purple prep
Dear Northwestern student,

(Doesn’t that have a nice ring to it?)

Because all new Wildcats have important choices to make and requirements to meet before coming to campus, we give you Purple Prep: Transfer Student Edition 2015 to use as a one-stop source of information and guidance this summer. Among the items covered:

- Applying for housing and selecting roommates
- Financial matters, including paying fall-quarter tuition
- Submission deadlines for health and immunization records
- Your Northwestern school’s unique academic prerequisites for fall
- Connecting to Northwestern’s computer network
- Optional programs before Wildcat Welcome

We urge you to peruse all of Purple Prep the same day you receive it. Commit to revisiting it often between now and September, as it will help guide you through the early stages of your transition to Northwestern. Updates, supplements, and other Prep follow-ups will be communicated over the summer via March to the Arch, the Office of New Student and Family Programs’ monthly e-newsletter. NSFP’s website—northwestern.edu/orientation—is a great online resource, with links to most everything transfer students and their families need to know. And a Facebook group for transfer students will be launching soon.

We’re planning 10 days of exciting activities for Wildcat Welcome 2015, which will begin on Friday, September 11, and conclude on Sunday, September 20. Until then, we wish you a marvelous and memorable summer.

Go ’Cats!

Patricia F. Hilkert, Director
Office of New Student and Family Programs

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<td>• Mail immunization and Admission Health Record forms.</td>
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<td>• Follow NUIT’s guidelines for computer buying and setup; install antivirus software and review University policies on responsible technology use; and install the Northwestern Mobile app suite on your mobile devices.</td>
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<td>• Upload I-20/DS-2019 request on CAESAR.*</td>
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<td>• Submit photo for Wildcard.</td>
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<td>• Complete health insurance Coverage Selection Form.</td>
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<td>• If participating, apply to your choice of pre–Wildcat Welcome programs.</td>
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*International students are required to apply for an I-20 or DS-2019 document to obtain an F-1 or J-1 student visa from a US embassy or consulate for entry and stay in the United States for study. Admitted international students should visit the “Student Visas” section of Northwestern’s International Office website, [northwestern.edu/international](https://northwestern.edu/international), for further information and guidance on completing an I-20 or DS-2019 request.*
## Checklist

### Transfer Purple Prep

### TO DO

#### IN AUGUST

- [ ] If receiving aid, complete loan applications and start following aid-related to-do list in CAESAR.  
  - Page: 6, 15  
  - Due Date: 8/31
- [ ] Register for International Student Orientation.  
  - Page: 39  
  - Due Date: 8/31
- [ ] Request in-room landline telephone service (optional).  
  - Page: 10  
  - Due Date: 9/1
- [ ] Pay fall tuition and fees.  
  - Page: 13–14  
  - Due Date: 9/1
- [ ] Complete Essential NU requirement: For the Record.  
  - Page: 37  
  - Due Date: 9/1
- [ ] Complete Essential NU requirement: AlcoholEdu.  
  - Page: 37  
  - Due Date: 9/1
- [ ] Read the One Book One Northwestern selection.  
  (Free copies will be shipped to students in August.)  
  - Page: 36  
  - Due Date: 9/11

#### IN SEPTEMBER

- [ ] Time any shipments of belongings to arrive on campus 9/11 or later.  
  - Page: 9  
  - Due Date: Ongoing
- [ ] Attend 9/9–9/11 International Student Orientation.  
  - Page: 33  
  - Due Date: 9/9
- [ ] Participate in all 10 days of Wildcat Welcome.  
  - Page: 35–36  
  - Due Date: 9/11–9/20
- [ ] Complete request form if changing meal plans.  
  - Page: 11  
  - Due Date: 10/2
- [ ] If eligible, register to receive AccessibleNU accommodations and services for fall quarter.  
  - Page: 16  
  - Due Date: 10/30

*Only for students in University-owned housing*  
*Only for international students*

### See pages 4–5 for additional action items required by your Northwestern school.

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**ALL EMAIL FROM NORTHWESTERN**

All email—from your school, academic and transfer peer advisers, the Office of New Student and Family Programs, etc.—is sent to one address only: your @u.northwestern.edu account. You are responsible for receiving, reading, and responding to all messages in a timely manner, so check for new mail every day!

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**HEADS UP!**

Northwestern will not be alerting you to approaching or missed deadlines this summer. Please rely on your own trusted method to keep track of all your due dates.
School-specific checklists

Additional tasks required by your Northwestern school are shown below:

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<td><strong>JUDD A. AND MARJORIE WEINBERG COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (pages 22–23)</strong></td>
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<td>☐ If not already done, request transmittal of the following to Northwestern’s registrar:&lt;br&gt;  ▪ official transcript of your final grades from your previous school&lt;br&gt;  ▪ AP/IB scores (if seeking AP/IB credit)</td>
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<td>☐ Complete any required or recommended online language placement exams.</td>
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<td>☐ If you’ll be visiting campus anytime before 9/11, you may call the Weinberg College advising office at 847-491-8916 to arrange to meet with a transfer student adviser; conferring with an adviser is mandatory before registering for courses.</td>
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<td>☐ If you’re not able to visit campus before 9/11, call 847-491-8916 to schedule a phone or Skype conference with an adviser or to schedule advising during Wildcat Welcome; conferring with an adviser is mandatory before registering for courses.</td>
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<td>☐ Compile syllabi from your previous courses and bring them with you to Wildcat Welcome.</td>
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| **SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION (pages 24–25)** | |
| ☐ If not already done, request transmittal of the following to Northwestern’s registrar:<br>  ▪ official transcript of your final grades from your previous school<br>  ▪ AP/IB scores (if seeking AP/IB credit) | 8/1 |
| ☐ Upon notification that your credits have posted to your Northwestern transcript, contact Kyla Katz (kyla.katz@northwestern.edu or 847-491-7214) to arrange for academic advising and course registration. | 8/1 |
| ☐ If applicable, complete the appropriate online language placement exam. | 7/31 |
| ☐ Complete the survey via a link at communication.northwestern.edu/welcome. | 8/15 |
| ☐ Check your Northwestern email account for messages from department advisers and explore communication.northwestern.edu/welcome. | Ongoing |

<p>| <strong>SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICY (page 26)</strong> | |
| ☐ Contact Susan Olson (<a href="mailto:susan-olson@northwestern.edu">susan-olson@northwestern.edu</a> or 847-491-4663) to be assigned to an adviser; then contact your adviser to discuss how your transfer credits will apply toward your SESP requirements. | ASAP |
| ☐ If not already done, request transmittal of the following to Northwestern’s registrar:&lt;br&gt;  ▪ official transcript of your final grades from your previous school&lt;br&gt;  ▪ AP/IB scores (if seeking AP/IB credit) | 8/1 |
| ☐ Complete any online placement/entrance exams and skills assessments as appropriate. | 7/31 |
| ☐ Complete the survey at surveymonkey.com/s/IncomingNewStudents2015. | 8/1 |
| ☐ Participate in SESP’s optional 8/13 webchat. (RSVP required by noon on 8/12.) | 8/12 |
| ☐ Explore sesp.northwestern.edu/ugrad/wildcat-welcome and join the SESP new student Facebook group (link to be emailed). | Ongoing |</p>
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  - AP/IB scores (if seeking AP/IB credit) | 7/31 |
| Submit documentation for transfer credit. | 7/31 |
| Purchase MATLAB software. | 7/31 |
| Explore mccormick.northwestern.edu/undergraduates/welcome. | Ongoing |

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| If applicable, complete the appropriate foreign language and other online placement/entrance exams and skills assessments. | 7/31 |
| Go to www.medill.northwestern.edu/tech-support/general-computing-info/index.html for technology tool purchasing guidelines. | 8/31 |
| Explore www.medill.northwestern.edu/experience/student-life. | Ongoing |

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<td>If applicable, complete the appropriate online placement/entrance exams in nonmusic subjects.</td>
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<td>Watch for and read the Bienen School’s mid-July email for new students.</td>
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<td>Join the Bienen School’s Facebook group (search for Bienen School Student Affairs).</td>
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Hail, CAESAR!

GET COMFORTABLE WITH CAESAR—SERIOUSLY!

CAESAR is Northwestern’s student portal. Because it’s used for just about everything from applying for housing and paying tuition to registering for classes and getting your grades, familiarity with how it works is a priceless asset. Important information for fully utilizing the system is at ses.northwestern.edu/student_help.htm. Test-drive CAESAR today!

Go to northwestern.edu/caesar

1 Click the CAESAR logo or the Home link to access your CAESAR home page. Later this summer the look of your home page will change as more menus and links become available as Wildcat Welcome approaches; these will enable you to register for classes, search final-exam schedules, view your University transcript, and manage other key information.

2 The Student Financial Services menu contains details about University charges, payment options, your financial aid, and steps to handle money matters online (see pages 13–14). Go to northwestern.edu/sfs/online_services/caesar_howto.html for step-by-step instructions.

3 Under Quick Links, the “Health Coverage Plan” link will become available by July 1. See page 17 for insurance-related information.

4 The Personal Profile menu allows you to add guest users such as a parent or guardian (see page 13) and view and update your user preferences this summer. Later you will be able to update mailing addresses via this menu.

