WELCOME TO ORIENTATION
**WELCOME TO NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**

**New Student Orientation** prepares you for your University at Albany experience by helping you make friends with other new students and providing you with valuable information to help ease your transition and prepare you for academic success.

*We guarantee that you will return home ready to pack your bags to return in the fall!*

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Dear New Students and Families,

Welcome to the University at Albany! You have chosen a world-class university that puts an incredible array of opportunities within reach. The varied perspectives and life experiences of a student body and faculty representing more than 100 nations provide a diversity that enriches learning at UAlbany.

*New Student and Family Orientation* marks the beginning of your engagement on our campus. The Orientation staff and the programs they present will help acclimate you to the university and inform you of the many resources available to assist with your transition. You will meet other new students as well as faculty and staff who can support your collegiate experience and help you reach your career and life goals.

When you return to UAlbany in the fall, your Orientation to the University will continue with programs and services designed to help you achieve success.

Best wishes as you embark on an academic journey that truly puts “The World Within Reach.”

Sincerely,

Robert J. Jones  
President

Michael N. Christakis  
Vice President for Student Success
FRESHMAN STUDENT SCHEDULE

Academic Danes

09:00 am Check-In | State Quad
10:00 am University Welcome | Lecture Center 18
10:45 am Meet Your OA | See label*
11:30 am Lunch | State Quad
12:30 pm Meet your Advisor | See label*
02:30 pm Career Ready Danes | See label*
04:00 pm Campus Tour
05:00 pm Dinner | State Quad
05:00 pm Living-Learning Communities | State Quad
06:00 pm Dane Games | State Quad
07:15 pm Freshen Up
08:00 pm Thinkfast | Campus Center Ballroom
10:00 pm Back to State Quad**

Civic Danes

09:00 am Check-In | State Quad
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*Please see the label on your Guidebook to find your group name and follow the corresponding schedule.
DAY 1

Intercultural Danes

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Wellness Danes

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“Being an Orientation Assistant last summer was an amazing experience. I cannot wait to meet all of our #NewDanes.”

Tameka | @OA_Tameka
Senior | Communications

**Following Thinkfast students must remain on State Quad for the remainder of the evening.
FRESHMAN STUDENT SCHEDULE

Academic Danes

08:00 am Pre-Health & Pre-Law Sessions | Lecture Center 3a & 3b
08:30 am Resource Fair | Lecture Center Concourse
09:30 am Great Danes Get Consent | Lecture Center 18
10:45 am Inclusive Danes | See label*
12:30 pm Lunch | State Quad
01:30 pm Healthy Danes | See label*
02:30 pm Responsible Danes | See label*
03:00 pm Involved Danes | LC 18
03:30 pm Farewell until Fall | LC 18
04:00 pm Check out | State Quad

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“UAlbany has many opportunities to get involved. I found my niche with Pitch Please and UAlbany Musical Theatre Association.”

Jesus | @OA_JesusV
Senior | English
## Intercultural Danes

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**FRESHMAN FAMILY SCHEDULE**

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“Working with Parents last summer was amazing! I love sharing my UAlbany experiences with them and putting their minds at ease.”

*Francesca | @OA_FrancescaM
Junior | Journalism*

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**96% of FAMILY MEMBERS AGREED**

that the Family Orientation Program contributed to the satisfaction of their students’ choice to attend UAlbany*

*2014 Family Orientation Survey
2015 Convocation
SATURDAY, AUGUST 22
4 PM SEFCU ARENA

Family Reception will be held at Bob Ford Field starting at 2 PM. Students living on campus must attend a MANDATORY Meeting with their Resident Assistant during this same time period.
CONVOCATION will begin promptly at 4 PM and families are encouraged to attend.

Family Information

Holly Barker-Flynn
Director of New Student Programs
(518) 442-5875
parents@albany.edu
albany.edu/parents

Banking

Comprehensive banking services are provided by SEFCU in the Campus Center and various ATMs located throughout campus. For more information about banking services, visit: Sefcu.com/ualbany

Ordering Books

Textbooks can be ordered online through the University Bookstore and shipped to you or picked up at the store at albany.edu/myualbany

There are options that can save you money, including renting textbooks or purchasing used or e-textbooks.

Mail Services

To send mail to a student use the following format:

Student Name
Quad Name, Mailbox #
1400 Washington Ave
Albany, NY 12222

Visit albany.edu/mailservice for information.
TRANSFER STUDENT SCHEDULE

Morning
08:30 am  Check-In | Lecture Center Concourse
09:00 am  Meet Your Orientation Assistant | See label
09:30 am  Resource Fair | Lecture Center Concourse
10:00 am  Successful Danes | Lecture Center 18
10:30 am  Great Danes Get Consent | Lecture Center 18
11:15 am  Advisement Informational Meetings | Assigned Lecture Center
11:45 am  Academic Department Meetings

After Your Department Meeting
12:30 - 1:30 pm Campus Resource Tour | Departs from Check-In Table
01:00 - 2:30 pm New Student Meet & Greet | Main Fountain
01:30 - 2:00 pm Money Matters | Lecture Center 25
02:00 - 2:15 pm Residential Life | Lecture Center 25
02:30 - 3:30 pm Campus Tour | Departs from Check-In Table
02:30 - 3:30 pm Bus Tour of Alumni Quad | Departs from Check-In Table

Darlene Poirier
dpoirier@albany.edu
Transfer Experience Office  LC 31
albany.edu/transfer_students
(518) 442-3950

Transfer Experience Office
Need assistance? The Transfer Experience Office helps transfer students throughout their academic career at UAlbany. Becoming an active member of the campus community academically, socially, and culturally is key to your success.

The Transfer Experience Office can assist – whether it’s mentoring, transfer credit issues, learning about the library, or other resource questions, Darlene Poirier is there to assist you.

Orientation Assistants will be available to assist you until 4:00 pm in these locations:
Campus Center Lobby | Lecture Center Concourse | Advisement Services
**TRANSFER FAMILY SCHEDULE**

**Transfer Students account for 50% of the Graduating Class of 2016**

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Each Transfer Student meets with an Advisor during Orientation. Times vary so we’re unable to tell you when your family member will finish with Orientation.

