



Campus Arrival Dates



From the
President

August 3

Women's Volleyball

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
New Students

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Returning Students

August 4

Both Soccer Teams

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
New Students

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Returning Students

August 5

Football

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
New Students

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Returning Students

August 6

New Students

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Last Names — A-M

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Last Names — N-Z

August 7

Returning Students

8:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Last Names — A-M

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Last Names — N-Z

August 7-9

**New Student
Orientation**

August 10

**First Day
of Classes**

I cannot believe we are in the middle of June already. Soon I will be celebrating my second-year anniversary as an #OUBrave. What a year it has been, and I am looking forward to seeing all of you soon. In addition to letting you all know that you are all appreciated, I also wanted to notify you on several changes on campus:

We are starting classes EARLY this fall and will start welcoming the first round of students on campus as early as August 3. Classes will begin on August 10, which is nearly two weeks earlier than in years' past.

We have opened a new off-campus housing option called the "OU lofts on Main Street" that is located just above Corner Market downtown.

When you arrive on campus, you'll see that our on-campus residence halls have undergone refurbishing this spring / summer.

In light of all the changes that have been happening in the last few months, you will find that there will be some changes to campus to do our best to ensure a safe environment for everyone to learn and live.

It's a great day to be an #OUBrave! Enjoy your summer and see you soon!

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Dr. Regg

Fall 2020 Important Dates

Day	Date	Event
Monday	August 10	First Day of Classes
Monday	September 7	Labor Day (NO CLASSES)
Saturday	September 12	Commencement
Thursday	November 19	Last Day of Classes
Fri, Mon, Tue	November 20, 23, 24	Finals
Thursday	November 26	Thanksgiving Day

NEWS &
Updates

For regular updates on what we are doing to prepare for the fall and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, check this website regularly.

www.ottawa.edu/NewsUpdates



New Students _ *Braves Camp 2020*

We are so glad that you will be attending Ottawa University this fall. There are numerous activities planned for you throughout the year!

On that note, you may be wondering why we call new student orientation Braves Camp. This time of year marks when the Ottawa University family grows—through the addition of new students, like yourself, as well as the addition of new faculty and staff.

To ensure this Braves Camp is strong, you will have the opportunity throughout the orientation and student activities to become acclimated with the Ottawa University campus, as well as the Ottawa community. We will provide you with the guidance to have a successful college career at Ottawa University.

Be sure to check your OU email on a weekly basis, as information will be directed there. New this fall, we are requiring ALL new students, transfer and returning, to enroll in a virtual session beginning in mid-July. A variety of sessions will be offered for your convenience and must be completed prior to your arrival on campus. We will continue with additional 'in person' sessions once you arrive on campus.

So get involved, ask questions, make friends, and dive into all that there is available. You will have lots of opportunities during the year to watch athletic events, theatre performances and music concerts, student activities and CAB events, as well as listen to an array of guest speakers—all on our campus.

Welcome to campus! We look forward to sharing an exciting year with you as an Ottawa University Brave!

Food Services

HOUSING/MEAL PLAN REQUIRED COMBINATIONS

First year students who live in University-sponsored housing are required to have the All Access meal plan for their first year in attendance.

	100-block	225-block	All Access
Semester Price	\$1,150	\$2,700	\$3,000
Annual Price	\$2,300	\$5,400	\$6,000
Dining Dollars per Semester	\$75	\$75	\$100
Bennett Hall		X	X
Brown Hall		X	X
Martin Hall		X	X
Suites at Rock Creek		X	X
Bennett Hall - Apartments	X	X	X
Martin Hall - Apartments	X	X	X
Gillette House	X	X	X
University Apartments	X	X	X
Blue Mountain Apartments	X	X	X
OU Lofts on Main Street	X	X	X
Additional University-sponsored Housing		X	X
Off-campus Commuter	X	X	X

Fall 2020 *Orientation*

We are changing up what Braves Camp (fall orientation) will look like for the start of fall 2020. To kick things off, students will complete a virtual session (beginning in mid-July) prior to arriving on campus. Once you arrive on campus, we will have events planned starting on

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

and running through

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9.

More details will be sent to your OU email address at a later date. Rest assured, that all new students will be engaged and get acquainted with life on campus as an Ottawa University Brave.

RESIDENCE LIFE

FIND YOUR ROOMMATE ASSIGNMENTS ON
THE MYOTTAWA PORTAL JULY 1, 2020.