5 Click “Search for Classes” to browse through fall-quarter course offerings. See ses.northwestern.edu/documentation/SC_Class_Search_Tip_Sheet_v9.pdf for helpful tips on searching for classes.
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Living at Northwestern

On-campus housing

HOUSING OPTIONS
University-owned housing provides more than a place to live. Professional staff, resident assistants (RAs), and residential leaders work together to create vibrant social communities that support the academic and personal goals of residents. Students in each building elect a governing body that plans events and activities that generate student interaction and connection to the larger Northwestern community. Residence halls, residential colleges, and residential communities accommodate from 25 to nearly 600 students, with options that include coed, single-sex, first-year-only, and mixed-year living arrangements. Please visit northwestern.edu/living/housing-options/undergrad-housing/index.html to find detailed descriptions of all housing options.

Residence halls
There are 13 traditional residence halls on campus, some with as few as 25 students and others with room for nearly 600. Each building has its own distinct character, spirit, and advantages, and its resident assistants and Residence Hall Association leaders plan programs that encourage residents to feel welcome, socialize, and achieve their academic goals.

Residential colleges
Northwestern’s 11 residential colleges range in size from 40 to nearly 300 students. Some have a single unifying theme—international studies, for example; others are multithematic. Each college is headed by a faculty member who serves as the faculty master. Masters and student officers recruit faculty members for the fellows program, which supports faculty involvement in the colleges through shared meals, presentations known as “firesides,” and activities on campus and in Chicago. In addition, fellows routinely lead small credit-bearing seminars just for college members and mentor residents through a specially funded research assistant program.

Residential communities
Northwestern has two residential communities—one at Allison Hall and the other at Elder Hall—that offer student engagement opportunities, student-driven programming, and a unique Faculty-in-Residence Program. Participating faculty members interact with student residents in meaningful and enriching ways, providing guidance, helping students gain access to resources, and building community by hosting gatherings that promote learning and social interaction.
HOUSING PREPAYMENT
New students must submit their non-refundable $200 housing prepayment before they can access the online housing contract. The housing pre-payment is due immediately. To pay, first activate your NetID and password, wait 24 hours, and then log in to CAESAR and follow the prompts. If you need assistance, go to ses.northwestern.edu/student_help.htm > “Student Financial Services Information” > “Making Tuition & Housing Prepayments.” Any guests you add to CAESAR may also make the prepayment.

HOUSING CONTRACT
After your housing prepayment has been made, Residential Services will email you when you may access the online housing contract, which requires using your NetID and password to log in at https://rms.resservices.northwestern.edu. The deadline for submitting the completed contract is 21 days following your first access. You may modify your contract anytime prior to officially submitting it. By submitting the contract, you agree to abide by Northwestern’s Residence and Board Contract Rules and Regulations, posted on the Residential Services website under “Policies.”

Choice of roommate
You have three options for completing the roommate section of the housing contract:

- If you already have a roommate in mind, request the person by name on the contract. Your intended roommate must do the same—that is, request you on his or her contract. You’ll need to devise and specify a roommate pull-in pass-code at https://rms.resservices.northwestern.edu to enable Residential Services to honor the request and expedite your room selection.

- If you haven’t identified a roommate but would like to choose one, you have the option to use the Facebook-based RoomSync app. (A Facebook account is required.) To start your roommate search, go to apps.facebook.com/roomsync and use the access code provided by Residential Services in a mid-May

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMPUS
For guidance on preparing your packing checklist, see northwestern.edu/living/about-us/faq/packing.

SHIPPING ITEMS IN ADVANCE
Residential Services has partnered with the University and Student Services Ship-to-Your-Room program to offer a cost-effective, convenient, and reliable way to ship your belongings ahead of time. USS will accept your boxes as early as August 1, store them at its warehouse, and transport them to campus before you arrive for Wildcat Welcome. For details go to universityandstudentservices.com/northwesternuniversity.html.

Please note that Residential Services will not accept package deliveries by mail, UPS, FedEx, etc., before September 11. Please visit northwestern.edu/living/services/mail for full guidelines.
email message. Once you have identified and successfully “synced” with a roommate, the roommate’s name is automatically uploaded to your housing contract. You’ll need to devise and specify a roommate pull-in passcode at https://rms.resservices.northwestern.edu to enable Residential Services to expedite your room selection.

- If you do not have a roommate in mind and would rather not use RoomSync, Residential Services will randomly match you with a roommate based on the room and roommate preferences you provide on the housing contract.

Note that some students change their plans and decide not to enter Northwestern, resulting in partially assigned rooms. Should your room be affected, you’ll be notified by email that you have been assigned a new roommate, which may entail relocating to a different room or residence.

For more information on the housing application and selection process, go to northwestern.edu/living/housing-assignments/contract-now/new-students. If you have any questions, please contact Residential Services at 847-467-4663 or freshman-housing@northwestern.edu.

**Room selection**
From June 29 through July 17, students self-select their rooms according to priority numbers assigned by Residential Services. Please keep in mind that when assigning these numbers, Residential Services gives preference to students who indicate their confirmed roommate on their housing contract. Early or Regular Decision status is not a factor in housing decisions.

**IN-ROOM LANDLINE OPTION**
In-room landline telephone service is available by special request only. Refer to the Student Telephone Quick Reference Guide at it.northwestern.edu/rts/teleqr.html for answers to questions about service features and costs. For more information or to sign up for service by the September 1 deadline for fall quarter, email housing@northwestern.edu.

**MOVE-IN DAY**
All students will check in, receive their room keys, and begin moving into their residences at specified times between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. on September 11. *It is not an option to move in earlier.* (Only international students and others in mandatory programs are permitted to do so.) Students arriving on campus directly from the airport—without a car to unload, with hand luggage only—may move in anytime after 8 a.m.

**Move-in permit**
Because parking near student residences is extremely limited, the University issues time-specific unloading/move-in permits for use on move-in day. *You may check in and park/unload your car only at the time issued on your permit.*

A late-summer issue of the March to the Arch e-newsletter will include instructions for signing up for a move-in permit online, specifying your preferred unloading time, and printing out the permit. On move-in day the printout must be displayed on the dashboard while your vehicle is parked, and you must move your car by the end of your unloading time. Longer-term parking will be available in designated lots on campus.
MEAL PLANS
Three meal plan options are available. All include Wildcat Points to use at restaurants and cafés on campus. The Weekly 14 meal plan comes standard with your housing contract.

Weekly 13 Plan
- 13 meals per week each quarter
- 2 guest meal passes per quarter (included on your Wildcard)
- Unused meals expire each week, and the plan resets to 13 on Sundays.

Weekly 14 Plan
- 14 meals per week each quarter
- Up to 3 of each week’s 14 meals are “meal exchanges,” which may be used to purchase “bundles” from select restaurants and cafés on campus.
- 2 guest meal passes per quarter (included on your Wildcard)
- Unused meals expire each week, and the plan resets to 14 on Sundays.

Unlimited Plan
- As much breakfast, lunch, and dinner as you want
- 2 guest meal passes per quarter (included on your Wildcard)
- Unlimited entry at all dining halls, including late nights at Foster-Walker Complex

Additional meal plans are available for qualifying students and students not living on campus.

Go to dining.northwestern.edu for complete information—including all meal plan rates; dining hall, restaurant, and café locations and hours; menus, and nutrition information. You may also send questions to food@northwestern.edu or call 847-491-2020.

You may change your plan only once per quarter by submitting a Meal Plan Change Form on the website or in person at the University Food Services Office at 2122 Sheridan Road, room J147. Fall quarter’s deadline for changing meal plans is October 2.

Dining halls can accommodate students requesting vegan, vegetarian, kosher, or halal meals. Information about nutrients and allergens is displayed in the halls. Students with questions about food—such as gluten-free or other special diets—may contact the on-campus registered dietitian at diet-food@northwestern.edu.

Meal plan access
You may start using the dining halls after receiving your Wildcard (or temporary card) at your assigned Wildcat Welcome Center on move-in day.
The Wildcard is the official identification card for every student, faculty member, and staff member at Northwestern. Secure, convenient, and easy to use, Wildcard lets you do all of the following and more:

- Access your meal plan.
- Check out University Library materials and pay for copying/printing.
- Use campus shuttles and athletic facilities for free.
- Get free or discounted admission to sports events, concerts, plays, films, and lectures on campus.
- Add Cat Cash to your card to use at convenience stores on campus.
- Get Wildcard Advantage discounts at local businesses.
- Link it to a U.S. Bank account to use it as an ATM/debit card.

Learn more about Wildcard at [northwestern.edu/uservices/wildcard/new-students.html](http://northwestern.edu/uservices/wildcard/new-students.html).

**GETTING YOUR WILDCARD**

To have your Wildcard ready and waiting for pickup when you arrive for Wildcat Welcome, go to [northwestern.edu/uservices/wildcard/get_a_card/photo-submission.html](http://northwestern.edu/uservices/wildcard/get_a_card/photo-submission.html) and upload your photo by **August 1**. On move-in day, just bring your driver’s license, state ID, current passport, or other government-issued photo ID to your assigned Wildcat Welcome Center (locations noted on the map on page 47) to get your Wildcard. If you will be living off campus, you can get your card during the special check-in/orientation session for new students living off campus (see page 35 for more details).

Students who miss the photo submission deadline will have time during Wildcat Welcome to visit the Wildcard Office on Norris University Center’s underground level to have their photo taken and their Wildcard issued. Office hours during Wildcat Welcome:

- 9/11 8:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
- 9/12 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- 9/13 11 a.m.–3 p.m.
- 9/14–9/17 8:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
- 9/18 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
- 9/19 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

You may also get your card if you visit campus before Wildcat Welcome. Please call the Wildcard Office at 847-467-6843 before you stop in.

