



## *Welcome to the University of Dayton family!*

We are so excited that you have joined our community and have put your trust in us to help guide your academic journey. At UD, we want to become your extended family and create a strong network of support for you. In the office of new student programs, we're here to support your transition and answer any questions you have as orientation approaches — and beyond.

Whether you are leaving home for the first time or transferring from another university, this experience can be exciting and challenging for everyone involved, so we worked hard to design an orientation program that allows you to make friends and have fun while preparing you for academic engagement and success. We invite you to take advantage of the many resources, programs and leadership development opportunities our office provides, and truly immerse yourself in Flyer life to make the most of your college experience here at UD.

This brochure is a guide to help you prepare for your arrival to campus. We designed it to provide you with an overview of what you and your family can expect to experience before, during and after orientation. For your convenience, this brochure is divided into the programs and services provided by our office:

- New Student Programs Quick Facts
- Fall Orientation Options for Students and their Guests
- Spring Orientation Options for Students and their Guests
- Fall Family Weekend

New student programs is going green, so after reviewing the information in this brochure, we invite you to visit and become familiar with our website — [go.udayton.edu/nso](http://go.udayton.edu/nso). This is where you will find the most up-to-date details, schedules, links to forms and our mobile NSO schedule app (Guidebook App). Our website is a valuable and time saving one-stop shop that enables you to find answers to your questions without having to take time out of your busy day to call. We also request that you begin to check your UD email and Porches accounts regularly. **Major orientation related updates will only be communicated electronically from this point forward.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us at [nso@udayton.edu](mailto:nso@udayton.edu) or 937-229-2229 during University business hours (M–F, 8:30 a.m– 4:30 p.m.).

On behalf of the new student programs staff, we look forward to serving you.  
Safe travels and see you soon!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Re'Shanda Grace-Bridges', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Re'Shanda Grace-Bridges *Director, New Student Programs*



# NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS



## QUICK FACTS:

### FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

UD's first-year class is composed of domestic and international students, and the vast majority will live on campus. However, there is a group of commuter students who live at home and commute to school from a short distance away. The orientation program is designed to help you build community in your orientation team, which is built around similar areas of academic study, and in your orientation small group, which is determined by where you live or if you commute. During small group meetings, you'll learn more about UD's "Commitment to Community" and discuss issues of interest to you. Residential students will meet their resident assistant (RA) and learn about community living expectations. Commuter students will meet the commuter adviser, check out the commuter lounge and learn about the Commuters on Campus organization.

### TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer students are students who join the UD family after having attended another school or university. Like first-year students, you are required to participate in an orientation program. But because you have attended some college prior to arriving at UD, you'll have the option to choose between one of two orientation experiences:

- Transfer Program (in-person experience)
- Online Transfer Orientation (virtual experience)

Like NSO, the transfer orientation options supports your transition to UD and is designed to welcome and acclimate you to campus and Flyer life.

### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The Center for International Programs (CIP) is the primary contact and point of service for all international students at UD. However, international students who are classified as first-time, first-year students are required to attend NSO in addition to any other transition programs required by CIP.

### PARENTS AND FAMILIES

In addition to family orientation, new student programs organizes and hosts UD's Family Weekend. We invite all family members to return to campus and experience UD community spirit firsthand. Families can spend some quality time with their student while attending a variety of events.

## STUDENT LEADERS

Our office takes great pride in being a source of student leadership development. We employ, train and develop more than 80 student leaders during the course of an academic year. We have four levels of leadership opportunities and encourage any student interested in enhancing their leadership skills while giving back to new students, their families and the UD community to apply and join our team. The recruitment process begins each fall semester and includes an application and interview. Contact our office for more detailed information.

## MEET THE NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS LEADERSHIP TEAM



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# New Student Orientation

## FALL ORIENTATION OPTIONS

As a transfer student, you are required to participate in orientation, however you have the option to choose which orientation experience you would like to participate in — the in-person transfer program or the online transfer orientation.

### OPTION 1: Transfer Program (in person experience—**highly recommended**)

The transfer program is separate from NSO but runs concurrently and is designed specifically to meet your needs. Like NSO for first-year students the program supports your transition by helping to welcome and acclimate you to campus and Flyer life. You are welcome to bring up to two guests with you on Sunday.

### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- At check-in you and your registered guests will receive your nametag and meet the new student programs staff, including your transfer team leader.
- You will receive a formal welcome from the University administration and participate in the new student pinning ceremony.
- You will review the schedule, participate in breakout session, and learn about the many activities available for you to participate in during the next several days, including transfer team times.
- Your guests will attend most sessions with you. There is a breakout session designed specifically for parents and family.
- New student programs is going green and will only print a limited number of paper copies of the fall orientation schedule. You are encouraged to download the NSO Guidebook App to use throughout the four-day experience.

### QUICK FACTS: TRANSFER PROGRAM 2014

- Date: August 24–26
- Registration Opens: July 8
- Registration Closes: August 11
- Guidebook App available for downloading: August 4

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO ...