Establish a meeting location near the Main Fountain.

“I transferred to UAlbany because of the academics but the people make the University great. There is so much Great Dane pride here that I couldn’t wait to be a part of it.”

Kevin | @OA_ KevinF  
Senior | Journalism
The University at Albany values and celebrates the diversity of our campus community and views it as a source of our strength. You will hear many students say they chose UAlbany because of the large, diverse community that offers so many opportunities for growth.

**UAlbany really puts the WORLD WITHIN REACH!**

How can you establish your roots and spread your wings in our diverse community? There are many activities, events, and programs designed to help members of the UAlbany community better understand and value the diversity of this community.

**UAlbany is home to:**

- Over 40 Cultural, Gender & Sexuality, and Faith-based student organizations
- The Multicultural Resource Center
- The Gender and Sexuality Resource Center
- The CHARGE Multicultural Program
- Diversity Peer Educators
- National Coalition Building Institute
- Safe Space Training

“The diversity at UAlbany really does bring the World Within Reach. You meet people from all over the world and get to learn about their cultures and traditions.”

Kayla | @OA_KaylaJ
Sophomore | Psychology
**A COMMUNITY OF INCLUSION**

**Intercultural Student Engagement**
Campus Center 130  
(518) 442-5565 | albany.edu/multicultural

Intercultural Student Engagement provides University-wide support for students to learn more about themselves and others.

For more information about diversity and inclusion at UAlbany, visit one of our two resource centers on the third floor of the Campus Center.

“As a CHARGE Peer Educator, I get to teach my peers about diversity. All of the cultural programming at UAlbany creates a great sense of community.”

Caitlin | @OA_Caitlin  
Junior | Psychology

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**Gender Inclusive Housing**

Gender Inclusive Housing offers living spaces that recognize the gender spectrum and create an inclusive living environment.

If you would like to request Gender Inclusive Housing, please contact Residential Life's LGBTQ liaison, Karla Jaime-Benitez at (518) 442-5875 or kjaim-beitez@albany.edu.

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**Disability Resource Center**

Business Administration 120  
(518) 442-5490 | albany.edu/disability

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) is available to assist you with any physical, sensory, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, as well as severe chronic medical conditions, in order for you to be a successful, independent learner.

If you believe you may be eligible for any of these services, please contact the DRC to register.
Welcome to the Department of Residential Life!
Our goal is to provide you with an environment that supports your academic success. Your residence is a place for you to make new friends, participate in fun and informative programs and to take advantage of all the resources available to you as a student.

Residential Housing Staff: Who’s Who?

Resident Directors (RDs)
Each residence hall is supervised by a full-time, live-in professional Resident Director who will serve as a mentor to you.

Resident Assistants (RAs)
RAs are undergraduate students who will assist you in your transition to the campus community. These fellow students receive extensive training in basic helping skills, crisis intervention, intercultural relations, and conflict resolution. Your RA will sponsor educational and social events and help facilitate a community of scholars.

Stay Connected: Follow us on Facebook and Twitter
Facebook.com/UAlbanyResidentialLife
Twitter.com/ResLifeUAlbany
YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Notification of Housing Assignment

You will receive your housing assignment during the first week in August to your UAlbany email address. Your housing assignment will include:

- Name of your quad/residence hall/room number.
- Name of your roommate(s) and suitemates, along with their UAlbany email addresses.
- Extra Long Twin Bed and Mattress
- Desk and Chair
- Dresser and Closet
- Wireless Internet
- Ethernet Connection
- Fitness Center
- FREE Laundry
- Quad Office
- Dining Area
- Helpful Staff

Reach out prior to coming to campus to get to know each other!

MicroFridge Rentals

Refrigerators up to 6 cubic feet are permitted in the Residence Halls, however only microwaves that are part of MicroFridge units are allowed. Refrigerator Leasing Co. offers purchase and rental options for MicroFridge units. Contact Refrigerator Leasing Co. at (607) 431-9525 to pre-order.

Cable

Basic cable is included with your housing. Time Warner Cable offers packages to upgrade your cable by adding premium channels and services such as DVR. Contact TWC at (518) 640-8621 to subscribe to additional services.

Internet

All residence halls have reliable, high-speed wired and wireless access to the internet and 24/7 customer support. Optional services, including internet telephone service and upgrades to faster speeds, are available for an additional fee. Create your network account and ensure you’re connected the day you arrive! Pre-register for internet after receiving your housing assignment by visiting myresnet.com.

What can I expect in my residence hall?

- Extra Long Twin Bed and Mattress
- Desk and Chair
- Dresser and Closet
- Wireless Internet
- Ethernet Connection
- Fitness Center
- FREE Laundry
- Quad Office
- Dining Area
- Helpful Staff

If you live locally and wish to reside at home, visit albany.edu/housing to complete the following form:

Exemption to Campus Residency Requirement

Each suite or bedroom has a hard wired phone to access the University 911 system and on-campus offices.
“When you move into your room, staff members like myself and other campus volunteers are there to welcome you and get you settled.”

Saben | @OA_Saben
Senior | Communications

**MOVE - IN SCHEDULE FOR FALL 2015**

**Thursday, August 20 | Beginning at 9 AM**

**Freshmen** admitted to the Honors College

**Friday, August 21 | Beginning at 8 AM**

**Freshmen** assigned to one of the Living-Learning Communities, Adirondack, Cayuga, Tappan, or Whitman Halls

**Freshmen** assigned to floors 10-21 in Eastman Tower (State Quad) or Mohawk Tower (Indian Quad)

**Saturday, August 22 | Beginning at 8 AM**

All remaining Freshmen MUST be checked-in by 1PM

**Resident Students have a MANDATORY HALL Meeting @ 2PM CONVOCATION BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 4 PM**

**Sunday, August 23 | Beginning at 9 AM**

**Transfer Students** are encouraged to move in on this day.

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**PARKING AND UNLOADING**

- Refer to your housing assignment email and go directly to the quad or apartment complex indicated.
- There will be a 15 minute unloading area in the front of each quad for you to unload your car and then move your vehicle to a designated parking area.

