Congratulations on your admission to Eastern Connecticut State University. It feels more like a private liberal arts college. It's a place where a love of learning is palpable — and the drive to make a difference is even more so. With every discovery and achievement, your life will become fuller, your abilities sharper and your world brighter.

This informational packet is offered to help you prepare for your enrollment at Eastern and help ensure a smooth transition to our university community. The checklist provided in this packet can be utilized to help you keep track of the steps in finalizing your enrollment.
# Housing

Studies show that students who live on campus are more likely to get involved and learn valuable educational, social and leadership skills. Eastern offers residential alternatives to fit every student. That's why more than 2,700 students call the campus home. At Eastern, your residence is more than just a place to sleep—it's also an exciting, active community that will help promote your personal and academic growth. From “Dean's Cup” competitions, to study sessions to hall government meetings, there are plenty of activities in which to get involved.

**Three Easy Steps to Apply for Housing**

1. Pay the non-refundable $250 housing deposit (in addition to the $200 tuition deposit).
2. Visit [http://www.easternct.edu/housing/apply.html](http://www.easternct.edu/housing/apply.html) for detailed application instructions.
3. Check your Eastern email account for updates on the status of your housing application.

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# Course Registration and Placement

To begin the registration process, contact the Advising Center as soon as possible at (860) 465-4526 to schedule an appointment with a professional advisor. Additional information can be found here: [http://www.easternct.edu/advising/](http://www.easternct.edu/advising/).

Transfer students who have not completed the English and Math requirements for Eastern's Liberal Arts Core (LAC) curriculum, please visit the link above, click on Current Students, Mathematics and Writing Placement Information, for an explanation of your placement into English and Math course(s).

Transfer students who have taken the equivalent of ENG 100 (College Writing), or MAT 101 (Intermediate Algebra or higher) at another college or university are not required to take the writing/math placement tests.

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# SOAR 2015

SOAR is a one-day program designed to introduce new students to life at Eastern, provide academic advising and finalize course registration for the upcoming semester. This program is intended to promote academic success and student involvement by providing students with an opportunity to meet other students, student leaders, faculty and staff and by introducing important information about resources available within the Eastern community. Please register online for SOAR 2015 to be held on January 5th, 2015 at [http://www.easternct.edu/orientation/](http://www.easternct.edu/orientation/)

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# Create Personal Goals: Opportunities at Eastern

Eastern students produce award-winning documentaries, intern at Disney World, present undergraduate research at national conferences, study theatre in London, build and remotely control robots and conduct public health research in Nepal. As an Eastern student, you have the opportunity to participate in these experiences and more.

**Study Abroad**

Students have studied abroad in a number of countries including:

- Australia
- Bahamas
- England
- Ghana
- Italy
- Tahiti

Students can also participate in the National Student Exchange to study at universities across the United States and Canada.

**Internships**

Eastern students have completed internships at such organizations as:

- ESPN
- Connecticut Science Center
- United Nations
- Disney World
- Pratt and Whitney
- IBM

**Get Involved**

Explore the abundance of on- and off-campus activities, including:

- Community Service
- Intramural Sports
- Academic Clubs
- Special Interest Clubs
- Live Plays and Concerts
- Lecture Series
- Student Government
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| **Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).**  
File the FAFSA by date below in order to optimize financial aid. For more information, visit [www.easternct.edu/finaid/](http://www.easternct.edu/finaid/) or call (860) 465-5205.  
**COMPLETE BY:** November 15, 2014 or as soon as possible |
| **Submit your non-refundable deposit to the Bursar.**  
Deposits must be submitted to reserve courses and residence hall space. The University reserves the right to return deposits received after enrollment capacity has been reached. Payable online at [http://eweb.easternct.edu](http://eweb.easternct.edu).  
Students living on campus: $450 non-refundable tuition and housing deposit.  
Students living off campus: $200 non-refundable tuition deposit.  
**COMPLETE BY:** As soon as possible |
| **Complete Housing Application, if necessary.**  
See page 2 for housing application instructions. Apply and pay housing non-refundable deposit as soon as possible as hall placement will be determined based on the date your housing requirements are fulfilled.  
**COMPLETE BY:** As soon as possible |
| **Call Advising Center at (860)465-4526 for an advising session appointment so you can register on time.**  
Tuition deposit must be paid prior to advising session and receipt brought to the advising session. Visit [http://www1.easternct.edu/admissions/emailactivation/](http://www1.easternct.edu/admissions/emailactivation/) for more information.  
**COMPLETE BY:** As soon as possible |
| **Reserve your mandatory SOAR (Student Orientation, Advising and Registration) date.**  
Visit [www.easternct.edu/orientation/](http://www.easternct.edu/orientation/) and click on First-Year or Transfer Students for detailed information and to register to attend a SOAR Session. Students must submit the non-refundable tuition deposit prior to reserving a SOAR date.  
**COMPLETE BY:** Immediately after submitting your tuition deposit |
| **Activate and Monitor Your Eastern Email Account.**  
Eastern email is the University’s **official means of communicating** with students and will be used to convey important information throughout your career at Eastern (i.e. incoming student programs, housing, placement testing, financial aid and registration). Your username and email address are included in your letter of admission. Visit [http://www1.easternct.edu/admissions/emailactivation/](http://www1.easternct.edu/admissions/emailactivation/) for activation instructions.  
**COMPLETE BY:** Immediately |
| **Log onto eWeb Online Services to view your transfer credit evaluation.**  
Once your official transcripts have been reviewed the evaluation will be posted on eWeb. You will also be able to check grades, view your Eastern transcript, add and drop classes, display your class schedule, and review your financial aid status through your eWeb account. |
| **Submit official transcript(s) for any transfer credit coursework.**  
AP, TechPrep, college or university-level classes are eligible for transfer credit at Eastern. **Official** transcripts with final grades should be sent to the Office of Admissions in order to finalize transfer evaluation.  
**COMPLETE BY:** As soon as possible |
| **Review and complete health forms and insurance waiver.**  
Access “Five things you need to read,” health forms and insurance waiver online at [www.easternct.edu/health/](http://www.easternct.edu/health/).  
**COMPLETE BY:** As soon as possible |
Mark Your Calendar

**Deadline** | **Please note: Items should be completed as soon as possible**
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November 15, 2014 | File FAFSA by this date, or soon thereafter, to optimize financial aid ASAP | Submit $200 non-refundable tuition deposit and $250 non-refundable housing deposit (if residing on campus)
January 5, 2015 | Mandatory SOAR date—see page 2 for dates and how to register
January 11, 2015 | Move-In Day
January 12, 2015 | First Day of Classes

Contact Us:

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