Welcome to the Denison Family
A Message from Denison
President Adam Weinberg

Dear Denison Families:

Welcome to Denison. I am thrilled your student has decided to become a Denisonian. As they start their Denison journey, I wanted to offer some advice. College is not a one-size-fits-all proposition. The combination of classes and co-curricular activities your student chooses, along with the residential and social choices they make, will create a unique experience.

We want that experience to nourish and sustain them in college and throughout the rest of their lives. Here are seven steps you can encourage your student to take that will help start the process.

1 **Embrace the academics.** Academics will form the core of their Denison experience. Encourage them to treat every class for what it is — a unique opportunity to learn. Go to every class. Do all the assignments. Show up prepared to listen and to participate. Your student should also take a wide range of classes. This will help them find their academic interests. It will also help them broaden their skill sets and develop a more expansive worldview. Studying across the curriculum is core to getting a great liberal arts education.

2 **Lean into challenge.** Denison is a unique place full of opportunities for intellectual and personal growth. The Denison experience is a challenging one, by design. We set high standards and have high expectations because we believe in students’ potential. There will be times of stress. Developing the skills, tools, habits and emotional agility to deal with that stress is one of the most important lessons of the college experience.

3 **Get to know the faculty.** College is defined by relationships. At Denison, relationships with faculty run deep. Encourage your student to seek out opportunities to get to know the faculty. Make it a point to talk to each professor early in the semester. Encourage them to be open to and to seek out faculty mentors.

4 **Be involved in the co-curricular life of the college.** Getting involved outside the classroom is a great way to meet people and to develop good life skills, values, and habits. Encourage your student to pursue activities and areas of interest in a way that allows them to get the full benefit without becoming overly involved. Learning comes to those who value depth, commitment, and excellence — not just being busy with a lot of different activities.

5 **Make room for cultural and intellectual events.** Lectures, plays, concerts, art openings, and panel conversations are just a few of the extraordinary events available to students at Denison. Taking advantage of cultural and intellectual events expands their minds, imagination, and world views.

6 **Cultivate meaningful relationships with peers.** It is important to form relationships with people who bring out the best in us and who challenge us in the right ways. Encourage your student to form meaningful relationships with their peers and seek out friendships with people whose life experiences are different from their own. One of the
remarkable attributes of Denison is the wide range of experiences, views, life practices, and interests our students bring to campus.

7  And last, make good social choices. The pull to “fit in” can be powerful. Encourage your student to ease into college. We ask our students to make good choices for themselves and to step up and speak up when they see other people getting ready to make bad decisions for themselves or others.

During my eight years at Denison, I have fallen deeply in love with this college. I believe Denison does a remarkable job of unlocking the potential of our students to be the architect of their lives. I want this to happen for your student. The steps above will help in that process.

Welcome to Denison.

Adam Weinberg
President

A Message from Alumni & Family Engagement

Welcome to the Denison Family!

We are thrilled to have your student on campus — and as a family member of a current student, we also welcome you as a member of the Denison family. We encourage you to participate in the Denison community for special events like June Orientation, Big Red Weekend and Commencement, and through regional programming and networking opportunities.

We want to be a partner with you to promote your student’s success. This Family Resource Guide holds many important tools for you as a family member and is a resource for you throughout your student’s career at Denison. While each section in the guide provides an overview, you can always find more in-depth information at denison.edu.

This Family Resource Guide is a companion piece to the First-Year Notebook that your student will receive from the First-Year Office. As your student transitions to Denison, they will engage in many ways with the First-Year Office, which coordinates academic and co-curricular programs and services for first-year students. We hope discussions about life at Denison will emerge as you review this guide, and as your student reviews their first-year notebook.

Stay Connected to Denison!

To ensure you receive important communications from Denison, please keep your contact information up-to-date. You can complete the Update My Information form by visiting denison.edu/parents.

We look forward to partnering with you in the years ahead.

Go Big Red!

Your friends in Alumni & Family Engagement
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Next Steps for Your Enrolled Student

1 Today: When your student’s Denison email address appears in their Admission portal (usually within 2 weeks of receiving the enrollment deposit), they should set up their MyDenison account. The instructions for the initial login are in the Admission portal, and then your student will need to change their password.

2 Today: Students should begin checking their Denison email regularly. Students are encouraged to join their class Facebook group and follow Denison social media channels on Facebook (@denisonuniversity), Instagram, and Twitter (@DenisonU). We look forward to seeing their shared excitement online.

3 Today: It’s not too early to start the transition! Your student should review their First-Year Notebook and pay particular attention to required forms, due dates, and information about orientation programs’ registration, housing, health services, and more.

4 Today: Please have your student read about all of the Pre-Orientation programs Denison has to offer and register early if they want to participate. Pre-Orientation programs provide an excellent opportunity for your student to meet classmates, faculty, and staff and begin forming relationships before the first day of classes.

5 June: All enrolled domestic students will register for one of our 6 sessions of June Orientation (June-O). June-O 2021 will be a virtual program. June-O is a two-day experience that provides an ideal opportunity for your student to familiarize themselves with Denison, learn about available opportunities, and meet faculty, current students, and some of their first-year peers. Students will be assigned a Faculty Advisor and a Student Advisor who will assist them as they register for fall semester courses. There will be a parallel Virtual June-O for Families program to inform parents and guardians how they can best support their student. The deadline to register for June-O is May 15. Prior to June-O, students must complete their Personal Data and Advising Form (due May 15), complete their Language Placement Exam (if they took Spanish, French, German, or Chinese in high school only, due May 21), and complete their Math Placement Exam (taken by all students, even if they do not plan to take a math course while at Denison, due May 21). Instructions and links can be found on MyDenison under Campus Resources > First-Year Program > June-O 2021.

6 August: Students will attend a Pre-Orientation, if they registered and were accepted. Students should have registered for a Pre-O by May 15. It is difficult to switch, so please plan ahead.

7 August: Students will attend August Orientation. Aug-O is the mandatory orientation for all first-year students. It takes place just before classes begin in August, and just after other Pre-Orientation. Parents depart following the Induction ceremony for the Class of 2025.

8 August: Your student becomes a Denisonian! Your student starts classes and officially begins their first-year journey.

Getting Started: Move-In Day and More

Move-in Day for most first-year students is Thursday, August 26, 2021. Because all first-year students will be moving into the same three newly renovated residence halls, we ask that you plan to arrive on campus at your specified time to avoid congestion and long lines. Move-in will take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. by appointment only. You’ll be invited
to sign up for a move-in appointment in early August. Students who are coming from abroad, participating in Pre-Orientations, or participating in some fall sports will arrive before August 26 and will be given specific instructions about their move-in schedule.

Upon arrival on campus, your student will be issued their room key and Student ID card (students submit their own ID photos through MyDenison, so be sure they do this early to ensure their card is ready when they arrive!), as well as their Aug-O information packet and wristband. The Aug-O packet will contain their group number and further instructions. August Orientation staff, Community Assistants (CAs, our version of the RA), and the Men’s Football Team will be on-hand to assist with getting your student’s belongings from your vehicle to the room. Cars should then be moved to designated parking areas. Students will then have most of the day to get their rooms in order. Guests are currently not permitted in our dining halls due to Covid-19 health and safety protocols. If they are opened up by August, both lunch and dinner will be available should you wish to eat on campus. Family members pay a small fee at the door. **The final event that family members may wish to attend is the formal Induction of the Class, which is scheduled from 7 to 7:45 p.m. on the Reese-Shackelford Common (rain site: The Mitchell Center).** Families will then say their goodbyes before students move on to their next event.

**First-Year Program**

The First-Year Office coordinates academic and co-curricular programs and services for first-year students to help achieve the following goals:

1. Help students develop and refine the academic skills and habits of mind necessary for success in college;
2. Help students feel that they can be “at home” and productive in the Denison environment; and
3. Promote students’ progress toward timely completion of their degrees and achievement of their short and long-term goals.

The First-Year Office staff is available throughout the year to meet with students on a wide range of issues, including academic performance, personal adjustment concerns, and other issues related to navigating college life.

Please visit denison.edu/campus/first-year for more information.

**Family Programs and Services**

**Alumni & Family Engagement**

As members of the Denison family, you are a vital part of our community. As such, the Alumni & Family Engagement team strives to keep you informed through timely communication and diverse opportunities for involvement.