### Health Insurance and Immunizations

- All incoming students born after 1956 (domestic and international), are required to submit proof (dates) of two MMR vaccines (measles, mumps and rubella), and do a tuberculosis (TB) screening. Students may go to [udayton.edu/studev/healthcenter](http://udayton.edu/studev/healthcenter) to download and print the required form for completion by a health care provider.

### Move-in (If you are living in UD Housing facilities)

- Begins at 8 a.m. on Sunday, August 24.
- You will receive specific instructions about where to report and how to receive your keys from Housing and Residence life in late July
- If you have any housing and/or move-in related questions, contact Housing and Residence Life at 937 229-3317

### Orientation Service Project 2014—Blanket Drive

- Don't forget to throw one more blanket in your cart when you are shopping. Donations will benefit Daybreak ([www.daybreakdayton.org](http://www.daybreakdayton.org)).

### Parent and Family Year Round Support

- The offices of student success and parent engagement (OSSPE) and new student programs are here to serve your parents and family members and assist them with any questions or concerns that arise once orientation is complete. The OSSPE staff can be reached by calling 800-427-5029, option 2, or emailing [success@udayton.edu](mailto:success@udayton.edu). You may also visit their website at [udayton.edu/flyersfirst/success](http://udayton.edu/flyersfirst/success).

For more details about preparing for New Student Orientation and arrival to campus and to access online modules and forms, visit [go.udayton.edu/nso](http://go.udayton.edu/nso).

### OPTION 2: Online Transfer Program (virtual experience)

The online transfer orientation experience provides an alternate way for you to complete the orientation requirement if you're not be able to attend in person due to work commitments. The modules can be taken at your leisure as long as they are completed by August 27, 2014.

### QUICK FACTS: TRANSFER PROGRAM 2014

- Registration Opens (either experience): July 8
- Registration Closes (either experience): August 11
- Online Orientation completion deadline: August 27

For more details about preparing for transfer orientation and to access online modules and forms, visit [go.udayton.edu/nso](http://go.udayton.edu/nso).

## SPRING ORIENTATION OPTIONS

New student programs plans and facilitates the January orientation experience for all UD students beginning their college journey in the spring semester. The January program is a one-day blended program designed to transition first-year and transfer students (domestic and international) and their family members. All new incoming first-year students are require to attend, while all new incoming transfer students still have the opportunity to choose between attending the in-person experience or completing the online program.

### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- At check-in students and their guests will receive their nametag and meet the new student programs staff.
- Students will receive a formal welcome from the University administration and participate in the new student pinning ceremony.
- Students will review the schedule, participate in breakout sessions and learn about the optional social activities available for them to participate in that evening and the next day.
- Your guests will attend most sessions with you. There is a breakout session designed specifically for parents and family.

### QUICK FACTS: JANUARY ORIENTATION 2015

- Date: January 9
- Registration Opens: November 1
- Registration Closes: January 5

### KNOW BEFORE YOU GO ...

#### FY G.PS (Online Pre-Orientation Assignment)

- First-year students are required to complete all pre-orientation online modules

#### Health Insurance and Immunizations

- All incoming students born after 1956 (domestic and international), are required to submit proof (dates) of two MMR vaccines (measles, mumps and rubella), and do a tuberculosis (TB) screening. Students may go to [udayton.edu/studev/healthcenter](http://udayton.edu/studev/healthcenter) to download and print the required form for completion by a health care provider.

#### Move-in (If you are living in UD Housing facilities)

- Begins at 8 a.m. on Thursday, January 8, 2015.
- You will receive specific instructions on where to report and how to receive your keys from Housing and Residence Life
- If you have any housing and/or move-in related questions, contact Housing and Residence Life at 937-229-3317

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#### ONLINE TRANSFER PROGRAM (VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE)

The online transfer orientation experience provides an alternate way for transfer students to complete the orientation requirement if you're not able to attend in person due to work commitments. The modules can be taken at your leisure as long as they are completed by January 12, 2015.

#### QUICK FACTS: TRANSFER PROGRAM 2015

- Registration Opens: November 1
- Registration Closes: January 5
- Online Orientation completion deadline: January 12

For more details about preparing for January orientation, arrival to campus and to access online modules and forms, visit [go.udayton.edu/nso](http://go.udayton.edu/nso).



## Family Weekend

Family Weekend 2014 is September 19–21 and is a great time to return to UD to visit your student and experience UD community spirit firsthand. Events include attending the football game, 5K run, cornhole tournament, evening activities and, most importantly, quality time with your student. Registration information, a schedule of events and hotel reservation information will be posted on our website at [go.udayton.edu/familyweekend](http://go.udayton.edu/familyweekend) in July.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- Some events require pre-registration and are free.
- Some events require pre-registration and pre-payment.
- New student programs is going green and will only print a limited number of paper copies of the Family Weekend schedule. Students and families are encouraged to download the Family Weekend Guidebook App to use throughout the three-day experience.

### QUICK FACTS: FAMILY WEEKEND 2014

- Date: September 19–21
- Registration Opens: August 1
- Registration Closes: September 16
- Cancellation and Refund Deadline: September 17

For a complete calendar of events and program descriptions, visit the family weekend website at [go.udayton.edu/familyweekend](http://go.udayton.edu/familyweekend).



