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Dear New Spartan:

Welcome to Michigan State University! We are excited you have joined the MSU family. We urge you to take full advantage of the many opportunities and resources available within this great University to expand your knowledge and perspective through interaction with people from different cultures, life experiences and backgrounds.

Staff members within the units of Student Affairs and Services are always available to assist you with any questions or concerns you may have upon your arrival and throughout your career at MSU. Please feel free to call or stop by our offices if we can be of assistance.

The Fall Welcome programs, starting with the University Welcome and featuring U.S. Congressman John Lewis, author of *March Book One*, on Monday, August 25, are excellent opportunities for you to begin to develop important connections to many of the resources. We hope your first year at Michigan State University will be challenging and enjoyable. Success at Michigan State awaits you as you take full advantage of the many opportunities available.

Sincerely,

Denise B. Maybank, Ph.D.
Vice President
for Student Affairs and Services

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Handbook 2014

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Arrival Information

Welcome, New Spartans!

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To access your personalized Fall Welcome schedule visit the Fall Welcome website at fallwelcome.msu.edu. Your personalized schedule contains all of the times and locations of the Fall Welcome sessions that you are expected to attend.

We are glad that you are here!

Stay Up-to-Date on What’s Happening
Read your residence hall newsletter, the bulletin boards in your hall, and visit www.liveon.msu.edu often to stay in the loop. We also encourage you to read The State News every day. It is available in residence hall lobbies, entrances to academic buildings and online at www.statenews.com. Your subscription to The State News is included in your MSU registration.

Residence Halls
During your time at MSU you will be a part of many different communities. You will connect with fellow Spartans on your floor, throughout your residence hall, in your MSU Neighborhood and across campus. Representatives from your hall’s student government and caucuses as well as hall staff will be on hand to greet you when you arrive. They will be happy to answer your questions and help you get settled at MSU.

Residence Education and Housing Services (REHS) and the Office of Cultural and Academic Transitions (OCAT) staff are dedicated to creating a safe, sustainable and inclusive residential environment that enhances the MSU experience and inspires our community to: Live. Learn. Lead. Impact the World. We are here to help you be academically successful; explore new ideas, experiences and opportunities; nurture your passions; create new traditions; embrace your independence; persist toward graduation and, ultimately, have an outstanding Spartan experience.

Mail and Care Packages
Family and friends can send you mail, including care packages, at your campus address: YOUR NAME, Michigan State University, STREET ADDRESS, ROOM # HALL NAME, East Lansing, MI 48825

On-Campus Employment
The Residential and Hospitality Services division at MSU offers a wide variety of student positions on campus. Live, work and play all in the same place! Work hours can be scheduled around your classes. For more information or to apply online visit www.jobs.rhs.msu.edu.

Linen, Laundry and You
If you live in the residence halls, you are eligible to receive free linen service. A linen package includes two sheets, one pillowcase, and two towels. You can pick up your first package of linen when you check in and then exchange it once a week in your hall. You need to bring your own pillow, blanket and comforter.

Did you know? In addition to free linen service, all on-campus residents have access to FREE laundry! Every hall has a laundry room with an eSuds notification system that lets you know when a machine is available or your laundry is done.

On-Campus Dining
Culinary Services provides dining excellence from 7am to midnight, seven days a week. With ten residential dining halls, each neighborhood offers made-to-order, fresh and healthy options. So, you are sure to eat well while living on campus. Try out each of our locations, including Heritage Commons at Landon, The Gallery at Snyder/Phillips, Brody Square, South Pointe at Case, The Vista at Shaw, Riverwalk Market at Owen, the MSU Union Food Court, the Eat at State ON-THE-GO food truck, 21 Sparty’s locations across campus, and more. Combo-X-Change allows students to use a meal access as a combo once per day, Monday – Friday at Sparty’s, the MSU Union Food Court, Riverwalk Market at Owen, the Eat at State ON-THE-GO food truck or as takeout in all dining halls. Visit www.eatatstate.com for info about menus, locations, hours and flexible dining plan options.

