orientation schedule — 2011

Friday, August 19

8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	New Student Enrollment Confirmation (pre-enrolled) (<i>Must be complete before moving into the halls</i>)	Mowbray Union, Upstairs
8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Residence Hall Check-in for New Students	Residence Halls
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	New International Student Meeting	Administration Building, Room 102
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.	* Lunch [‡]	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
2:15 - 2:30 p.m.	* Official Welcome	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	* Meet your Orientation Group members	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.	* Orientation Groups	
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Parent Session	Fredrikson Chapel
3:30 - 5:15 p.m.	Parent Tour	Franklin County
3:45 - 5:15 p.m.	* Playfair	Garfield Elementary School
5:15 - 6:00 p.m.	Family Farewell (say goodbye to family)	
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	* Dinner (students only)	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	* Residence Hall meeting for all NEW students	Administration Building, Larry D. Peters Auditorium
8:00 - 10:00 p.m.	* Entertainment	Administration Building, Larry D. Peters Auditorium

Saturday, August 20

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	* Continental Breakfast	University Chapel, Foyer
8:30 - 9:30 a.m.	* Diversity Workshop	Fredrikson Chapel
9:30 - 12:00 p.m.	* Adawe LifePlan Center	Fredrikson Chapel
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	* Lunch	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
1:15 - 2:30 p.m.	* CL Lindsey	Fredrikson Chapel
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	* Time for Ice Cream!	The Union Mall, Gazebo Area
3:30 - 4:00 p.m.	* IT Presentation	Fredrikson Chapel
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.	* Domestic Violence Workshop	Fredrikson Chapel
5:15 - 7:00 p.m.	* Dinner (meal plan)	Granger House
7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	* Think Fast	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons

Sunday, August 21

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	* Praise and Worship	Fredrikson Chapel
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	* Brunch (meal plan)	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
11:45 a.m.	Pre-Show Christopher Carter	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
12:30 - 2:00 p.m.	* Christopher Carter	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Free Time	
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Orthopedic Screenings for Student-athletes	Hull Center for Athletics
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	* Dinner (meal plan)	Mowbray Union, Dining Commons
8:00 - 10:00 p.m.	* Comedian Eric O'Shea	Administration Building, Larry D. Peters Auditorium

Monday, August 22

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	* Fusion Business Expo	Courthouse Lawn, 3rd and Main Streets
8:30 - 10:30 p.m.	Movie Night	Crystal Plaza Movie Theatre, 2nd and Main Streets

Thursday, August 25

11:00 a.m.	* Opening Convocation	Fredrikson Chapel
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Notes:

* Mandatory Events

[‡] Parents please join us for lunch. Each new student will be given two complimentary tickets at registration.

you've got mail

Each student is assigned a mailbox that remains yours for the duration of your OU stay. You will receive your mailbox number and combination at enrollment confirmation in the fall. Please inform persons who will be writing that your address will be:

Ottawa University
STUDENT'S NAME
1001 South Cedar Street, # ____ (*your mailbox number NOT your room*)
Ottawa, KS 66067-3399

IMPORTANT: Your box number and Ottawa University must be included to keep your mail from being lost at the post office.

residence halls are wireless

Ottawa University residence halls are wireless! The University will still be using cable (coax) for TV. Any questions call 855-268-4357!

face the facts

More than 40 percent of college students nationwide claim to engage in drinking games and binge drinking. In an effort to help you get the facts, we offer to all new students a AlcoholEdu course. In the next few weeks you will receive the first part of the course. Drinking can have a negative effect on your academic and athletic performance. While some students notice no difference initially, it can, over time, impact your grades and your skills. Complete the entire course on time, and take an excellent first step to getting the information you need to make an informed decision. Questions? E-mail Tom Taldo at tom.taldo@ottawa.edu.