AUGUST 8, 2020

COLLEGE 101

FOR UL LAFAYETTE PARENTS AND FAMILY

CAJUN CONNECTION

Not sure where to go with your questions?
Send them to us:
parents@louisiana.edu

1st Day of Classes

AUGUST 17

Office of Orientation
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337-482-1391
orientation@louisiana.edu

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UNIV 100

UNIV 100 (First-Year Seminar) is a 3 credit- hour, full semester course designed to help first-year UL Lafayette students transition successfully from high school to University life and academic work. This course is mandatory for graduation and your student must enroll during their first semester. The course has two components:

1. Cajun Connection, is an extended introduction to UL Lafayette, the campus community, and University-level work. Students can begin accessing Cajun Connection via Moodle starting August 13, 2020 and will have until August 31st to complete the online coursework.

2. First-Year Seminar continues for the rest of the semester.

Cajun Connection provides your student with many valuable resources to assist in their success. Completion of Cajun Connection is mandatory. This means completing all the online modules within the Moodle page by August 31st. Students can complete the coursework at their own pace, but all coursework must be completed by the deadline.

REGISTERING FOR UNIV 100

All students are required to register and successfully complete a section of UNIV 100 during their first semester in college. If your student has not registered for a section of UNIV 100, **please have them register as soon as possible.** For more information about UNIV 100, please visit UNIV 100 First-Year Seminar.

NEW STUDENT CONVOCATION

New Student Convocation is the official academic welcome for first-year students and marks their entrance into the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Convocation is the recognition of the scholarly circle of life and helps your student understand that they begin their journey with convocation and end their academic journey with commencement (graduation). Your student will hear from University officials, faculty, staff, and students about their experiences at UL Lafayette, the support system we provide, and opportunities your student has to look forward to. New Student Convocation will be held virtually this year via a prerecorded video hosted on Moodle. Your student is required to watch this video and answer a journal prompt by Monday, August 31 at 5:00PM. Your student can begin accessing the Moodle course on Thursday, August 13 at 8:00AM.

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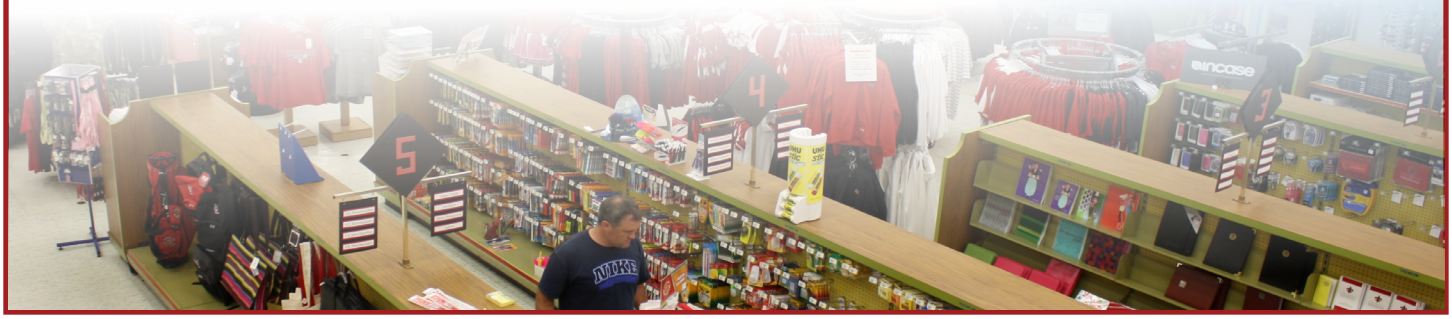
A NOTE ON BUYING TEXTBOOKS

Students should wait until the first week of classes to buy books— professors will go over the syllabus on the first day of class to cover textbook information. Not all textbooks are required or specified on the syllabus. Some ways to save money include renting textbooks from the Ragin' Cajuns Store on campus, buying or renting books online, buying used books, or sometimes checking-out textbooks (for a limited time) from the campus library.



FRESHMAN WEEK

Freshman Week is a fun time to get to know other students! Freshman Week begins on Thursday, August 13, and ends Sunday, August 16, 2020. There will be a variety of events with virtual and in-person options.

Students will have the opportunity to meet peers, learn about organizations on campus, and get connected to resources and information to assist in their success. Students can find the schedule on our website: firstyear.louisiana.edu/freshmanweek

FRESHMEN GIVEAWAYS

The University has been preparing for your student's arrival for quite some time. Many offices have gathered various items to distribute to our first-year students. Some of these items include things they would have received at orientation such as, a shirt, the Red Pages, a lanyard, and more. Your student can stop by the Ballroom in the Student Union during the below distribution dates to pick up their items. Please encourage your student to attend!

- MONDAY, AUGUST 17 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 18 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 20 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 21 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- MONDAY, AUGUST 24 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 @ 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Students who are unable to pick up their items in person, should contact the Office of Orientation at orientation@louisiana.edu

Join our official UL Lafayette Parents & Family Facebook group! Be sure to answer the verification questions when you request to join the group.