In our web section, denison.edu/parents, you will find links to important information, as well as frequently used family resources that you may find valuable. We encourage you to stay connected by bookmarking this page and returning often throughout your student’s Denison career.
Stay in Touch

Family Newsletters

Throughout the year, Alumni & Family Engagement will send you important information via electronic newsletters to help you support your student. As a primary support person in your student's life, it's reaffirming for your student to know you are in their corner as they navigate their own path. Our goal with the newsletter is to provide family members with timely information and resources to help you best support your student’s success. Thank you for partnering with Denison to develop independent, self-reliant students.

Please visit denison.edu/parents to see previous messages sent to parents. Also, be sure to keep your contact information current with Denison to receive messages from the College.

Emergency Communication

Occasionally there are times when Denison senior staff will communicate with family members regarding an on-campus situation. Email is the primary means of communication with family members. Make sure your email address is current with Denison via the “Update My Information” form located on the Parent & Families web section at denison.edu/parents. Additionally, please use this link to let Denison know anytime you have a change of mailing address, email address, or phone number.

Denison Social Media

As Denison family members, we hope you’ll stay connected to Denison by following our social media accounts. The college provides these pages to provide an opportunity to connect with fellow family members, not for important updates.

- Denison University Facebook at facebook.com/denisonuniversity
- Denison Parents and Guardians Facebook Group
- Instagram @DenisonU
- Twitter @DenisonU

Big Red Weekend

Big Red Weekend is a special opportunity for all members of the Denison family to visit campus each fall. Join us on the Hill for what may be the most beautiful time of year in Granville.

It’s a time when we welcome more than 1,000 parents and family members, alumni, and friends to Granville for our annual celebration of all things Denison!

Due to the large number of campus guests, we recommend you make your travel plans and hotel reservations early.

Registration and schedule information for Big Red Weekend is available beginning late summer each year at alumni.denison.edu.

Big Red Weekend 2021: Oct. 1 - 3
Big Red Weekend 2022: Sept. 30 - Oct. 2
Big Red Weekend 2023: Sept. 29 - Oct. 1
Regional Events

Regional Denison events are open to all Denisonians – alumni (with or without a Denison diploma), family members of current and former students, current and former faculty members, and friends of the college. From networking opportunities to social gatherings and prospective student events, regional events provide opportunities to connect with Denisonians beyond the Hill and the local community.

A listing of upcoming regional events can be found on the Alumni & Family Engagement website at alumni.denison.edu. We hope you’ll join us!

Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways Denison parents and family members can be involved. Please see the opportunities below for an overview. To get more information about a specific opportunity, please visit denison.edu/campus/parents/get-involved.

Admission Ambassador Program

Help to promote Denison in your hometown by wearing your Denison gear and sharing your student’s experience proudly. Ambassadors also work with the Office of Admission to find and provide information to prospective students and their families through referrals and/or representing Denison at a local college fair. Additionally, Ambassadors can assist with reaching out to admitted students and their families to congratulate them and answer questions about the university.

For more information, please contact the Office of Admission at 740-587-6276 or visit denison.edu/parents.

Knowlton Center

Family members are an essential part of the Denison Network and can make a real difference in a Denison student’s life. If you are interested in helping Denison students as they explore career options, here are some ways to get involved.

- **Connect with a student on Wisr** — Denison has partnered with technology platform Wisr for Denison alumni and parents to help students with questions about career paths, industries of interest, graduate school choices, and more. The Denison Wisr Network will pull your LinkedIn profile into the Wisr platform. Students can search the platform and reach out to alumni and parents with questions or to request a short 15- to 30-minute phone conversation. Alumni and parents can provide advice to fellow Denisonians without a commitment to a long-term program. Please sign up with Wisr at denison.wisr.io/signup. Please encourage your student to join Wisr as well!

- **Offer an internship** — Internships are longer-term opportunities (usually 6-10 weeks) for students to work at an organization. They can be paid or unpaid. If you’re interested in learning more, send an email to David Snider at sniderd@denison.edu with the subject line of “Internship Info.” Include your name and where you live and work in the body of the email, and we’ll contact you.

To keep up with all that’s going on in our office, sign up for the Knowlton Note newsletter, sent weekly to students, at bit.ly/KnowltonNote.
Family Leadership Council

The Family Leadership Council supports Denison’s strategic initiatives through philanthropy and engagement.

The Family Leadership Council members set the pace for important philanthropic engagement with the college. They are the foundation of family giving. These generous donors build a strong connection between Denison families, their personal philanthropy, and campus programs that impact students’ campus experiences. Members serve as professional resources volunteering to support the college’s strategic initiatives as annual fund callers, admission ambassadors, Knowlton Center for Career Exploration liaisons, and/or event hosts, including the June Orientation Parent and Family Receptions. The council meets twice a year and is composed of 70 families of current students and alumni. Interactive group sessions with senior college leaders and fellow parent donors create this rewarding Denison experience.

More information is available at denison.edu/campus/parents/get-involved.

Communication Policy and FERPA — Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

Denison seeks to develop independent, self-reliant students who take ownership of their education. Therefore, it is the college’s policy to work directly with students on matters concerning their Denison education. Additionally, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records.

Details related to FERPA can be found at denison.edu/forms/ferpa-family-educational-rights-and-privacy-act

Parents and guardians will occasionally solicit information from faculty, advisors, and others regarding their student’s performance and experience. We recognize that such requests reflect the wish to support the personal and academic success of their student. The following content has been prepared for the parents of entering students to describe our parent notification policies and to explain the goals and constraints that influence how we handle conversations with parents and guardians.

Denison’s Student Handbook articulates our guiding philosophy regarding our students: Denison regards its students as moral agents who are capable of assuming primary responsibility for conducting their lives and making their decisions. Central to the mission of the university is the continual development of a community of respect, in which the principles of human dignity and ethical integrity are paramount. Rational dialogue and discourse determine the character of our interaction with each other.

All members of the university’s staff, including faculty, administrators, support staff, and student staff, recognize that our students have varying levels of maturity, as well as a range of experience levels with regard to decision-making and self-advocacy. We view the college experience as an important opportunity for developing the skills that will help them become effective and responsible adults.

In our conversations with parents and guardians, Denison staff must balance several concerns: our goal of establishing effective relationships with students ourselves, which must be premised on trust and confidentiality; a desire to avoid inserting ourselves in
the middle of the parent-child relationship; and a wish to speak openly and honestly with parents about our observations of their sons and daughters. As a general rule and in an effort to protect the integrity of our relationships with students, we avoid sharing with parents insights and information gleaned from private conversations with students, since those conversations are undertaken with the presumption of confidentiality.

When asked for grade or academic performance information, we will encourage parents first to try to obtain the information they seek directly from their student. If parents are unable to obtain the information they seek from their student, there are legal conditions in which we may be able to provide the necessary data for students who are legal dependents and under the age of 21. That said, we are always willing to explain policies and protocols of the university and to consult with parents as they counsel their sons and daughters.

**There are a few general areas in which decisions must occasionally be made to contact parents regarding their students.**

**Academic Performance and Grades**

- Denison generally operates on the presumption that students’ grades are not to be shared without the express permission of individual students; exceptions include all academic advisors and selected staff with legitimate educational interest. Grades are available electronically to students through their “MyProfile” page on MyDenison. A student can also use the “Parent Proxy” option to grant parents and guardians access to their midterm and final grades.

- A student whose cumulative grade point average is below a 2.0 is placed on academic warning until the student returns to good standing by earning a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better. A student is normally given one semester after being placed on academic warning to return to good standing before the student is academically suspended. A student whose semester GPA falls below a 1.0 is immediately suspended regardless of their cumulative GPA. Parents of first-year students will be notified if the student’s mid-term grades are a 2.3 or lower. Regardless of class year, parents will be notified when a student’s cumulative GPA is less than 2.0. In such an eventuality, parents and students can contact the Registrar’s Office, The First Year Office or the Academic Resource Center for an explanation of protocols during academic warning or suspension.

**Health and Counseling Records**

- Denison operates a professionally staffed health care facility providing most aspects of primary care for our students. Medical care includes routine diagnosis and treatment, including lab testing, minor surgery, repair of lacerations, administration of allergy injections and immunizations, follow-up care after surgery, physical examinations and consultation and counseling around medical problems. The Wellness Center dispenses some prescriptions; others can be filled at local pharmacies.

