

# SECRETS TO SOAR

## Insider Tips for Auburn's Transfer Students Back to School Checklist

### Mark your Calendar for these Dates To Remember

**July 13:** Your eBill for Fall 2018 will be posted on AU Access. Payment will be due August 10th and class schedules are subject to cancellation for non-payment after the due date.

**Through July 17 (11:59pm CST):** Register for the football ticket lottery. See the next page for more details.

**July 17:** Course Registration for Fall 2018 reopens. See AU Access (My Campus Tab) for your specific time ticket.

**August 10:** eBill due and class schedules are subject to cancellation for non-payment after the due date.

**Through August 17:** Register for the preferred parking drawing through the My Campus tab of AU Access. The random drawing will be held on August 18th and you will be informed which lot you are assigned shortly after the drawing.

**Aug 19 @ 5pm:** New Student Convocation in the Auburn Arena. All first-year students (including transfer students) are required to attend.

**Aug 20:** Fall Classes Begin

### CLASS REGISTRATION

- If necessary, finish registering for your Fall Class Schedule. Registration will reopen on July 17th based on your specific time ticket (see AU Access for your time). You can make adjustments to your schedule through the 5th day of classes.
- Prior to August 16th at 4pm, the best way to get a class that is currently full is to use the Waitlist system in AU Access. Waitlists turn off on August 17th at 4pm and then any available spots become first come, first served, so you can register for a class the moment a spot becomes available.

### FIRST TUITION BILL

- Your first eBill will be posted on July 13th and will be due August 10th.
- If you do not pay the first half of the bill by this deadline, your classes will be dropped. The second half of the bill will be due by September 7th.
- Set up authorized users through AU Access so your family can help view and pay eBills.
- As a reminder, the first tuition bill is usually the largest and includes tuition, on campus housing and the required dining plan.



### MEDICAL CLINIC

- Complete required medical forms through Med+Proctor prior to class registration reopens so the hold doesn't effect your registration. Have questions about the medical forms? Call 334-844-4416.
- Contact your insurance company to determine coverage while attending Auburn.
- Sign up for the Medical Clinic's online Patient Portal at [auburn.edu/medical](http://auburn.edu/medical).
- Keep a copy of your insurance card in your purse, wallet, or cell phone.
- Students with ongoing health concerns should send records to the Medical Clinic.

### PARKING SERVICES

- Register online for a vehicle/bike parking permit through August 17th.
- Review parking rules and regulations at [auburn.edu/parking](http://auburn.edu/parking).

### STUDENT FOOTBALL TICKETS

- You will need to select your preferences for season tickets before July 17th at 11:59 pm CT. The lottery will run on July 18th and you will be emailed with the results that day. You have until August 20th at 11:59 pm CT to cancel your tickets.
- See our last newsletter for more information ([fy.auburn.edu/sos/newsletter/](http://fy.auburn.edu/sos/newsletter/))

### STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

- Visit AUinvolve at [auburn.edu/auinvolve](http://auburn.edu/auinvolve) to browse more than 500 student organizations.

### PARENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Encourage your parents to join the Parents' Association at [auburn.edu/joinaupa](http://auburn.edu/joinaupa) (free) and to purchase Fall Family Weekend tickets that go on sale July 30th. Find more info at [auburn.edu/aupa](http://auburn.edu/aupa).

### ADDITIONAL REMINDERS & SUGGESTIONS

- **Update your emergency contact information** at [auburn.edu/emergencycontacts](http://auburn.edu/emergencycontacts)
- **Explore Auburn's websites.** We gave you a lot of information during SOS and this can be a great time to become more familiar with your new university and its services.
- **Play tourist in your own backyard and spend time with your family.** This may be your last chance for quality time with your family, friends, or in your hometown for a while. Take advantage of it.
- **Service your car.** The last thing you need is for your car to break down while you are in a new place.
- **Organize your finances.** Make sure your bank accounts and any financial paperwork required for financial aid is set up. This can also be a good time to talk with your parents about creating a budget so you can be on the same page.
- **Start to organize your life.** Get a calendar and start filling in important dates like the academic calendar, times to go home, etc. Having a system in place before you arrive will definitely help!
- **Learn a new skill.** While things may be calmer learn to cook, learn how to do laundry, or pick up a skill you've always wanted to learn. Pinterest and YouTube can be great places to find free tutorials.