Spartan Cash
Spartan Cash is a debit program that is available to all students. Accounts can be used at over 100 locations—both on and off campus, including transportation services iCab and EXTaxi. View a complete list of participating vendors and open your Spartan Cash account online at www.spartancash.com. Make your MSU ID card work for you!
Arrival Information

Student IDs

Each student of Michigan State University is issued a Spartan Card following initial enrollment which is your university identification (ID) card. This card is valid throughout your entire academic career at MSU.

Library privileges, access to university buildings, facilities and classrooms, and purchase of tickets and entry to athletic and entertainment events may require the possession and presentation of the ID card upon request. The card is also used for meal plans and Spartan Cash. The ID is the property of Michigan State University and is non-transferable.

Alteration, falsification, or misuse of the ID card is a violation of General Student Regulation 5.00 and other regulations as applicable. Each student is responsible for all use of the ID card whether authorized or unauthorized. The ID card should not be loaned or left where it might be used by an unauthorized person.

Your first ID card is issued to you at no cost. Replacement cards are $20.

Students who did not receive their ID card at AOP or need a replacement can go to the ID Office located in the International Center, 427 N. Shaw Lane, Rm 427. A government issued photo ID such as a driver’s license, State ID or passport is needed to obtain your ID.

Hours of operation are M-F, 8am-5pm. For more information, you can call 355-4500 or send an email to idoffice@msu.edu.

Neighborhood Engagement Centers

At MSU, every undergraduate student is a part of a Neighborhood where they have access to resources to succeed academically, gain global perspectives, make connections, learn by doing, and live a healthy life. The Neighborhoods bring MSU resources to where students live and connect. At the heart of each Neighborhood is the Engagement Center with everything from course tutoring to group fitness classes. MSU students use the Engagement Centers to connect with academic advisors and other campus resources, achieve academic success, live healthy lifestyles, explore other cultures and engage with the MSU community. When you have a question, need support or want to connect with other Spartans, visit the Engagement Center in your neighborhood.

The Neighborhoods

BRODY — Emmons — Bailey — Armstrong — Bryan — Butterfield — Rather — University Village

EAST — Akers — Hubbard — Holmes


RIVER TRAIL — McDonel — Shaw — Owen — Van Hoosen

SOUTH — Holden — Case — Wilson

Bike, Bus, Feet and Sometimes Car

The question to this answer is: “How do I get around on campus?”

Bikes are a great way to move from place to place on campus. They should be registered with the MSU Police Department or the City of East Lansing, if you are living off-campus. You’ll want to buy a good lock for your bike—the Community Policing Officers at MSU recommend that you buy a U-lock. Some residence halls have indoor storage areas for your bike.

If you are stuck in bad weather while biking or need to get your bike to campus or the River Trail, you and your bike can take a CATA bus. Some buses have racks that accommodate two bikes, others can accommodate three bikes. In a few seconds you can load your bike, board the bus, and be on your way! There is no charge for using the bike rack.

The Capital Area Transportation Authority (CATA) keeps MSU moving with bus service on-campus, 24 hours, seven days a week during fall and spring semesters. CATA also has off-campus routes extending into their service area. You can take buses to class, visit friends, go to a mall, see a movie — just about anything you need to do to learn, work or have fun! Students pay $.60 a ride when they show their valid MSU ID. Transfers are free. If you plan to ride often, student bus passes are easy and affordable at $50 for a semester pass and $18 for a 31-day pass. Passes are good on and off campus. Passes are sold online at www.cata.org, the MSU Union Store, Department of Police and Public Safety, Spartan Village Community Center, some residence halls and at many area merchants.

Weekday campus service—3 routes operate 7am until 2:30am and two conclude at 7pm

Weekend service—3 routes operate from 9am until 2:30am.

Night Owl serves campus when the other routes conclude for the evening. Service operates from 2am until 7am (9am on the weekends). Rides are curb-to-curb on a request basis by calling 432-8888.

Look for the CATA schedule racks in residence hall lobbies and many other on- and off-campus locations or call the Customer Information Center at 432-2282 or 2-CATA, 7am-7pm Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm Saturday and Sunday, info@cata.org or check out CATA’s website at www.cata.org.

Walking is probably the most common form of transportation.
on-campus. It is the most reliable mode (no flat tires) and it is great exercise! Freshmen living on-campus can’t have cars. Other students must register their cars with the Vehicle Office of the MSU Police Department. Be sure to read parking policies carefully and pay close attention to signs when you, your family or friends park on-campus.