Easy Packing

We have partnered with Our Campus Market (OCM) to offer a "Residence Hall Linen Program." Don't be mistaken, OCM has more to offer than just sheet sets.

Now you have the ability to purchase bedding, as well as additional blankets, pillows, mattress pad, egg crate pad, towels, hampers and more. The best part—everything will be shipped directly to campus. That means EASY PEASY PACKING for you! When you arrive on campus, your package will be waiting. That's one less thing to worry about packing—and it gives you the chance to coordinate (perfectly) with your roommate(s), if you choose to.

There are a wide variety of options available, so be sure to go online and check it out.

www.ottawa.ocm.com/linens

Disability Services

Students seeking assistance regarding accessibility or students who need reasonable accommodations due to a disability, should contact the campus Disability Services Coordinator, Kelsey Foss at kelsey.foss@ottawa.edu. Please submit your request as early as possible prior to the first day of classes (August 10), to provide ample time to process your request.

www.ottawa.edu/ouks/student-services/wellness-services

Wireless

Ottawa University residence halls are wireless! The University will use either coax and/or HDMI for TV. Any questions call 785-248-2313!

OU Help

Have computer problems/questions? Forgot a password? Don't know who to call?

Rest assured that you can now get the assistance you need 365 days a year. Phone lines are open 7 days a week, while chat is available 24-hours a day.

Reach out to OU Help via any of the methods below for technical help and resolution:

Phone:	785-248-2500	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. CST
After Hours	855-268-4357	(855-2OU-HELP)
Email:	ouhelp@ottawa.edu	Chat: http://ottawa.edu/ouhelp

Appliance Policy

Only cooking appliances with self-contained heating units may be used in student rooms. Such appliances include automatic-shut off coffee makers, hot air popcorn poppers, microwave ovens (no more than 900 watts), etc. Appliances with an exposed element or that use oil are not permitted with the exception of a toaster. Only small appliances are allowed in residence halls.

Full-size or apartment-sized refrigerators, freezers, or similar items are prohibited. Refrigerators should not exceed 5.0 cubic feet. REFRIGERATOR DIMENSIONS: These dimensions meet the requirements for students wanting to house their refrigerators in the space provided in the kitchenette. Maximum Height: 33.5" Maximum Width: 19" Maximum Depth: 24"

IMPORTANT CHECKLIST

- Health History Form
- Immunization Records
- Meningitis Vaccine(s)
- MMR (2)
- Copy of Insurance Card
- Automobile Registration Information
- Physical (required for Student-Athletes)

THINGS TO BRING

- Laundry Baskets/Supplies (HE detergent)
- Towels and Washcloths
- Pillow(s)
- Bed Spread/Comforter
- Bedding: sheets (extra long); pillow cases; blankets
- Clothing and Hangers
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Clock

YOU MAY ALSO WANT ...

- Trash Can
- Television
- iPod/MP3 Player
- Computer and Printer
- Can Opener and Paper Products
- Power Strip with Surge Protector
- Study Lamp
- Microwave
- Cleaning Supplies

WHAT NOT TO BRING ...

- Pets
- Firearms
- Full Size Refrigerators (see above)
- Fireworks
- Extension Cords
- Non-LED Decorative Lights
- Toaster Oven

FINANCIAL SERVICES

How to Access Your Fee Statement

If you are wondering how to access your fee statement, look no further. As of July 1, 2020, your fee statement will be available on the MyOttawa portal. If you have questions on charges, please contact OUAR (888-487-0182). If housing appears to be wrong, please contact the Office of Student Affairs (785-248-2431).

To sign in to MyOttawa:

- Go to myottawa.ottawa.edu
- Username: your student id # (your id number is printed on most documents you receive from Ottawa University)
- Your password for your email and MyOttawa will always be identical.

Are You Financially Clear?

Be sure that you are financially clear by the deadline listed below. That means all financial aid documents are completed and payment arrangements have been finalized with the University. If you have questions, contact:

NEW Students

David Tyner at 785-248-2376

Wednesday, July 15, 2020

Andy Otto at 785-248-2379

Kristy Martin at 785-248-2364

Returning Students

OU AR at 888-487-0182

Friday, July 24, 2020

Financial Aid at 800-755-5200, #4

Follow the steps below to retrieve your password.

