Welcome to Delaware! We're so excited that you've decided to become a Blue Hen at the University of Delaware and on behalf of the entire Orientation and Transition Programs staff, congratulations!

To ease your transition to UD, we require that all new students attend New Student Orientation (NSO). NSO is a one-day program that will introduce you and your family to our campus community, provide opportunities to connect with your new classmates and current UD students, and, most importantly, welcome you to UD!

This newsletter details the important information you need to know about NSO and a checklist of tasks to complete prior to your arrival on campus. In addition, there is information about a variety of campus resources and how to make travel arrangements for NSO.

We look forward to meeting you, and we encourage you to contact us at otp@udel.edu or 302-831-3313 if you have any questions prior to NSO. You can also visit our website at udel.edu/studentlife/otp.

Sincerely,
Heather A. Maginnis
Director, Orientation & Transition Programs

Applying for Housing

Incoming first-year students are guaranteed housing for spring 2019. New transfers are encouraged to apply and will be notified as soon as possible if housing is available. If you have a dietary, medical or physical need that requires a housing accommodation, you must submit documentation to Disability Support Services at the time of your housing application.

The Student Housing Contract is a legally binding contract. Get all the details about applying for housing at udel.edu/005343.

The priority deadline for housing applications is December 14. Assignments will be released in late January or early February.

Spring Into Success

All students in their first year at UD are encouraged to register for the free, two-day Spring Into Success conference filled with inspiration and resources that can help you achieve your personal, educational, and professional goals. The 2019 conference will be held Feb. 8–10, and more details can be found at udel.edu/005331.

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REGISTERING FOR NSO

Register for NSO in My Blue Hen Home after you’ve paid your deposit:
- Log in at udel.edu/mybluehenhome
- Click on Register for New Student Orientation
- Read instructions and select your orientation date: February 8
- Register any guests who plan to attend Family Orientation

In the event of inclement weather, you will be notified by email if the event has been delayed or postponed. If orientation has not been canceled, it is a matter of personal judgment whether traveling to campus is hazardous. Please let us know if you are unable to attend your NSO date.
YOUR ORIENTATION DAY
Each student's orientation day begins at 8:30 a.m. in Trabant University Center at 17 West Main Street, Newark, DE 19716. 
Arrive at Trabant between 7:45 and 8:15 a.m. to check in, obtain a detailed schedule of your day, and enjoy a light breakfast (bagels, muffins, fruit, and coffee/tea) before the program begins. NSO ends by 4 p.m. Plan to be on campus until this time to ensure you get the most out of your NSO!

Each new student is billed a mandatory one-time $230 fee for NSO, regardless of program attendance. This fee will appear on your first semester bill. See the front of this newsletter for instructions on registering, and consult the family orientation section below if you plan to bring a family member or guest.

FOOTBALL ORIENTATION
We recognize that students' transition to the University of Delaware can be both exciting and stressful. We've designed a separate orientation program for parents, family members and guests to put your mind at ease! Although you and your student will be separated throughout the NSO day, your sessions and panel discussions will provide an overview of campus resources and chances to ask questions about vital academic information, the value of student engagement, living on campus or commuting, health and safety, paying the bill, dining, and more. Family Orientation begins and ends at the same time as your student's program. You will receive a detailed schedule of your day at check-in.

The nonrefundable event fee for each guest is $35, payable online by credit card or check. Your student must register each family member or guest.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS
If you or your guests are in need of special accommodations at NSO due to a disability, contact the Office of Disability Support Services at 302-831-4643 (voice) or 302-831-4563 (TDD) at least 10 days in advance of your NSO date. Email us at otp@udel.edu if you have questions about available accommodations.

WHAT TO EXPECT AT NSO
Through sessions and group meetings with your Orientation Leader (OL), you'll learn what it means to be a Blue Hen and:

• Learn about UD's values and mission
• Get details on tech, dining, student life, safety, and more
• Create your official UD ONEcard (student ID)
• Set up a local bank account with PNC Bank
• Learn about communities that enhance your life at UD

Attend a resource fair to meet representatives from departments that exist to support your success.

REGISTERING FOR CLASSES
Your academic advisor helps you schedule classes and chart a path to graduate on time. You must contact your College using the information below to schedule an academic advisement appointment in December or January. You will not have an academic advising appointment during NSO.

Alfred Lerner College of Business & Economics
lerner.udel.edu • 302-831-4369
College of Agriculture & Natural Resources
ag.udel.edu • 302-831-2508
College of Arts & Sciences
cas.udel.edu • 302-831-3020
College of Earth, Ocean & Environment
coeo.udel.edu • 302-831-2841
College of Education & Human Development
ced.udel.edu • 302-831-2396
College of Engineering
geng.udel.edu • 302-831-8659
College of Health Sciences
chs.udel.edu • 302-831-8073
Honors Program
deludel.udel.edu/honors • 302-831-1195
University Studies
ust.udel.edu • 302-831-4555
Find your College at udel.edu/apply/undergraduate-admissions/major-finder

CAMPUS RESOURCES
Admissions • udel.edu/admissions
Bank, PNC • pnc.com/ud
Bookstore, UD • udel.edu/bookstore
Computing/IT Support • it.udel.edu
Dean of Students, Office of the • udel.edu/studentlife/ods
Dining Services • udel.edu/dining
Honors Program • udel.edu/honors
Registrar • udel.edu/registrar
Residence Life & Housing • udel.edu/studentlife/rlh
Student Financial Services • udel.edu/sfs
Student Veterans • udel.edu/students/veterans
Transfer Credit • udel.edu/registrar/transfer

NEW STUDENT CHECKLIST—BEFORE NSO
Log in at udel.edu/mybluehenhome to...

□ Register yourself and any guests for NSO
□ Complete the Math Placement process before meeting with your academic advisor
□ Submit your Medical History and Immunization forms to Student Health Services to avoid holds on your account at udel.edu/studentlife/shs
□ Set up your UD email address
□ Complete your Housing Application
□ Visit udel.edu/about/visit to book a night in Newark before or after NSO if you will be traveling one hour or more
□ Enroll in, or opt out of, the University’s Health Insurance Plan for Students at udel.edu/005344
□ Visit udel.edu/studentlife/otp for more orientation details, a comprehensive list of campus resources, and the Before Classes Begin New Student Checklist
□ Get excited! You’re going to be a Blue Hen!