The MSU/CATA Transportation Center - This indoor public transit facility is the main boarding center for CATA bus routes serving campus. It is located on the ground level of the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1), between North and South Shaw Lanes, just east of the MSU Planetarium.

Convenient amenities include phone access to CATA Customer Service and ride request line, print maps and timetables, direct access to the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1), comfortable indoor seating areas, a community policing office, Sparty Convenience Store, ATM, vending machines, and restrooms. The facility is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Those who drive to campus and park in the Shaw Ramp (Ramp 1) can easily board a CATA bus from the same location for a convenient inter-modal commute.

Transportation for Students with Disabilities - Call CATA at 432-8888 for information on Spec-Tran curb-to-curb transportation. Students must be certified as eligible to ride Spec-Tran at the campus Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD). Call RCPD at 353-9642.

The Sexual Assault and Relationship Violence (SARV) Prevention Program

The SARV Prevention Program is designed to help teach students about sexual and relationship violence prevention. In this program, upperclassmen are trained as Peer Educators and teach workshops to incoming freshmen on these topics. Its purpose is to promote students’ safety, improve their quality of life and empower them to become active bystanders against violence within our community. For more information visit studentlife.msu.edu/sarv.

Students with Disabilities

MSU values and promotes participation by people with disabilities in all aspects of campus life. The Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities (RCPD) upholds a mission to lead MSU in maximizing ability and opportunity for full participation. The RCPD is available to faculty, staff and students to foster understanding of the opportunities and responsibilities under disability-related legislation.

Registration with the RCPD is essential for students and employees with disabilities in order to facilitate timely and effective assistance. Staff at the RCPD are ready with information, resources, and guidance for the campus community in support of full inclusion. Visit us at www.rcpd.msu.edu or call 884-RCPD for further assistance.
Orientation Information

On-Campus Housing Freshmen/Transfers
The halls open for new freshmen and transfers ONLY on Sunday, August 24. Meals begin with breakfast that morning.

There will be Fall Welcome activities planned in residence halls and throughout campus on Sunday, August 24 through Wednesday, August 27. Please look at the complete Fall Welcome schedule of events in the center pull-out section of this book and on-line at fallwelcome.msu.edu.

Freshmen Commuter Students
New undergraduate students (non-transfer) who will be living off-campus (with parents/guardians or relatives, in approved living units, and other Housing Policy Exceptions) are encouraged to attend a session designed especially for them on Tuesday, August 26, at 2pm in B115 Wells Hall. This session is a follow-up to the information presented during AOP. It will be brief, relevant, and fun!

Freshmen commuter students are expected to attend the University Welcome featuring U.S. Congressman John Lewis (author of March Book One) on Monday, August 25. To access a copy of your personalized Fall Welcome schedule go to the Fall Welcome website at fallwelcome.msu.edu and log-in to print your schedule.

Students With Children
The Family Resource Center (FRC) coordinates information, resources and University initiatives to assist students with children and students managing the care of dependent elders. Students may contact the FRC office at 432-3745, visit the website at www.frc.msu.edu, or email strom@hr.msu.edu for more information about programs and services.

Cultural Transitions

Student Welcome Reception/Spartan Remix
Spartan Remix is a cultural celebration that will take place on Thursday, September 4, 2014 (6pm–9pm) at Michigan State University’s Auditorium Field by the Rock. This unique event of MUSIC, ART, and CULTURE truly captures the essence of collaboration and interculturalism by creating a space for the MSU community to come together in celebration and education of diverse communities.

This event is led by student organizations from CORES-Council of Racial and Ethnic Students (i.e. BSA/Black Student Alliance, NAISO/North American Indigenous Student Organization, APASO/Asian Pacific American Student Organization, and CRU/CulturadaslasRazasUnidas), the Coalition of LBGTA/Lesbian-Bi-sexual- Gay-Transgender-Allies, ISA/International Student Association, and CIC/Campus Interfaith Council along with many diverse multicultural organizations at MSU and coordinated by the Office of Cultural & Academic Transitions.