The Wellness Center also provides education and counseling regarding reproductive health and provides birth control products to students seeking them. Denison’s Counseling Service provides individual and group counseling, usually on a short-term basis, as well as educational programming on topics including test anxiety and stress management, body image concerns and eating disorders, and depression.
• Consistent with federal law, the Wellness Center is prohibited from sharing a student’s medical or counseling records with anyone — parents, faculty, administrators, or other students — unless the student has given express consent. Health and Counseling Services are prohibited from sharing detailed information regarding complaints or diagnoses. They also must refrain from confirming even that a student has visited the Wellness Center. Students may sign a form permitting release of information on a per-incident basis.

In most cases, representatives of the university will contact parents, however, regarding situations in which they believe a student’s life is at risk for either medical or psychological reasons. In the event that a student is transported to the hospital in a life-threatening emergency, or that a counselor determines that a student is in imminent risk of harming themself or others, parents normally will be contacted either by a representative of the university or by a hospital physician.

Further questions about Denison’s Parent Notification Procedures can be directed to the Dean of First-Year Students or the specific office involved: the Office of the Registrar, the Wellness Center, the Office of Student Development or Office of First-Year Programs. Additional information may also be found at denison.edu/parents.

**Referring a Student to Resources**

If your student has a concern for a fellow student, they can complete an online CareNetwork referral form at denison.edu/forms/report-a-concern-for-a-student. Student Development oversees the campus CARE system, reviews reports and assigns care case managers to follow up on referrals.
Academics / Life Launch

Academic Calendar

The academic calendar is the key resource for important dates and deadlines that relate to course registration, holiday breaks, examinations, move-in and move-out days, and more.

To see the full 2021-2022 academic calendar, as well as the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 calendars, and to subscribe, visit denison.edu/academics/calendar.

Academic Calendar 2021–2022

**Fall Semester 2021**

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<td>181st Annual Commencement Exercises</td>
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<td>Summer Scholars Program begins</td>
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Academic Advising Program

Academic Advisors
The advising relationship is an important place for conversations that connect the dots between academic work and the learning that occurs beyond classroom walls. If your student registers for an Advising Circle, a 1-credit discussion-based course, they will know their advisor’s name once they are enrolled in the class. For students not in an Advising Circle, an advisor will be assigned to them by the First-Year Office. Their advisor will likely be a faculty member with whom they have a class or share a particular interest. Your student can have a rich and extensive relationship with their advisor, but part of the success of that relationship follows from your student’s initiative to fully utilize this valuable resource.

Registrar’s Office
Also known as the Records & Registration Office, the Registrar’s Office is responsible for coordinating all registration and student academic records related processes, including issuing academic transcripts and reviewing the graduation progress of a student in terms of general education requirements and major/minor requirements. This office provides guidance regarding various types of independent work, additional credit hour arrangement, and special grading options. The office also facilitates the approval of transfer coursework to Denison from other institutions and approved programs such as College Credit Plus (CCP) and college-level examinations credits, e.g., Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, British A level, etc.

Student Classification
For academic purposes, the classification of students is determined by the year of entry and the number of total academic credits earned.

First-Year Standing: A student is classified as a first-year when they enter Denison as a first-time degree-seeking student and have not matriculated previously at another institution. Sophomore Standing: A student must have at least earned 26 semester-hours of credit. Junior Standing: A student must have at least earned 60 semester-hours of credit. Senior Standing: A student must have at least earned 90 semester-hours of credit.

Academic Honors
Dean’s List
Academic qualifications for inclusion on the Dean’s List require that a minimum 3.7 academic average be maintained for the semester, with no D’s, F’s, U’s, I’s, any X-grade, W’s, WD’s, WF’s or WP’s, and that a minimum of 12 academic hours be completed for a grade. An X grade indicates violation of the Code of Academic Integrity.

Latin Honors
A student who meets the general college requirements and the particular requirements for a Denison degree may graduate with Honors. There are three levels of honors: Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude, and Cum Laude. In order for a student to graduate Summa Cum Laude, they must earn a cumulative grade point average of a 3.90 or higher. In order for a student to graduate Magna Cum Laude, they must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.75 or higher. In order for a student to graduate Cum Laude, they need
to earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.60 or higher. The grade point average is based on all coursework completed at Denison. Students who have an X grade on their transcript at the time of graduation may not qualify for Latin Honors. An X grade indicates a violation of the Code of Academic Integrity.

The Library

Denison Libraries [denison.edu/library](http://denison.edu/library).

As the place where the disciplines meet, Denison Libraries help people ask the right questions as they discover and build knowledge. We are committed to connecting people with ideas.
What does that mean for our students? Two dozen librarians and staff members help students find and assess resources in all formats, staff desks, meet one-on-one, and teach classroom sessions on the library. In conjunction with the first-year Advising Circles program, students are assigned a “Personal Librarian” in September, so there’s always someone they can approach, call, text, or email to get help.

Via our University Archives and Special Collections and our digital programs, students can use primary source materials for their own original research. See, for example, exhibits.denisonarchives.org/exhibits.

Throughout our seven floors, the library has a variety of spaces that support quiet study as well as collaborative work. During the semester, we are open 110 hours a week; during finals, we stay open 24/7.

While we hold more than half a million volumes in our building, the Denison Library also has strong consortial partnerships that allow quick access to the resources of 120 members of OhioLINK, totaling 46 million library items. We offer access to over 500 databases and 26 million electronic articles, making our reach greater than that of many larger schools.

**Academic Resource Center**

“The young adults raised with a single-minded focus on gaining admission to college now need help translating that focus into ways to thrive on campus and beyond.”

– Christine B. Whelan,

Helping First-Year Students Help Themselves

The Academic Resource Center (ARC) offers programs and services specifically designed to help all students improve their overall academic performance and ultimately achieve personal academic excellence. As a supplement to faculty advising, professional staff meet with students on an individual basis concerning academic matters as well as suggest study strategies and promote time management development. Students may find the “SOAR Flight School (SOAR - Strategies, Organization and Academic Resources)” video series that provides an overview of collegiate-level study skills and strategies helpful. Free subject-based peer tutoring in most subjects is also available to all students on a first-come, first-served basis. The Center coordinates the delivery of services for students with documented disabilities, including requests for reasonable accommodations. Students must submit documentation directly to the Academic Resource Center. Students must then request accommodations on a semester-by-semester basis. More information can be found at denison.edu/academics/support/accessibility-disability-services.
Now that your student is enrolled at Denison, the focus turns toward helping them to engage as a successful Denisonian. Some of the biggest predictors of academic success at the college level include a student’s self-advocacy and resiliency skills. Assess your student’s emotional, academic, and life-skills preparedness. Talk together about transition issues and how you’ll work together to manage them.

A few themes to discuss as a family:

- **Academic involvement**
  Make it clear you expect your student to go to class and turn in assignments/papers on time.

- **Intervention in problem-solving**
  You expect the student to use campus resources and seek support as appropriate to the situation. Will they seek these independently or need guidance? As a parent, explain that you will support them, but that you will not be acting on their behalf.

- **Time Management/Organization**
  What system(s) of organization does your student use? Paper planner, electronic calendar, bullet journal, folders, etc.? How will they keep track of assignments, appointments, events? Do they accurately budget time for completing work and balance multiple commitments?

- **Coming Home**
  Will your family visit during the semester? Will your student return home on breaks? How will they cope with homesickness?

- **Wellness & Self-care**
  What is your student’s plan to get adequate sleep, exercise, and nutrition? How sick is “too sick” to attend class or require an appointment at the Wellness Center? Is the student good at taking medication as prescribed?

- **Develop a plan for communication**
  How will you and your student connect with each other while they are at Denison — texting, Skype, FaceTime, email, phone calls, etc.? How frequently will you connect — daily, weekly, as needed? What is the expectation of responding to communication from family members?
Commencement

Denison celebrates the graduation of its senior class at the college’s Commencement exercises held every spring. Students are awarded their diplomas according to their degrees: Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Bachelor of Arts. The ceremony includes remarks from representatives of the Board of Trustees and the senior class, as well as an address by a recipient of an honorary doctorate who is chosen by the faculty and the Board of Trustees. Retiring faculty are honored, and the university president delivers a charge to the graduates as they leave Granville with diploma in hand. The celebration traditionally concludes with all in attendance singing the college’s alma mater, “To Denison.”