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**SUBMIT YOUR WILDCARD PHOTO BY AUGUST 1**

**What makes a photo acceptable?**

- It’s a 600 x 600 pixel (or bigger) JPG.
- It’s recent.
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**What doesn’t work?**

- Hats, sunglasses, or other items obscuring your eyes or face
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- Senior portraits or high school yearbook photos
BANKING WITH YOUR WILDCARD

U.S. Bank has the only bank branch and ATMs on campus, and it’s the only bank that can be linked to your Wildcard. By having a U.S. Bank checking account, you can avoid paying ATM fees on campus and take advantage of U.S. Bank’s many convenient services.

During Wildcat Welcome, U.S. Bank staff on campus will be available to open accounts or assist you with any questions. Students are welcome to apply online for an account at usbank.com/northwestern. From this website you can also print a U.S. Bank checking account application to complete and bring with you to campus.

Money matters

YOUR NORTHWESTERN STUDENT ACCOUNT

Your student account is the means by which you are billed for what you owe Northwestern, including tuition costs, room and board charges, and fees and fines. Information in addition to what follows is available on the Student Financial Services website—northwestern.edu/sfs—or by contacting the Office of Student Accounts in the Student Financial Services Center at studentaccounts-ev@northwestern.edu or 847-491-5224.

ACCOUNT ACCESS PERMISSIONS

Federal privacy law requires that Northwestern not share information in a student’s account without his or her permission. It is strongly recommended that students give guest access to one or both parents or guardians. A student gives permission by managing guest access in CAESAR (see page 6): Log in with your NetID and password, choose “Manage Guest Access” from the Personal Profile menu, and click the “Add Guest” button. Permission may be given to authorize your guest to do any of the following:

- View real-time daily account updates (“View My Account”)
- Make secure online payments (“View or Pay Tuition Bill”)
- Apply for the 9PAY installment plan and make payments.
- View or print a 1098-T statement.
- Submit housing prepayment via the “Make Deposit (Housing/Tuition)” option. This option may be used only before the first regular monthly bill is received. It confirms that a newly admitted student intends to reside in University housing and applies the $200 housing prepayment to the student’s account.

CAT CASH

One way to make your on-campus purchases more convenient is to load your Wildcard with Cat Cash. The amount you load is charged to either your student account in CAESAR or a credit card, and $25 is all it takes to get started. Because you can use Cat Cash wherever it’s accepted on campus—to buy snacks or meals, for example—the Wildcard in your pocket can be just as good as—or even better—than cash.
The process of adding a guest includes creating an authorization phrase. The guest will use this phrase (on the phone, for example) when speaking with Student Accounts staff, who may then share specific information about the student’s account.

The guest is emailed a GuestID (generated by CAESAR), but the case-sensitive password also needed to log in to CAESAR must come from the student. A guest uses the GuestID and password to log in to CAESAR and selects from the preauthorized choices. See northwestern.edu/sfs/payments/guest_access.html for more information.

If the guest loses or forgets the password, the student can reset it in CAESAR using the “Guest Center” menu. The guest may also reset the password or retrieve a forgotten GuestID by going to the CAESAR login page and clicking “Trouble logging in?” > “I am the parent or guardian of a student” > “Proceed to Reset Your Password.”

BILLS AND PAYMENTS
It is advisable to set your bill-delivery preferences and authorize any guest payers before fall tuition and fees are due. See northwestern.edu/sfs/payments/about.html for information about bill-delivery methods.

You should verify your permanent address and bill-delivery preferences by August 8 to meet the deadline for the August billing cycle. Log in to CAESAR with your NetID and password, and from the Student Financial Services menu choose “View or Pay Tuition Bill” > “User Preferences.”

QuikPAY—Northwestern’s preferred method of billing—allows you to view, print, and securely pay your tuition bill online. You may request that your bill also be sent by US mail by changing your QuikPAY user preferences. Regardless of the method of bill delivery, payments may be made online or by mail.

By mid-August you will be notified via your Northwestern email address that your tuition has been billed for the fall quarter. If you have selected paper billing, the bill will be mailed to the permanent address listed under “My Addresses” in the Personal Profile menu in CAESAR.

Fall tuition is due September 1. Always allow two business days for electronic payments via CAESAR or five business days for payments by mail. See northwestern.edu/sfs/payments/dates.html.

Although tuition is billed quarterly, other charges such as Cat Cash, library fines, etc., may be billed to your student account at any time. An invoice may generate as often as monthly if there is a balance or any new activity on the account.

9PAY INSTALLMENT PLAN
Northwestern’s 9PAY installment plan allows you to pay what you owe to Northwestern for the academic year (tuition, fees, room and board charges, miscellaneous student charges, etc.) on a monthly basis over nine months (July 1–March 1) instead of in large lump sums at the start of each quarter. There are no finance or interest charges; the only cost is the $50 non-refundable application fee.

Estimating what you owe
The first 9PAY installment is due July 1. When you complete your 9PAY application, you may use the average charges below to help you estimate expenses for 2015–16 and calculate the total amount you owe:

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Actual room and board charges will vary by room assignment and meal plan and may include additional charges for social dues. *Any difference between estimated charges and credits and actual charges may be paid upon receipt of each quarter's tuition and fees invoice.*

For complete 9PAY application instructions, see northwestern.edu/sfs/payments/9PAY.

**FINANCIAL AID**
Northwestern offers financial assistance to students on the basis of need. The Undergraduate Financial Aid Office’s website, undergradaid.northwestern.edu, provides an overview of the application process, a list of frequently asked questions, a college-cost calculator, and other resources.

Staff will be in email contact with students during the summer regarding their loan applications and any information needed to finalize awards. All students applying for aid should check their CAESAR accounts regularly. Anticipated aid will be reflected on the August invoice.

If you have questions about how your financial aid affects your bill, or if you wish to explore the possibility of financial aid and would like information beyond that provided on the website, please call 847-491-7400 or send an email to undergradaid@u.northwestern.edu.

Note that if you are eligible for Federal Work-Study employment, you are required to provide proof of identification, such as a US passport, Social Security card, or birth certificate, at the time of hire.

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**Your health**

**IMMUNIZATIONS AND HEALTH RECORDS**
As a Northwestern student, you are required by Illinois law and Northwestern regulations to show proof of immunizations and to complete an Admission Health Record form. No physical exam is required.

All incoming undergraduates are required to complete the Admission Health Record for Non-Healthcare Students. *Note that this requirement is not related to student health insurance coverage (see page 17).* To review the health requirements and access the form, go to northwestern.edu/healthservice-evanston, choose New Incoming Students on the navigation bar, and select “Entrance Health Requirements” from the drop-down menu. (For most students these are one-time-only requirements; exceptions include students who go on to a graduate or professional program at Northwestern.) All information requested is kept confidential and is for Health Service use only; it can neither be released without the student’s written consent nor be used to discriminate, deny healthcare, or affect admission status.

The Admission Health Record form and proof of immunizations should be mailed on or before July 1 to the address shown on the form. Students completing series vaccinations and those receiving Health Service notification of deficiencies will be allowed more time. Students who do not rectify all deficiencies within the first 30 days after classes begin will be unable to register for, drop, or add courses until compliant and will be assessed a nonrefundable $100 late fee. Please make copies of...
your completed records and bring them to campus for your reference.

For additional information, see “Health Requirements FAQ” under “New Incoming Students” on the Health Service website or call 847-491-2117 or 847-491-2203.

ACCESSIBLENU
Northwestern University and the AccessibleNU Center work to provide a learning and community environment that affords full participation, equal access, and reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities and other conditions.

*It is the responsibility of the student to register with ANU in order to qualify for reasonable accommodations.* If you have a condition such as a physical disability, severe food allergy, or a diagnosed psychological condition, please visit [northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/students/considering-registering/intake-and-registration](http://northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/students/considering-registering/intake-and-registration) to learn more about the process of registering with ANU; if you do not register, you are not entitled to services or accommodations.

An incoming student with a verified condition who requires additional time to complete an online exam this summer should register with ANU remotely before taking the exam.

If you received accommodations or services at your previous school and decide to try taking Northwestern courses without them, ANU advises you to provide confirmation of your condition nevertheless. That way, ANU can easily provide services if accommodations are needed later.

To be considered an active student registered with ANU and entitled to accommodations or services, you must complete the following steps:

- Submit appropriate verification of your disability to the ANU Center. Guidelines are posted at [northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/students/considering-registering/documentation-guidelines](http://northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/students/considering-registering/documentation-guidelines).
- Meet for an intake appointment with an ANU staff member.
- Sign the agreement detailing the accommodations that will be provided to you.

ANU maintains confidentiality of information; records in ANU files are housed only in the ANU Center and are not part of a student’s academic file. See the confidentiality policy at [northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/about-us/mission-values/confidentiality](http://northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/about-us/mission-values/confidentiality).

COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES
With a professional staff comprising psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers, Northwestern’s Counseling and Psychological Services offers core mental health services that include one-on-one counseling sessions, psychotherapy groups, psychiatric and medication consultation, educational programs, crisis intervention, and off-campus...
referrals when appropriate. Full-time enrolled students may receive up to 12 sessions with a CAPS therapist at no cost, and a CAPS therapist is on call 24/7 year-round for emergencies.

Before coming to campus, it is important for students to have a plan for maintaining their emotional and mental health in their first year at Northwestern. To receive guidance over the summer, students and their families are encouraged to set up a phone or in-person consultation with a CAPS staff member by calling 847-491-2151 during regular business hours.

**STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE**
Northwestern requires all full-time students to be covered by a comprehensive health insurance plan—either the 2015–16 NU-sponsored plan or a qualifying private plan that covers you in Illinois. International students (F-1 or J-1 US visa holders) will be automatically enrolled in the NU-sponsored plan; all other students must complete the online student health insurance Coverage Selection Form, accessible through CAESAR (see page 6) as of July 1 and due by October 1. Please note that GuestID users do not have access to the form.

Detailed information about the 2015–16 NU-sponsored student health insurance plan and private health insurance requirements will be announced in a summer issue of *March to the Arch*, with follow-up information to be sent to your Northwestern email account in mid- to late summer and early fall.

*Note that the Student Health Insurance Office is completely separate from the Health Service. Please do not mistakenly submit the health record form and proof of immunizations (described on page 15) to the insurance office.*
Technology

Technology tools and resources—computers, NetIDs, email, mobile devices, campus networks, web-based collaboration services, etc.—and digital security are essential parts of your daily life as a Northwestern student. Complete the seven steps described here, and go to it.northwestern.edu and click “Students” to find out how Northwestern University Information Technology (NUIT) can help you make the most of technology resources.

**NUIT’S SEVEN STEPS TO GET CONNECTED**

1. **Activate your NetID:**
   - Go to northwestern.edu/login.
   - Use your activation code to activate your NetID.
   - Set your NetID password.
   - Choose security questions for password-resetting purposes.
     (Whenever you forget your password, follow the steps at nuvalidate.northwestern.edu.)
   - Activate your @u.northwestern.edu email account.

2. **Access your @u.northwestern.edu account for email and more.**
   Log in at http://u.northwestern.edu to start using all the great features of your account.

3. **Get a computer and software.**
   NUIT’s minimum hardware suggestions are at it.northwestern.edu/hardware, and lots of discounted software is available at it.northwestern.edu/software/students. Just click the software title for information or click “Download” or “Order” to save it to your computer.

4. **Download antivirus software.**
   Protecting your computer is essential, so be sure to install the University antivirus software provided at it.northwestern.edu/software/sav.

5. **Connect to the Northwestern network when you get to campus.**
   Bring a 25-foot network cable for the best network connection in student residences.

6. **Set up your mobile devices.**
   Connect smartphones and tablets to email, the Northwestern wireless network, and much more by following the instructions at it.northwestern.edu/mobility.

7. **Get help from the IT Support Center.**
   Go to it.northwestern.edu/supportcenter, and watch step-by-step walkthroughs at youtube.com/user/nuitcommunications.

**NORTHWESTERN MOBILE**

Install the University’s application suite on your mobile device for real-time access to University news and events, campus maps, shuttle tracker, library resources, the online directory, and more. Get the app by searching for “Northwestern” on iTunes or Google Play, or visit it.northwestern.edu/mobility/northwesternmobile.
SEVEN STEPS TO GET CONNECTED

Step 1: Activate your NetID.
Activate your Northwestern NetID and email account as soon as possible to access the University’s network, your student account in CAESAR, course management tools, and other essential services that you’ll start using this summer. Your NetID and activation code were mailed to you with your acceptance letter.

Step 2: Access your Northwestern email account. This account is a primary mode of communication between you and the University from now on. It gives you access to your email and a range of productivity and social networking tools, such as calendaring, instant messaging, document applications, and much more, all powered by Google Apps for Education. Be sure to keep track of your email password (distinct from your NetID password) for setting up your account on your smartphone and other mobile devices.

Step 3: Get a computer and software. NUIT provides minimum hardware recommendations for Mac and Windows machines. Your school or program may have additional requirements. Northwestern also offers selected software products at competitive prices, including some that are free for download.

Step 4: Download antivirus software. To connect to the wireless network on campus, your computer must be virus-free and should have the latest antivirus and anti-malware definitions and software updates. Before coming to campus or as soon as possible, download and install the University-provided antivirus software. It is the responsibility of every Northwestern student to use the University’s electronic resources in a safe, secure, and legal way. You are expected to review and abide by the University’s responsible-use policies and guidelines.

Step 5: Connect to the network. All student residences offer wired and wireless Internet access, and no matter where you are on campus, a computer lab is never far away. For access to certain services and the best connection for streaming media or gaming in your student residence, bring a 25-foot ethernet cable. And if you bring a printer (even a wireless one), bring a USB cable to connect your computer in your room. It is against University policy to install your own wireless network, and routers and network extenders are strictly prohibited.

Step 6: Set up your mobile devices. NUIT offers instructions for setting up your iPhone, Android, and other devices to access your Northwestern email and calendar, the University’s wireless network, a secure virtual private network, and more. Cellular coverage is widely available on campus, and student residences are specially equipped to enhance the signals from cellular carriers.

Step 7: Get help from the IT Support Center. Contact the center at 847-491-HELP (4357), submit a help request online, or go to the NUIT website for more ways to get support. NUIT also offers many easy-to-follow instructional YouTube videos. On-site help will be available during Wildcat Welcome, and in-person support is available all year for virus and connectivity issues. The IT Support Center can’t fix hardware problems or reinstall operating systems, but it can help you find a repair service, including the Apple Store at the Norris Center Bookstore. You can also follow student support consultants @NU1HELP on Twitter to get technology tips and tech news.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SERVICE
Communication devices are readily available throughout student residences for 911 access.

WORK FOR NUIT
NUIT is always hiring students for Support Center and other technology-related staff positions. For information about student jobs—including those that are work-study eligible—go to the “Come work for us!” link at it.northwestern.edu.
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Academic prerequisites

This chapter covers the academic requirements you should fulfill before you come to campus. Key action items for all transfer students (selected from the master checklist on pages 2–3) are reiterated on this page; for school-specific prerequisites, refer to your school’s checklist on pages 4–5 and your school’s section in this chapter.

Musts for all transfer students

If you have not already done so, please have your final college transcript sent immediately to Northwestern’s Office of Undergraduate Admission. The transcript must include one full year of undergraduate study.

If you have not already done so, contact the AP/IB testing service to request that it send Northwestern a copy of your official AP grade report and/or IB transcript. If your AP/IB test scores qualify, you may be awarded credits toward your Northwestern degree. Information about how scores are processed is on the registrar’s website at registrar.northwestern.edu/graduation/advanced_placement_and_ib.html. See your school’s website to learn how AP/IB credits can apply toward your degree. IB results should be requested by mid-July; AP reports should be requested by August 1. If you miss those deadlines, follow the instructions on the website noted earlier to alert the registrar and to ensure that the credit posts in CAESAR, and bring a copy of your scores to campus for use in advising meetings.

Take any required or recommended foreign language placement exams by July 31. Whether you should take an exam will depend on your AP/IB scores, previous study, and foreign language proficiency level. If you have received credit for less than two years of language instruction at your previous school(s), you are strongly encouraged to take the proficiency exam in that language to verify appropriate placement. See northwestern.edu/IncomingStudents/orientation/exams/placement-exams.html and follow any specific instructions included in your school’s section in the following pages. If you still have questions, you may speak with a Weinberg College adviser (see page 23). A student with a documented condition who requires accommodations to complete exams should register with the AccessibleNU Center; see page 16.

Review the credit evaluation you receive from the registrar’s office. (For a sample evaluation, see the relevant PDF at weinberg.northwestern.edu/Handbook/transfer/index.html.) This summary shows the total number of credits accepted from your former school, the corresponding Northwestern course numbers, and your progress toward meeting the University’s undergraduate registration requirement.

Finish reading the 2015–16 One Book One Northwestern selection before coming to campus. See the sidebar on page 36 and learn more about the initiative at northwestern.edu/OneBook.

Include the March to the Arch e-newsletter in your required reading. It is the official source of any updates, revisions, and supplements to information printed in Purple Prep: Transfer Edition 2015.
Judd A. and Marjorie Weinberg
College of Arts and Sciences

WELCOME TO WEINBERG—where students prepare to lead lives of significance! We are delighted that you’ll be joining us. To help you prepare for fall, this section outlines tasks that must be completed this summer and the resources available to help you.

- If you haven’t already done so, request immediate transmittal of your official transcript of your final grades from your previous school to Northwestern’s registrar.
- Visit weinberg.northwestern.edu/handbook/transfer/index.html and start familiarizing yourself with its content.

AP/IB AND TRANSFER CREDIT
If you achieved qualifying scores on any AP/IB or A-Level exams, you may be awarded course credit and/or skip introductory courses in some subjects at Northwestern. To find out how much AP/IB credit you may be awarded and which fall courses correspond to your placement level in specific subjects, use the “AP Credits and Course Suggestions” document at wcas.nu/exams-credit. If you plan to use your AP/IB scores toward course credit or placement, request transmittal of your official AP/IB score report to Northwestern’s registrar.

You should also request that your final college transcript with your last semester/quarter grades be sent to the University registrar. Because credits may not appear on your record immediately (depending on how quickly your former school processes your transcript request), please bring your final grade report to your initial Weinberg College advising appointment. Questions about the application of AP/IB and transfer credits will be answered by your Weinberg College adviser before you register this summer. For questions that can’t wait until then, please email wcas-adviser@northwestern.edu.

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM
If you have not fulfilled the Weinberg College requirement of two years (or the equivalent) of college-level study of a foreign language, you may have to take a proficiency exam to determine the course level at which you should continue your studies at Northwestern. Go to weinberg.northwestern.edu/advising/degree/language to find contact information for the placement coordinator in the language you plan to take, and call or email that person for more information.

