

Checklist of Important Dates Academic Year 2019-2020

MAY

- May 1:** Preferred deposit deadline for all incoming students. An admissions response form must be completed along with a deposit of \$400 for resident students and \$100 for commuter students. Once you complete your response form and deposit online on your Admissions Status Page, you will officially be a Golden Bear!
- Week of May 1**
Summer Orientation and Registration (SOAR) registration will go live on May 2, 2019. You can sign up for the session of your choice on your Admissions Status Page. More information will be available online at wne.edu/soar. The earlier you register for SOAR, the better chance you have of securing your SOAR session of choice (dates are available on a first-come first-served basis), and the sooner we can begin preparing for your arrival.

We strongly encourage students and parents to attend and engage at SOAR. Not only will you meet new friends (and possibly your future roommate) and make fun memories, but you will be provided with tools and resources you'll need to be successful when you arrive in the fall. You'll register for your classes, learn about various areas of support on campus, receive your summer reading assignment, and discuss strategies for adjusting to college.

SOAR Dates for Summer 2019

- Tuesday-Wednesday June 25-26
- Thursday-Friday July 11-12
- Monday-Tuesday July 1-2
- Tuesday-Wednesday July 16-17

Transfer students with one year or more of college experience are welcome to take part in one of the two-day programs, but are encouraged to elect the special one-day registration that will be held on July 9. Register online using your Admissions Status Page or go to wne.edu/soar.

- Week of May 1**
Health and athletic clearance forms are available on the University website at wne.edu/health-services/forms.cfm or through your Admissions status page. This information will also be included in the SOAR email. These forms should be brought to your healthcare provider for completion of a physical examination and immunization record. These forms are necessary to begin classes and are due by August 1, 2019. Part of the SOAR program will include a presentation on the various services available through the University's Health Services and in the community. (For information, contact Health Services at 413-782-1211 or email Marilyn Laboy at marilyn.laboy@wne.edu.)
- Week of May 13**
Housing information will be available for resident students on their Admissions Status Page. Students will access The Housing Director (THD) where they will complete the initial steps in the online process, beginning on May 13, 2019. Students fill out the application and then start searching for potential roommates through THD. Instructions can be found under **New Student Housing Selection** on the Residence Life Webpage. Students then select housing on July 24, 2019. Important information about Residence Life (accommodations, roommates, housing selection, and community living) will be discussed at SOAR. (For more information, contact the Office of Residence Life at 413-782-1317 or residencelife@wne.edu.)

JUNE

- Week of June 3**
Musicians and thespians will be sent information inviting them to attend Music Camp and Theatre Camp. New students will arrive on Tuesday (August 20) for this two and one half day camp. Camp includes rehearsals, social activities, and club business meetings for Campus Chorus and the Golden Bear Bands (concert, pep, and drumline). (For information, contact Maureen Keizer, Associate Dean of Students and Director of Student Activities and Leadership Development, at 413-782-1203 or maureen.keizer@wne.edu. Deadline for Camp Registration is Friday, July 19.)
- Week of June 3**
Students who have accepted Federal Direct Fund Subsidized loans or Federal Direct Fund Unsubsidized loans should complete Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note at studentloans.gov. (For questions, contact Enrollment Services at 413-796-2080 or finaid@wne.edu.)

JULY

Week of July 1

Students will be given access to fall semester bills in their self service portal. Students will be asked to pay by August 1, the portion of the bill which will not be covered by financial aid or one of the billing plans. Explanations of various payment methods will be provided. (For information, contact Enrollment Services at 413-796-2080 or billing@wne.edu.)

Week of July 8

Parents Association Information: The office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students will mail a letter to parents explaining the activities of the Parents Association. (For information, contact the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students at 413-782-1282 or wneparentsassociation@wne.edu.)

Week of July 15

Students who did not attend SOAR will be sent a packet of the material which was distributed at SOAR. Instructions will also be provided about registration for classes. Students who pay their deposit after this week will receive information shortly thereafter. (For information, contact Alyssa Caliguri, Assistant Director for First Year Student Success, at 413-782-1312 or alyssa.caliguri@wne.edu.)

Week of July 22

Information about the opening of campus housing and preparations for arrival and move-in will be posted on the Residence Life website (wne.edu/residence-life). Please note that this information is posted online; a mailing does not occur. You're just one month away from opening day!

July 24 (9:00 a.m.)–July 29 (11:59 p.m.)

Students who completed the housing application in The Housing Director (THD) choose their room through the online housing and roommate selection process. Instructions can be found under **New Student Housing Selection** on the Residence Life Webpage. (For more information, contact the Office of Residence Life at 413-782-1317 or residencelife@wne.edu.)

AUGUST

Week of August 1

Transition Program and the beginning of classes: Information will be mailed regarding Opening Weekend. Mark your calendars now! Resident first year students may begin moving into their residence halls on Friday morning, August 23. (For information, contact Alyssa Caliguri, Assistant Director for First Year Student Success, at 413-782-1312 or alyssa.caliguri@wne.edu.)

Mid-August

Invited fall sport student-athletes report for room assignments, health screenings, and practice. Appropriate information will be mailed to these student-athletes. (If you have any questions, contact the coach directly or call the Department of Athletics at 413-782-1202.)

Tuesday, August 20

Invited musicians and thespians arrive to participate in Music and Theatre Camp.

Friday, August 23

First year resident students may begin moving to campus housing and the Transitions Program begins! We can't wait for you to arrive, and have a lot of fun activities planned for your first week on campus. (From Fall Convocation, which officially welcomes you into the academic community, to BEARfest, where you will bond with your classmates, as well as other nightly activities, you will be a busy bear as you settle in and get involved. For information, contact Alyssa Caliguri, Assistant Director for First Year Student Success, at 413-782-1312 or alyssa.caliguri@wne.edu.)

Monday, August 26

Classes begin. Be sure to double-check your schedule for class times and locations! (For information about the Transitions Program or if you have any questions, contact Lara Temkin-Pisani, Manager of Program Services at 413-782-1312 or lara.pisani@wne.edu.)