The Commencement web section, [denison.edu/commencement](http://denison.edu/commencement), is updated each year with information regarding the schedule for the weekend and frequently asked questions. Families and seniors can visit the website throughout the year to find answers to all questions concerning graduation.

Preparing for Life After Denison

Every Denison graduate enters the professional world with a strong liberal arts education that provides a foundation for success after life on The Hill. But today’s graduates face an increasingly complex economy — pressures and expectations have changed. Denison’s Career Resources are designed to help Denison graduates face those challenges head-on. When your Denison student graduates, they can continue to count on the guidance, skill development, and career readiness resources offered by the Austin E. Knowlton Center for Career Exploration, the Denison Launch Lab, the Red Frame Lab, and the Lisska Center.

Together, these teams leverage technology, experiential learning, and the power of the College’s alumni and parent networks to help students not only see their futures — but get there, too.

Career Exploration: The Austin E. Knowlton Center

denison.edu/career

The Austin E. Knowlton Center for Career Exploration strives to effectively support Denison students and recent graduates to actively explore their curiosities, identify possibilities, and build the skills necessary to successfully pursue their goals post-Denison. Our career initiative is a powerful combination of people and programs, resulting in Denisonians succeeding in the world.

Career Exploration and Experiential Learning

Leveraging personalized career coaching to help students ask the big questions about the types of lives they want to lead, we guide students in exploring career possibilities. We
assist them in gaining self-awareness and exploring how their interests and values align with potential career paths. We support students in gaining direct experience in the professional world by providing meaningful, out-of-the-classroom experiences that connect students with job-shadowing and internship opportunities, allowing them to gain experience across different professional sectors, explore new possibilities, and expand their skills.

**Strategic Career Networking Opportunities**

In addition to coordinating and hosting networking events with Denison alumni and industry professionals, we teach students the importance of networking, how to network, and with whom to network. We help students connect with the outstanding Denison network of experienced alumni and parents working in different careers and industries at companies all around the world.

**Job Search and Application Preparation**

We work with students to teach them how to customize their messaging to articulate their skills, experiences, and liberal arts education on résumés, cover letters, and applications, and how to make themselves stand out in a crowded pool of qualified applicants. We also assist students in using various resources to search for jobs (i.e., where to find job postings), as well as how to set appropriate milestones to achieve their goals.

**Graduate and Professional School Preparation**

We work with students to teach them how to customize their messaging to articulate their skills, experiences and liberal arts education on résumés, cover letters and applications to make themselves stand out in a crowded pool of qualified applicants. We also assist students in using various resources to search for jobs (i.e., where to find job postings) as well as how to set appropriate milestones to achieve their goals.

The Burton D. Morgan Center is home to the Austin E. Knowlton Center for Career Exploration.
Financial Support

Through partnerships with generous alumni and donors, the Knowlton Center is able to offer students financial support for expenses related to career exploration and preparation for success post-Denison. Through the Denison Internship Program Stipend Funding, participating students can apply for need-based funding to help offset some of the expenses associated with participating in a summer internship. The Career Support Fund is a need-based financial support fund designed to assist students in covering costs associated with the job, internship, or graduate school search process.

A FOUR-YEAR GUIDE to CAREER PLANNING

### Action Items Checklist: Year 1
- Log in to Handshake
- Build and strengthen your résumé
- Develop your Handshake profile
- Develop your LinkedIn profile
- Attend Knowlton Center events
- Take the FOCUS 2 Assessments
- Establish a strong GPA
- Meet with a career coach or peer coach

### Action Items Checklist: Year 2
- Create or update your Handshake and LinkedIn profiles
- Participate in exploratory first looks and company information sessions
- Discuss career-enhancing opportunities with your faculty advisor
- Explore these resources and more in Handshake
- Utilize the Sophomore Exploration Plan
- Create a plan for summer
- Gain career-specific skills through OnBoard
- Upload your updated résumé to VMock
- Schedule your yearly appointment with a career coach in the fall semester

### Action Items Checklist: Year 3
- Go back to Year 1 and Year 2 checklists
- Engage your network and seek out mentors
- Plan to maximize your summer
- Make decisions about graduate or professional school
- Build and strengthen your skills
- Attend Knowlton Center events
- Schedule your yearly career coaching appointment

### Action Items Checklist: Year 4
- Create a list of industries, companies, and/or grad schools
- Customize your application materials
- Rehearse your elevator pitch
- Practice interviewing
- Participate in on-campus/virtual recruiting and networking opportunities
- Gather references and letters of recommendation
- Apply, interview, and thank
- Schedule your yearly career coaching appointment

For more information, please visit denison.edu/career

Career Preparation: The Denison Launch Lab

denisonlaunchlab.org

The Launch Lab’s state-of-the-art career preparation, skill-building, and launch programs provide an immersive career readiness experience that can’t be duplicated on any college campus. Through boot camps, workshops, and more, students gain hands-on experience in corporate, government, and nonprofit organizations. They build connections with top business, civic and entrepreneurial mentors, giving them an advanced degree of exposure to and preparation for emerging career paths. And, it all happens in downtown
Columbus, Ohio, the fastest-growing metropolitan area in the Midwest. Columbus leads the way in job, population, and GDP growth and is home to some of the world’s most recognizable brands, groundbreaking start-ups, and cutting-edge research facilities.

**Entrepreneurship and Design Thinking: The Red Frame Lab**

denison.edu/campus/entrepreneurship

The Red Frame Lab is Denison’s center for design thinking and entrepreneurship.

The Red Frame Lab offers entrepreneurship workshops on topics ranging from startups, women in business, visual design, grant writing, branding, entrepreneurship and the arts and more. Our Entrepreneurship Coach and Entrepreneurs-in-Residence provide individual support for students, coach them on their business ideas, talk about their own entrepreneurial journeys, bring entrepreneurial-minded students together, or connect students with alumni or community resources. In the fall, we host [Re]Mix, the Denison Entrepreneurship Summit, an extraordinary opportunity that brings alumni and students together for three days of networking, storytelling, and skill-building.

The Red Frame Lab also offers workshops and coaching on design thinking, helping students who want to create, improve, or make change on campus or start something new. Some have described us as on-site design consultants helping with events, clubs, leadership, marketing, posters, or movements large or small. We also host classes when professors want to give students an opportunity to reframe their class projects using design thinking tools. Students get better results, and they learn human-centered design skills, turning the entire campus into a design studio. Our Design Thinking Coach facilitates design sessions with individual students, small teams, or organizations on their schedule.

For more information, stop by the Red Frame Lab (Slayter Hall, Room 200) or visit denison.edu/campus/entrepreneurship.
Research and Fellowship Opportunities: The Lisska Center
denison.edu/academics/research

The Lisska Center for Scholarly Engagement is Denison’s campus hub for programs that promote a culture of intellectual life on campus. Specifically, we:

1. Mentor and support students and recent alumni applying for competitive national and international fellowships and scholarships
2. Coordinate Denison’s Summer Scholars program
3. Provide funding for student research and academic enhancement travel
4. Sponsor a range of multidisciplinary intellectual programs and events

As fellowships advisors, we help hundreds of students identify and apply for fellowships for a wide range of summer, undergraduate, and postgraduate opportunities. There are fellowships for students at all stages of their college careers. We provide intensive one-on-one mentorship to help applicants shape their academic and extracurricular plans and assemble competitive applications. We are among the country’s top small college producers of Fulbright U.S. Student Program awards and Gilman Scholarships.

Denison’s flagship Summer Scholars program, which was recognized by the Council on Undergraduate Research with a 2017 Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments, supports independent or collaborative research projects in the sciences, social sciences, humanities, fine arts, and interdisciplinary fields. Approximately 120 rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors work under the close supervision of a Denison professor for up to 10 weeks during the summer. Summer Scholars receive a stipend and a housing allowance, plus funds for research expenses (projects are noncredit and not graded). Off-Campus Summer Scholars also receive travel funding. Early Experience awards are exclusively for rising sophomores.

We provide funding ($500 to $1,000) to help cover expenses related to student research and travel for academic enhancement purposes, such as making a presentation at an academic conference, attending a workshop, or accompanying a professor on a research trip.

