

# Upper Iowa University

Office of International Programs



## Arrival Booklet

for

**August 2011**

Can't find the answer to your question in this booklet?

Check out our website -

[http://www.uiu.edu/international/student\\_services.html](http://www.uiu.edu/international/student_services.html)

# Welcome to Upper Iowa University!



We are excited to welcome you to campus in Fayette! Please read this arrival booklet very carefully as it contains a lot of necessary information to make your transition to UIU go smoothly. If you have any questions that are not answered in the booklet, please use the contact information below to find out more. The Office of International Programs at UIU wishes you a safe and pleasant journey to Fayette.

## **Important Dates**

Arrival: August 13-15, 2011

Orientation: August 17-19, 2011

New Student Days (for all new students at UIU): August 20-21, 2011

## **Questions? Contact:**

[international@uiu.edu](mailto:international@uiu.edu)

563.425.5852—office phone

[www.uiu.edu/international/  
student\\_services.html](http://www.uiu.edu/international/student_services.html)

# Immigration and Visa Information

The Form I-20 has been sent to you or is enclosed. Please read the instructions for submitting the I-901 SEVIS fee BEFORE you go to the embassy. The Immigration form should be carefully reviewed and taken with your passport and verification of financial support to a U.S. Embassy or Consulate in order to apply for the F-1 visa. Carry all documents and your passport safely with you while you are traveling to the U.S. You must present these items to the U.S. Immigration official at the port of entry.

Important: Students can enter NO earlier than 30 days before the I-20 (line 5) Report Date. When you arrive at the port of entry to the U.S. you will be required to present:

1. Passport valid for at least 6 months
2. F-1 Visa (issued by US Embassy)
3. Evidence of Financial Support (this should be the copy of the same information you submitted to the university)
4. Form I-20 issued by UIU
5. Letter of admission from UIU

- \* You must attend the school whose I-20 you used to enter the U.S.
- \* All undergraduate students will be required to register for a minimum of 6 credits per term. English language (ESL) students will be required to enroll for a minimum of 15 credits during fall and spring semesters.
- \* You must be full time student at all times to stay in valid immigration status.

## **ALL NEW STUDENTS HOLDING AN F-1 or J-1 VISA ARE LEGALLY REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION**

\* Fall 2011 Orientation will be held August 17-19

\* You will receive a detailed orientation schedule upon your arrival.

\* Students **MUST** be present

## Arrival Information

**Arrival Dates:** All students must arrive in Fayette between **August 13-15, 2011.**

**Getting to UIU:** Remember, it is your responsibility to arrange your travel to Eastern Iowa Airport (airport code CID). If you travel by airplane, you will have to transfer in Minneapolis, Chicago, Atlanta or Dallas for a connecting flight to CID. Once you make your travel arrangements, you must notify the Office of International Programs.

**UIU Airport Shuttle:** Eastern Iowa Airport (CID) is 90 minutes by car from UIU in Fayette. For students that are flying into CID, UIU will provide transportation to Fayette. Shuttles will leave the airport twice each day at approximately 3pm and 11pm. (Times subject to change based on your arrival times.)

**Hotel and Taxi Info:**

**Country Inn & Suites**

9100 Atlantic Drive SW - (319) 363-3789

**Americinn – Cedar Rapids**

8910 6th St. SW. (319) 632-1800

**Holiday Inn Express**

1230 Collins Rd. (800) 345-8082

**Best Western Cooper's Mill**

100 F Ave NW - (877) 574-2464

**Airport Shuttle Service** - (800) 725-8460

\$120 for the first person, \$10 each addit.

## Orientation Information

**Orientation:** Int'l Student Orientation is **August 17-19** and is **MANDATORY.**

**Lodging and Meals:** During orientation, lodging and meals are provided for new students.

**Room Assignments/Address:**

When you arrive at UIU, you will receive your room assignment and telephone number. Please provide the Office of International Programs with your room number and telephone number if you switch rooms for any reason. If you live off-campus, you are required by law to inform the Office of International Programs of any address changes.

