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Insider Tips for Auburn's Transfer Students

A Letter from First Year Experience

We would like to take this opportunity to again welcome you to Auburn University! We are glad you are continuing your education at our great university. We know transferring to another school can be a transition and we hope that this newsletter will serve as a resource to help you along the way. We enjoyed having you join us at SOS orientation this past spring, and please know that the First Year Experience office and your Orientation Leader is here for so much more than just your orientation session. We are

here for questions, share advice, or be someone to go to when you don't know where to go throughout your time here at Auburn. In this newsletter, you will get campus updates, receive timely reminders, helpful tips and information by Auburn's transfer students, SOS Orientation Leaders

and staff in the First Year Experience office. We look forward to having you join us here on campus soon, and please do not hesitate to contact the First Year Experience office at (334) 844-4501 or fyedesk@auburn.edu. We're here to help!

War Eagle!



Mark your Calendar for these **Dates To Remember**

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

July 9 - 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.

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 nonpayment after the due date.

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

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

Transfer Student Spotlight

In many ways, the transfer process can seem overwhelming at times. Last summer while I was preparing to move to Auburn from Dallas, Texas, I barely had time to breathe as I tried to figure out which credits would transfer from my previous institution, where I would live, and how I would fit in once I arrived. To be perfectly honest, I was scared, and didn't know what to think as I made the transition to Auburn.

One year later, I am so grateful for the Auburn Family, and I am happy to say that coming to Auburn has been one of the best decisions I've ever made. I have made lifelona friends and created lasting memories even in such a short period of time. Auburn will welcome you with open arms, and I can assure you that there is a place for each and every person here.

As a transfer student, getting involved on campus was one of the best ways I found to meet people and create bonds with others. Organizations make a big campus feel smaller and are the places where I made a majority of my

friendships on campus. Be sure to check out AU Involve (auburn.edu/ involve) now or plan to visit the organizations and clubs on the concourse during Organization Days (August 27—August 30, or every Wednesday from 10-2pm). Here you will have a chance to sample different groups on campus and meet members of the organization. Additionally, the Involvement Ambassadors in the Student Center room 3130 can help you figure out which group best fits your interests and goals. I promise you that you will gain so much by putting yourself out there and that you will find friends here at Auburn.

Finally, I wanted to let you know of some of my favorite memories that you will soon be able to experience! First, I loved my first football game as y'all are an Auburn student. Seeing the eagle circle Jordan-Hare from the student section took my breath away and you really can't find a better student section in the country! Next is the first game my dad came to because I was able to introduce him to all of my new

friends and show him how much I loved Auburn. I encourage you to invite someone to visit because I loved being able to show off all I knew and experienced here to my family. Lastly, my time with SOS as an Orientation Leader because it has been incredibly rewarding, and is one of my best experiences here. Even though you may be feeling stressed now, know that it will all work out and will definitely be worth it. Reach out to your Orientation Leader if you have any questions, because we have all

had similar feelings at some point in our Auburn career.

I know that going to love Auburn, and I'm so excited for you as vour time here begins.



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Football on the Plains

Who is ready for some Auburn football? Fall is coming fast and the Tigers are getting ready to take the field at Jordan-Hare Stadium once again! As an Auburn student you get the opportunity to cheer on your favorite team from the best student section in college football.

If you would like football tickets, you will need to register for the Football Ticket Lottery between June 6th and July 17th (11:59pm CT) through AU Access. There is no priority for when you enter the lottery (i.e. each incoming freshman and transfer student will have the same odds regardless of when they submit their interest during the lottery registration window).

Once logged in, click the My Campus tab, and then click the "Register for Lottery" in the Student Athletic Ticket Order box. As a reminder, you will not be able to order tickets until you have a class schedule in place. The lottery will run on July 18th and you will be emailed with the results of the lottery the same day. You will have until August 20th (11:59pm CT) to cancel your ticket package.

In order to give more students an opportunity to get tickets, incoming students will not have the option for a full home season. Instead, you can select a partial season package.