WEINBERG COLLEGE ADVISERS
Weinberg College advisers are available for in-person, phone, or Skype conferences throughout the summer; please call 847-491-8916 to schedule an appointment. In early September you’ll be assigned to a permanent Weinberg College adviser who will continue to work with you until you graduate. Once you arrive for Wildcat Welcome, you’ll meet with your adviser to review your fall schedule and discuss any pressing questions. Your peer adviser (a former transfer student) also will be in touch with you by email.

FALL COURSE SELECTION AND REGISTRATION
As a transfer student, you will receive an appointed registration time in mid-August. Before registering, however, you must confer with a Weinberg College adviser who will review your transfer credits, any AP/IB scores, and other information with you.

Because this initial conference can be lengthy, it’s ideal to visit campus over the summer to meet with your adviser in person. If this is not possible, please call the Weinberg College advising office at 847-491-8916 to schedule a phone or Skype conference.
TRANSFER CREDIT QUESTIONS
You’ll be notified of how your previous coursework applies to Weinberg College degree requirements by the transfer credit articulation letter sent by the University registrar. Visit weinberg.northwestern.edu /handbook/transfer/index.html and click on “Credit Evaluation” for tips on deciphering the credit evaluation form. You may discuss any questions you have when you meet with a Weinberg College adviser; send any urgent questions to wcas-adviser@northwestern.edu.

If you’ve already completed coursework in the field of your intended major, you may wish to discuss your placement in major courses with a departmental adviser; see the list of links at weinberg .northwestern.edu/undergraduate /majors/departmental-contact -information.html. Departmental advisers often ask to see syllabi and/or reading lists from previous coursework in order to determine your course level, so be prepared to supply this documentation.
School of Communication

WELCOME TO SoC!
The SoC faculty and staff are excited to welcome transfer students to our school’s five departments: communication studies, communication sciences and disorders, performance studies, radio/television/film, and theatre. We look forward to meeting you and getting the academic year off to a great start.

STUDENT RESOURCE CENTER
Located on the fifth floor of the Music and Communication Building, the SoC Student Resource Center is the main office for SoC’s student affairs and academic advising staff, who are headed by

- Sally Ewing, associate dean for undergraduate programs
- Kyla Katz, director of advising and student affairs

A good starting point for finding answers to your questions is the SoC website for new students: communication.northwestern.edu/welcome. The website includes a link to an online survey that you should complete after you have received any applicable language placement exam results. If you have other questions over the summer, please contact us by phone at 847-491-7214 or by email at dear-soc@northwestern.edu.

AP/IB AND TRANSFER CREDIT
SoC course credits earned by AP/IB scores appear in the table found under “AP/IB Exams and Credits” on society.northwestern.edu/student_resource_center/requirements. If you have questions, please email us at dear-soc@northwestern.edu.

Also, be sure that your previous institution submits your final transcript with your most recent semester/quarter grades. Northwestern’s registrar generates a transfer credit articulation letter that summarizes how your previous academic work will apply to your Northwestern degree. If you have any questions about this initial evaluation of your transcript, please talk to an academic adviser in your SoC department. If you have questions, please email us at dear-soc@northwestern.edu.

TRANSFER STUDENT ADVISING
Transfer students in each department should contact Kyla Katz (kyla.katz@northwestern.edu or 847-491-7214) as soon as possible after receiving the registrar’s summary of transfer credit. Following preliminary academic advising during the summer, transfer students will be able to register for fall classes before Wildcat Welcome begins. All new students will be able to meet with an adviser individually before registering. For SoC academic advising staff contact information, go to society.northwestern.edu/advising.

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM
Language requirements for SoC students vary by bachelor’s degree program (BA or BS) and major.

All students completing a BA in any SoC department and all students completing a major in communication studies or radio/television/film must achieve foreign language proficiency equivalent to the sixth-quarter course at Northwestern.

For incoming transfer students who intend to pursue a language they’ve previously studied, placement at the appropriate course level is based on AP scores and/or Northwestern language placement exams; the
applicable online language placement exam must be completed by **July 31**. For more information about placement exams, see [northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams](http://northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams). Northwestern's Council on Language Instruction offers a helpful brochure at [cli.northwestern.edu](http://cli.northwestern.edu).

**Dance placement**

Students who plan to enroll in dance classes beyond the beginner's level should take the dance placement test in the Marjorie Ward Marshall Dance Center during Wildcat Welcome. The date will be announced.

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

It takes a total of 45 credits to earn an SoC bachelor's degree, and most courses count for one full credit each. For an overview of degree requirements, visit [society.northwestern.edu/student_resource_center/requirements](http://society.northwestern.edu/student_resource_center/requirements).

Each SoC major has distinct course requirements, but all require 18 courses outside the major. These 18 courses, called distribution requirements, fall into three areas:

- math, science, and technology
- individual and social behavior
- humanities and fine arts

As you'll discover, many courses can apply to your distribution requirements.

A normal full-time course load is four full-credit classes per quarter (fall, winter, spring). Enrolling in three full-credit classes also constitutes full-time status, but to stay on track to graduate, most students have to take four courses per quarter most of the time.
School of Education and Social Policy

WELCOME TO SESP!
The advising staff, based in the SESP Student Affairs Office in Annenberg Hall, will work with you as you face the opportunities and transitions to come. With SESP staff and peer advisers by your side, you can expect to have an excellent experience as a student in our school and at Northwestern.

Your academic and peer advisers will contact you by email in the weeks ahead. If you have questions before then, contact Susan Olson, assistant dean for SESP student affairs, at susan-olson@northwestern.edu.

AP/IB CREDIT
If you took AP/IB exams, your credits may count toward your degree. The AP/IB credit policies set by Weinberg College apply to SESP students—except for the SESP provision that allows AP/IB credit to count for up to 7 distribution requirement credits (earned by taking courses outside your SESP concentration). Specifics about scores on each exam that qualify for credit and how the credit is applied are posted at sesp.northwestern.edu/ugrad/wildcat-welcome/ap-credit.html.

Northwestern posts AP and IB credit to incoming students’ records in late summer. So long as you know your scores, you’ll be able to plan your fall-quarter course schedule.

TRANSFER STUDENT ADVISING
You’ll meet with your SESP academic adviser either in person or by phone this summer. Academic advisers work with the SESP Student Affairs staff, who include the following:

- Susan Olson, assistant dean for student affairs and adviser to human development and psychological services (HDPS) students
- Nathan Frideres, practicum director and certificate in civic engagement coordinator
- Meg Kreuser, adviser to secondary teaching students and manager of teaching certification and licensure
- Ken Powers, adviser to social policy (SOC POL) students
- Megan Redfearn, adviser to learning and organizational change (LOC) students
- Camille Irvine and Gloria Hernandez, program assistants

Staff photos and contact information are at www.sesp.northwestern.edu/common/people/staff/sa.

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM
Your SESP degree program does not require any courses in subjects for which a placement exam is a prerequisite. However, if you expect to take courses in a previously studied foreign language, you should take the relevant online placement exam by July 31. Additional information is available at northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams.

COURSE REGISTRATION
You’ll work one-on-one with SESP advisers over the summer. Your adviser will assist you with registering for classes, so you will already have your schedule when you come to campus for Wildcat Welcome.

WEBCHAT
SESP Student Affairs staff and peer advisers will host a webchat on August 13 at 5:30 p.m. (CDT) to cover general information about the school and Wildcat Welcome. RSVP by noon on August 12 to receive webchat login information. Though not required, your participation is strongly encouraged.
WELCOME TO MCCORMICK!
We’re excited that you are joining the MEAS community. As we prepare to roll out the purple carpet for you this fall, please familiarize yourself with our undergraduate website—mccormick.northwestern.edu/undergraduates/welcome—and carefully review all the information here.

UNDERGRADUATE ENGINEERING OFFICE
The Undergraduate Engineering Office is your source for assistance and information about courses, registration, majors, your degree progress, study abroad, and more. Our staff members include

- Wesley Burghardt, associate dean of undergraduate education
- Joseph Holtgreive, assistant dean of counseling and personal development
- Heather Bacon, assistant director of advising and student development

We are located in rooms L268–269 at the Technological Institute (2145 Sheridan Road, Evanston, Illinois 60208). Contact us at 847-491-7379 or ueoffice@northwestern.edu.

TRANSFER CREDIT EVALUATIONS
If you have not already received it, a preliminary evaluation of your transfer credit will be sent to you by Northwestern’s registrar soon. The evaluation requires receipt of your official transcript showing all credits that you intend to transfer; only courses in which your grade was a C or better (as recorded on your transcript) will be eligible for consideration.

Evaluation of nontechnical courses is conducted by the registrar. If your preliminary evaluation shows that one or more of these courses may have been evaluated incorrectly, contact the registrar’s office directly at 847-491-5234 and ask to speak to your degree auditor.

Your previous math, science, and engineering courses must be evaluated by the McCormick Undergraduate Engineering Office before any transfer credit can be made official. For each of your previous technical courses, please email scans (PDFs) of the following supplemental materials to Dean Joseph Holtgreive at jjh@northwestern.edu with “Transfer Student Advising: <your name>” as the subject line:

- the course syllabus
- title and author for each course text (if not shown on the syllabus)
- a copy of each text’s table of contents noting which topics were covered (if not shown on the syllabus)
- for each chemistry course: include the syllabus for the lab
- for each physics course: indicate the level of math used and the amount of lab time per week

All supplemental materials must be emailed no later than July 31. Early submission is strongly encouraged.

