EOP STUDENT ORIENTATION AND REGISTRATION 2016

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR VISIT...
ORIENTATION LEADERS AND LIAISONS 2016
Welcome to New Paltz!

Dear Member of the Class of 2020,

On behalf of the State University of New York at New Paltz, I congratulate you on your acceptance for Fall 2016! We have received your orientation reservation form and recently sent you a confirmation email which identified the session and dates of your visit.

This confirmation packet will help you prepare for your visit, providing a complete ‘checklist’ of things to do before you arrive. The details in this packet are very important, so be sure to review them carefully. We also encourage you to prepare for a full three and a half day program, which will end with you receiving a printout of your fall class schedule and your fall housing assignment! Don’t forget…you will be staying in a traditional residence hall, which means shared bathrooms and no-frills accommodations!

If you have any questions regarding orientation, call the Center for Student Development at (845) 257-3088. We look forward to seeing you at orientation!

Sincerely,

Michelle Combs
Director of Student Development

Director of EOP

P.S. Want more info? Check out www.newpaltz.edu/orientation
What You Will Accomplish at Orientation

- Get to know your new campus, meet new friends, and meet your Orientation Leader and EOP Liaisons
- Meet with your EOP advisor and register for fall classes
- Get your College I.D. Card
- Choose your fall housing assignment

What You Need to Do to Prepare

- Know your Banner number (it begins with NØ)
- Fill out your incoming college course information online
  1. Log into my.newpaltz.edu
  2. Click on the Applicants tab
  3. Click “New Student Academic Placement Sheet”
- Read the Housing Handbook at www.newpaltz.edu/reslife/housing-handbook
- Please print out the parking permit, map and directions, and bring them with you to orientation.

Checklist of Things to Bring

- $20.00 for your College I.D. Card (Please bring a valid ID with you — Driver’s License, Passport, Birth Certificate, etc.)
- Twin Sheets, pillow, pillowcase, towels and a blanket
- Alarm clock
- Hair dryer
- Fan
- A few bottles of water or water bottle
- Soap, toiletries & bath caddy
- Shower sandals/flip-flops
- Casual clothes and comfortable walking shoes
- Spending money for vending machine & snacks
- Favorite songs for group lip sync
- White clothing items for tie-dye
- Umbrella
- Know your housing key code. Found in your newpaltz.edu
Check-in takes place from 1 – 2:15 p.m. on the first day of your scheduled session. (Please make every effort to arrive before 2:15 p.m.) Please follow the enclosed directions to get to Esopus Hall and once parked follow signs to Esopus Hall, where the student will check-in first. Once the student is at Esopus Hall, parents and guests participating in the program can walk or drive to Ridgeview Hall to check-in by 6:00 p.m.

**Parent Orientation** *

What parents and family members will accomplish at Orientation:

- Meet EOP staff
- Hear about residence life and academic issues
- See classrooms and other campus facilities
- Meet parents and family members who are attending with other students
- Discuss student life issues
- Visit Mohonk Mountain House\(^1\) (a national historic landmark), Robibero Winery or Historic Huguenot Street
- Karaoke Night! (Cash bar available)
- Enjoy a mini-vacation!

**Remember!** You will overlap with your student for one dinner and lunch on the last day.

\(^1\) If you are interested in booking a spa service at Mohonk (at your own expense) please visit [www.mohonk.com](http://www.mohonk.com) to view a list of services and schedule it to start at 2 p.m. and end no later than 4 p.m. (Sorry, individual cars are not allowed).

*PLEASE NOTE:* Parents and family members who received a scholarship or paid for Orientation will receive a nametag to enter each session of the program. Wireless login information will be provided upon arrival.
FOR FAMILY MEMBERS STAYING ON CAMPUS

We suggest you bring the following items with you:

- Twin Sheets, pillow, pillowcase, towels and a blanket (Residence Hall may be chilly)
- Water/Water bottle
- Alarm clock
- Hand towel
- Hair dryer
- Drinking cup/soap/toiletries
- Casual clothes and comfortable walking shoes
- Hiking boots and attire for Mohonk (optional)
- Robe, slippers, bath caddy and shower sandals
- Pens/pencils/paper
- Change for vending machine
- $10/per person for optional wine tasting
- Optional fitness attire/equipment for workout room, tennis courts, track
- Umbrella

(Please leave your valuables home)

Please call The Center For Student Development if there is someone you would like to share a room with (who is not a family member)

Family members who are making their own housing arrangements with no meals, please note: Although your fee does not include meals, you can pay the following prices for meals at Hasbrouck Dining Hall, plus tax, at the door if you choose to eat on campus at any time during Orientation:

Breakfast: $6.18  / Lunch: $9.33  / Dinner: $11.44
**Day Guests**

Family members who are unable to attend the entire program can pay a “day rate” of $55 per person for either of the two full days of the program and pay cash for meals. Please call our office at (845) 257-3088 and make a reservation. If you are checking in after 11 a.m. on Day 1 or after 8 a.m. on Day 3, come to Student Union Building 301 to pick up your name tag, schedule and family packet.