LBGT Resource Center
The Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, and Transgender Resource Center (LBGTRC) leads and collaborates on university-wide initiatives that prepare all students to thrive in our diverse world and enhances the campus climate and academic support services for students’ marginalized by their sexuality or gender identity. The LBGTRC educational programs advance all students understanding of sexuality and gender and the many implications for academic, career, and personal development. Personal identity and community building initiatives of the LBGTRC assure student success and wellness in their campus experience and beyond. The Center is located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 302, 353-9520, lbgtrc@msu.edu, www.lbgtrc.msu.edu.

Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement
Service-learning is a unique service opportunity that applies classroom education to real life experiences in the local community. Service-learning occurs in many forms. It may be integrated into academic courses, students may chose a position based on personal or professional development, or students may become involved because they believe in active citizenship. Our programs are offered in over 350+ local community agencies and are aligned with many MSU academic programs (example: Education major, service-learning placement in local public schools). Our office also collaborates with student-led programs including: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, Alternative Spartan Breaks, and Into the Streets for additional service-learning opportunities. The Center for Service-Learning and Civic Engagement is located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 345. Visit us at www.servicelearning.msu.edu or email servlrn@msu.edu or call 517-353-4400 to learn more.
Academic Resources

Registration Information
If you completed enrollment for classes for Fall Semester 2014 at AOP, your bill will be available electronically in STUINFO stuinfo.msu.edu. Please note that bills are not mailed and are only available electronically. You will receive an email informing you when your bill is ready for viewing. Go to the Student Accounts website at ctrl.msu.edu/COSTudentAccounts/Default.aspx for information on tuition, payment plans, refunds and other related information.

Enrollment and Registration Procedures. Go to www.reg.msu.edu and click the Enrollment and Registration link listed under “Quick Links”.

Drop and Add - Fall Semester 2014. Once you leave AOP, you cannot change your class schedule until August 25. On August 25, you will be able to adjust your schedule on-line according to the instructions in your “Getting Started” book.

MSU Libraries
The MSU Libraries are dedicated to your academic success! We have what you need, when you need it.

• Need help with research? Meet with friendly librarians at the Main Library Reference Desk, or get help at the Brody and Hubbard Engagement Centers. Or, ask questions online 24/7/365 at lib.msu.edu/contact/askalib.jsp.
• Need online information? Google is great, but with the library’s E-Resources you’ll find articles even faster – and for free! Visit er.lib.msu.edu for full-text articles, e-books, statistical databases, and more.
• Need a high-tech location for your group to work on a project? Our Collaborative Technology Labs are reservable multimedia group work spaces, available in the Main Library and our Business and Engineering branches reservations.lib.msu.edu.
• Need to find readings assigned by your professor which aren’t in the textbook? The library maintains Course Reserves – some online and some in print. Visit lib.msu.edu/resources/reserves.jsp to find out what’s on reserve for your class and where it’s located.
• Need a computer? The Main Library has more than 400 workstations for students, each with the full set of applications found in the computer labs.
• Need a place to study? The East Wing of the Main Library is reserved for quiet study. The West Wing is open for group study.

Make the MSU Libraries a part of your plan for academic success!

Learning Resources Center
The Learning Resources Center (LRC) is an academic learning support resource for all Michigan State University students. Learning strategies are provided in four major divisions: arts and letters, mathematics, science, and social science. Services include seminars in reading, study groups in mathematics, individualized and small group tutoring programs. Workshops on learning and studying in the humanities, mathematics, science, social science, technology, and time management are also included. The LRC is also involved in a variety of outreach programs with the Test Preparation Consortium, The College of Osteopathic Medicine, and the College of Veterinary Medicine. Support is also offered to faculty who wish to learn new teaching and learning techniques to incorporate into their courses. The LRC Technology Lab houses computers which provide access to email, course web pages, web searching instruction and practice. The Learning Resource Center is located at 434 Farm Lane, Bessey Hall Room 202. Stop by the Center, visit our website at www.lrc.msu.edu/ or call 355-2363 for additional information.

The Undergraduate University Division
The Undergraduate University Division (UUD) provides services through its Student Academic Affairs Offices and the Learning Resources Center.