- Go to www.ottawa.edu/ouhelp
- Click on "What is My OU Student Password."
- Complete the form using your student ID to retrieve your password.
- To reset your password, click on "Reset My OU Student Password."

Once you log-in, you will want to click

- "Students"
- "Financial Information"
- "Course and Fee Statement"
- "Set Options"
- Select Undergraduate, Fall, 2020
- "Submit Options"

RETURNING STUDENTS - Complete the Financial Aid Process

Do this NOW so you can enjoy the rest of your summer and avoid annoying emails and letters!

Step 1: Make sure you are enrolled!

Step 2: Complete your housing and meal plan forms. We cannot start your clearance process, until we know your housing and meal plan charges. Please remember with the new housing system, you must first be registered for Fall classes, before you can complete these forms. ALSO—be advised you will not be cleared to move in without completing your insurance and immunization forms!

Step 3: Ensure your financial aid paperwork is complete. This includes filing your FASFA and complete any necessary documents and processes. To check on your completion status, go to your student portal and click on your students tab. From there, click on financial information and then click on your financial aid checklist. From there click on view financial aid document tracking.

Step 4: Sign up for a time to virtually meet with financial aid and accounts receivable. If you have already completed all financial aid documents and set up your plan for clearance, you can skip this step! OUAR and FA will be sending out emails with links to the zoom sessions. We will be offering 30 minute zoom sessions. Each student will need to sign up for 2 sessions. The first session must be completed with financial aid. The 2nd session will be held with OUAR. We encourage your families to attend these meetings! Once your time is selected, we will send you a zoom invitation for your FA and AR meetings.

Step 5: Attend your FA zoom meeting! Financial aid will be discussing what paperwork you need to complete and will be able to assist you with any financial aid questions you may have. If you have already completed all financial aid documents, you can skip this step!

Step 6: Attend your AR zoom meeting! Accounts Receivable will be discussing your balance and assist you with plans to cover any balances. If you have already completed your financial clearance, you can skip this step!

Step 7: Be financially cleared! In order to be financially cleared, you will need to have all your paperwork for financial aid completed and be cleared by accounts receivable. Clearance can be achieved by setting up your TMS account and making your first monthly payment, applying for a PLUS or private loan, or making a cash payment. Financial Clearance deadline is July 24, 2020.

Please remember you will not be allowed to move into your residence halls, attend classes, or participate in a sport without being financially cleared. We look forward to seeing you this fall!

OUR CONTACT INFORMATION

Gary Bateman (785-248-2346; gary.bateman@ottawa.edu)

Amy Kessinger (785-248-2347; amy.kessinger@ottawa.edu)

OU AR (for payment arrangements - 888-487-0182; ouar@ottawa.edu)



Numbers to Know

Orientation Information
Student Employment
Registrar
OU Help
Athletic Office
Security
Student Affairs

785-248-2401
800-755-5200, #4
785-248-2362
855-268-4357
785-248-2601
785-229-1075
785-248-2431

Academic Affairs
Financial Aid
Admissions
Braves Fan Shop
Accommodations
Counseling Services

785-248-2570
800-755-5200, #4
785-248-2371
785-248-2312
785-248-2582
785-248-2582

NEW STUDENTS

GET STARTED ON THE RIGHT TRACK

Full participation in orientation activities lead you to: 1) meet MANY new friends, and 2) greater success as you'll know what services are available.

It's important that you fully engage in this process as it will affect your ability to represent OU in organizations and athletics. We want you to be successful and our research indicates that students who attend all sessions have better grades, will generally graduate in four years, and have more positive friendships.

ALCOHOL-WISE

More than 40 percent of college students nationwide claim to engage in drinking games and binge drinking. Drinking can have a negative effect on your academic and/or your athletic performance.

While some students notice no difference initially, it can, over time, impact your grades and your skills.

In an effort to give incoming students the facts about alcohol, Ottawa University requires all first year students to take Alcohol-Wise, an online alcohol prevention program. Whether you drink or not, Alcohol-Wise will empower you to make well-informed decisions and will help you cope with the drinking behavior of peers. This course must be completed prior to arrival and/or move in on campus.

CONSENT AND RESPECT

With data from the National Institute of Justice showing one in five college women and one in sixteen men will experience some form of non-consensual sexual activity by graduation, the widespread impact of sexual violence on students presents an urgent and pressing challenge for our nation's campuses. In an effort to give incoming students the facts, Ottawa University requires all incoming students to take Consent and Respect, an online prevention course. This course must be completed prior to arrival and/or move in on campus.