We also sponsor programs such as the Experimental College (student-led noncredit mini-courses), Monday Musings (informal presentations led by faculty members on their scholarly interests), and Chowder Hour (home-cooked lunches featuring presentations of an individual’s or group’s scholarship).
Residential Communities and Student Housing

Community Living

The Department of Residential Communities and Housing commits to creating communities that are inclusive and supportive across students’ four years. From the moment students enroll until graduation, they are part of Denison’s vibrant residential living program. We will help match students with a roommate, determine housing assignments, and work closely with students as they transition to Denison and live among their peers and classmates! Residential Communities and Housing supports students in their new home away from home as they build friendships, navigate discomfort, and develop an understanding of the world from various points of view.

At Denison, we offer cohort-style living for students. This means that all first-year students reside in communities with other first-year students! This living experience provides students the opportunity to adjust to campus, meet classmates, and begin to develop life-long friendships.

Our residential program is facilitated by a team who cares about the learning that happens outside the classroom. At Denison, we call student leaders living in the halls “Community Advisors.” Your student will meet their Community Advisor (CA) on move-in day, and they will be a part of the August Orientation experience. CAs build community by investing in relationships and leading programs. The CA will help troubleshoot concerns and learn about Denison. There are also professional staff members (Community Coordinators) who work with each building and quad to support students and bring resources into the residence halls.

Denison’s four-year residential living program seeks to enhance the liberal arts experience. Married students living with their spouses, single parents, and unmarried students living with their parents or guardians within 25 miles of campus are exempt from the residency requirement.

Events and Community

CAs organize and promote programs and events that bring people together. When students attend these events, they’ll meet people with shared interests, learn new things, and connect with other members of your community.

Want to Know More?

For all things related to housing assignments, roommates, packing and more, navigate to: https://bit.ly/DUFY2025.

To speak with someone about housing assignments, living spaces, student IDs, keys, contact us at housing@denison.edu or 740-587-6271.

To learn more about leadership development, civic engagement, problem-solving, roommate relationships, Community Advisors, and Community Coordinators, contact residentialcommunities@denison.edu or 740-587-6757.
Our Residential Communities and Housing Team

The Residential Communities & Housing staff can’t wait to meet you in person. You’ll find the office at the Curtis Community Center, just below the Curtis Dining Hall.

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Co-curricular Life

Co-curricular Life, Campus Organizations, Leadership, and Service

Alford Community Leadership & Involvement Center (CLIC)

The Alford Community Leadership & Involvement Center (CLIC) is committed to providing student-centered experiences and leadership development to engage Denison students in meaningful campus involvement. CLIC creates co-curricular opportunities that enhance a student’s academic experience, celebrate diversity, promote self-awareness, and deepen one’s understanding of social responsibility and civic engagement. CLIC connects students to the campus community and encourages learning to enhance the holistic development of students.

Campus Organizations

There are nearly 160 campus organizations, including advocacy and social justice, academic, arts and music, club sports, campus governance, cross-cultural, fraternities and sororities, media, religious and spiritual, and service. In fact, 95 percent of Denison students are involved in at least one campus organization! Nearly 80 percent of Denison students take on a campus leadership role before they graduate. Involvement in campus organizations is just the beginning of students’ leadership journey at Denison.

Leadership Development

At Denison, we believe leadership is more than just a title or position. CLIC’s leadership programs allow students to explore the process of leadership and how their values, identities, and experiences shape their ability to create change. Students can attend nationally recognized leadership development programs like D.U. Lead, the LeaderShape Institute, the Women’s EmpowHERment Conference. These programs equip students with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to lead and create change, both at Denison and beyond.

Community Service and Civic Engagement

Denison students are active in the off-campus community through community service and civic engagement programs. Coordinated through the Denison Community Association (DCA), some 17 different groups of students are committed to weekly service programs focused on making a difference. Denison has received national accolades as a civically engaged campus, with students logging more than 33,000 service hours annually. Students with Federal Work-Study can apply to the America Reads program — a service and mentorship experience focused on advancing youth literacy in local communities. In addition to local opportunities, Denison sends students across the country on weeklong immersive service programs through partnerships with BreakAway and Habitat for Humanity.

Fraternity and Sorority Life

Fraternities and sororities are affiliated with national and international organizations that focus on building values-based communities through their academic, social, and philanthropic activities. Some of these driving values include scholastic achievement, leadership, service and philanthropy, and networking opportunities in college and beyond. Members of fraternity and sorority life have high GPA averages, raise thousands of dollars for their philanthropies, and together have completed more than 5,000 service hours each semester. The 21 fraternities and sororities at Denison vary in size and mission;
in addition to classification as men’s and women’s organizations, Denison hosts 10 fraternities and sororities that are historically black/African-American or culturally based. Denison students who have completed at least 12 credit hours and have a minimum 2.50 grade point average may opt to join a fraternity or sorority beginning in the second semester of their first year.

For more information on these programs, visit denison.edu/campus/get-involved.

The Center for Global Programs

The Center for Global Programs is the hub for international learning opportunities at Denison. It houses off-campus study operations and support for international students on campus. It collaborates regularly with the Lisska Center for Scholarly Engagement, the Knowlton Center for Career Exploration and Development, academic departments and programs, the Division of Student Development and other campus partners to expand the range of global learning pathways and approaches.

Who studies off campus at Denison?

Students who study off-campus come from a full range of majors, interests, personal and financial backgrounds, and involvement at Denison. More than half of the student body participates in off-campus study, including Denison Seminars, at some point during their four year, with the majority doing so during the junior year.

Where can students study off campus?

We maintain a list of more than 300 Denison-approved programs in over 70 countries. Students can study abroad or domestically, in a large city or a small town, in English or a foreign language. From traditional semester study abroad, short-term programs, and Denison seminars, and internship programs in the U.S. and abroad, students are able to take advantage of a wide range of opportunities to enhance their education and thoughtfully engage with the world. The list of approved programs is reviewed and updated annually, and program providers are carefully vetted. Students must select a program from the approved list. The current list can be found at globaltools.denison.edu.

How much does it cost to study off campus?

Costs vary from program to program. Our office works closely with the Office of Financial Aid to support students as they consider different programs and locations.

Can students study off-campus and still graduate in four years?

Yes! We begin working with first-year students in their second semester of study to plan for off-campus study, and it guides students through the application process. Students also work closely with their academic advisor, department chairs, and the Registrar’s Office to ensure that their term away from campus keeps them on track for graduation.

Ready to get started?

Feel free to reach out to us with questions at 740-587-6532 or ocs@denison.edu.
How do you support international students?

In many ways! Our office is committed to serving as a resource for learning about and fostering cross-cultural awareness and developing students’ global competencies. Our growing international community includes students from around the world, permanent residents who live abroad, U.S. citizens, and individuals who identify as global citizens.

We provide guidance and advisement for our international students so that they can thrive in their classes, develop friendships on campus, and participate in a range of co- and extra-curricular opportunities. To that end, we offer a comprehensive pre-orientation program for entering students before, and after they arrive on campus; regular one-on-one advising on the academic, social, and personal challenges associated with living and learning in an unfamiliar culture; multilingual learning support, career exploration advisement, and continuing education focusing on immigration regulations, requirements, and expectations pertaining to the nonimmigrant student visa. Our office also organizes exciting programs and special events for all Denison students interested in other cultures and meeting people from around the world.

The Arts

The arts intersect with nearly every facet of life at Denison. Students often bring a passion for the arts, and once here, they broaden those interests. Our programs hold opportunities for serious artists and performers as well as non-majors seeking to participate in fun courses and extracurricular activities. And for the majority of our students, the arts play an integral role not only in their college experience but also throughout the rest of their lives, no matter their profession.
Annual events in the arts include Jazz Guitar Festival, Bluegrass festival, film festival, TUTTI/tiny TUTTI (collaborations with all aspects of fine arts to present original works), Vail Series concerts (bringing world-class performers for concerts and interdisciplinary classroom experiences), dance concerts, performances by more than 25 music ensembles, museum exhibits, Studio Art student shows, theatre productions, and award-winning author talks.

And, of course, there are visiting artist talks, classroom visits, and our numerous student performances throughout the year in all aspects of the arts. Ensembles-in-residence — ETHEL, a contemporary classical string quartet who are recipients of honorary degrees from Denison; and Third Coast Percussion, a GRAMMY-winning quartet of percussionists from Chicago — meet students in concert settings, in classrooms, in master classes, and for one-on-one coaching. In the state-of-the-art performance and rehearsal spaces in the Eisner Center for Performing Arts students collaborate on, create, and present incredible works of art.