UUD enrolls and is administratively responsible for all freshmen and sophomores, except those in Lyman Briggs College, James Madison College, and the Residential College in Arts and Humanities. Students remain in UUD until they attain junior standing (56 credits). Freshmen and sophomores without a major preference (no-preference students) are advised by UUD staff. Freshmen and sophomores with major preferences can be advised by the departments and colleges they plan to enter as juniors or by the advisors in the UUD.

Advisers in the UUD Student Academic Affairs unit assist and guide all Freshmen and Sophomore students (except those in residential colleges).

UUD academic advisors are housed in all five of the Neighborhood Engagement Centers.

East Neighborhood Engagement Center – C130 Hubbard Hall – 517- 884-3501

Brody Neighborhood Engagement Center – 160 Brody Hall – 517-353-3863

South Neighborhood Engagement Center – Holden Hall – 517-884-6680

River Trail Neighborhood Engagement Center – C101 McDonel Hall – 517-884-4080

North Neighborhood Engagement Center – Union Building – 517-884-4050

Visit our website www.msu.edu/dept/uud/.
Need Assistance? We Can Help!
In-hall Residence Education and Housing Services staff are there to assist you. Talk to your resident assistant, intercultural aide, or community director if you have questions. You can also contact the Housing Assignments Office directly by phone at 877-954-8366 or by email at liveon@msu.edu.

If you live off-campus:
Contact the MSU Community Liaison, 556 E. Circle Dr., Room 162, 432-7527 or csld@msu.edu.

General Information:
Student Life staff members, 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 101, 877-954-8366, will be available to answer questions from new students Monday-Friday, from 8am-5pm. Spartan Life Student Resource Guide and Handbook, contains information on University services, regulations, and rights and responsibilities for both undergraduate and graduate students. Abridged edition copies are distributed throughout the residence hall rooms, or view the full edition on-line at splife.studentlife.msu.edu.

Academic Programs:
Contact an academic advisor in the Undergraduate University Division (freshmen & sophomores), or in the college of your major preference. Use Degree Navigator, MSU’s visual advising tool, to learn degree requirements in all majors. For more information visit our website at degnav.msu.edu.

Read the Academic Programs catalog for academic policies, regulations and descriptions of all academic programs on the web at www.reg.msu.edu.

Access the Descriptions of Courses catalog to view all courses offered by MSU, semester of offering, credit hours, and prerequisites by clicking on the course number in the Schedule of Courses.

Technology at MSU

Technology Assistance
(517) 432-6200 tech.msu.edu/support

Technology support is available by telephone, face-to-face, chat, and online form. Get help with email, viruses, security, firewalls, network connections (DHCP), network trouble, MSU NetID authentication, or general computer assistance.

MSU Distance Learning Services (DLS) Help Desk
(517) 355-2345 or (800) 500-1554 www.lib.msu.edu/dls/

DLS provides support for the course management systems, ANGEL and Desire2Learn, as well as Adobe Connect and electronic resources. This support includes setup, technical and access problems, and feature requests. DLS also offers help accessing online library resources using the MSU EZproxy, as well as book and article delivery. Support is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

MSU’s Acceptable Use
It is expected that MSU students, faculty, and staff read, understand, and comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the administrative ruling entitled: “Acceptable Use Policy for MSU Information Technology Resources.” It is available at itservices.msu.edu/guidelines-policies/computer-requirement.html.

Illegal File Sharing
Illegal file sharing, the pirating and sharing of copyrighted files, is a real issue at MSU. Do not share copyrighted music, movies, software, or other files. It is a serious violation of MSU’s Acceptable Use Policy and Federal law to share copyrighted files from your computer to another computer. Illegal file sharing and violations can lead to fines, loss of network access, suspension, expulsion, and/or lawsuits. Visit tech.msu.edu/secureIT/file-sharing.php.

Protect Yourself
Safe computing helps protect individual privacy, prevent identity theft, and protect computers and files from being corrupted or lost.

1. Make sure your personal firewall is turned on.
2. Perform regular operating system updates and software updates. These updates often include security patches.
3. Install antivirus and antispyware software.
4. Upgrade to the latest version of your web browser and take advantage of the security features available.

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Illegal File Sharing
Illegal file sharing, the pirating and sharing of copyrighted files, is a real issue at MSU. Do not share copyrighted music, movies, software, or other files. It is a serious violation of MSU’s Acceptable Use Policy and Federal law to share copyrighted files from your computer to another computer. Illegal file sharing and violations can lead to fines, loss of network access, suspension, expulsion, and/or lawsuits. Visit tech.msu.edu/secureIT/file-sharing.php.