**CHECKING INTO YOUR ROOM**

- When you arrive at your residential area, you will be directed to the check-in area.
- Quad check-in areas are located at the front of each quad (Alumni, Colonial, Dutch, Indian, State).
- Apartment check-in areas (Empire Commons, Freedom, Liberty Terrace) are located at the complex office.
- A limited number of moving bins and handcarts are available for your use during move-in. These will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis so we recommend you bring your own handcart.

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**BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME**

*Bring your SUNYCard!*

**QUESTIONS REGARDING MOVE-IN?**

Contact Residential Life
(518) 442-5875 | reslife@albany.edu
Looking for Nutritional Services?

Contact
Donna Duffy
Campus Dietitian
Donna.Duffy@sodexo.com
(518) 442-2731
UAlbanydining.com
WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

ROOM
- Alarm clock
- Cell phone/ charger
- Fan
- Pictures/ Posters
- Under-bed storage containers
- TV
- Desk lamp
- Wastebasket
- Area rug
- Surge protectors (other extension cords are not permitted)

COMPUTER RELATED
- Desktop/ laptop computer
- USB drive
- Printer
- Paper
- Network/ Ethernet cable

CLOTHING
- Your favorite jeans and hoodies
- Dress clothes (for job interviews and other events throughout the year)
- Gloves/ hat/ jacket
- Bathing suit (there is a pool in the PE building)
- Hangers
- Workout clothes

BED
- Your bed is a twin extra-long, meaning it is slightly longer than a normal twin.
  - Twin XL bed sheets (available at most stores - just ask!)
  - Extra blankets/ comforter
  - Mattress pad/ egg crate (makes things extra-comfy)
  - Pillow/ pillow case
  - Bed risers

MEDICAL
- Bring any items you use regularly, but you may also find these helpful.
  - Antacid
  - Advil/ Aspirin/ Tylenol
  - Antibiotic cream
  - Band-Aids
  - Decongestants
  - Allergy medication

BATH
- Towels and washcloths
- Hair items (brush, comb, hair dryer, etc.)
- Toothbrush/ toothpaste/ dental floss
- Shampoo, conditioner, hair products
- Nail clippers
- Shower caddy/ shower flip-flops

Renter’s Insurance - Get it. For more details, visit albany.edu/housing

“You are going to want to make your room feel like home. Bring items that will keep you motivated to do your best!”

Sean | @OA_Sean
Junior | English
You don’t need these...
These items are not permitted in the Residence Halls.

- A CAR! Freshmen are not allowed to have a car on campus unless they commute from home.
- Halogen lamps
- Microwave ovens (only Micro-Fridge units are permitted)
- Toaster ovens
- Space heaters
- Portable air conditioners
- Upholstered furniture (unless labeled CAL 133)
- Waterbeds/Lofts
- Tapestries/large wall coverings
- Knives/weapons
- Alcohol/drugs/paraphernalia
- Extension cords

You should bring...

**PAPERWORK**
- Bring your driver’s license and debit/credit card, but don’t forget these items as well!
- Your SUNYCard
- Health insurance card
- Emergency contact info
- Social Security card & birth certificate*
- Passport*
  *Needed if a student plans to apply for campus employment.

**CLEANING SUPPLIES**
- Keep your room clean! Custodial staff clean internal bathrooms once a week and hallway bath/showers daily. Many roommates and suitemates find it helpful to rotate cleaning duties in common areas.
- All-purpose cleaner
- Air freshener
- Broom/vacuum
- Dust spray/ cloth
- Disinfecting wipes

**LAUNDRY**
- Doing laundry isn’t scary as long as you’ve got the right tools, and it’s FREE!
- Clothes hamper/laundry bag
  - get something tall rather than wide and conserve space!
- Detergent (High-Efficiency detergent is required)
- Stain removers/dryer sheets
- Hangers
- Iron/ironing board

**FOOD PREP**
- All resident students will have a meal plan, but you may want a snack.
- MicroFridge (information on page 12)
- Can-opener
- Dishes, bowls, glasses, silverware
- Dish detergent/brush

**VIEW THE HOUSING LICENSE AT ALBANY.EDU/HOUSING/DOCS/15-16LICENSE.PDF**
Many students live at home or in an apartment off campus and drive to UAlbany each day. Some helpful tips are included here.

**Transfer & Commuter Lounge (Campus Center 138)**
The lounge serves as a social hub for transfer, commuter, and non-traditional students to meet, plan activities, and study. A bulletin board is kept current with social and academic information that relates directly to commuter and transfer students.

**Where Can I Study?**
The University Library and the Science Library have study rooms that are available to all students. The Libraries also have spaces where you can work in groups for presentations and projects. The Transfer and Commuter Lounge in the Campus Center can serve as your living room while you enjoy some down time between classes.

**Get Involved!**
Don’t let the fact that you live off campus stop you from getting involved at UAlbany. There are over 200 student groups that you can join that reflect the diversity of our student body. Forming connections to UAlbany will significantly enhance your educational experience. For more information about how to get involved, visit myinvolvement.org.

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**Getting Your Parking Decal**

1. Visit albany.edu/myualbany
2. Click the ‘Campus Life’ tab
4. Under ‘All Stores’, click ‘Parking Services’
5. Click ‘Purchase Decals’
6. Click ‘Student Gold Decal’
7. Pick up the decal during Welcome Week at Parking and Mass Transit Services, located in the Indian Quad Commons Area.

For questions, contact Parking and Mass Transit Services.
(518) 442-3121
albany.edu/pmts

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**2015 Convocation**

Commuter Student Meet & Greet
Sat., 8/22 I @ 2:30 PM I PE Gym

CONVOCATION BEGINS PROMPTLY @ 4 PM

Come meet other commuter students and learn how to get involved before you are officially welcomed into the Great Dane Family!
You have to eat!
The Campus Center has many dining options, as do the quad dining halls (if you have a meal plan). Check out the Meal Plans on Page 15 for more information or visit ualbanydining.com.

Locker Rentals
Lockers are available to rent in the Campus Center. The fee to rent a locker is $30 for the academic year and $40 for the academic year and summer. The fee is payable in cash or money order to the Campus Center Management office in Campus Center 137.

