New Student Orientation
Summer 2014

Undergraduate Education
Welcome to our World!

- Coordinate the Undergraduate Experience and implement undergraduate academic policy and curricula
- Campus-wide programs and services (Advising Services Center, Advising PLUS, General Education, Honors College, Student Engagement, UA Transfer Connections)
Welcome to the UAlbany family!

Like all families:

- We have many different family members
- Different families have different rules and understandings
- Each family member is a unique individual
Student Engagement Initiatives

- Students can speak with their Advisor now about:
  - Freshman Seminar Courses
  - Living-Learning Communities

- Students will learn about ways to connect with faculty once they arrive:
  - Explore UAlbany
  - Food for Thought – a Student-Faculty Lunch Program
Transfer Student Resources and Initiatives

- Review of General Education Credits
- UA Transfer Connections – peer mentors
- Tau Sigma National Honor Society
- Transfer/ Commuter Student Lounge
- Food for Thought – a great way to connect with faculty
Internships

NYS Capitol
Research and Practical Experiences

The World Within Reach
Hands-on Experiences
The Undergraduate Experience: Study Abroad
Thank you and Good Luck!
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Transfer Student Services
Who are our transfer students?

You are 1/3 of the UAlbany student body

You are 50% of each graduating class

You are from community colleges, private 4-year schools, public 4-year schools, the military, online institutions, technical colleges...

You are living on campus, commuting, living with your parents, raising a family, working full time, working part time, under 20, over 40...

...and you are all GREAT DANES!
What do our transfer students care about?

Credits!

- Read and understand your DARS audit
- Problems with General Education credit? Come to LC 30 TODAY (after meeting with your advisor)
- Problems with major/minor credit? Discuss with your advisor before you leave
What do our transfer students care about?

Academics!

- You have 51 majors and 62 minors to choose from
- Know your professors!
- Research, internships, study abroad
What do Commuters care about?

- **Where do I go between classes?**
  - Transfer/Commuter Student Lounge

- **Are there meal plans for me?**
  - YES! Check MyUAlbany

- **Where can I put my belongings?**
  - Over 100 lockers available in the Campus Center
  - Contact Campus Center at 518-442-5490 to sign up

- **Can I get involved even though I don’t live on?**
  - YES!
Involvement

• **Clubs/Organizations**
  - Tau Sigma: national transfer student honor society
  - Plus over 200 other groups to choose from (check out MyInvolvement.org)

• **Transfer Transition Leaders**
  - NEW THIS YEAR! Programs on Alumni Quad and on the main campus in the Transfer/Commuter Lounge!

• **Food for Though Program**

• **Transfer Connections!**
  - Get a mentor and later become a mentor!
Mentoring: UA Transfer Connection

- Great way to find a familiar face who can fill you in on U Albany culture and how to succeed here **academically and socially**!

- It’s all about **YOU**!
  - Get connected face to face or just utilize them through email!

- Sign up at the UATC table TODAY, or email **UGEducation@albany.edu** to sign up.

- New mentors are recruited every semester!
Transfer/Commuter Student Lounge

- 1st Floor of the Campus Center
- Great place to socialize or relax between classes
- Programs held JUST FOR TRANSFERS every month

Student Experience in the Transfer Lounge
Transfer Seminars!

- One credit course that meets once a week for 55 minutes
- Faculty instructors
- Small classes, limited to 25 students
- Opportunity to share experiences with other incoming transfer students and make new friends
- Personal attention
- Introduction to University resources
- Helps you get acclimated to UAlbany academic expectations
Undergraduate Education

Any Questions?

Find more information at:
www.albany.edu/transfer_students
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Great Danes Get Consent
Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence
Sexual Violence

SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Sexual Assault
Stalking
Relationship Violence
Support and Advocacy: Everyone needs a good listening to

Academic accommodations

Residential accommodations

Referrals for healthcare needs and exploration of options

Assistance throughout a student conduct process

Assistance through a criminal process
The Advocacy Center is the place to come to get coordinated & comprehensive services for assistance with sexual violence.

Who else can I report to?

- Title IX Coordinator, University Police, Residential Life, Conflict Resolution
- Confidential sources of reporting—Advocacy Center, Counseling Center, Health Center, Clergy

Will I get in trouble?

- Good Samaritan Policy
Great Danes Get Consent

**CONSENT =**

- **BOTH parties** freely giving permission to engage in any sexual activity
- **ACTIVE and MUTUAL**
- **It is NOT** the absence of “No” or “Stop”

Are you okay with ♫♥△?

Can I ♫♥♯??

What are you comfortable with?

How are you feeling?

Should we...?
Great Danes Get Consent

NO = NO

Maybe = NO

Silence = NO

I Don’t Know = NO

“YES” WHEN DRUNK = NO
What YOU can do!

If you see/hear something, say something!

Who Are You?
Project SHAPE: Sexual Health & Peer Education

- Sexuality and sexual health
- Sexual violence prevention
- Healthy relationships
- Communication with a Partner
- Contraception/EC
- STI’s
- HIV/AIDS
- LGBTQ issues
Advocacy Center for Sexual Violence

Stop by to visit!
We serve tea all day!

Indian Quad
Bottom of exterior staircase – Back Right Corner

(518) 442-CARE
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Student Success at UAlbany
ENGAGE

- Involvement Leads to:
  - Intellectual Growth
  - Satisfaction
  - Opportunity
  - Personal Growth
  - Success!
- Attend events
- Participate Groups
- Volunteer
- Lead
ENGAGE

• MyInvolvement
  - Find out about clubs and organizations
  - Explore your interests

• Pathways to Success
  - Track your involvement
  - Earn rewards

• UAlbanyGo
  - Web site that lists all campus events
LEARN

• Connect with Resources
  o CARSS
  o Writing Center
  o Librarians

• Connect with Faculty
  o Visit Office Hours
  o Food for Thought
LEARN

- Explore Opportunities
  - Career Services
  - Internships
  - Librarians

- Explore Your World
  - Volunteer in Albany
  - Continue your faith
  - Study Abroad
    - Winter and Summer Sessions

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GREAT DANES GIVE BACK

“Great Danes care about giving back to the community. Check out Volunteer Albany as a starting point for community service opportunities.”

Caroline | GIADA CAROLINE

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STUDY ABROAD

Study abroad with an incomparable learning experience that is not only filled with discovery, but also with personal and academic experience, expand your world view, and can increase future employment opportunities.

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 1200 programs. To find a full list of UAlbany offerings, visit studyabroad.albany.edu.

Quick Tips/Info

Students can participate in study abroad programs during the junior or senior year, but sophomores and freshmen can participate in some options.

Did you know...

SUNY systems can participate in nearly 500 study abroad options through the SORF network.

For more information, visit studyabroad.albany.edu.

“Studying Abroad is more than just visiting somewhere new – it is learning, forming bonds and creating unforgettable memories. While studying in China and Ecuador, I was able to learn about two completely different cultures and share my culture and traditions with others.”

Brittany | @OA_BrittanyJLee

Sophomore | Psychology
• Attend Welcome Week
  ○ Meet fellow Great Danes
  ○ Explore UAlbany

• Get to know your City
  ○ All Around Albany Tour
• Follow our Staff
  o Twitter- see Guidebook
  o UAlbany NSP- facebook

• Join Our Team
  o Transfer students matter to us!
  o Selection and Recruitment
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Be a GREAT, Great Dane!