



CLASS OF '25

EAGLE UPDATES



Dear Parent/Supporter of

INCOMING STUDENT,

We've put together another Eagle Update for you and your family that's loaded with important deadlines and critical information in preparation for the fall semester. We've included below the exact information that we also sent to your student; so without further ado, here's what you need to know...

Did You Know?

- Resident Assistants (RAs) are sophomore students who work for the Office of Residential Education and Services. RAs go through extensive training to help any student who might have a concern.



Our RAs serve as resources, host awesome events, build community among residents, address maintenance or community concerns, and help during emergency situations. RAs can be found in your hall every night if you have any questions or concerns or just want to say "hi!"

- CHL stands for [The Center for Healthful Living](#) and is a campus department that facilitates student flourishing by engaging in the creation of lifelong skills through academic physical education courses, athletics, recreation, and health education. It is the CHL's vision that every member of the Oxford community will enthusiastically commit to leading a healthy lifestyle. Our motto is "Educate the mind, and exercise the body."



We have a team of sophomore leaders called the Healthy Eagle Peer Educators, who offer peer education and help empower their peers to lead a balanced life on campus.

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What's Next?

- Transfer Credit Approval:** If you have pursued college coursework at an accredited college/university and/or have received AP/IB or other test credits and would like to receive transfer credit and/or test credits, please complete the [Request for Approval of Transfer and Test Credit/Exemption Form](#) online.

If you have any questions regarding completion of the form, please contact the Oxford Registrar's Office at oxregistrar@emory.edu. For more detailed information on credit policy, please visit our [website](#).

- Canvas:** By now, all incoming students should have logged in (with your NetID and Password) to the [Emory Essentials Oxford Edition Canvas Course](#). If you have not logged in to Canvas, be sure to check your Emory email for the course invitation. Students must complete the content in Modules 1 and 2 by July 1. New content will launch in July!

Content in these modules provide a detailed overview of Oxford College's General Education Program, academic resources, and information to help students prepare for class registration. Additional content has also been provided for specific placement exams (First-Year Writing, Mathematics, and Arabic), pre-professional advising materials, and other helpful campus resources. Be sure to follow the new student checklist on the [Welcome Website](#) for updates and important deadlines. The priority deadline for all placement exams is August 1.

All students must complete these modules to be deemed eligible to attend a large group course planning session hosted by the Advising Support Center. Large group course planning sessions will review important parts of the registration process, and they will be held throughout the entire month of July and continue into early August. The schedule for these will be posted in Module 2 in the very near future.

As an added incentive, students who complete Modules 1 and 2 are also eligible to sign up for optional individual advising meetings hosted by the Advising Support Center. Individual meetings are first come, first served. Sign up at oxford.emory.edu/ASCBooking.

If you have any questions about the Emory Essentials Oxford Edition Canvas course, you can email oxadvising@emory.edu.

- Discovery Seminars:** We hope you have already visited [this page](#) to learn about the Discovery Seminar (DS) every first-year student will take in the fall and are getting excited about your options. There are 39 excellent courses on a wide range of topics for the fall!

Remember that you need to submit your preference form to rank your top choices of DS courses by July 15. If you do not submit your preferences by the July 15 deadline, you will be randomly assigned to a course with open seats.

- Housing Assignments:** We expect to release housing assignments beginning July 15. Students will be able to see their Fall 2021 housing assignments by logging in to their [MyHousing account](#). Have questions about housing? Please contact Residential Education & Services at RES@emory.edu.

- First-Year Writing:** Based on student feedback, this year's First-Year Writing placement has been streamlined and redesigned to provide both information on the Writing Program more broadly and a placement recommendation. All students, regardless of language background or exemption credit, are required to take the FYW Directed-Self Placement questionnaire by August 1. This will help you make the best placement decision for your learning needs and orient you to First-Year Writing and Continuing Writing as well as other opportunities to develop yourself as a writer while at Oxford.

The questionnaire should take 10-15 minutes to complete, so cross it off your to-do list today! Note that your recommendation and some of your answers will be provided to your advisor and your FYW instructor to help them get to know you as a writer and provide a concrete reference point for conversations with you about your reading, research, and writing experiences. If you choose to upload an optional academic writing sample from high school, this will also be shared. Learn more about the process on the [Placement Testing page](#) and find the questionnaire in Canvas.

If you have questions or need additional support, contact Dr. Gwendolynne Reid, Director of the Writing Program, at gwendolynne.reid@emory.edu. For technology questions, contact ox-academictech@mscloud.emory.edu or call 770-312-6766. If you choose to upload a writing sample, note that Emory students can download Microsoft Office (including MS Word) for free [here](#).

- Move-in & Orientation:** Move-in day will take place at Oxford on Friday, August 20, and the New Student Orientation program will begin after move-in and continue through August 24. We anticipate being able to welcome parents and families to campus for move-in with limitations on the number of guests who can enter the residential buildings or other campus facilities. There will be limited programming for families on August 20 and they will depart at the end of the day.

For more information, please see the [Welcome Website](#) or contact our Orientation Team at oxfordorientation@emory.edu.

- Survey:** On June 30, you will be receiving a request from the Office of Student Engagement Affairs to complete The Beginning College Survey of Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research and provides an opportunity for you to share your expectations for your upcoming experiences at Emory University.

Results from this survey will be helpful both in better understanding and enhancing the undergraduate college experience. Thank you in advance for your participation in this important project!

We are excited to welcome you to the Oxford family!

Should you need any assistance this summer, please refer to the Welcome Website for departmental contact information.

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