Parking
In order to park on campus, you must purchase a parking permit for your vehicle on MyUAlbany. Remember, if you’re a freshman, you must be living in your parent’s or guardian’s home within 50 miles of UAlbany to park on campus. For more details, visit albany.edu/pmts.

As a commuter student, I participated in the Emerging Student Leaders program as a way to get involved and connect with other UAlbany students.”

Reid | @OA_Reid
Junior | Atmospheric Science

Neighborhood Life
Campus Center 361
(518) 442-5501 | albany.edu/neighborhoodlife

UAlbany students are good neighbors in the community they live in. Remember that you always represent your University and are subject to the standards in the code of conduct whether you live on or off-campus.

OFF-CAMPUS TENANT TIPS
We strongly suggest you follow these tips when renting an apartment off-campus:

☑ Ask to see the Residential Occupancy Permit
☑ Check your landlord’s reputation
☑ Get a written lease
☑ Make sure you have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
☑ Get insurance to protect your belongings

For a complete listing, visit albany.edu/livingoffcampus/docs/tenant.pdf.
WELCOME WEEK

Welcome Week is UAlbany’s way of welcoming new students to our Great Dane community. You’ll meet friends and participate in UAlbany traditions. We have many events planned for you! For a complete listing, visit albany.edu/GO.

Two Traditions Attended by All Freshmen Students

**CONVOCATION**
Saturday, August 22, 4:00 PM | SEFCU Arena

Don’t miss this UAlbany tradition! Since 1930, the President of the University welcomes the incoming class of freshmen.

**EXPLORE UALBANY**
Monday, August 24, 1:30 PM | Various Lecture Centers

This is your opportunity to investigate a topic of interest while connecting with some of UAlbany’s most outstanding faculty! Get your semester off to a Great Dane Beginning!
**...OFF TO A GREAT START!**

**SAVE THE DATES!**

**SUNDAY, 8/23**
*Great Dane Day*
11 AM — 4 PM
*Candlelighting Ceremony*
8:30 PM

**MONDAY, 8/24**
*Podium Pandemonium*
*Psychic Fair*
4 PM — 7 PM
*Joel Meyers (Illusionist)*
8 PM

**TUESDAY, 8/25**
*Great DANEtopia*
3 PM — 7 PM
*Entry Plaza*

**SATURDAY, 8/29**
*Dance-A-Thon*
Sponsored by The University Programming Board

**SATURDAY, 9/5**
*Block Party / Group Fair*
Sponsored by The Student Association

**SATURDAY, 9/12**
*Great Dane Game Day*
UAlbany vs. Rhode Island
Bob Ford Field

“Be sure to take advantage of all of the great events that happen during Welcome Week. You’ll meet friends and get prepared to take classes at UAlbany.”

Christian
@OA_ChristianRod
Sophomore | Accounting
YOUR ACADEMIC SUCCESS PUTS...

We provide students with many support options that help them make the most of their education. Take advantage of these opportunities!

SUPPORT SERVICES FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Office of Undergraduate Education [Lecture Center (LC) 30]
The Office of Undergraduate Education is home to the Undergraduate Dean and the center of many services related to academic policy and support services.
albany.edu/undergraduateeducation

Advisement Services Center [Library (LI) 36]
Students are assigned an academic advisor in the Advisement Services Center as freshmen, and work with that advisor until declaring or being admitted into a major. (Declared majors receive advisement through their academic departments.) You should meet with your ASC advisor regularly to assist you to make informed decisions about your academic direction. You’re required to meet with your advisor prior to course registration.
albany.edu/advisement

Advising PLUS [Library (LI) 36]
Advising PLUS offers students assistance with academic support services and academic enrichment opportunities. Individual consultation, study groups, and review sessions are coordinated through Advising PLUS.
albany.edu/advisingplus

Math Lab [Earth Science (ES) 138]
Help for students taking entry-level math classes, staffed during business hours Monday-Friday.
albany.edu/math/tutoring.shtml

Barbara Brown
bbrown1@albany.edu
Advising PLUS
LI 36
albany.edu/advisingplus
(518) 442-3971
Connect with Faculty
Visit Office Hours
Each faculty member must hold office hours. Check your class syllabus for days and times.

Have Lunch Together
Take advantage of the Food For Thought program. Stop by LC 31 and get a meal ticket from the Student Engagement Office.

Engage in Research
UAlbany faculty are involved in cutting-edge research and undergraduate students can assist in research projects.

UAlbany? What U really need to know!
Website helps incoming students understand academic expectations albany.edu/openingweekend/student-tips.php

Writing Center [Humanities (HU) 140]
Provides tutoring and one-on-one feedback on academic, creative, and personal writings. albany.edu/writing

Center for Achievement, Retention, and Student Success [Library (LI) 70]
CARSS provides support services for students taking classes in science and math to help achieve their academic goals. albany.edu/carss

Freshman Seminars (UFSP 100) and Transfer Seminars (UUNI 350)
These are discipline-based, 1-credit seminars for incoming freshmen and new transfers from some of the best UAlbany professors. Check with your advisor for availability.

University Libraries
The University has three Libraries – two located on the Main Campus (the Main Library and the Science Library) and the Dewey Library on the Downtown Campus. The Libraries have PC’s and Macs with licensed software for your use, as well as group study rooms. It’s a quiet place to study on your own, so find your niche and go there regularly!
library.albany.edu

My advice to #NewDanes is to build connections with faculty members. I promise you it will make ALL the difference during your college career.”