ONLINE PLACEMENT EXAMS AND SKILLS ASSESSMENTS
If you are planning to take inorganic or organic chemistry at Northwestern (CHEM 101, 171, or 210), you should complete ALEKS (an online math skills assessment) and the Northwestern chemistry placement exam by July 31. Both are accessible via the link at northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams.

If you do not intend to take chemistry courses, the chemistry placement exam is not required. You must still complete ALEKS unless you have
already taken calculus courses up to and including differential calculus of multivariable functions (equivalent to MATH 230 at Northwestern).

Foreign-language placement exams are required only if you are choosing to continue language study at Northwestern. Language study is optional for McCormick students.

As a transfer student, you are not required to take the MEAS math placement assessment that is required for incoming first-year students.

**TRANSFER STUDENT ADVISING**
Dean Joseph Holtgreive is responsible for providing your initial advising, which is mainly based on your previous math, science, and engineering coursework. Some students may be referred to department faculty for additional consultation. If you will be visiting campus this summer, please contact Dean Holtgreive at jjh@northwestern.edu with “Transfer Student Advising: <your name>” as the subject line or call 847-491-7379 to schedule an in-person appointment or a time for advising by phone. Any transfer students unable to receive advising this summer will receive it during Wildcat Welcome in addition to the group advising all transfer students receive.

**AP/IB CREDIT**
If you receive Northwestern course credits for AP/IB exams taken in high school, you may be able to apply them toward McCormick degree requirements. If awarded, credits are usually posted on student records at the start of fall quarter, though it may take longer. To find out how much credit is awarded for particular scores, go to mccormick.northwestern.edu/undergraduates/welcome. Bring copies of your official AP grade report and IB transcript with you to campus.

**MATLAB SOFTWARE**
McCormick students use a mathematical software programming package called MATLAB throughout the Engineering Analysis course sequence. You may wait to purchase this software until you have received advising to determine, based on your previous coursework, whether the full course sequence is required for you. You will find a link to download MATLAB for a reduced price at mccormick.northwestern.edu/undergraduates/welcome.

**CO-OP PROGRAM OPTION**
To prepare you to decide whether to pursue McCormick’s cooperative education program, co-op information sessions will be offered during Wildcat Welcome as well as during the academic year. For more information see mccormick.northwestern.edu/undergraduates/welcome.

**COURSE REGISTRATION**
Following group advising during Wildcat Welcome, all new McCormick transfer students will register with assistance from the Undergraduate Engineering Office.
Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications

WELCOME TO MEDILL!
To start preparing for fall, please review the guidelines here and at www.medill.northwestern.edu/experience/student-life. Also check your Northwestern email account for messages from your student-life and peer advisers who’ll be offering you their support even before you arrive on campus.

AP/IB CREDIT
If you took AP/IB exams, your credits may count toward your Medill degree requirements. Go to the Medill student life website to review the school’s AP/IB credit policy and see how much credit may be awarded for different scores.

LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM
Medill requires either 3 units of a foreign language or proficiency in a foreign language as demonstrated on an AP exam or a placement exam administered by Northwestern. This means that some Medill transfer students will need to take a Northwestern foreign-language placement exam by July 31 if offered online, or during Wildcat Welcome if offered on campus. Please visit northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams for details.

Students interested in pursuing a premed course of study should refer to the University Academic Advising Center’s website, northwestern.edu/advising-center, for advice about any chemistry and calculus course requirements and then take any recommended online exams and skills assessments in those subjects this summer.

TRANSFER STUDENT ADVISING
Once you’ve received your credit evaluation from the registrar, please contact the Medill Office of Student Life to set up an academic advising appointment this summer.

- Dorina A. Rasmussen, director, da-rasmussen@northwestern.edu, 847-491-3586
- Daniel MacKenzie, assistant director, daniel.mackenzie@northwestern.edu, 847-491-4484

Whether in-person or by phone, it is important that your advising take place before Wildcat Welcome. You and your adviser will review credit you’ve already earned and determine your best path at Northwestern. In addition, like all Medill students, you will be automatically registered to take a journalism course in the fall.

TECHNOLOGY
Medill students prepare to succeed in a changing media landscape by becoming adept at using technical tools for communicating news and information. Before making any purchases, go to www.medill.northwestern.edu/tech-support/general-computing-info/index.html to get the hardware and software specifications as well as find out about financial assistance and equipment rental options. Any updates will be noted on the site, so be sure to check back often before the fall.
Henry and Leigh Bienen School of Music

WELCOME TO BIENEN!
The staff of the BSM Office of Student Affairs look forward to meeting you. Bienen students come to our office for music advising, registration assistance, and answers to questions about degree progress, changing majors, double-majoring, or adding minors. This July we’ll send out an email covering everything you need to know—from ensemble audition music and schedules to instructions for getting a locker.

TRANSFER STUDENT ADVISING
Transfer students receive academic advising through the Bienen School’s Office of Student Affairs. Assistant Dean Linda Garton will be your official adviser, and staff members Kay Price and Jeff Merkley will be available to advise you on course requirements and registration. Music education majors are assigned an additional faculty adviser. Your adviser will remain the same throughout your time at Northwestern.

AP/IB CREDIT
If you took AP/IB exams, your credits may count toward your degree. All AP scores are processed according to the credit policies set by the relevant departments in Weinberg College, but each school has its own policy on how AP credits apply toward degree requirements. For a list of accepted AP credits and which music degree requirements they can fulfill, see music.northwestern.edu/current/index.html. Four-year students follow the Bienen School’s AP/IB guidelines. Five-year dual-degree students follow guidelines set by their nonmusic school.

NONMUSIC PLACEMENT EXAMS
Bienen transfer students may take an online foreign-language placement exam this summer if they intend to take Northwestern courses in a language they previously studied. The deadline for taking online exams is July 31. Please visit northwestern.edu/orientation/incoming-students/placement-exams for more information.

COURSE REGISTRATION
Registration for fall classes will take place during Wildcat Welcome. Because you’ll have had several advising sessions before then, most of your fall schedule will be set before you register. Your peer advisers and our office staff will be on hand to assist you through the registration process.
COURSE SCHEDULE
A regular class at Northwestern carries 1 credit, and a full course load is normally 4 credits per quarter. Following is a typical sophomore music major’s schedule:
- Music Theory (.5 credit)
- Aural Skills (.5 credit)
- Music History (1 credit)
- Ensemble (band, orchestra, or chorus) (.5 credit)
- Private lessons (1 credit)
- Nonmusic elective/distribution requirement (1 credit)
Total: 4.5 credits

Depending on your major, you may be required to take .5- or 0-credit courses in addition to the 4.5 credits above. For example, voice majors also register for vocal solo class (0 credit) and diction (0 credit).

Some instrumental majors also register for studio class or studio ensembles. Details will be explained in group advising sessions during Wildcat Welcome.

ANY QUESTIONS?
The Bienen School’s Office of Student Affairs is able to assist you. Call 847-491-3818 or contact individual staff members by email:

- Linda Garton
  lgarton@northwestern.edu
- Kay Price
  k-price2@northwestern.edu
- Jeff Merkley
  j-merkley@northwestern.edu
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Orientation

From Friday, September 11, through Sunday, September 20, all new students must be on campus for Wildcat Welcome—the mandatory 10-day orientation for incoming Northwestern students that precedes the first day of fall classes. Wildcat Welcome’s detailed daily schedule will be posted online (but still subject to change) in early August.

Described in this chapter are the pre–Wildcat Welcome experiences that offer you the chance to meet fellow new students before move-in day. Also included are a brief overview of Wildcat Welcome activities and the components of Essential NU, a series of issue-oriented programs that introduce new students to the University and community expectations. The chapter concludes with answers to some of the questions most frequently asked by incoming Wildcats and their families.

International Student Orientation

Contact: intoff@northwestern.edu
When: 9/9–9/11
Register by 8/31; registration begins 5/15

International Student Orientation is a mandatory three-day program for incoming international undergraduate students, a group that includes international transfer students, US citizens who have lived abroad, and any other students who may benefit from the orientation. ISO participants arrive on campus on Wednesday, September 9, and go directly to their assigned residence halls to formally check in.

In addition to providing vital information about immigration, US academic culture, and Northwestern traditions and student life, ISO will introduce students to Evanston and Chicago, allow time for making new friends and settling in, and include activities for parents and family members. Throughout the summer, students will be in contact with their international peer advisers, who will answer questions and interact with them via Facebook, a student blog, and email. Students will also receive the monthly ISO newsletter from June through September. After ISO, all international students will participate in Wildcat Welcome, the 10-day orientation program for all new Wildcats.

If participation in a pre–Wildcat Welcome program would preclude your ISO attendance, please consult the International Office before you apply for the program.
**TRUE NORTHWESTERN**

There will be a great deal to navigate and discover during the year to come. True Northwestern—an initiative created by students, staff, and faculty—will serve as your road map and help ensure that your experience is as rich as it can be. You’ll learn more about True Northwestern from your peer adviser during Wildcat Welcome.

**WHAT IS A PEER ADVISER?**

A peer adviser is a returning student in your Northwestern school who has been carefully selected and trained to guide you through your transition to the University over the summer, during Wildcat Welcome, and beyond. Your PA has been through the transfer student experience and is an outstanding resource, so don’t hesitate to ask your PA about your curiosities and concerns.

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**Pre–Wildcat Welcome programs**

Optional pre–Wildcat Welcome programs are a great way to start your Northwestern journey, providing opportunities to meet other students and have fun before Wildcat Welcome.