Protect Yourself
Safe computing helps protect individual privacy, prevent identity theft, and protect computers and files from being corrupted or lost.

1. Make sure your personal firewall is turned on.
2. Perform regular operating system updates and software updates. These updates often include security patches.
3. Install antivirus and antispyware software.
4. Upgrade to the latest version of your web browser and take advantage of the security features available.
5. Report and delete email phishing for account numbers, NetIDs, and passwords to protect against identity theft. Phishing is an online scam involving e-mail messages appearing to be from a trusted source. Michigan State University will NEVER ask for your NetID and password combination in an email. Be suspicious anytime you are asked by e-mail for personal information, especially if you did not initiate the contact.

6. Use strong passwords. Create a password using eight or more characters and containing uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers and symbols. For more information, visit tech.msu.edu/secureIT.

**StuInfo**

Students may access StuInfo (password protected) to view much of the information about them maintained in the central MSU Student Information System. Information includes individual academic records (including grades), financial aid, student account information, addresses, etc. Visit stuinfo.msu.edu.

**Technology Training**

IT Services offer non-credit courses and workshops that cover a wide range of topics on computing and technology. Class schedules are available at spartanslearn.msu.edu.

**MSU NetID & Network**

Every student is assigned an MSU NetID. Your NetID provides access to many MSU websites and online resources including campus email and library services. Visit netid.msu.edu for more information. The first time you plug into an MSU Ethernet or wireless connection, you need to register your computer or mobile device at dhcp.msu.edu. Once registered, you may access the Internet on campus. You have to register separately for MSU wired and wireless connections.

**Printing**

MSU Print is a dual purpose website that facilities printing from campus computer labs, as well as printing from mobile, laptop, and desktop computers to various campus printers. Use credit card, Student Receivables, or Spartan Cash to pay for print jobs. Visit print.msu.edu.

**Wireless Access**

MSU Wireless is available throughout the MSU campus and off-site locations. All current Wi-Fi standards are supported. Members of the MSU community need to register their computers or mobile devices at dhcp.msu.edu to access the wireless network around campus. Visitors to MSU can use MSU Wireless Guest access. For additional information, visit tech.msu.edu/wireless.

**MSU E-mail**

MSU’s centrally supported mail system is mail.msu.edu. Students are expected to activate their email, as this is the only email address the university will use to send official communications to students after they enroll. For more information, read the “MSU Student E-mail Communications Notice” at itservices.msu.edu/guidelines-policies/student-email-communications-notice.html.

**Computer Labs**

There are a number of computer labs located throughout campus giving students access to the Internet, popular and specialized software, and printing services. Anyone with an MSU NetID can use these computers at no charge. To locate a computer lab on campus, visit tech.msu.edu/computerlabs.

**Computer Repair**

The MSU Computer Store – Help and Repair provides walk-in help and repair services on PCs, Macs, and software. Help and Repair is located in room 120 of the Computer Center. They provide authorized warranty services for Apple, Dell, and Lenovo computers. In addition, upgrade and installation services for desktop and laptop computers and data recovery services are also available. Walk-in help and consultation is available, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For additional information, call 432-6200 or visit cstore.msu.edu.

**Online Storage**

Every student receives online storage space through AFS (Andrew File System). AFS is a centralized place to store data securely or optionally share it with others online. AFS can also store personal and course web pages. For more information, visit afs.msu.edu. Files saved to AFS can be accessed at netfiles.msu.edu. Additionally, students have access to Google Drive, Google Sites, and Google Calendar through the MSU Google for Education. MSU Google for Education offers better terms of service to students than using the application as public individual users. Students can access MSU Google for Education by signing in with their MSU NetID and password at googleapps.msu.edu.

**Computer Access for Persons with Disabilities**

Most public computer labs are wheelchair accessible. For detailed information regarding accommodations for persons with disabilities, contact the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities at 884-7273 or visit rcpd.msu.edu.