Justin | @OA_JustinM
Junior | English
## High School vs. College

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<td>School week is usually 30 hours of classes, 5 days a week.</td>
<td>College week is usually 12 to 15 hours of classes each week. But you should spend an additional 30 or more hours a week studying.</td>
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<td>Same class meets every day of the week, usually from 8 AM until 2 PM.</td>
<td>Classes meet on two or three days: typically Tues/Thurs or Mon/Wed/Fri. Classes meet between 8:00am and 10:00pm.</td>
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<td>Classes meet one after another.</td>
<td>Typically, you have free time between classes.</td>
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<td>Classes are mostly selected for you. There is typically little student choice in what to take.</td>
<td>You choose your major and classes based on your interests and goals. You select your classes with your advisor’s help to meet University major/ minor and general education requirements. You have lots of room for choice when selecting your classes.</td>
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<td>Teachers take attendance. Going to school is required by law.</td>
<td>Professors typically do not take attendance but attendance and participation are often part of your grade.</td>
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<td>Textbooks are provided.</td>
<td>You acquire your own textbooks. They can be purchased or rented; new or used. May cost $200 to $600 per semester.</td>
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<td>Courses often last a whole year.</td>
<td>Courses are typically a semester long (15 weeks). Each academic year has two semesters, and each is followed by a week of final exams.</td>
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<td>Classes typically have 25-35 students.</td>
<td>Classes may have 10 to 500 students.</td>
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<td>Teachers approach you if they think you are having problems.</td>
<td>Professors typically expect you to approach them. All offer office hours and expect you to use them if you need help.</td>
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<td>Requirements, deadlines, etc. are provided to you by your teachers.</td>
<td>You are responsible for knowing and meeting requirements, deadlines, etc.</td>
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<td>Much of your homework and study is completed during the school day.</td>
<td>You are expected to study 2-3 hours outside of class for every hour in class. You are responsible for completing your work and keeping up with your studies.</td>
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<td>You have frequent tests.</td>
<td>You may have only one or two tests a semester. Group Projects, presentations, and papers may also be required. Read your course syllabus to know what is expected of you.</td>
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<td>Your day is structured.</td>
<td>You structure your day and control your free time.</td>
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<td>Teachers provide lots of facts and help you to draw connections.</td>
<td>Professors expect you to use critical thinking skills to make connections and draw conclusions.</td>
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<td>Teachers help you develop good study and writing skills.</td>
<td>It is assumed you know how to study effectively and write well. Support is available to you through the Writing Center and Advising Plus.</td>
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"When I started at UAlbany, I wasn’t sure what I wanted to major in. I joined the World of Career Discovery Living-Learning Community and it really helped me to make friends quickly and learn about careers I hadn’t considered."

Bibi | @OA_Bibi
Sophomore | Human Bio

Adapted from material from the University of New Hampshire and from Southern Methodist University.
**Why Study Abroad?** Studying abroad can provide you with an incomparable learning experience, filled with discovery and adventure, that will enhance your academic experience, expand your world view, and can increase future employment opportunities. UAlbany offers more than 130 programs spanning the globe that appeal to a wide variety of academic interests.

**Choose Where, When, & What to Study**

Our advising team is available to help you identify the opportunity best suited to your academic and personal needs. Our global partnerships span more than 30 countries and 6 continents. To find a full list of UAlbany’s offerings, visit [albany.edu/studyabroad](http://albany.edu/studyabroad).

**Quick Tips/Info**

Start **NOW** with careful research and planning. Students often study abroad during their junior or senior year, but sophomores and freshmen can participate in some options.

**Did you know…**

SUNY students can participate in nearly 600 study abroad options through the SUNY network? For more information, visit [sunysystemabroad.com](http://sunysystemabroad.com).

“My advice would be for every student to Study Abroad. I went on an Alternative Spring Break to Ecuador this past year and it was amazing. Find a program that works for you!”

Paola | @OA_PaolaP
Junior | Globalization
The University at Albany has a rich history of academic, social, and athletic traditions. Your academic career at UAlbany will begin with Convocation and will end when you are welcomed into our Alumni Association at Commencement.

Other traditions, such as Homecoming, Clash of the Quads, Big Purple Growl, Cookie Day, Food for Finals and Student Association’s Block Party are campus traditions that celebrate the history, community, and UAlbany spirit—not just for students, but faculty, staff, and alumni.

For more information, visit albany.edu/spirit

“Whatever your interests are, there’s something for you at UAlbany. I joined the University Programming Board and got to plan events that I knew students would want to attend. I can’t wait for this year’s Fall Ball in October.”

Vanessa S. | @OA_Vanessa
Junior | Communications

What was the original name of UAlbany?

New York State Normal School

Founded in 1844 to train teachers
As a new Great Dane, you’re entering a very active and engaged community - from sold out football games at our new stadium, to student performances, concerts, speakers, cultural events, exercise classes, and off-campus trips, there’s simply something for everyone.

So, how can you find out what’s going on and when? UAlbanyGO is the answer! UAlbanyGo is your source for up to the minute information on events, activities and all that is happening on campus and off.

Visit UAlbanyGO to:
- Find out about upcoming major events
- View campus-wide Calendar of Events
- Link to various programs and activities
- See what’s trending on campus

UAlbanyGO. Get Involved. Stay Active. Go.

ALMA MATER

College of the Empire State,
Mother of an army great,
Thou the molder of our fate,
Thee we sing today.
Thine the hand with clasp so strong,
Holding tho' the years be long,
Thou the burden of our song,
Thee we sing today.

Wisdom’s duty heeds thy call
Ever in Minerva’s thrall
Pass the Torch from one to all
Guide each destiny
‘Neath the Purple and the Gold
Let thy history unfold
Sons and Daughters, young and old
HAIL TO ALBANY!
Involvement leads to Success!

MyInvolvement.org

Your official source for involvement opportunities at UAlbany! Sign on to browse over 200 student groups and other opportunities available to you.

Use MyInvolvement to:
- Join an organization
- Communicate with group leaders
- Find out what’s happening on campus
- Track your community service hours
- Develop your Involvement Record to document your experiences outside the classroom

What’s an Involvement Record?

Your Involvement Record helps you document all you do outside the classroom at UAlbany – which will add up over the course of four years here!

You can track:
- Organization participation
- Leadership experiences
- Volunteer hours
- Attendance at campus events and programs

Your Involvement Record is a helpful tool when applying for internships and creating your professional resume. It’s never too early to begin!
**PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS**

A Program To Help Guide Your Involvement Record

We have designed a program for you that helps you track your involvement because we know that the more invested you are at the University at Albany, the more successful your experience will be.

**It’s called Pathways to Success.**

Begin your **PATHWAYS** experience at any time.