With stellar faculty and programs, and deep connections to the lively arts scene in nearby Columbus, we nurture our students’ interests through personal attention, countless opportunities to create and participate, and our very rich curricular offerings in music, theatre, dance, cinema, art history, and visual culture, studio art, and creative writing. For more information, visit denison.edu/arts.

Intercollegiate Athletics

Denison’s Department of Athletics is built upon a foundation of competitive excellence that is created through a purposeful attention to growth, trust, diversity, teamwork, leadership, and integrity. At Denison, we work with highly competitive scholar-athletes who are searching for transformative experiences not only in the classroom, but also on the playing fields, courts, track, and in the pool.

Athletic teams at Denison are consistently competitive on the conference and national levels. The tradition of excellence associated with Denison athletics is due, in part, to the winning heritage that has been established over more than a century of intercollegiate competition. More importantly, however, the success of these programs can be measured by the preparation they have given student-athletes who, after graduation from Denison, go on to become organizational leaders, outstanding citizens, and true team players among their professional peers.

The university is committed to a broad-based program of intercollegiate athletics, sponsoring 26 varsity sports — 14 for women and 12 for men. Over the last decade, more than two-thirds of these sports at Denison have been represented in the NCAA’s national rankings, postseason tournaments, or championship meets. In the fall, Denison fields teams in football, men’s and women’s soccer, men’s and women’s cross country, women’s field hockey, and women’s volleyball. Men’s and women’s basketball, men’s and women’s swimming & diving, women’s fencing, men’s and women’s squash, and men’s and women’s indoor track & field compete in the winter. In spring, Denison sponsors teams in baseball, softball, men’s and women’s golf, men’s and women’s tennis, men’s and women’s lacrosse, and men’s and women’s outdoor track & field.
Denison students also are afforded the opportunity to compete through numerous club sports offerings and intramurals. More than half of Denison students compete in some form of athletics as undergraduates. Currently, highly competitive club sport opportunities are offered in sports such as squash, ice hockey, rugby, men’s fencing, sailing, and cheerleading. For more information, visit denisonbigred.com.

Multicultural Student Affairs

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs actively supports students in finding ways to connect at Denison University and within communities to support their post-graduation experience. Our approach centers on the experiences of historically underrepresented populations, including ethnic minorities and first-generation students. Experiences are designed to support student transition through cultural identity exploration, professional development, and academic success while promoting engagement across the entire community. Advocacy, collaboration, and long-term planning drive our student development work.

We reference motivational interviewing and intersectional identity development theory to support students in the exploration of passions, purpose, and vision. Through a spectrum of learning experiences and educational services, we seek to help create and sustain a campus environment that encourages students to communicate across differences, engage holistically in the liberal arts experience, and strategically consider their experiences at Denison in relation to a global world. We work closely with academic programs, administrative departments, and student organizations to anticipate challenges and develop programming to encourage a profound impact as our students navigate from matriculation to graduation.
Religious and Spiritual Life: The Open House

Students at Denison make meaning in many different ways. Whether they bring a religious or spiritual practice or tradition to our community or not, or feel like they do not know where they will land yet, every Denisonian has something to offer. We are excited to celebrate them and all that they will bring to our community.

The Center for Religious & Spiritual Life (located at “The Open House”) is there to partner with your student in their journey. From finding a place to worship during their time at Denison to connecting with other students and religious leaders who practice their faith tradition, we can help. The Open House offers a place for students to gather weekly over dinner to engage in interfaith dialogue with other students as well as a place to manage the stress of college by practicing meditation or yoga. It is also simply a place that feels like home (complete with couches, coffee, tea, and the smell of freshly baked cookies) for students to hang out.

Your student is encouraged to help us get to know them by completing our religious background and interest survey. Providing us with this information will help us tailor program offerings to their specified affiliation.

More information can be found at denison.edu/campus/religious.
Wellness, Health, and Safety

The Wellness Center

The Wellness Center is home to medical services, behavioral health services, and health education. Our team follows an integrated model: We recognize students as complex individuals with physical, spiritual, cultural, emotional, and financial needs. Our medical and behavioral health professionals work both independently and collaboratively to develop a holistic plan of care to help students achieve and maintain an optimal state of health.

As with your medical and behavioral health providers at home, our services are delivered to students by appointment. Appointments are made with our MDs, Nurse Practitioners (NP), Registered Nurse (RN), and Behavioral Health Clinicians by calling 740-587-6200. The appointments with the MDs, NPs, and Behavioral Health Providers take place weekdays during designated hours.

Medical Services

Our physicians and nurse practitioners deliver evidence-based primary care services that include: 1) Diagnosing and managing acute and chronic illnesses; 2) Preventative health services in the form of sports physicals, work physicals, school-related physicals, and preoperative physicals; 3) Sexual health — including well-woman exams, STD screenings, hormonal contraception, PrEP, and problem visits; 4) Minor surgical procedures; 5) Patient education, including health conditions and related management and preventative health recommendations; 6) HIV pre-screening counseling, as well as HIV testing; and 7) Facilitating referrals to specialists within the surrounding community.

We also offer appointments with a registered nurse (RN) for minor acute illness, and these appointments are throughout the day and late evening. After 10 p.m., we have a registered nurse available for emergencies only. If the student’s medical needs are outside the RN scope of practice, then the student will be directed to one of the local Urgent Care facilities or Emergency Department for evaluation and care. The RN is also available to monitor students who remain in the Wellness Center for observation care.

The Wellness Center also offers, for a nominal fee, the following alternative therapies: REIKI — an alternative healing technique used for stress reduction, relaxation, and symptom relief. AromaTouch — a clinical approach to essential oil application developed to enhance and support four important parts of homeostasis: stress management, toxic insult, inflammatory response, and autonomic imbalance.

Each semester your student’s account is charged for the Health Center Fee. This non-negotiable fee covers the cost of running Health and Counseling Services at the Wellness Center. This fee also eliminates any “Office Visit” charge to see the MD, NP, RN, or Behavioral Health Clinicians. However, during some medical office visits, charges may be accrued for laboratory tests, medications (prescription or OTC), medical procedures (such as suturing lacerations, medical supplies), and inpatient observation stays at our facility. These charges are sent to the Student Accounts Office (740-587-6274) and are posted to the student’s individual account. If you would like to submit documentation of your student’s medical visit and charges to your personal insurance plan, your student can print a “Detailed Walkout Statement” from the My Wellness Portal. This insurance ready statement is generated at the time of the office visit and can be submitted to your insurance plan for reimbursement.
**Denison does not submit to the student’s individual insurance companies.**
If, however, the student has elected to enroll in the Optional ACA compliant Denison health insurance policy, Student Accounts will submit these claim forms when the care has been delivered on campus and when directed by the student.

**Counseling Services**

Counseling Services (CS) at the Wellness Center are provided by licensed mental health clinicians. Staff clinicians are generalist practitioners with special areas of clinical focus and training, who provide individual counseling and assessment, consultation, crisis management, outreach, and educational programs on campus. Staff Clinicians treat presenting issues in the context of promoting wellness and resiliency.

Denison staff are augmented by a consulting dietitian and psychiatrist, who provide additional care. Shared communication, as well as care coordination, provides a higher quality of care and support for the student.

The counseling staff at the Wellness Center also collaborate with staff from other departments in Student Development to provide support and psychoeducational group experiences. Under many circumstances, these offer a better alternative to one-on-one counselor appointments as they immerse students in a community of support and help them normalize elements of their experience:

- **Spectrum** is a weekly support group for students who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, or questioning.
- **The Productivity Circle** is a weekly group for students who would like to learn more skills to manage symptoms of ADHD.
- **Baggage Claim** is a support group for students returning from study abroad to assist them in their transition back to campus.

**Workshop Offerings**

Student groups may request workshops on a variety of topics, including emotion regulation, stress management, relationships, grief, and loss. The counseling center is open to topic requests, also.

**Confidentiality**

Students have a federal right to privacy at age 18. No record of counseling services is placed in college records, placement files, or official transcripts. To facilitate a therapeutic relationship, our staff cannot share information about a student with their family members; we cannot confirm or deny whether a student is seeking our services. If you would like for us to talk with you about your student’s mental health concerns, encourage your student to sign a release of information (ROI). Please note that staff may break confidentiality when a student poses a risk of harm to self or others, or when the law requires.

