

PARENT ORIENTATION:

Orientation can be a whirlwind for parents and students alike. Although most departments on campus will give you information regarding their services, it is pertinent to be aware of the services the First-Year Experience offers on campus. This “How To” Newsletter will highlight key things to look for and think about while at Orientation. Parents are highly encouraged to attend [Parent Orientation](#); it provides parents with a wealth of information before their student starts at UL Lafayette. You can sign up for parent orientation at a different session than your student if you are unable to make the orientation session your student is attending. To sign up, visit the [parent orientation website](#).

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:
HAVE STUDENTS CHECK
THEIR UNIVERSITY EMAIL
DAILY. THIS IS THE
UNIVERSITY’S MAIN METHOD
OF COMMUNICATION.**

FINANCES IN COLLEGE

It is no secret that college can be an expensive investment. The last day to make a tuition payment or schedule a payment plan to reserve a student’s class schedule is *Wednesday, August 9, 2017*. Payment can be made either electronically (using Mastercard, Visa, American Express, or Discover) or in person (using cash or check **only**) through the [Student Cashier Center](#). Any questions regarding TOPS or financial aid will be handled through the [Office of Financial Aid](#). Their office can be reached by phone at 337-482-6506 or by email at finaid@louisiana.edu. Any questions regarding scholarships should be handled directly through the [Office of Scholarships](#) at 337-482-6515 or by email at scholar@louisiana.edu.

TRANSFERRING CREDITS TO UL LAFAYETTE

If students have dual enrollment, AP credit, CLEP credit, or any type of credit that could potentially transfer to UL Lafayette, make sure to follow the proper procedure to get the credits transferred.

College Credit—official transcripts can be sent digitally to etranscripts@louisiana.edu or by using the [Request for Transcript of Credits Form](#), which is provided by the Office of Admissions.

AP and CLEP Credit—must be provided by the organization itself, not students or parents. Visit their website in order to request the credit(s) to be sent to UL Lafayette.

[Read here](#) for more information about transfer credits. Contact our transfer coordinator at transfer@louisiana.edu for questions.

HOUSING

Do not forget to sign up for Housing. Please visit the housing portal through ULINK today and pick your room! The on-campus team is ready to help. Email oncampusliving@louisiana.edu or call at (337) 482-6471 if you need assistance in this process. For more information, visit the University of Louisiana at Lafayette [Housing website](#).

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Office of Financial Aid

Foster Hall
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[Office Website](#)
finaid@louisiana.edu
[Financial Aid Facebook Page](#)

Office of Orientation

Buchanan Hall, 3rd Floor
111 Boucher Street
337-482-1391
[Office Website](#)
orientation@louisiana.edu

Office of First-Year Experience

106 Lee Hall
230 Hebrard Blvd.
337-482-6599
[Office Website](#)
ofye@louisiana.edu



OFFICE OF FIRST-YEAR IS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

OFYE is on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#)! We update our social media accounts daily with pertinent information regarding the UL Lafayette campus and community. We hope you follow us!

LIVING AND LEARNING COMMUNITIES (LLCs)

In LLCs, freshmen have the unique opportunity to live in the residence halls with a group of students who have similar interests. LLCs allow students to take classes with this group AND live together. Enrollment in the LLC program is continuously changing. Visit [OFYE's website](#) to learn more and check availability. The following themes are offered for 2017-2018:

- Darwin
- Gateway to the Arts
- Honors
- Lifetime Recreation
- Service and Leadership
- Taste of Business
- Travel, Language, and Culture

If a student has not applied for housing, they can apply for an LLC when the housing application is filled out. If a student has already applied for housing, please contact Dana Bekurs directly at dana@louisiana.edu.

CAMPUS RESOURCES

UL Lafayette has many campus resources that you and your student can utilize. At Parent Orientation, you can find and learn more about each resource.

UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE

The [bookstore](#) has two locations, one in the Student Union and one located at the intersection of Rex Street and St. Mary Boulevard, offering any textbook required for a class at UL Lafayette. It is well-known that college textbooks can be expensive, so the bookstore allows students to rent or buy used textbooks to help with costs. We suggest using caution when buying textbooks prior to the first day of class, as some books are not required.

Academic Calendar

The university's Academic Calendar contains important dates including first day of classes, add/drop date, student holidays, and more. [Click here](#) to view the academic calendar and deadlines for each semester.

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University Bookstore

104 East University Ave
337-482-1000

[Office Website](#)
bookstore@louisiana.edu

Cajun Card Office

Student Union 134
337-851-2273

[Office Website](#)
cajuncash@louisiana.edu

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CAJUN CARD

The [Cajun Card](#) is one of the most important things your student will need throughout college. The Cajun Card serves as your student's campus identification card which will grant them access to residence halls, parking lots, building labs, and events on campus. Your student's ULID, a very important number, is on the back of the card. This card is also used as a student's [library card](#), [meal plan](#), and campus debit card with reloadable [Cajun Cash](#). All students should receive their Cajun Cards at Orientation.

STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

The Student Health Center, located on campus, is here to help your student stay healthy throughout college. The Student Health Center operates by appointment only by calling 337-482-1293 and is open during semester breaks and University administrative office hours. Some of the services they provided include:

- care for minor illnesses, injuries, or stable chronic conditions
- some minor surgeries and procedures
- physical exams
- women's health
- some immunizations
- allergy shots
- IV therapy
- limited generic prescription medications
- and more—call for more information

IMMUNIZATIONS

In order to be fully admitted to UL Lafayette, all students must submit a [Proof of Immunization Compliance](#) form to the university Student Health Center. Failure to submit immunization records keep hold students from scheduling classes for future semesters. For [immunization questions](#), please use the [compliance question form](#). For other health concerns, please contact the Student Health Center by phone at (337) 482-1293 or by email at shs@louisiana.edu.

POSTAL SERVICE

UL Lafayette maintains a U.S. Postal Service station in the Student Union for our students' convenience. Any student enrolled at the university is welcomed to rent a post office box; these are free for on-campus residential students as no mail is delivered directly to residence halls. Campus post office services include the following and more:

- Express Mail and Global Priority
- Parcel Post and stamp purchase
- Signature confirmation
- Priority mail
- USPS tracking
- Air/Surface Services
- Return Receipts
- Certified, Insured, Registered Mail

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Campus Post Office

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