The 2018 packages are:

6-Game Package (2 options) \$135

- ORANGE Alabama State, Arkansas, Southern Miss, Tennessee, Texas A&M, and Liberty (does not include LSU)
- BLUE Alabama State, LSU, Arkansas, Southern Miss, Texas A&M, and Liberty (does not include Tennessee)

3-Game Package \$60

 Alabama State, Southern Miss, Liberty

Away Games:

- You must purchase a ticket package in order to be eligible to purchase away game tickets.
 Limit one per student and they are subject to availability.
- The ticket prices are: Washington \$60, Mississippi State \$75, Ole Miss \$100, Georgia \$125, Alabama \$140

If your desired ticket package sells out, periodically check the site for cancellations. When someone cancels his or her tickets, those tickets are immediately available in the system for purchase. You can do this through **August 20th**.

The Student Government
Association and the Athletic Ticket
Office have worked together to
develop Student Ticket Policies to
help make more tickets available to
students, and limit the number of
nonstudent fans in the student
section.

Like last year, students can not transfer games between each other.

If a ticket is not being used, it should be returned to the ticket pool. Students can request a **free** ticket for a game they do not have from the ticket pool. You can begin requesting a ticket on August 23rd and they are first come. first serve. Students are able to request a guest pass after the lottery on July 18th. A lottery will be run on August 22nd, and you will be notified if you

won any guest passes. Guest passes will be \$20 for Alabama State, Southern Miss, and Liberty, and \$25 for LSU, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Texas A&M.

Know the Rules: There is a penalty system for students who do not use their tickets or return them by a specific time. The best way to prevent a penalty if you are unable to go to a game is to return the unwanted ticket to the ticket pool before midnight the Sunday night prior to the game. If you receive 4 or more penalty points, you will lose post-season tickets and will drop below first year student ticket registration next year.

More information about the Student Tickets can also be found online at: auburntigers.com/aubtix/students_new.html or you can contact the Athletics Ticket Office at (855) 282-2010, option 3, or email them at tickets@auburn.edu.

Remember your tickets are held on your Ignited Card which you can get at the Auburn Arena Box Office when you get here in the fall. Be sure to have your Ignited Card with you when you rush into the stadium for the first football game of 2018!



<u>Transfer Tip:</u>

As you are finishing
up your final
semester at your
previous college,
make sure to submit
your final transcripts

to:

Admission Processing 1550 East Glenn Ave Suite 1210 Auburn, AL 36849

Understanding the Dining Plans

Block Meals: With a variety of options and the lowest cost per meal, a block meal grants you entry to two all-you-care-to-eat locations, Village Tiger Zone and Foy Commons. Unused block meals expire at the end of the semester.

Declining Balance: Declining Balance Dollars work like a gift card for food on campus. The money is accepted at all of the dining locations, and can be reloaded anytime throughout the semester. Any unused balance rolls over each semester, and expires at the end of the summer.

You must make any upgrades to the dining plan by Sept 10th. If you do not make any changes, you will automatically be

charged for the default plan (\$1100 for on campus students or \$350 for off campus students).

ON OR OFF CAMPUS STUDENTS

Block 225 + \$350.....\$2,257

Provides an average of 13.6 meals & \$21.20 Declining Balance per week

Block 155 + \$350.....\$1,767

Provides an average of 9.4 meals & \$21.20 Declining Balance per week

Block 115 + \$350.....\$1,440

Provides an average of 6.9 meals & \$21.20 Declining Balance per week

\$1,100 Declining Balance

Provides an average of \$66.77 Declining Balance per week **Mandatory and default plan for on campus students

OFF CAMPUS STUDENTS ONLY

Block 65 + \$250.....\$850

Provides an average of 3.9 meals & \$15.50 Declining Balance per week

Block 40+ \$250.....\$632

Provides an average of 2.4 meals & \$15.50 Declining Balance per week

\$350 Declining Balance

Provides an average of \$21.20 Declining Balance per week **Mandatory and default plan for off campus students

If you have any questions contact Tiger Dining: dining@auburn.edu or 334-844-8504



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