Are You Insured?

We want to ensure that each student will be adequately covered for medical services and prescriptions. Your insurance must include nationwide coverage and cannot exclude intercollegiate sports.

Annually ALL new AND returning students will need to complete the health services link (<https://studentcenter.uhcsr.com/ottawaks>). Every student will need to enroll in or waive medical coverage for the 2020-21 academic year. Ottawa University is offering a medical policy if a student is currently non-insured or underinsured; fees do apply which may alter the student's financial arrangements.

IMPORTANT:

- Students will NOT be allowed to participate in activities or athletic practices until this process is complete. Fall athletes arriving on campus early must have it completed by the day they arrive.
- Financial clearance status may be altered should you enroll in Ottawa University health coverage. You MUST contact Accounts Receivable in order to verify any changes that may occur to your financial packaging.
- If the process has not been completed prior to midnight on Saturday, August 1, you will be responsible for payment of the premium for the health coverage.

ALL ABOUT IMMUNIZATIONS

Here are the guidelines for required vaccinations:

- All newly enrolled (or readmitted) students born on or after 1957 must show proof of two vaccinations for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR).
- All newly enrolled students must show proof of the meningitis vaccine (16 years of age and older) or a meningitis vaccine (prior to age 16) and a vaccine booster.
- International students and/or any student identified as high risk must have a tuberculosis (TB) skin test within three months prior to the start of courses or proof with a negative chest X-ray. Please be aware the student may be asked to complete subsequent screening and/or treatment and failure to do so will be considered a violation of this policy.

Submit all immunization records and exemption forms to the Office of Student Affairs, located in the Administration Building-Room 201. Questions and/or concerns about the immunization or insurance process can be directed to Sarah Sipple (sarah.sipple@ottawa.edu) in the Office of Student Affairs.

The Braves Fan Shop offers Verba Compare on its online bookstore. With Verba Compare you have the ability to compare other textbook vendor (i.e. Chegg, Amazon, etc.) prices against the Braves Fan Shop prices right on our website. You will be able to select the option that fits your needs, whether that is based on availability, price, or condition.

Don't forget that any books from the Braves Fan Shop allow you to make easy returns, same-day pick-up and guaranteed accuracy, as well as allow you to use your Book Advance (ask in-store for details).

**RESERVE YOUR BOOKS THROUGH
THE FAN SHOP BY JULY 24
AND RECEIVE A FREE T-SHIRT!**

TAKE A LOOK FOR YOURSELF

Go to the TEXTBOOKS link in the menu on the left.

1. Select GET TEXTBOOKS
2. Select the term, department, course, and section for each course.
3. Repeat these steps as many times as you like to select books for multiple courses.

*Only textbooks purchased from the Braves Fan Shop are eligible for a book advance and are guaranteed to be correct.

When ready, select "Begin Price Comparison." You will see the textbook title on the top left, along with the Braves Fan Shop pricing on the right. Beneath that pricing will be a list of alternate prices from other vendors.

You can then add the textbook, from a vendor of your choice, to your shopping cart. Regardless of which vendor you select, the items will appear in your cart. This allows you to complete the transaction, or continue shopping, without having to leave the Braves Fan Shop website.

If you have questions or run into issues, contact Sydnee Krueger, Director of Bookstore Operations & Student Orientation at 785-248-2312 or sydnee.krueger@ottawa.edu.

Returning Students

Be sure to bring your student ID back to campus with you. You will need it to access your residence hall, as well as your Dining Club Membership plan.

If you forget or lose your Braves Card, there is a \$25.00 replacement fee. Get your replacement card in the Office of Student Affairs (Admin Room 201).

You Have Mail

Your personal mailbox is located on the lower level of the Gangwish Library. The mail room ensures that all mail (letters and packages) is distributed daily, and allows you to retrieve your mail at any time during the building's hours of operation. A key will be issued to access your mailbox. Go to the Braves Fan Shop to pick up your mailbox key upon your arrival on campus.

Package delivery consists of you receiving an email notification for pick-up location and instructions. Some parcels will be placed in larger package mailboxes and a key will be placed in your personal mailbox. When retrieving your package, the corresponding key will remain in the door.

Your Braves Card

How do I use my Braves Card?