- Programs end in time for the start of move-in day. Organizers will work with you to ensure you don’t miss your assigned move-in time.
- International students should consult the International Student Office before they apply.

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**Campus Crusade for Christ (Cru) Launch**

Launch is Cru’s overnight program dedicated to building leadership skills, strengthening your faith, and creating lasting friendships.

**First Night**

Sheil Catholic Center invites you to spend the night before move-in day with fellow students and the staff at Sheil, who welcome you with Mass, a bonfire/BBQ, and other activities.

**Freshman Fest**

Sponsored by NU Hillel, the home to more than 15 Jewish student groups, Freshman Fest blends feasting and fun with getting the inside scoop on campus Jewish life and much more.
Wildcat Welcome

All new students are required to attend Wildcat Welcome, Northwestern’s orientation program, starting on September 11 and continuing every day through September 20. Wildcat Welcome highlights are covered here; personalized schedule booklets will be distributed on move-in day.

Living off campus?
If you will be living off campus in 2015–16, you’ll receive your Wildcat Welcome schedule booklet and other essential information at the New Students Living Off Campus Check-In and Orientation on September 11. More information will be emailed to you in early August. Like all new students, you must attend all Wildcat Welcome programming, so please don’t make other plans!

MOVE-IN DAY: SEPTEMBER 11
Move-in day starts at 8 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m. (CDT)—eight hours that can be both exciting and overwhelming for students and family members alike. Knowing what to expect can help ease the process, so what follows is a quick overview; you’ll receive much more information from New Student and Family Programs in August.

On move-in day, at the time listed on your move-in permit, you will go directly to your student residence and, in most cases, head to your assigned floor to meet your resident assistant and get your room key.

Wildcat Welcome peer advisers and other student volunteers will be on hand to greet you when you arrive to unload your vehicle and will assist you in moving your belongings into your room. When you finish unloading, your vehicle must be moved to a designated all-day parking area immediately. The goal is to make unloading quick, efficient, and as pleasant as possible for everyone.

Once your belongings are in your room and the car is parked for the day, take your driver’s license or other government-issued photo ID to your assigned Wildcat Welcome Center—you’ll receive this information in August—to formally check in and pick up your Northwestern T-shirt and your personalized Wildcat Welcome schedule booklet, every new Wildcat’s go-to guide for the week.

Family members should check in for Parent and Family Orientation at the same time. As long as you submitted a photo by August 1, you’ll also pick up your Wildcard and, if desired, register to vote or open a U.S. Bank account.

After seeing to these important details at the Welcome Center, you may then start setting up your room, run errands, explore campus, or just bask in the glory of being a new Wildcat.

Programming for students in the residential colleges begins at 4 p.m. with a welcome from the college masters. Programming starts at 5 p.m. for students in the residence halls. You’ll meet your RA and your fellow hall residents, have dinner together in the dining hall, and participate in on-site meetings and activities. These activities are mandatory and scheduled to end at 10 p.m. Optional on-site social events will follow.
Orientation

While students settle in, parents and family members may attend President Morton Schapiro’s Welcome. Family ambassadors—knowledgeable Wildcats in their sophomore, junior, or senior year—will be on hand to walk parents to the event, which begins at 5 p.m. Following the welcome, the Office of the President will host a reception on Northwestern’s beach. This is an informal opportunity to enjoy appetizers and conversation with other new Wildcat families—a totally casual event to which everyone may come as they are.

WILDCAT WELCOME KICKOFF: SEPTEMBER 12–13
With the residence halls and residential colleges full of new students, Wildcat Welcome officially gets under way on Saturday and Sunday. Highlights include Saturday’s football game at Ryan Field and, on Sunday, Wildcat Welcome’s signature event: March through the Arch.

SEPTEMBER 14–20
Monday of Wildcat Welcome is just the beginning a fast-paced week of daily activities designed to keep you so engaged, there will be no time for outside activities or events. This is vital to Wildcat Welcome’s mission: to get you acclimated to your new surroundings, to give you opportunities to meet new friends, to formalize and celebrate your membership in the Northwestern community, to provide academic advising and register you for classes, and to help you have fun while becoming a comfortable, confident new Wildcat.

As the week continues, you will complete the Essential NU series with on-campus workshops and presentations on sexual health and wellness, diversity and inclusion, alcohol and other drug use, and mental health.

And have no fear: Wildcat Welcome will offer built-in fun for everyone—including almost nightly social events in the residences, excursions exclusively for transfer students, an evening of all-night shopping at Target, and Northwestern-only access to Six Flags Great America—with no waiting in lines.

Wildcat Welcome concludes with the President’s Convocation on September 20, the day before classes start. But don’t expect a post–Wildcat Welcome letdown: Wildcat Weekends will kick off on the first Friday of the quarter!

ONE BOOK
ONE NORTHWESTERN
To build community across Northwestern, every year the Office of the President chooses a book for a campus wide conversation and special events. The 2015–16 selection is The Inconvenient Indian: A Curious Account of Native People in North America by Thomas King.

In his funny, opinionated, and unconventional account of Native–White relations in North America, King debunks fabricated stories of Indian savagery, analyzes film and popular culture portrayals of Indians (and cowboys), and wrestles with the history of Native American resistance and his own experiences as a Native rights activist. He also chronicles the ever-changing laws and treaties on Native peoples and lands, distilling what it means to be “Indian” in North America.

A free copy of the book will be mailed to you in August. Many fall-quarter classes and events will refer to it, so it is this summer’s must-read!
Essential NU

The mandatory Essential NU series addresses what every Northwestern student needs to know about issues such as Northwestern’s community values, alcohol, inclusion, and mental health issues. Three components of ENU—Agent of Change, For the Record, and AlcoholEdu—must be completed online this summer and are described here. During Wildcat Welcome you’ll attend additional ENU sessions with your peer adviser group. Visit the orientation website for more information. Please note that failure to complete all ENU requirements will delay or jeopardize your winter-quarter registration.

AGENT OF CHANGE
Sexual violence is not uncommon in our society, and college campuses are no exception. While the problem at Northwestern is no greater than on other campuses, we are committed to doing all we can to prevent all forms of violence. We believe each member of our community can contribute to a culture in which violence is not accepted. Agent of Change will show you how.

The interactive program takes an hour to complete and will be available online July 6–August 1. Registration information will be included in the July issue of the March to the Arch newsletter and on the New Student and Family Programs website. For more information about sexual violence prevention and response at Northwestern, visit northwestern.edu/care.

FOR THE RECORD
For the Record introduces you to Northwestern’s community principles and values through short videos describing student resources, ways to get involved, and University policies. Watch each video attentively—there’s a quiz at the end. The August issue of March to the Arch will alert you to the availability of For the Record and provide full instructions for access. The deadline for completion is September 1.

ALCOHOLEDU FOR COLLEGE
AlcoholEdu for College helps you consider and make informed decisions about the role of alcohol in your Northwestern experience. Providing personalized feedback and strategies for dealing with the drinking behaviors of peers, AlcoholEdu aims to challenge your expectations about the effects of alcohol, encourage reflection on how choices related to alcohol may influence your academic and social success, and engage you in creating a healthier campus community.

AlcoholEdu will be accessible online August 17–September 1. Full instructions for logging in will be included in the August issue of March to the Arch. Regardless of the nature of any past or present alcohol use, all incoming students must complete AlcoholEdu. For more information about alcohol and other drug abuse prevention resources at Northwestern, visit northwestern.edu/alcohol-resources and northwestern.edu/hpaw.

The welcome continues!

Your Wildcat Welcome experience doesn’t end when classes begin. Because every student’s first quarter at Northwestern is a crucial time for creating connections with peers, establishing a firm academic footing, and cultivating a sense of belonging to the University community, you will continue to hear from the Office of New Student and Family Programs regarding ongoing events for you on campus, in Evanston, and around Chicago. You’ll find out more about our plans for your first-year experience during Wildcat Welcome. We hope to help you make your whole first year as epic as the first 10 days!
Wildcat FAQs

WHAT IF MY SUMMER TRAVEL PLANS CONFLICT WITH PURPLE PREP DEADLINES?
So long as you have reliable Internet access wherever you go, you should be able to complete all action items. If this is not possible, please call the Office of New Student and Family Programs at 847-467-3988.

HOW DO PARENTS GET ACCESS TO PAY TUITION AND FEES ONLINE?
Federal privacy law requires that Northwestern not share information in a student’s account without his or her permission. It is strongly recommended that students give guest access to one or both parent(s) or guardian(s). A student gives permission by adding each person to the “Guest Center” in CAESAR. Please refer to “Account Access Permissions” on page 13 for instructions.

WHAT IF MY MAILING ADDRESS CHANGES OVER THE SUMMER?
If your new address is effective before August 1, email the updated information to ug-admission@northwestern.edu from your Northwestern account. For changes effective after that date, log in to CAESAR (see page 6) to update your records.

WHAT IS REQUIRED TO SET UP DISABILITY ACCOMMODATIONS?
Students request and arrange to receive any and all necessary accommodations through the AccessibleNU Center (see page 16). If requesting accommodations, you will meet individually with ANU staff to review documentation of your condition, cooperatively determine accommodations, and sign an accommodations agreement. Please visit northwestern.edu/accessiblenu/students/considering-registering/intake-and-registration for full information about the registration procedure.