**Parents and Guests with Disabilities**

Parents and guests with disabilities needing accommodations can contact the Center for Student Development at (845) 257-3088. If you use a disability hang tag, please remember to bring it with you. Please be advised that programs are in various buildings and walking throughout the day is required. Transportation assistance is not available.

**Students with Disabilities**

Any student needing accommodations (accessible housing, sign language interpretation, materials in alternate format, etc) due to a disability may contact the Disability Resource Center at (845) 257-3020. All students who will be attending classes in the fall semester are encouraged to voluntarily submit disability documentation to the DRC. This documentation will be kept confidential and be used to determine reasonable accommodations for the fall semester. The DRC will provide materials in all student and family packets at Orientation, and will host an Open House in the Student Union Building on the last day of each session from 10 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Summer Reading Assignment**

The Composition Program has selected a collection of TED Talks (Technology, Entertainment and Design) and corresponding articles focused around the common theme of “Thinking like a Human.” Please visit the link below. A study guide and more information will be posted there soon! www.newpaltz.edu/studentdevelopment/orientation/csr.html
**JUST SO YOU KNOW...**

- Check-out takes place at approximately 4:30 p.m. on the last day of your session.
- The payment due date for tuition, housing, meal plan and other fees will be noted on the on-line bill you will find at my.newpaltz.edu under My Student Account after you have attended Orientation.
- First-year students **cannot** have cars.
- Commuter students will learn about commuter services while at Orientation.
- Sorry, no refunds for any Orientation fees can be issued unless we are contacted at least 72 hours before your session begins.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- New Student Moving-In Day is Thursday, August 25. First-year students living on campus will move into their residence hall rooms between 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Commuter students will receive special info about Commuter Orientation on August 25.
- Orientation Part II begins that evening and runs through Friday with important academic programs and Fall Convocation.
- The first day of Fall classes is Monday, August 29.
- Parent & Family Weekend is September 24 & 25. Look for your invitation at the end of August! For more information on lodging accommodations please visit www.newpaltz.edu/parentsweekend.

If you have any questions or need to make changes/additions to your reservation, call us at (845) 257-3088 Monday – Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
**English Composition Placement**
EOP first-year students will complete a 60 minute writing assessment to determine the appropriate English composition course and if they need a course to help them develop their critical thinking skills. *(Please note: All EOP first-year students are required to take the English Placement Exam even though some students have taken AP English or college English during high school).* Official transcripts and/or scores must be received in order for credit to be awarded at New Paltz.

**Mathematics Placement Levels**
EOP first-year students are given a Math Placement Level (MPL) based on their high school record. The MPL determines what course a student is prepared to take. All courses in the GE III Math category require a minimum MPL of 3.

The choice of math courses will be partially determined by the student’s academic interest. EOP advisors will be prepared to carefully guide students through this important aspect of academic planning. Most EOP first-year students will be assigned to take a 45-minute Math Placement Exam. The results will be used as one of the factors in determining the most appropriate math course for your first semester of study. You are encouraged to review the material in the sample exams on the Mathematics Department web page at [www.newpaltz.edu/eop/sample_math.html](http://www.newpaltz.edu/eop/sample_math.html) prior to attending Orientation.

**Foreign Language Placement**
Students who wish to meet the foreign language requirement at New Paltz by continuing with the same language studied in high school will be placed according to the number of years the language was studied, grades, and the time elapsed since a course was last taken.

*Note:* Students who are bringing in college credit, whether through Advanced Placement, CLEP, or transfer credit from another college, should consult with their EOP advisor during orientation regarding placement.

*It is important that you bring an updated copy of your high school transcripts to your Orientation Session so that we can make the most accurate English, math and foreign language placement decisions.*
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

To reach a participant in the Student Program please call (845) 257-4100 (Esopus Hall).

To reach a participant in the Parent and Family Program please call (845) 257-4400 (Ridgeview Hall).

The Center for Student Development can also be reached at (845) 257-3088 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday – Friday.

Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) can also be reached at (845) 257-3226 from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday – Friday.