**How to Access Counseling Services**

During the academic year, appointments may be scheduled Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with extended evening hours. Students may schedule counseling appointments by calling (740) 587-6200, or by walking into the Wellness Center and requesting to schedule an appointment. Students may also use the center’s daily walk-in
hours from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. for urgent needs, Monday through Friday. For emergencies that may occur outside business hours, students may access the on-call clinician by coming to the Wellness Center. The nurse on duty will help the student connect with the on-call clinician. Crises can frequently be managed with counseling support, but if the situation warrants a higher level of care, the Wellness Center will respond appropriately to manage the crisis and meet the needs of the student.

**Education for Dimensions of Wellness**

In addition to providing clinical care, Denison also works to support students in establishing the habits of personal wellness and improving their skills for coping with stress and anxiety. Denison is a member of the JED Campus Program, the leading national suicide prevention program. The JED Foundation promotes evidence-based approaches to protecting and enhancing college students’ emotional health and well-being. These have informed a number of recent wellness initiatives at Denison.

**Mitchell Center**

The Department of Athletics, Recreation, and Physical Education is dedicated to the overall wellness of our student body. We believe that physical activity not only promotes a healthy lifestyle but aids in positive mental health, as well.

In addition to our intramural and club offerings, we have several opportunities for physical activity in the Mitchell Center that houses the Trumbull Aquatics Center, the Crown Fitness Center, the Mitchell Fieldhouse (indoor track and tennis), Livingston Gymnasium, and Alumni Recreational Gym. The pool is available for open swim four times per day during the week and in the afternoons on Saturday and Sunday. The Crown Fitness Center is open whenever the building is open, and the Alumni rec gym is available throughout the day and evening. We offer cycling, barre, yoga, Pilates, and Zumba classes Monday through Friday.

Any parent or student with questions concerning the Mitchell Center or our club sports offerings may contact Lynsey Whisner at whisnerl@denison.edu or 740-587-5733.
Campus Safety

The Office of Campus Safety is committed to a partnership with the Denison community to ensure a safe living, learning, and working environment. We provide information on safety-related topics, emergency phone numbers, guides and procedures.

With a professional team of 20, the Office of Campus Safety provides 24-hour a day presence to deter criminal activity and support local safety services agencies and other Denison Personnel in public safety endeavors. We also assist other members of the Student Development division in providing targeted programming to students, faculty, and staff. The goal of this programming is to encourage students and staff to make sound, responsible choices regarding personal and professional behavior and to stay consistent with the Denison University Code of Conduct.

Financial Services

Financial Aid

The Office of Financial Aid offers a variety of financial aid programs to help students with their educational expenses. Scholarships, grants, and loans are available for those who qualify, and student employment opportunities are available to all students. Students must apply for financial aid each year. The FAFSA is required each academic year. The CSS Profile is only required once upon admission to the university. The financial aid staff offers counsel to students and their families throughout the financial aid application process and beyond. The staff can also help families understand their financial aid eligibility and financing options each year.

Additional information on financial aid, student employment, and consumer information is available at denison.edu/campus/finances.

Contact Information

Doane Administration, 1st Floor
(740) 587-6276 (Phone)
(740) 562-6322 (Fax)
finaid@denison.edu

Student Accounts

Your Denison Student’s Account Statement

Denison produces electronic account statements. Each time a statement is produced, a statement notification will be sent to the student’s Denison email address (and to all email addresses that have been granted direct access to that student’s statement).

Parent Proxy System

Students can give parents or legal guardians access to their personal information, student account, records, and more via the parent proxy system found in their MyDenison login. See step-by-step instructions for how to grant access to a parent/other guest. Designated proxies will need to check their email inbox soon after the student has added them. The PIN they receive will expire in five days.

If students wish for others to view their statement, they can grant access to “Statement
and Payment History” through their MyDenison login (see how to grant access to a parent/other guest). Statements are produced on the first working day of each month. Fall semester bills are scheduled for July, and spring semester bills are scheduled for December. Please refer to each statement for the due date (usually about three weeks after the statement date).

Denison Dollars

This is a prepaid, declining balance account that can be used on campus for purchases at the Bookstore, Copy & Mail Center, and all Campus Dining locations. Money can be added through Student Accounts.

Additional information on Tuition & Costs, Payment Options, and Student Insurance is available at denison.edu/campus/finances.

Contact Information
Doane Administration, 1st Floor
(740) 587-6274 (Phone)
studentaccounts@denison.edu

Student Services

Campus Dining

Denison is a relational campus, and the dining halls and other food venues, including (our newest café, Slivy’s at Silverstein), The Nest in Slayter Hall, The Bandersnatch in Huffman, and D-Fuse in the Mitchell Center, are great places to build community.

Denison has renovated and rejuvenated both Huffman and Curtis Dining Halls to meet the highest standards of food preparation and service, and to provide a great atmosphere to enjoy good food. In fact, Denison was recently ranked at #11 in the nation for its student food service.
Our food service provider, Bon Appétit, is known for preparing delicious food, produced in a socially responsible manner with regional and seasonal products grown by local farmers and artisans. Bon Appétit cooks from scratch, using fresh, authentic ingredients, and makes food alive with flavor and nutrition. They create menus with detailed signage and include plentiful amounts of fruit, vegetables, legumes, and grains. They offer many vegetarian and vegan options, as well, as options for those who have special dietary needs.

The well-being of our students is of the utmost importance to us, and each member of the Bon Appétit staff is trained in food allergen awareness. Should you feel that you’d like to consult with Bon Appétit personnel about your student’s food allergy, please contact the general manager at 740-587-6690.

Meal plans are designed to provide students maximum dining flexibility, value, and convenience on campus. Bon Appétit offers both declining balance plans and an unlimited all you care-to-eat plan. Students are enrolled in the meal plan they chose during the housing selection registration. Students may make changes to their meal plan choice through the first two weeks of the semester. Please note, however, that changes made on or after registration day will have financial implications, as students are charged an appropriate daily amount for each plan, and these vary.

Students may change their meal plan option by returning a completed meal plan sign-up form to the Office of Residential Communities. Residential Communities places meal plan sign-up forms in student Slayter boxes in late August for fall semester and in January for spring semester (also may be obtained from the Housing Coordinator). Please contact the Office of Residential Education and Housing with questions about the meal plan sign-up form.

For our hours, dining locations, menus, meal plans, and more, please visit denison.cafebonappetit.com.

Huffman Café
Information Technology Services (ITS)

Inside the First-Year Notebook your student receives, your student will find a welcome letter that includes their Denison email, BigRedID (Denison’s term for username), and initial password. These begin to unlock the many technology resources available to Denison students starting with the following key web-based services:

- **MyDenison (my.denison.edu)** – This will be your Denison student’s online home. It provides students with access to email, calendar, grades and class schedules, course registration, vehicle registration, dining menus, community announcements, Denison event calendars, the Notebowl social learning platform, software downloads such as Microsoft Office and McAfee antivirus software, and more.

- **Denison Apps powered by Google (apps.denison.edu)** – Denison Apps provides your student with a suite of online tools including email, calendaring, personal and shared documents, and unlimited cloud-based file storage. Your student is encouraged to start checking their Denison email account right away.

- **Denison Parent Proxy (access.denison.edu)** – This is where you, as a family member, may go to access your student’s information if your student has created an account for you. The Parent Proxy system allows students to grant parents and others rights to perform functions and view information on their behalf, like paying bills and viewing account information, grades, and registration status. For more information, see denison.edu/campus/finances.

Two-factor Authentication

To protect your student’s digital identity and privacy, most Denison web-based services like MyDenison and Denison Apps require Duo two-factor authentication. Two-factor authentication adds a second layer of security by requiring that your student use a second method (called a “factor,” typically a cell phone) to approve their login after signing in with their BigRedID and password. If your student doesn’t have access to a cell phone, there are additional ways to authenticate. To learn more about Duo, please see apps.denison.edu/helpdesk/faq6242. Your Parent Proxy account is a separate account and does not use Duo.