Your Braves Card has many functions, so it is important to NOT LOSE it. This important card is your key to campus. It is your:

- Student ID
- Dining Card (so you can eat in the Hetrick Bistro—it houses both Dining Dollars and Braves Cash)
- Access into your residence hall

In addition, it can be used for purchases on campus such as:

- Vending Machines
- Copies and Prints in the Copy Center and computer labs
- Bookstore / Braves Fan Shop items
- A la carte Items in the Hetrick Bistro (houses both your Dining Dollars and Braves Cash)
- Laundry Facilities within your residence hall.

The best part—you and your parent(s) both have the ability to add money onto your Braves Card by going to www.ottawa.edu/bravescard

Want Money?

Students interested in work study should check with the Office of Financial Aid to determine their eligibility. You may do this prior to arriving on campus.

Students must complete all required forms prior to working on campus. These include the I-9 (Employment Eligibility Verification), W-4 form, and K-4 withholding forms and the direct deposit authorization. You must have identification documents (not copies) with you. You may review the list of acceptable documents on the MyOttawa web portal. Click 'Work Study Resources' and the I-9 link. The information is on page three. Note that a document from Column A is sufficient; otherwise you must provide a document from both Column B and Column C. Be sure to bring your bank account information if you intend to use Direct Deposit, including routing/transit and account number.

Get Your Gear

Stock up on all of your favorite Braves gear before you even reach campus! Shop all the merchandise at:

<https://oubookstore.ottawa.edu>

Shop before you arrive on campus, and receive 20% off your entire order with the coupons code CAMP2020. This coupon expired at 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, September 1.

What are Dining Dollars?

These are funds (in correlation with your meal plans) that are automatically loaded on your Braves Card for use in the Gibson Student Center, Hetrick Bistro. Any unused funds are eliminated at the end of the academic year.

What is Braves Bucks?

This is the most flexible account on your Braves Card. These funds can be used throughout campus for print, copy, vending and laundry services, as well as in the Hetrick Bistro. Additional funds can easily be added to this account on your Braves Card in a variety of ways.

First is through the ADM in the Pelton Lounge of Gangwish Library.

Second, you may add funds online with no fees. Online transactions are performed at www.ottawa.edu/bravescard.

Third, your parents can go online and add funds through the same site. Your parents will need your email address in order to add funds to your account.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Orientation Leaders

KATELYN ALLEY Garnett, KS Junior	BRYNDEN GROW Hutchinson, KS Junior
MICAELA ALLEY Pearland, TX Junior	BOBBY HARSHAW Ottawa, KS Junior
JENNIFER ANTHONY Pea Ridge, AR Senior	TOMI-LYN HICKMAN Oskaloosa, KS Senior
ANDREA BEASLEY Kemp, TX Sophomore	BRYANNA HOUSER Arlington, TX Junior
RASHELLE BROWN Elgin, OK Senior	DANNY KING Friendswood, TX Senior
SYDNEY BROWN Mascoutah, IL Junior	OLIVIA KLOSTER Broomfield, CO Sophomore
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JOE CORBIN Gardner, KS Senior	KATIE MARTIN Topeka, KS Junior
JACK FAULKNER Omaha, NE Sophomore	LAWSON MEDLEN Ottawa, KS Sophomore
LAURA FREEMAN La Mirada, CA Junior	BRETT PERRY Kansas City, KS Junior
JORDAN FRITZ Gypsum, KS Junior	ALLISON RIVERS Gulfport, MS Senior
KAITLYN GEORGE Arlington, TX Junior	JASMIN ROYBAL Jenks, OK Sophomore
LORALEI GILBERT Eudora, KS Sophomore	ADIA VAUGHN Mesquite, TX Senior
LUKE GRAHAM Bixby, OK Junior	

Resident Assistants

TRAVIS ALVIS Morganton, NC Junior Martin Hall	NATE HAMILTON Ottawa, KS Junior Brown Hall	ABIGAIL MEYER Princeton, KS Senior Suites at Rock Creek
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ALYSSA GUZMAN San Antonio, TX Sophomore Brown Hall	LAWSON MEDLEN Ottawa, KS Sophomore Brown Hall	

Student Government Leaders

BRADY BRUNSON President Clinton, IA Senior	KAITLYN GEORGE Vice President Arlington, TX Junior	JAQUELINE CAREY Secretary Gardner, KS Junior	ALLISON RIVERS Treasurer Gulfport, MS Senior
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