WILL PARENTS BE NOTIFIED OF GRADES?
The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 dictates that a student must grant permission to release grades to others. The Authorization of Grade Disclosure form is provided on the University registrar’s website: www.registrar.northwestern.edu/academic_records/index.html.

CAN I USE ROOMSYNC IF I DON’T HAVE A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT?
A Facebook account is required to use RoomSync. But if you prefer not to use an existing or create a new Facebook account, you may opt to have Residential Services randomly assign you a roommate based on the room and roommate preferences you specify on your housing contract (see pages 9–10).

WHAT SIZE ARE THE ROOMS IN STUDENT RESIDENCES?
Because of the large volume and variety of housing on campus, the exact dimensions of specific rooms cannot be made available. But each building’s estimated average room sizes are included in the detailed housing descriptions provided at northwestern.edu/living/housing-options/res-halls.

WHAT SIZE BED SHEETS SHOULD I BRING?
Mattresses in the halls and residential colleges are 80 inches in length—what bedding manufacturers often call “extra long twin.” If interested, you may purchase sheets from Residence Hall Linens; see rhl.org/nwu4 for product and pricing information.
IS CABLE TV AVAILABLE IN STUDENT RESIDENCES?
Students living in University-owned housing can watch cable television in their building’s common areas as well as in several lounges and other public spaces on campus. Students may also have access to live and on-demand programming through the web browsers on their computers and mobile devices.

WHAT WILL MY CAMPUS MAILING ADDRESS BE?
Each student residence has its own mailing address, which may be found at northwestern.edu/living/housing-options/res-halls.

WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS FOR GETTING AROUND ON AND OFF CAMPUS?
Northwestern operates several free shuttles for students throughout the academic year, making stops on the Evanston and Chicago campuses as well as at nearby shopping centers and in downtown Chicago. For details see shuttle.northwestern.edu. SafeRide makes evening transportation on the Evanston campus easy and safe; to learn more, visit northwestern.edu/saferide.

ANY ADVICE ON SETTING UP A BANK ACCOUNT?
The only bank on Northwestern’s campus is U.S. Bank (see page 12), but there are several other national banks with branches and ATMs in Evanston. The bank of your choice may be among them.

WHICH MOBILE SERVICE PROVIDER IS RECOMMENDED?
Having a cellphone/smartphone is the norm on campus—especially since University-provided landline service in student rooms is available by special request only (see page 10). Mobile service in the Evanston area is available through AT&T, Sprint/Nextel, T-Mobile, and Verizon. See it.northwestern.edu/telephone/cellphone.html for details.

WHICH HOTELS ARE NEAREST TO CAMPUS?
For a list of Evanston-area lodgings, see ugadm.northwestern.edu/visit/plan-your-visit/area-lodging.html.

HOW CAN I GET TO CAMPUS FROM O’HARE OR MIDWAY AIRPORT?
The trip to Evanston can be made by car, train, bus, airport shuttle, limo, or taxi. For advice and driving directions, see northwestern.edu/uservices/transportation/airport.

IF WE VISIT THE EVANSTON CAMPUS THIS SUMMER, WHERE DO WE GO FIRST?
A warm, informative welcome—along with ample parking—awaits you at the Segal Visitors Center, 1841 Sheridan Road (see map on page 42).

ARE THERE WILDCAT WELCOME ACTIVITIES FOR PARENTS?
Yes. Parent and Family Orientation events begin on September 11 with President Morton Schapiro’s Welcome and Reception and conclude on September 13. The complete PFO schedule will be available on the NSFP website in late July.

WHEN DOES WILDCAT WELCOME END FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES?
Because students are soon immersed in full-day Wildcat Welcome activities, a “Kiss ‘n’ Bye” period is scheduled on Sunday, September 13. Most families depart campus after attending that day’s final PFO activities.
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<td>Contact information for all current Northwestern faculty, staff, and students</td>
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<td>Quick links to student-specific technology resources</td>
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<th><strong>Plan-It Purple</strong></th>
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<td>Comprehensive campus event listings by day, week, month, or year</td>
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<td>Listing of organizations run by or open to Northwestern students; searchable by group name, category, or area of interest</td>
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**Browse the social media hub:** [bit.ly/nusocialdirectory](http://bit.ly/nusocialdirectory)

- facebook.com/northwesternu
- twitter.com/northwesternu
- youtube.com/northwesternu
- northwesternu.tumblr.com
- instagram.com/northwesternu
- plus.google.com/+NorthwesternUniversity
## Schools and programs directory

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<td><strong>491-7560</strong></td>
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<td>Undergraduate studies/advising</td>
<td><a href="weinberg.northwestern.edu/undergraduate">weinberg.northwestern.edu/undergraduate</a></td>
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<td>Honors Program in Medical Education</td>
<td><a href="feinberg.northwestern.edu/education/degree-programs/hpme">feinberg.northwestern.edu/education/degree-programs/hpme</a></td>
<td><strong>(312) 503-8915</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Integrated Science Program</td>
<td><a href="isp.northwestern.edu">isp.northwestern.edu</a></td>
<td><strong>491-7219</strong></td>
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<td>Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences</td>
<td><a href="mmss.northwestern.edu">mmss.northwestern.edu</a></td>
<td><strong>491-3574</strong></td>
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<td>School of Communication</td>
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<td>SoC Student Resource Center</td>
<td><a href="society.northwestern.edu/advising">society.northwestern.edu/advising</a></td>
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<td>SESP undergraduate program</td>
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<td>MEAS Undergraduate Engineering</td>
<td><a href="mccormick.northwestern.edu/academics/undergraduate">mccormick.northwestern.edu/academics/undergraduate</a></td>
<td><strong>491-7379</strong></td>
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<td>Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications</td>
<td><a href="medill.northwestern.edu">medill.northwestern.edu</a></td>
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<td>Medill Student Life</td>
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<td><strong>491-4484</strong></td>
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<td>Henry and Leigh Bienen School of Music</td>
<td><a href="music.northwestern.edu">music.northwestern.edu</a></td>
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<td>BSM degrees and areas of study</td>
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### Offices, services, and centers directory

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<td>Alcohol/drug abuse prevention resources</td>
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<td>Asian/Asian American Student Affairs</td>
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<td>Associated Student Government</td>
<td>asg.northwestern.edu</td>
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<td>Athletics/ticket Office</td>
<td>nusports.com</td>
<td>491-CATS(2287)</td>
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<td>Center for Awareness, Response, and Education (sexual violence)</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/care</td>
<td>491-2054</td>
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<td>Center for Student Involvement</td>
<td>csi.northwestern.edu</td>
<td>491-2350</td>
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<td>Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/counseling</td>
<td>491-2151</td>
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<td>Dean of Students</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/studentaffairs/dos</td>
<td>491-8430</td>
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<td>Fitness and Recreation</td>
<td><a href="http://www.fitrec.northwestern.edu">www.fitrec.northwestern.edu</a></td>
<td>491-4300</td>
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<td>Fraternity and Sorority Life</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/gogreek</td>
<td>491-4522</td>
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<td>Gender and Sexuality Resource Center</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/studentaffairs/gsrc</td>
<td>467-0556</td>
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<td>Health Promotion and Wellness (HPAW)</td>
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<td>Health Service</td>
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<td>491-8100</td>
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<td>467-7337</td>
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<td>Information Technology (NUIIT)</td>
<td>it.northwestern.edu</td>
<td>491-HELP(4357)</td>
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<td>northwestern.edu/international</td>
<td>491-5613</td>
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<td>New Student and Family Programs</td>
<td>northwestern.edu/orientation</td>
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<td>northwestern.bncollege.com</td>
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<td>alumni.northwestern.edu</td>
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<td>Northwestern Career Advancement</td>
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<td>Northwestern Dining</td>
<td>nucuisine.sodexomyway.com</td>
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<td>northwestern.edu/up/parking</td>
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<td>Transportation/Shuttles</td>
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<td>(312) 503-8129</td>
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<td>University Directory/Switchboard</td>
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<td>491-3741</td>
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<td>University Library</td>
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<td>University Police (nonemergency)</td>
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<td>University Registrar</td>
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**STUDENT RESIDENCE ADDRESSES**

**Residences north of Foster Street**

Ayers Residential College of Commerce and Industry (ACCI)
2324 Campus Drive

Bobb Hall
2305 Sheridan Road

Elder Residential Community
2400 Sheridan Road

Goodrich House
2321 Sheridan Road

Kemper Hall
2420 Campus Drive

Lindgren Hall
2309 Sheridan Road

McCulloch Hall
2315 Sheridan Road

Residential College of Cultural and Community Studies (CCS)
2303 Sheridan Road

Sargent Hall
2245 Sheridan Road

Slivka Residential College of Science and Engineering
2332 Campus Drive

Foster-Walker Complex
1927 Orrington Avenue

Humanities Residential College (Chapin Hall)
726 University Place

International Studies Residential College (ISRC/West Fairchild)
1861 Sheridan Road

Jones Fine and Performing Arts Residential College
1820 Sheridan Road

Public Affairs Residential College (PARC)
650 Emerson Street*

Rogers House
647 University Place

720 Emerson Street

626 Emerson Street

Shepard Residential College
655 University Place**

Willard Residential College
1865 Sherman Avenue

Women’s Residential College (Hobart House)
630 Emerson Street

*Reflects temporary relocation to North Mid-Quads Hall
**Reflects temporary relocation to South Mid-Quads Hall

**PLEASE NOTE**

Over the summer, the *March to the Arch* newsletter will update you on housing, parking, and other move-in day logistics that were still pending when *Purple Prep* was completed.