**To get started:**
1. Sign on to MyInvolvement.org
2. Go to ‘Involvement Curriculum’
3. Choose “Pathways to Success”

Participating in the **PATHWAYS** program will help you develop essential skills—things like teamwork, leadership, communication, decision making, and cultural competency—all helpful in building your confidence and potential for success! You’ll meet other students, feel connected to UAlbany and populate your Involvement Record. You’ll even be eligible for prizes!

You can develop your participation in the way that’s most appealing to you. After all…

**THE BEST PATHWAY TO SUCCESS IS YOUR OWN!**

“Every time you go to an event, bring your SUNYCard! When you swipe your card it automatically loads your attendance and helps you on your **Pathway to Success.**”

Abdul | @OA_AbdulK
Sophomore | Business
Your Safety...

You Live in a Safe Community
UAlbany prides itself as a safe campus. Your personal safety, however, begins with you!

Here are some tips for keeping safety a high priority:

- When out at night, walk in groups of three or more. If you go out with your friends, come home with them too!
- Tell someone where you’re going and when you’ll be back.
- Understand that alcohol impairs good decisions. You have a responsibility for the decisions you make, regardless of the situation.
- Program UPD in your cell phone (518-442-3131) and call 911 in an emergency.
- Know that safety information comes to your UAlbany email address from “UPD-Notices”.

University Police Department
University Police Building
(518) 442-3130 | police.albany.edu

UAlbany has a 24/7 police department, also known as UPD, that is dedicated to providing community policing to maintain and improve the safety, security, and quality of life within our community.

The University provides complete information of crime on campus for the past three years in the Annual Security Report. View it at: police.albany.edu/ASR.shtml

Community Standards
Campus Center 361
(518) 442-5501 | albany.edu/studentconduct

Each student at UAlbany is required to acknowledge an understanding of your responsibilities as a member of the UAlbany community as outlined in the student code of conduct: Community Rights and Responsibilities. albany.edu/studentconduct/introduction.php.

Once you are a UAlbany student, you are responsible for your own behavior and the consequences of your behavior – no matter where you are, on or off campus.

Good Samaritan 911 Policy

UAlbany’s Good Samaritan 911 Policy supports students who reach out for assistance in the case of a medical emergency.

For more details, visit: albany.edu/studentconduct

“I joined the Student Conduct Board so I could learn what happens when a student violates policy. UAlbany has so many ways to get involved on campus.”

Kristin | @OA_Kristin
Sophomore | Criminal Justice
The Advocacy Center
Lower Level Indian Quad between Seneca and Onondaga Halls
(518) 442-CARE | albany.edu/advocacycenter

The Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence provides a safe and welcoming environment for students to receive support services for all incidents of sexual violence. Professional staff members at the Advocacy Center offer a wide range of services to students who have been impacted by sexual violence or harassment and supportive services are also available to family members and friends.

Sexual Assault Stalking Relationship Violence
ADVOCACY
Project SHAPE: Sexual Health and Peer Education
Support EDUCATION Awareness Welcoming (518) 442-CARE PREVENTION

“SUNY NY ALERT”
SUNY NY Alert is a message system used by the University to send emergency information by e-mail, phone and text message. All students are strongly encouraged to register.

Register on MyUAlbany
In order to be successful academically, it is important to be healthy in body, mind and spirit! The University at Albany provides services and support to help you maintain good physical and mental health.

The University Health and Counseling Centers are located at 400 Patroon Creek Boulevard, a short bus ride from the main campus. Shuttles run continually all day back and forth to the Health and Counseling Centers where services are, for the most part, covered by the cost of tuition and fees.

The University Health Center
(518) 442-5454 | albany.edu/health_center

The University Health Center provides primary health care with a range of services, including a pharmacy. Check out their website for the services available to keep you healthy.

The University Counseling Center
(518) 442-5800 | albany.edu/counseling_center

The University Counseling Center offers students individual confidential counseling services, as well as group counseling opportunities, and prevention programs such as bystander intervention and alcohol and other drugs.
"My faith is important to me and UAlbany allows me to remain faithful. Through New Life Seventh-Day Adventist Youth Ministries I am able to meet others on campus with similar beliefs."

Lester | @OA_Lester
Senior | Sociology

The Interfaith Center
(518) 489-8573
albanyinterfaithcenter.org

The Interfaith Center connects students to various faith-based student groups, chaplains, and local religious resources. Located on the western side of campus, the Interfaith Center is home to Cornerstone Protestant Campus Ministry, UAlbany Hillel, UAlbany Newman Catholic Association and the UAlbany Interfaith Student Group.

UAlbany also has many other religious based student groups that provide networking and support to students. Organizations such as the Muslim Student Association, L’Chaim (connected locally to Shabbos House), and Korean Christian Fellowship are just a few of the options available if you are looking for ways to nourish your spirituality.

Campus Recreation
Physical Education Building | (518) 437-3739
albany.edu/rec

Staying physically active is important to maintaining a healthy mind and body. The SEFCU Arena, as well as each residential quad, is equipped with a fitness center which includes aerobic, free-weights, and Nautilus equipment.

Campus Recreation provides programs and services including: Intramural Sports (like flag football, volleyball, dodge ball, tennis, softball, soccer, basketball), Club Sports (see myinvolvement.org), Group Exercise (like Zumba, Yoga, Cycling, Aquatics), Fitness Center, and Outdoor Recreation.

In addition, UAlbany has the Purple Path, which is a 2.8 mile pathway around the campus for jogging, walking, and biking.
UAlbany athletics strives to achieve excellence within intercollegiate competition at the highest level, while committed to fairness and integrity. The University recruits a diverse group of student-athletes who represent the institution, the athletic department, and themselves in an outstanding manner, as they pursue both academic and athletic excellence.

You won’t want to miss out on the excitement of our Division 1 sporting events, from the Great Dane Game Day celebrations, to the spirit of competition on the field, court or track, you will want to be there to cheer on our Great Danes.
“As a freshman, I used to go to all of the women’s basketball home games. My sophomore year, I became the manager of the team. It’s been so exciting to travel to the NCAA tournament with the team.”

