FIRST-YEAR AND TRANSFER STUDENTS
SPRING 2018

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 page using your NetID and password.

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 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 percent convenience fee for credit card payments.]

To ensure your space in the spring 2018 class, your enrollment fee must be paid by November 1 or within two weeks of receipt of your admission notification. If you need to know your financial aid award and have not received this information within this two-week time frame, 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 December and January. Once we have received and processed your enrollment fee and the registration site opens, you will be able to register online for your orientation session on the NSO website (umass.edu/newstudent). 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.

TRANSCRIPTS

FIRST-YEAR: Arrange for UMass Amherst to receive a final official high school transcript with graduation date notation, which is required of all entering first-year students. If you have completed AP exams or college coursework, request that an official score report or transcript be sent as well.

TRANSFER: Arrange for UMass Amherst to receive a final official transcript from the college you are currently attending, or most recently attended, so those credits may be added to your student record. You will find it helpful to bring your fall course schedule or grade report to advising and course registration.

FINANCIAL AID

If you intend to apply for financial aid and have not already done so, file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form immediately. FAFSA is the sole form used to determine eligibility for federal, state, and institutional funds. This form is available at fafsa.gov. UMass Amherst’s FAFSA school code is 002221. To avoid delays in award processing, please ensure that the name and Social Security number on your admission’s application and FAFSA form match the name and number on your Social Security card. If you completed your FAFSA for another college, you must request that your FAFSA information be sent to UMass Amherst so that we can determine your financial aid award.

BILLING

UMass Amherst electronically bills students. Your bill will be posted to the finances section of SPIRE self-service in early December, with payment due in early January. 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

All students with fewer than 27 transferable credits are required to live on campus unless they commute from home. Transfer students who apply for housing by the deadline will receive housing. Sophomores and juniors may choose to live either on or off campus. (Exception: Family housing is not guaranteed since spaces are limited and a separate application process is required.)

DISABILITY SERVICES

If you have a learning or other disability and would like more information on the services available to UMass Amherst students, 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 your application. UMass Amherst reserves the right to rescind admission based on this information.
Acceptance to the following majors is based on the number of spaces available, prerequisite coursework, and/or academic performance. More detailed information will be available during NSO advising and course registration.

**COMMUNICATION, ECONOMICS, JOURNALISM**
Admission to these majors requires a strong academic record or prerequisite coursework. Economics majors need to demonstrate math ability and completion of prerequisite coursework, including pre-calculus, microeconomics, and macroeconomics.

**COMPUTER SCIENCE**
Most students become computer science majors after completing the prerequisite courses (data structures and calculus) with grades of B+ or better.

**EDUCATION**
The requirements for Massachusetts teacher licensure include completion of an academic major appropriate to the student’s desired license and an approved teacher certification course sequence. Admission to licensure coursework occurs after enrollment and is selective based on academic performance and related experience.

**ENGINEERING**
Students may become engineering majors after successfully completing the prerequisite courses: calculus, physics, and/or chemistry.

**ISENBERG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT**
Admission is very selective and is based on overall grade point average and on performance in the predictor courses: microeconomics, macroeconomics, financial accounting, managerial accounting, calculus, and statistics.

**KINESIOLOGY**
Transfer applicants must have above-average grades both overall and in science coursework to be accepted into the major.

**NURSING**
Admission for first-year students is very selective and occurs only in the fall. Transfer students are not eligible for admission to nursing.

**SPORT MANAGEMENT**
Admission is selective and is based on the overall academic record.

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**ACADEMIC YEAR COSTS**
For a full list of costs, visit umass.edu/bursar/tuition-and-fees.
FOR MORE INFORMATION

Academic Majors – Information
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

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

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

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

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

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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, date of birth, and your intention to decline our offer of admission.

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