

# Approaching Stanford Schedule

## *Mailings, Emails, and the Summer To-Do List for Incoming Freshmen*

This schedule outlines the major mailings and emails that you will receive throughout the summer. Please pay close attention to these mailings and emails when you receive them, as they are essential to your transition process. Use the Summer To-Do List to keep track of key deadlines and items that require action on your part.

All mailings will be sent to your “Mailing Address” as it is listed in Axess (<http://axess.stanford.edu>). If your mailing address changes at any time, including this summer and throughout your time at Stanford, update this information immediately in Axess. Emails will be sent to your @stanford.edu email account; thus, it is critical that you check this account often, particularly on the dates of scheduled emails. (Refer to pages 10 and 72 in the *Approaching Stanford* handbook for more information about Axess and using your @stanford.edu email account.)

If you are missing any materials or if you have not received a particular mailing within seven days of the scheduled mailing date (two weeks for international addresses), first check the Freshman Page of the Undergraduate Academic Life website (<http://frosh.stanford.edu>) for information about any changes to the mailings. Then, if any questions remain, contact the Approaching Stanford team, which is part of Undergraduate Advising and Research (UAR), either by email or phone.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**Email: [frosh@stanford.edu](mailto:frosh@stanford.edu)**

Use your @stanford.edu email account to send your inquiries.

**Phone: (650) 72-FROSH or (650) 723-7674**

From mid-May through mid-June, professional staff members in UAR answer this phone line. From mid-June through mid-September, this phone line is answered by the Freshman Transition Coordinators, the team of student staff members in UAR who are integral to the implementation of Approaching Stanford and New Student Orientation (NSO).

*Class of 2015*

## **Monday, May 16**

### **First Approaching Stanford Mailing**

- Letter from Vice Provost Harry Elam
- Approaching Stanford Schedule
- *Approaching Stanford: A Handbook for Entering Students*  
The handbook will answer many questions about your transition to Stanford. Read pages 2-3 and the “Approaching Your Forms” section before you begin the online Approaching Stanford forms.
- *Introduction to the Humanities Course Catalogue*  
Read this prior to completing your online Approaching Stanford forms.
- Arrival Dates for Incoming Students/Big Game postcard
- Stanford Pre-Orientation Trips (SPOT) brochure

## **Wednesday, June 1**

### **Health Care Information Email**

Contains information about Vaden Health Center services, Cardinal Care (the student health insurance plan), and the online health forms.

## **Tuesday, June 7 (by 5:00 p.m.)**

### ***Approaching Stanford Forms Deadline***

Instructions appear on pages 9-16 in *Approaching Stanford*.

## **Friday, June 24**

### **Three Books Mailing**

Read these books prior to your arrival on campus. During NSO, you will participate in a moderated conversation with the authors and a group discussion with your dorm, so come to campus with your thoughts and questions.

- *March*, Geraldine Brooks
- *The Violence of Peace: America's Wars in the Age of Obama*, Stephen Carter
- *One Bullet Away: The Making of a Marine Officer*, Nathaniel C. Fick

## **Friday, June 24**

### **Parents Mailing**

Sent to the parents/guardians entered on Form 3.

- Letter from Koren Bakkegard, Associate Dean
- *A Guide for Parents* brochure
- Information about Cardinal Care health insurance
- Class Banner and Parent Dinner with the Provost flyer
- Stanford Guest House brochure

## **Thursday, June 30**

### ***Vaden Health Forms Deadline***

Instructions appear on page 17 in *Approaching Stanford*.

## **Friday, July 1**

### ***Final Official Transcript Deadline***

Your freshman admission packet contains instructions for submission of your transcript to the Office of Undergraduate Admission.

## **Monday, July 11**

### **Send-Off Party Invitation**

Send-off parties are happening around the globe this summer. Follow the link in the invitation(s) to find the party that is closest to you.

## **Mid-July**

### **Stanford Associated Religions Outreach**

If you indicate your religious affiliation on Form 12, you will be contacted by an SAR group with information about programs and resources.

## **Monday, July 18**

### **The Arts Guide Email**

Multimedia introduction to the arts at Stanford.

## **Monday, July 25**

### **Information About Sexual Assault and Relationship Abuse Resources Email**

Provides information about education, prevention, and response resources for student safety.