Alima | @OA_Alima
Senior | Communication

Watch for more info on our traditional athletic and Great Dane Game Day events, including:

- Homecoming (Football)
- The Big Purple Growl (Basketball)
- The Spring Stomp (Lacrosse)

Check out our Champions and their accomplishments:
youtube.com/UAlbanySports

Did You Know???
UAlbany has more than 83 Conference Titles
## IMPORTANT DATES - FALL 2015

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<td><strong>CONVOCATION</strong> 4 pm SEFCU Arena</td>
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<td>All Residence Halls and Apartments open @ 9 am for Transfer students</td>
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<td><strong>FRIDAY-SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9-11</strong></td>
<td>Homecoming (Family Weekend)</td>
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<td>Residence Halls and University Apartments close @ 6 pm for graduating seniors</td>
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"Attend the Great Dane Game Day activities during every home athletic contest. Enjoy food, live performances, and a variety of contests. Our Great Dane Pride is awesome!"

Maxim | @OaTamm
Sophomore | Undeclared

For more detailed information regarding the Academic Calendar, visit:
albany.edu/registrar/fall-2015-academic-calendar.php
MONEY MATTERS...

WHAT WILL I BE BILLED?*

Full-Time Undergraduate 2015-2016 Proposed Charges

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<td><strong>Total Direct Costs:</strong></td>
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Subject to change by action of SUNY Board of Trustees. Charges that may also be on your tuition invoice include the optional Student Alumni Partnership Fee and the mandatory Student Health Insurance Plan (SHIP). “Indirect costs” such as books, transportation, etc., will not appear on your invoice, but will appear on your Financial Aid Award Letter. For complete details on tuition and fee charges, visit albany.edu/studentaccounts/tuition.php.

*Annual amounts are shown here, but you will be billed by semester.

EPay Your Way!

epay.albany.edu

- View and pay your E-Bill
- Set up Authorized Users
- Sign up for E-Refund to get your refunds faster
- Enroll in the E-Payment Plan to pay by installment

FA2PAY: Authorize Use of Financial Aid

Federal regulations require the University to have your permission to use Title IV financial aid (including loans) to pay additional charges you may incur, e.g., SUNYCard Replacement, Health Center, etc., while attending UAlbany. Please visit the Finances tab on your MyUAlbany portal, click on "FA2Pay: Authorize Use of Financial Aid to Pay Other Charges..." and inform us of your decision.

NYS 529 College Savings Plan:

www.nysaves.org

- Non-NYS plans, Contact your plan administrator to disburse funds
- If you need to send an invoice to your 529 plan administrator, access it at epay.albany.edu
- Make payments at epay.albany.edu
- If mailing payment, be sure the Student ID is on the check and send to:

University at Albany
Bursar’s Office G-26
1400 Washington Ave.
Albany, NY 12222

PAPER BILLS ARE NOT ISSUED

E-BILLS ISSUED

On the 20th of the Month

PAYMENT IS DUE

On the 15th of the Month

E-Bill notices are sent to your @Albany.edu account when E-Bill is ready.
**Student Financial Center**
Campus Center G-26
(518) 442-3202
albany.edu/sfc | sfc@albany.edu
Follow us on Twitter @SUNY_SFC

**Direct Subsidized vs. Direct Unsubsidized Loan?**

**Direct Subsidized Loan:**
- Federal Government pays the interest during in school status
- Need Based

**Direct Unsubsidized Loan:**
- Student responsible for the interest while in school
- Interest begins accruing immediately after first disbursement
- NON Need Based

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**SUNY Smart Track**
SUNY financial literacy tool for students
https://fa.financialavenue.org/suny-home/

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**Veterans & Dependents**

Are you a Veteran or the dependent of a Veteran? If yes, visit the MyUAlbany Home tab and select the Military Service link.

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**Federal Direct Parent Loan {PLUS}**

- PLUS Loan—For information visit studentloans.gov
- Borrow up to cost of attendance minus financial aid award
- Must credit qualify
- Payments begin 60 days after loan is fully disbursed
- PLUS denials—additional Direct Unsubsidized Loan

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**Financial Aid Checklist**

- **File FAFSA at fafsa.gov** Enter UAlbany code 002835
- **NYS Residents: TAP** New York State residents should confirm UAlbany’s TAP Code as 0895 on hesc.ny.gov
- **Log onto MyUAlbany**
  1. Students awarded loans or Federal Work-Study need to log on to Albany.edu/MyUAlbany to accept, decline, or reduce their loans or awards.
  2. Monitor and attend to your “To Do List”.
- **Complete Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note**
  Direct Loans: studentloans.gov
  Perkins Loans: slsc.albany.edu/ecsi/prom.html
- **Explore other financing options**
  Payment plans and Parent PLUS
- **Visit Financial Aid Website**
  albany.edu/financialaid
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<td>(518) 442-3960</td>
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<td>(518) 442-3971</td>
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<td>(518) 442-CARE</td>
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<td>(518) 442-2562</td>
<td>ualbanysports.com</td>
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<td>(518) 442-3421</td>
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<td>(518) 442-5690</td>
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<td>Campus Center Connections</td>
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<td>(518) 442-2627</td>
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<td>(518) 437-4900</td>
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<td>(518) 442-5950</td>
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<td>(518) 442-5511</td>
<td>albany.edu/studentaffairs/safety/dwa.shtml</td>
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<td>(518) 442-2592</td>
<td>albany.edu/gogreen</td>
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<td>Financial Aid</td>
<td>(518) 442-3202</td>
<td>albany.edu/studentservices/</td>
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<td>Five Quad Ambulance</td>
<td>(518) 442-3131</td>
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<td>Gender &amp; Sexuality Resource Center</td>
<td>(518) 442-5015</td>
<td>albany.edu/multicultural/gsrc.php</td>
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<td>Health Center</td>
<td>(518) 442-5454</td>
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<td>Intercultural Student Engagement</td>
<td>(518) 442-5565</td>
<td>albany.edu/multicultural</td>
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<td>Interfaith Center</td>
<td>(518) 489-8573</td>
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CAMPUS RESOURCES