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## Tips for Preparing to Move to Auburn

- Talk with your apartment complex prior to move-in and ask if there's anything that doesn't come with the apartment that you might need to purchase or set up ahead of time like utilities, internet routers, shower rods, etc.
- Make a Google Doc with your roommates to document who's bringing what so you don't all move in with duplicate items. No one really needs 4 toasters!
- Set ground rules for you and your roommates early. Communicate how and when bills will be paid, how the apartment will be cleaned, and what expectations everyone has in regards to quiet times, visitors, and shared spaces. Make sure to revisit these agreements to keep conflicts at a minimum, and talk to your roommates when problems start to arise. Also look into Venmo or Splitwise; both are free apps to help split costs like utilities.
- Learn your living community's rules. Are there specific rules for noise, visitors, parking, or items you can't have in the apartment that you will be expected to follow?
- Make the move easier by seeing what you can send directly to the store in Auburn/Opelika or mail directly to your new place. Walmart, Bed Bath and Beyond, and Target often allow you to ship items directly to the store and sometimes it can be convenient to ship some items directly to your apartment through online stores or if you have an Amazon Prime Student Account. This can leave valuable space in your car when moving here.
- Don't forget to update your local address with any banks, magazines or groups that typically send mail to you and update your information in AU Access too.
- Once you get here, make sure to thoroughly inspect the place before moving in. Document anything that is wrong, broken, or missing and talk with the landlord ASAP so you are not charged for the damage when it is time for you to leave.



### Transfer Tip:

Check your Tigermail frequently! As we get closer to the start of the semester, you will be receiving more and more emails to your Tigermail account (the official method of communication for the university).

For instructions on how to sync your Tigermail email to your phone, visit:

[auburn.edu/oit/mobile/](http://auburn.edu/oit/mobile/).

## Transfer Student Spotlight



**Holly Wiggins** is a Senior majoring in Biomedical Sciences

I remember as my first day as an Auburn student was getting closer, I was becoming uncertain about so many things. This was the giant life step I knew I was supposed to take and there was so much new things that were about to happen. In the midst of the nervousness and chaos there were two things that calmed my nerves that I want to share with you because they really made the transition smoother than I could ever have expected. First was my

orientation leader, and the second was the Auburn Family.

The time finally came and I moved into my new abode on the plains, and soon thereafter, started my first day as an Auburn student. After my first day of class, I remember asking myself why I was ever so nervous because I felt right at home and the people here are so helpful and nice. There were multiple days within my first semester as an Auburn student I would stumble upon something that I needed an answer to and every time my Orientation Leader was there. She answered my questions no matter how minor they seemed, so be sure to reach out to your Orientation Leader too.

From someone who is in your shoes, there will be days life as a college student seems to weigh on your shoulders, but remember you are not alone here and there are so many people to help. Let the nerves go and bask in the light that Auburn spreads. You will be pushed past your limits as a student, but that is only to better you. Use your resources, most of them are at your fingertips. Visit your advisor because they usually have the answers. Join organizations, check out the Welcome Week events, and find your groove like you did at your previous school, so you can enjoy every second of your time here. It's rare you find a support system like this and I truly believe that the Auburn Family is the best there is. WAR EAGLE!

## Check out the New Campus Dining Locations

### Student Center



For over 80 years, they have been serving the country's best, freshest, and tastiest burgers and shakes.



Made-to-order entrée salads, wraps, soups, and sandwiches. A healthy alternative to other fast food fare. They also chop fresh all day, every day.



Cat Cora, the world-renowned "Iron Chef", has developed a dining concept inspired by Mediterranean street food. The menu focuses on four signatures: pita wraps, couscous bowls, topped fries and salad bowls.

**In the Village**

**SANDWICH SHACK**  
HAND CRAFTED GREATNESS

Hand crafted sandwiches, wraps, Paninis and flatbread melts

**Fresh from the Plains**  
(Lupton Hall- Lower Quad)  
Gluten-Free, local, and fresh.

**In RBD Library**

**Panera**  
BREAD®

### In Foy Hall



Prevail Union Coffee is a local Auburn Coffee Shop that will host a Coffee Stand next to the Foy Commons Dining Hall

### All-you-care-to-eat Locations

**Foy Commons Dining Hall & Tiger Zone in the Village**  
These venues will provide lots of options to mix and match for every meal

For a full list of all of the Dining Venues, visit: [auburn.edu/dining](http://auburn.edu/dining)