## Monday, August 1

### **Stanford Introductory Studies Email**

Explains the processes for enrolling in required and elective courses offered through SIS for Autumn Quarter. A link to the online *Stanford Introductory Seminars Course Catalog* is included.

## Monday, August 8

### **Housing Information and Welcome Email**

Includes your first-year housing assignment and welcome messages from the directors of Student Housing and Residential Education, and from your Resident Fellow/College Director.

## Monday, August 15

### **Introductory Email from Your Academic Director**

Your UAR Academic Director (AD) will describe advising resources and invite you to ask any academic advising questions. Student athletes will receive this email from their AARC advisor.

## Friday, August 19

### **AlcoholEdu Notification Email**

You will need to complete Part 1 of the required AlcoholEdu program online by September 18.

## Monday, August 22

### **University Bill Notification Email**

Your University bill will be available to view online through Axess. Payment is due September 15.

## Late August

### **Freshman Survey Email**

Contains the link and deadline to complete this online survey.

## Thursday, September 1

### **Move-In Reminders Email**

Contains important information about Tuesday, September 20, the first day of NSO.

## SUMMER TO-DO LIST

- Read the *Approaching Stanford* handbook and the *IHUM Course Catalogue*.
- Visit <http://frosh.stanford.edu> and check your @stanford.edu email frequently.
- Join “The Official Stanford Class of 2015” group on Facebook.
- Submit your Approaching Stanford forms online by 5:00 p.m. on June 7.
- Determine if you should take an online Language Placement Test and, if so, note the test date. (See page 33 of *Approaching Stanford*.)
- Submit the Vaden health forms online by June 30.
- Set up Direct Deposit and ePay accounts. (See pages 68-70 of *Approaching Stanford*.)
- Enjoy reading the Three Books, mailed on June 24.
- Submit your final official transcript to Undergraduate Admission by July 1.
- Attend to emails from SIS. They may prompt you to take action for enrollment in Autumn Quarter SIS courses.
- Read the *IntroSem Course Catalog* and review the steps to apply.
- Connect with your UAR Academic Director after you receive her/his email on August 15.
- Pay your University bill and, if applicable, waive coverage under Cardinal Care in Axess by September 15. (See page 62 of *Approaching Stanford*.)
- Complete Part 1 of AlcoholEdu online by September 18.
- Complete the Freshman Survey.
- Pack and head to campus. NSO begins on September 20. Review the packing guidelines in *Approaching Stanford* and *A Student’s Guide to Sustainable Living at Stanford* online before you pack. If your family will have a car on campus on September 20, remember to print and bring the parking pass and driving directions.

## FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT...

**Approaching Stanford**, including mailings/emails, what you have read in the *Approaching Stanford* handbook, completing the Approaching Stanford forms, action items and deadlines for incoming students, housing options, enrollment verifications, what to pack, New Student Orientation, extracurricular activities, or anything else related to student life, refer to the Frequently Asked Questions on <http://frosh.stanford.edu>, call the Approaching Stanford staff in UAR at (650) 72-FROSH, or send an email to [frosh@stanford.edu](mailto:frosh@stanford.edu) from your @stanford email account.

**Academics**, browse the Undergraduate Academic Life website at <http://undergrad.stanford.edu>. Here you will find information about curricular opportunities and academic support and learn about research opportunities, scholarships, and fellowships. You will be invited to communicate with your UAR Academic Director or AARC advisor starting August 15; you will meet your AD and Pre-Major Advisor during NSO.

**International Student Orientation (ISO)** and visa matters, refer to the Bechtel International Center website at <http://icenter.stanford.edu>.

**Services and resources provided to students with disabilities** during the academic year, contact the Office of Accessible Education at (650) 723-1066 or TTY (650) 723-1067. For accommodations needed during NSO (either for students or accompanying family members) email [frosh@stanford.edu](mailto:frosh@stanford.edu).

**The University billing process and financial aid disbursements**, contact the Student Services Center at (866) 993-7772 or (650) 723-7772.

**Vaden Health Center** medical requirements, online health forms, health services, or health insurance waivers and coverage, please contact Vaden Health Center at (650) 498-2336, [vaden-emr@stanford.edu](mailto:vaden-emr@stanford.edu), or go to <http://vaden.stanford.edu>.