International Student & Scholar Services
(518) 591-8189
albany.edu/issss

Registrar’s Office
(518) 442-5540
albany.edu/registrar

Residential Life
(518) 442-5875
albany.edu/housing

SUNY Card
(518) 442-5989
albany.edu/uas/sunycard.php

ITS Help Desk
(518) 442-3700
albany.edu/its/help-request.html

Student Association
(518) 442-5640
albany.edu/studentassociation

Student Financial Center
(518) 442-3202
albany.edu/studentservices

Student Involvement & Leadership
(518) 442-5566
albany.edu/involvement

Study Abroad & Exchanges
(518) 591-8170
albany.edu/studyabroad

Multicultural Resource Center
(518) 442-5565
albany.edu/multicultural/mrc.php

Undergraduate Education
(518) 442-3950
albany.edu/undergraduateeducation

New Student Programs
(518) 442-5509
albany.edu/orientation
albany.edu/parents

University Libraries
(518) 442-3600
library.albany.edu

Nutritional Services
(518) 442-2731
ualbanydining.com/health/
nutritionalservices.html

University Police Department
(518) 442-3131
police.albany.edu

Parking Management
(518) 442-3121
albany.edu/pmts

TIP

Program University Police Department into your phone!

(518) 442-3131
Join UAlbany’s Social Network

Get the latest photos, videos, news and events!

facebook.com/universityatalbany
twitter.com/ualbany
twitter.com/ualbanynews
youtube.com/universityatalbany
linkedin.com/ (Universities: University at Albany)
instagram.com/ualbany
pinterest.com/ualbany

Tag us in your posts using #UAlbany!

TIP

Your UAlbany email address is considered your “official” means of communication by the University.

Check it often!!

Follow your OA on Twitter

Find out what is happening on campus throughout the year by following your OA on Twitter.

@UAlbanyNSP

“I can’t wait to welcome students and families to the Great Dane Family this summer. I plan to stay connected with #newdanes throughout the school year. I’ll use my twitter account to keep students informed of upcoming events and plan some Orientation mini-reunions.”

Cassy
@OA_Cassy
Senior | Criminal Justice
When attending a Division I sporting event, common UAlbany spirit cheers and chants include:

When I say “Purple”, you say “Gold” — (…“Purple”… “Gold”)

UA - UA - UA UA UA UA... (To the tune of Ole Ole Soccer Anthem)

When I say “U”, you say “Albany” (...“U”... “Albany”)

When I say “Great”, you say “Danes” (...“Great”... “Danes”)

The DANEger Zone Student Fan Club
Enter the DANEger Zone - the UAlbany student athletic fan club! Use your SUNYCard to swipe in to athletic events and earn DANEger Zone points! For more information, visit albany.edu/spirit.

Whatever your interests are, there’s something for you at UAlbany. I joined the Pep Band and got to travel to the NCAA tournament with the women’s basketball team. It was a memory I will never forget.”

Vanessa H.
@OA_VanessaH
Sophomore | Biology
Getting around Albany is easy. You can take the CDTA buses to the local malls and to downtown Albany for FREE! When I want to go home or visit friends, buses stop right on campus.”

Carrie | @OA_CarrieR
Junior | Accounting

Getting Around Town

UALbany Buses Take You Where You Need to Go!

- **Uptown Campus Shuttle** - to reach places like University Apartments and the SEFCU Arena
- **Patroon Creek Shuttle** - to reach the Health Center and Counseling Center
- **Western Ave. Shuttle** - to reach Alumni Quad. Buses run every 12 minutes between 7 am and 9 pm!
- **East Campus Shuttle** - connects the Uptown Campus to the East Campus. Runs Monday - Friday.

**Capital District Transportation Authority (CDTA)**

Students ride CDTA bus lines at no charge. Just swipe your SUNYCard! Service operates along Washington and Western Avenue, linking the main and the downtown campus to shopping malls, grocery stores, and other points of interest.

**Routes servicing the campus are:**

Route 11 | Route 12 | Route 114 | Route 190

For more information about routes and schedules, visit: [CDTA.org](http://www.cdtanet.org)

Download our transportation app!

**UALBANY CAMPUS BUS SCHEDULES**

Available for Android and Apple devices

For additional information on mass transit services, visit:

[ALBANY.EDU/PMTS](http://www.albany.edu/pmts)

**Additional Transportation Information**

- Bus companies like Adirondack Trailways, Greyhound, and MegaBus all stop on campus.
- Getting to the Albany Bus Station and Amtrak Station is easy and accessible on direct CDTA routes from campus.
- The UAlbany Bike Share Program offers more than 30 bikes on campus that can be signed out by students for free. For more information, contact [bikeshare@albany.edu](mailto:bikeshare@albany.edu).
- Personal Bike Registration is available for free with the Office of Parking and Mass Transit. UPD will tag it to prevent theft. For more information, call (518) 442-3121.
- Numerous taxi companies services the campus.
- The Albany International Airport is a 15 minute taxi ride from the Uptown campus.
- ZipCar, a car sharing program that allows students to rent cars by the hour or day is available to UAlbany students, faculty and staff. [zipcar.com/ualbany](http://www.zipcar.com/ualbany)
MAKE CONNECTIONS: COLOR YOUR WORLD!

Look for others wearing **wristbands** that match yours and introduce yourself!

**KEY**
- Western New York
- Finger Lakes
- Southern Tier
- Central New York
- North Country
- Mohawk Valley
- Capital District
- Hudson Valley
- Nassau
- Suffolk
- Out of State
- International
- Veterans
- LGBTQ or Ally

**The Five Boroughs**
- Bronx
- Manhattan
- Staten Island
- Brooklyn
- Queens
ALUMNI QUAD MAP

ALUMNI QUAD

PARKING, TRANSPORTATION AND PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY LEGEND

- **Student Permit Required**
  24 Hours - Everyday

- **Faculty/Staff Permit Required**
  8:00AM-4:00PM

- **St. Rose Faculty/Staff Permit Required**
  8:00AM-4:00PM

- **Special Permit Required**
  24 Hours - Everyday

- **University Handicap Permit Required**

- **Pedestrian Path - Paved**

- **Pedestrian Path - Unpaved**

- **Bus Stop**

- **Emergency Blue Light Phone**

For online maps and driving directions, visit: albany.edu/map