**MSU Computer Store**

The MSU Computer Store, located in room 110 of the Computer Center Building, is open Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 5:30pm or 24/7 at cstore.msu.edu. Students are eligible for a free loaner laptop when they purchase a Dell or Apple laptop from the MSU Computer Store and it is being repair with us. For additional information, call 432-0700 or visit cstore.msu.edu.
Leadership & Organizations

One significant way to enhance your education is to participate in student organizations and university committees. Students hold over 900 seats on university committees and register more than 660 student organizations each year. Whether you’re interested in governance, recreation, academic, or career-related groups, this is a great way to meet people and develop leadership skills that will be helpful to your future. If you do not find a student organization that is of interest to you, start your own. Go to 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 101 Student Services Building for assistance with student organization and activity planning concerns. Check out the on-line Student Organization Directory at studentlife.msu.edu/student-organizations-activities.

ASMSU

The Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) is the all-university undergraduate student government at MSU. It is comprised of representatives from each undergraduate college as well as representatives from various other major governing groups, the Council of Progressive Students groups, and the Council of Racial and Ethnic Students groups. Through the efforts of the ASMSU representatives and officers, ASMSU strives to advance student interests at Michigan State University as well as at the city, state, and federal levels of government. ASMSU provides a variety of student services such as free legal services, free access to The New York Times, USA Today, Detroit Free Press, and Financial Times via the ASMSU Readership Program, low cost GMAT, GRE, LSAT, and MCAT test prep services, $300 interest free loans, free Red Cedar Log yearbook, funding for student groups through our Student Allocations Board, class representation through the ASMSU Class Councils, free iClicker rentals, and various other events throughout the year such as large scale musical concerts, student tailgate, city council debates, and various guest speakers. Moreover, ASMSU offers undergraduate students a wide range of opportunities to get involved, from over 70 paid staff positions that enable you to engage and develop real world work experiences, to elected officer positions that empower you to represent the interests of not only your college, but all students at Michigan State University. In order to get involved as a representative or elected officer be sure to keep an eye out for the General Assembly elections which are held in the spring semester of each academic year. For more information on elections please contact the ASMSU Chief of Staff at cos@asmsu.msu.edu and if you are interested in getting appointed to a vacant representative seat in your college please contact the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration at vpia@asmsu.msu.edu.

ASMSU provides free legal services for all tax paying undergraduate students. This service entitles currently enrolled undergraduate students to receive free legal counsel from our three full time staff attorneys on most misdemeanor legal matters. The Legal Services office is located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 329 of Student Services Building and can be contacted at 517-353-3716.

ASMSU provides all tax paying undergraduate students the Student Defender program, which provides advice and counsel for students that are involved in the University’s judicial process. Student Defenders are located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 320 of Student Services Building and can be reached by phone at 517-355-8266 or by emailing the Director of Student Defenders and Legal Services at dsdls@asmsu.msu.edu. ASMSU also provides leadership opportunities for incoming freshman through the ASMSU Freshman Class Council (FCC). Students with freshman academic standing are eligible to serve on the FCC. FCC, which is part of ASMSU, serves as a voice for freshman students and provides various events throughout the year geared toward empowering the freshman class. Membership in FCC is based on an application and interview selection process. Applications are available in the ASMSU offices located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 307 of Student Services Building. If you are interested in applying for a spot on the FCC you should contact the ASMSU Vice President for Internal Administration at vpia@asmsu.msu.edu.

Residence Hall Association (RHA), Hall Governments, and Caucuses

The mission of the Residence Hall Association (RHA) is to represent the residents of Michigan State University objectively and to provide a voice for the concerns of our residents. We strive to achieve this by assisting hall organizations with publicity, legislation, funding, and also by providing valuable services and opportunities through our programs. Through these initiatives, RHA is committed to continuously improving the on-campus experience at Michigan State University. We provide services such as RHA TV, the RHA Helpdesk, Movie Offices where videos can be checked out for free, Karaoke machine rental, and various campus-wide programs such as live concerts, Campus Center movies, and Health and Safety initiatives. RHA also serves as an advocate for the on-campus undergraduate population by working with university administrators to address student issues and concerns. In addition, RHA provides funding to 47 governments and caucuses in the residence halls. These hall-
based groups plan and implement programs, address policy issues, and significantly contribute to the quality of life in the residence halls. RHA, governments, and caucuses all offer excellent leadership opportunities for students. For more information, visit our website at www.rha.msu.edu, or contact us at rha@msu.edu or 355-8385. The RHA main office is located in G-7 Holden Hall.