Once your student arrives on campus, they will find many more technology resources, including:

- **Wi-Fi everywhere.** Secure wireless network service is available throughout campus.
Many computers for student use. There are more than 650 university computers available for students to use in department or public computer labs, classrooms, and Doane Library. These computers feature a wide array of software, including Microsoft Office, Adobe Creative Cloud applications, and key academic applications like Atlas.ti, SPSS, and Mathematica, to name a few. Denison continues to enrich technology spaces to provide students with leading-edge technology tools. Highlights include:

- Nine Bloomberg terminals located in several labs provide access to Bloomberg financial and real-time data
- A makerspace featuring 3D printing
- High-tech tools for artists in cinema, dance, music, studio art and theatre available in the Mulberry MIX lab

Conveniently located lab printers and a generous yearly print allowance. Printers are available in many locations on campus. A number of the most popular printing locations have Canon multifunction devices that allow students to print, scan, and copy in color or black & white. Denison uses a print release system to encourage responsible printing. Each year, students receive a free print quota of approximately 800 double-sided pages. We have found this is sufficient for most students; if it is not sufficient for your student, they will receive an automatic notification when their print allowance gets low and can request additional printing funds be added at no charge.

Technology equipment for checkout from the Library. Equipment available for students to check out to use for academic projects, special events, etc. includes Chromebooks, digital SLR cameras, digital SLR lens kits, tripods, digital audio recorders, and microphones.

What technology equipment should your student bring to campus?

Check out the online “Incoming Student Tech Guide” at denison.edu/its/purchase for guidance. If you are computer shopping, check out the computer recommendations section where you’ll find recommended and minimum computer specifications, as well as links to online stores for vendors that provide discounts for Denison students, including Apple, HP, and Dell.

Technology Help is Available!

The ITS Service Desk is available to help students with Denison technology services, common software, and even personal notebook computers. Please contact us at servicedesk@denison.edu or 740-587-6395. Visit denison.edu/its/servicedesk for current hours and locations.

Denison Bookstore

Your student’s textbooks will be available for purchase online beginning August 10 or in the Bookstore when you arrive on campus on Move-in Day. To see what books your student will need and the options available, your student will log in to my.denison.edu, select the student tab at the top, then click on ‘Shop Textbooks’ on the lower right side of the page. The Bookstore will...
be open the entire week prior to the first day of classes, including Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. If your student purchases books in the store, they will need to have their course schedule in hand or on their phone as books are set up by department, course, and section number. Book Grants, which are awarded through Financial Aid, will be available through the Denison ID card and can be used on the bookstore website as well as in the store 10 days prior to the start of class. Book Grants cannot be used for textbook purchases outside of the Denison Bookstore.

The Bookstore accepts VISA, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, cash, check, Denison Dollars (accessible through the Denison ID), and Book Grant (accessible through the Denison ID). Please contact the Bookstore at bookstore@denison.edu or 740-587-6204.

Denison-imprinted sportswear and other items are available in the bookstore and at shop.denison.edu. Hint: great gift ideas!

Airport Shuttles

Denison University has partnered with SHARE to offer students shuttle service for move-in, fall break, Thanksgiving break, winter break, spring break, and move-out, for a fee. Students should check online at denison.edu/transportation to see future dates and times, and to sign up for a shuttle.

Mailroom and Packages

The Slayter Package Room on the second floor of Slayter Union is where students receive all mail and packages. Students will be assigned their Slayter address in July. Students keep the same mailbox and address the entire time they are enrolled at Denison. To ensure timely delivery, please be sure all mail and packages have the student’s name (not a parent or relative) and is addressed according to the example below:

[Student Name]
Denison University
[Box #] Slayter Union
Granville, OH 43023

Example:
Denny Denison
Denison University
1831 Slayter Union
Granville, OH 43023
Visiting Campus

Denison is located in Granville, a charming, New-England style village, frequently listed among the most beautiful small towns in the nation. Visit the Village of Granville website at granville.oh.us and the Granville Area Chamber of Commerce website at granvilleoh.com for local history, museums, parks, and places of worship.

Area Accommodations

Where to stay when visiting Denison? There are two historic inns (listed below) and several B&Bs available in Granville. See a full list of local and Columbus-area lodging options at denison.edu/accommodations.

Granville Inn
314 East Broadway
Granville, Ohio 43023
Web: granvilleinn.com
Email: frontdesktgi@granvilleinn.com
Phone: 740-587-3333

Buxton Inn
313 East Broadway
Granville, Ohio 43023
Web: buxtoninn.com
Email: info@buxtoninn.com
Phone: 740-587-0001
### Local Restaurants

Granville restaurants to enjoy while in town.

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<td>116 E Broadway</td>
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<td>470 S Main St</td>
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<td>Mai Chau</td>
<td>Vietnamese, Brewery</td>
<td>138 N Prospect St</td>
<td>740-920-4680</td>
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<td>Palumbo’s Italian Market</td>
<td>Italian, Do-It-Yourself</td>
<td>937 River Rd</td>
<td>740-587-0409 (Take-out only)</td>
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<td>Ray Ray’s Meat + Three</td>
<td>BBQ, Ribs, Sandwiches</td>
<td>1256 Columbus Rd</td>
<td>740-920-9103</td>
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<td>River Road Coffeehouse</td>
<td>Café, Coffee, Treats</td>
<td>935 River Rd</td>
<td>740-587-7266</td>
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<td>1320 Weaver Dr</td>
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<td>SteamRoller Bagel</td>
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<td>115 N Prospect St</td>
<td>740-777-9145</td>
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<td>Subs., Salads</td>
<td>115 E Elm St</td>
<td>740-587-4870</td>
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<td>119 E Elm St</td>
<td>740-920-4393</td>
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<td>119 S Prospect St</td>
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<td>132 E Broadway</td>
<td>740-587-4940</td>
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<td>Ice Cream</td>
<td>138 E Broadway</td>
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Village Services

**Banks**
- Park National Bank (ATM on campus)
  119 E Broadway, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-0238
- Chase Bank
  136 E Broadway, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-3461
- Huntington National Bank
  222 E Broadway, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-3133
- First Federal Savings and Loan
  126 N Prospect St, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-0242

**Florist**
- Village Flower Basket
  1090 River Rd, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-3439

**Golf**
- Denison Golf Club
  555 Newark Granville Rd, Granville, OH
  740-587-4653

**Grocery**
- Ross’ Granville Market
  484 S Main St, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-0031

**Pharmacy**
- CVS
  200 E Broadway, Granville, OH 43023
  740-587-0268 / Fax 740-587-3407

**Storage**
- Red Storage
  777 S 30th St, Heath, OH 43056
  740-522-2255
- Red Dot Storage
  1676 Hebron Rd, Heath, OH 43056
  740-879-5487
- Acorn Mini-Storage
  1061 N 21st St, Newark, OH 43055
  740-366-1996
- Five Star Store It
  6595 Columbus Rd, Granville, OH 43023
  740-927-0189

*Shops and restaurants on East Broadway in the Village of Granville*
Denison Lingo

These words and acronyms will give you a leg up on understanding the Denison culture.

**A-Quad** The Academic Quad

**Bandersnatch** A student-run coffee shop and gathering place located in Huffman Hall.

**Big Red** The official nickname of Denison’s intercollegiate athletics teams

**Buzzy** A buzzard and Denison’s unofficial mascot

**DCGA** Denison Campus Governance Association, a body of 40 students elected by their peers to represent the student voice in the life of the college.

**Denison Dollars** A prepaid, declining balance account that can be used for purchases at various places on campus. Money can be added through Students Accounts.

**The Doobie** Otherwise known as WDUB, Denison’s student-run streaming radio station.

**The Hill** Nickname for the Denison campus.

**The Main Drag** Also known as President’s Drive, beyond the main entrance to Denison.

**Moon Hall** A social lodge for Denison students, also known as “the Moonies,” on the North Quad. With a tongue-in-cheek reference to nearby “Sunnies” residence halls, the four flexible interior spaces are named New Moon, Crescent Moon, Gibbous Moon, and Full Moon. Three outdoor patio areas offer even more space to socialize.

**The Nest** Located on the third floor of Slayter Student Union, this eatery is open nightly.

**Notebowl** The university’s learning management system where students can view class documents, contact professors, and submit assignments.

**UPC** The University Programming Council, which plans and organizes on- and off-campus events for students.
## Common Contacts

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<td>740-587-6224</td>
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## Your student’s contact information

Your student’s Denison ID Number ________________

Your student’s Slayter Box number (for mail and packages) ____________

**First Year**
- Residence Hall Name and Room Number ____________
- Roommate(s) information ________________________

**Sophomore Year**
- Residence Hall Name and Room Number ____________
- Roommate(s) information ________________________

**Junior Year**
- Residence Hall Name and Room Number ____________
- Roommate(s) information ________________________

**Senior Year**
- Residence Hall Name and Room Number ____________
- Roommate(s) information ________________________