ENTERING FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS
FALL 2017

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST!

INTENTION TO ENROLL

Take the following steps to accept our offer of admission.

1. Verify your personal information on your SPIRE admitted student’s page using your NetID and password, which were emailed to you from our Information Technology (IT) office shortly after you applied.

2. Pay the nonrefundable $500 enrollment fee with an electronic check or with a major credit card on the university’s QuikPAY system. There is a link to the QuikPAY site on the admitted student’s section of our website (umass.edu/admissions). You will need to enter your eight-digit SPIRE ID, which is located in the personal information section on your SPIRE admitted student’s page. Please indicate your housing plans on the QuikPAY site.
   [NOTE: While there is no convenience fee for e-check payments, there is a 2.7% convenience fee for credit card payments.]

3. International students should read important next steps here: umass.edu/admissions/admitted-international-students

To ensure your space in the fall 2017 class, the enrollment fee must be paid by May 1. You will be able to confirm receipt of your enrollment fee on your SPIRE admitted student page using your NetID and password.

NOTE: If you need to know your financial aid award and have not received this information by May 1, contact an admission’s counselor at 413-545-0222.
NSO ADVISING AND COURSE REGISTRATION
Advising and registration occur at New Students Orientation (NSO) programs that are held in June and July. Once we have received and processed your enrollment fee, you will be able to register online through the NSO website (umass.edu/newstudent) for your orientation session. In order to sign up for orientation, you will need your NetID and password. You will receive an email confirmation of your orientation session date shortly after completing your online registration.

Before classes start, you will return to campus to participate in Fall NSO, which takes place over Labor Day weekend. You’ll participate in New Students Convocation, become familiar with campus, get to know your classmates, and participate in specific programs offered by our schools and colleges.

FINANCIAL AID
If you intend to apply for financial aid, file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form as soon as possible and before the priority filing deadline of March 1. The FAFSA is the sole form used to determine eligibility for federal, state, and institutional funds. The form is available online at fafsa.ed.gov. UMass Amherst’s federal school code is 002221. To avoid delays in award processing, ensure that the name and Social Security number on your admissions application and FAFSA form match the name and number on your Social Security card. Also, monitor your “To Do List” in SPIRE self-service to determine whether there is additional information needed to establish your eligibility for financial aid.

BILLING
UMass Amherst electronically bills students. Your bill will be posted to the “Finances” section of SPIRE self-service in early July, with payment due in early August. You will receive an email in your UMass student email account letting you know when the bill is available to view on SPIRE. If someone else is helping to pay your bill, please set that person up as an authorized payer in the QuikPAY system. More information on QuikPAY is available at umass.edu/bursar/bill-and-payments.

HOUSING
Entering first-year students are required to live on campus unless they commute from home. In May, you will receive a housing information packet which includes information about the residence hall contract, the roommate selection process, residential areas, and residential academic programs. You will have an opportunity to tour residential areas and to finalize housing selection during summer New Students Orientation. Sign-up for Residential Academic Programs (umass.edu/rap) will begin mid-May. Go to umass.edu/newstudent to register.

TRANSCRIPTS
Arrange for the admissions office to receive a final official high school transcript with graduation date notation, which is required of all entering first-year students, by June 30, 2017. If you have completed AP exams or college coursework, request that an official score report or transcript be sent as well.

DISABILITY SERVICES
If you have a learning or other disability and would like more information on the services available to UMass students, please contact the Office of Disability Services, 161 Whitmore Administration Building, 413-545-0892. You will be required to provide appropriate documentation regarding your disability.

MAINTAINING ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
Admission is contingent upon maintaining your current level of academic performance. It is your responsibility to notify the admissions office of any significant decline in academic performance or additional disciplinary/criminal history that occurs after the submission of your application. UMass Amherst reserves the right to rescind admission based on this information.
ADMISSION TO SELECTIVE MAJORS

Acceptance into the following majors is based on the number of spaces available, prerequisite coursework, and/or academic performance. More detailed information will be available during New Students Orientation advising and course registration.

COMPUTER SCIENCE
Admission is highly selective. Applicants with a strong academic record in math through precalculus are given priority.

EDUCATION
The early childhood and elementary education programs have selective admissions. Students apply to these programs upon completion of prerequisite courses, generally in the spring of their sophomore year. Secondary certification requires education coursework in addition to the academic major. For detailed information: umass.edu/education/educator-licensure/guide-to-programs.

ENGINEERING
Admission is highly selective. Majors to the College of Engineering also require a strong academic record in science, including chemistry and physics. Admitted first-year students are granted general admission to the college, and at the end of their first year, they choose a specific engineering major.

ISENBERG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT
Admission is highly selective. Students admitted to the Isenberg School of Management are offered general admission. They are required to have a strong academic record in math through precalculus. At the end of their sophomore year, students apply for admission to a specific major: accounting, finance, management, marketing, or operations and information management; they graduate with a bachelor of business administration degree. The hospitality and tourism management major has different admission requirements with students graduating with a bachelor of science degree.

NURSING
Admission to the College of Nursing is highly selective and restricted to first-year students.

SPORT MANAGEMENT
Admission to the Mark H. McCormack Department of Sport Management is based on the strength of the applicant’s overall record and sport management-related activities. Applicants also must have a strong academic record in math through precalculus.

ESTIMATED ACADEMIC YEAR COSTS 2017–2018
For a full list of costs, visit umass.edu/bursar/ tuition-and-fees.

International students should read the visa information and degree expense estimates at umass.edu/ipo/iss/international-student-expense-estimates.
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Academic Majors
umass.edu/academics/undergraduate

Admissions Office
413-545-0222
umass.edu/admissions

Commonwealth Honors College
413-545-2483
honors.umass.edu

Financial Aid
413-545-0801
umass.edu/umfa

Residential Life Student Services
413-545-2100
umass.edu/living

New Students Orientation
413-545-2621
umass.edu/newstudent

Office of Parent Services
413-577-4444
umass.edu/parents

Visitor Center (Campus Tours)
413-545-0306
umass.edu/visitorsctr

FALL 2017 CALENDAR

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DECLINING OUR OFFER OF ADMISSION

If you decide to decline our offer of admission, notify us by email at admreq@admissions.umass.edu. Include your name, NetID, date of birth, and your intention to decline our offer of admission.

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