**\* YOU MUST INFORM US OF YOUR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND YOUR PLANNED ARRIVAL DATE IN FAYETTE BY CONTACTING [international@uiiu.edu](mailto:international@uiiu.edu). IF YOU HAVE CORRECTLY INFORMED US OF YOUR ARRIVAL DAY AND TIME, WE WILL HAVE SOMEONE MEET YOU WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT EASTERN IOWA AIRPORT AND TAKE YOU TO CAMPUS. IF YOU HAVE NOT NOTIFIED US OF YOUR ARRIVAL TIME, THERE ARE HOTELS AND TAXIS FOR YOU TO USE (see info to the left).**

# 2011-2012 Academic Calendar

## Fall Semester - Term I

New International Students Arrive	August 13-15
International Student Orientation	August 17-19
New Student Days	August 20-21
Classes Begin	August 22
Last Day to Add Courses	August 24
Labor Day-No Classes	September 5
Last Day to Drop Courses	September 23
Final Exams	October 13-14
Fall Break	October 17-18



## Fall Semester - Term II

Classes Begin	October 19
Last Day to Add Courses	October 21
Last Day to Drop Courses	November 16
Thanksgiving Break (no food service)	November 24-27
Final Exams	December 15-16



## Winter Break (no food service)

December 16 – January 8

## Spring Semester - Term I

Classes Begin	January 9
Last Day to Add Courses	January 11
Last Day to Drop Courses	February 10
Final Exam	March 1-2
Spring Break (no food service)	March 3-11



## Spring Semester - Term II

Classes Begin	March 12
Last Day to Add Courses	March 14
Last Day to Drop Courses	April 13
Easter Break (no food service)	April 6-8
Final Exams	May 3-4
Commencement Ceremony	May 5



## Interim

Classes Begin	May 8
Last Day to Add Courses	May 9
Last Day to Drop Courses	May 17
Last Day of Classes	May 24



## Insurance Information

\* **Participation in the UIU group health insurance policy is REQUIRED for all international students.** This includes Exchange students (except IREX). More details will be discussed during orientation.

\* If you plan to bring any dependents with you, it is very important that you meet with the Office of International Programs (IP) to arrange insurance for your dependents. This must be done during Orientation.

**IMPORTANT:**  
Please regularly check the email address you have provided in your application. IP will send emails to help keep you updated on schedules, upcoming events and other important information.

## Financial Information

\* To pay your bill, you can either wire money to the UIU account or you can bring a bank draft for the amount of Tuition, Housing and Meals noted on the orange sheet in your I-20 packet.

\*To wire funds, you need to include the student's full name with the wire transfer to the bank listed below.

Beneficiary Name:  
Upper Iowa University

Beneficiary Account Number:  
4122010523

BIC (SWIFT Routing):  
WFBIUS6S

Beneficiary Bank:  
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.  
1 Montgomery St.  
San Francisco, CA 94104

\* Students who do not pay their bills at UIU will **not** be permitted to continue at the university and will have their I-20 terminated.

**To Contact the Office of International Programs, please call:**

Phone – 563-425-5251

Email – [international@uiu.edu](mailto:international@uiu.edu)

**Travel Phone** – Updated Number Coming Soon!

\*UIU Shuttle driver will have this phone.

Please keep this number with you when traveling to campus!

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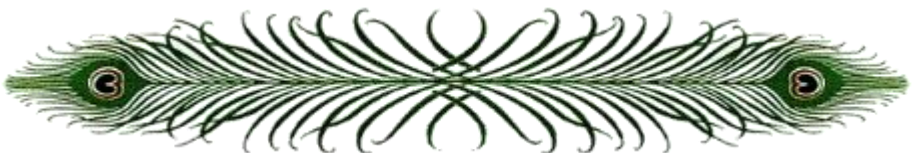
- First year students live in Garbee Hall, the main residence hall on campus. Garbee is divided into male and female areas, with kitchen facilities on each side.
- The new Student Center was completed in Spring 2011 to provide updated dining facilities, new offices for the Office of Student Development (OSD), and a larger bookstore.
- Rooms in Garbee measure 12' x 15' and contain 2 desks, 2 bunkable beds, 2 wardrobes, 2 dressers, 2 desk chairs, and 2 bookshelf units.
- The RA Desk, with afternoon and evening hours, is a great place to stop for questions or to check out board games and other recreation material.
- The entire campus in Fayette is NON-SMOKING. The State of Iowa passed a smoking ban in 2008 making it illegal to smoke on the grounds of any educational facility. You must leave campus to smoke.
- You will be provided with temporary linens upon arrival, and we will schedule a shopping trip during orientation for you to purchase your own. The temporary linens must be turned in to the RA desk before classes begin.
- All students living on campus are required to have a meal plan for the entire semester. For Fall 2011 arrivals, lunch and dinner will be provided for orientation and your meal plan begins August 22.
- For more information about student life at UIU, check out the following websites:

International Student Services

[http://www.uiu.edu/international/student\\_services.html](http://www.uiu.edu/international/student_services.html)

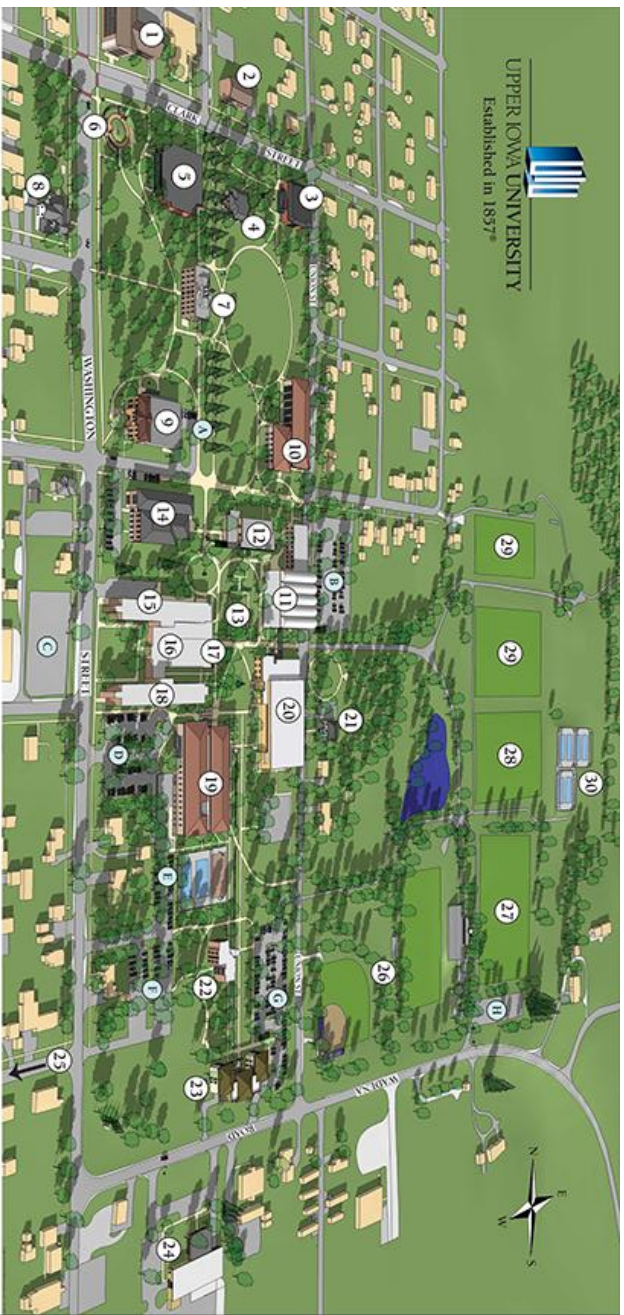
Current Student Page

<http://www.uiu.edu/currentstudents/index.html>





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Established in 1857<sup>th</sup>



**BUILDINGS**

1. NE Iowa Professional Building
2. Hodmaster Apartments
3. Edgar Fine Arts Hall
4. Parker-Fox Hall
5. College-Walker Hall
6. Future Research Plaza
7. Alexander-Dickman Hall
8. Residential and Formal Garden
9. Hedrick-Walker Library
10. Liberal Arts Hall

**CAMPUS LEGEND**

11. Dorman Memorial Gymnasium
12. Baker-Hobson Science Hall
13. Grace Meyer Square
14. Audits Center for Business and Education
15. North Hall
16. Garlock Hall Complex Cafeteria/ Bookstore Entrance
17. Research Plaza: Stackbar
18. Future Student Center
19. Recreation Center
20. Alumni House
21. Koc Tower
22. South Campus Suites
23. Physical Plant
24. To Robertson-Wood Athletic Fields
25. Elsieford Memorial Athletic Complex
26. Soccer Game Field
27. Soccer Practice Field
28. Soccer Practice Field
29. Soccer Practice Field
30. Future Tennis Complex

**PARKING**

- A. Visitor and Handicap Parking
- B. Permitt Parking Only
- C. Student Parking (Restricted)
- D. Permitt Parking Only
- E. Permitt Parking Only
- F. Permitt Parking Only
- G. Parking
- H. Event Parking