**Fraternity and Sorority Communities**

Since 1872, students at Michigan State University have been able to participate in fraternities or sororities. Today there are more than 54 Greek-letter organizations; each is a local chapter of an Inter/National organization historically designed to provide a means of student engagement with university communities outside of the classroom. Collectively and individually, these organizations plan a wide range of events designed to encourage social and civic engagement. For those who become members, Greek life represents the merging of almost every aspect of the college experience into one program promoting self-governance, leadership development, academic achievement, community service, and long-term friendship. Altogether, “Going Greek” can be one of the most inspirational social experiences for students at MSU.

Each of these organizations has its own “personality” and offers something unique to its members. Most of these organizations at MSU are governed by one of four student-led councils: The Interfraternity Council (IFC) currently consisting of 29 men’s organizations; the Independent Greek Council (IGC) currently consisting of three men’s and seven women’s organizations that were historically designed to meet the needs of Asian, Latina/o, and multicultural student groups; The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) currently consisting of five men’s and four women’s organizations that were historically designed to meet the needs of Black/African-American students; and the Panhellenic Council (PC) currently consisting of 14 women’s organizations.

If there are questions about the process of “going Greek” at MSU, please visit greeklife.msu.edu or call the office at 355-8286.

**MSU Association of Future Alumni**

The Association of Future Alumni strives to connect students to what matters most to them through all stages of their MSU career. By providing leadership development opportunities, forming campus and community partnerships, and developing programming that focuses on student and alumni connections, we teach future alums the value of the global Spartan Network and how to utilize the resources available to them through the MSU Alumni Association.

Our programs include: The Spartan 300; FutureAlumni@ Series; Spartans Will. Power: A Global Day of Service; MSU Families@ Homecoming; The Sparty Mascot Program; Sparty’s Literacy Tour; The Izzzone; The Izzzone Campout; The Izzzone Alumni Reunion Game; The A-Team; Spartan Ambassadors - the official campus tours program, and many more.

During the 2014-2015 academic school year, Future Alumni will continue our “Spartan 300” initiative. The group will consist of students that hold a leadership position, desire to become a leader, or have an interest in connecting to the global Spartan network. New this year is the FutureAlumni@ Series. Participants will travel to meet with Spartans in their place of work, hear their Spartan story, and network with professionals in a variety of fields.

The Association of Future Alumni is a membership organization. Funds raised through memberships are invested in student programming, and developing MSU’s the next leaders, lifesavers, and world-changers. To join go to futurealumni.msu.edu/membership.

If you or your organization’s leadership teams are interested in joining “Spartan 300”, please contact the Future Alumni office at 517-355-4458 or at futralum@msu.edu.


**Leadership Development Programs**

We believe that everyone has the potential for leadership, at any point in their college experience. Our goal is to help you create an integrated and coherent leadership experience that enhances your knowledge and is connected to your academic course of study.

Our leadership development programs are a combination of experiential learning opportunities, skill development, and self-assessment programs. We believe that once a student leader understands and knows themselves and their leadership style, they then have the potential to exert great influence on their organizations, work environments, and future communities. Visit our website at studentlife.msu.edu/leadership-development.
Fun and Recreation

Where To Go, What To Do

Whether you want shopping, dining or entertainment the MSU Union has something just for you. Located between the bustling campus and the East Lansing Community, this newly renovated space is a vibrant lifestyle center where students meet to have fun. Coffee or soda break, snack or meal, souvenir or entire wardrobe, we have what you want. You can go bowling, enjoy live music, or just relax. If it’s time for you to study we have spaces for groups, quiet zones and many conveniently located computers. To find out everything that’s going on check out our website www.msuunion.com, follow us on twitter @MSUUnion and like us on Facebook www.facebook.com/MSUUnion.

The Abrams Planetarium offers students the opportunity to view a number of exciting programs about our sky and universe. You can call 355-4672 for more information or visit our website at www.pa.msu.edu/abrams.

Want to play some golf? Forest Akers Golf Course is waiting for you. Special rates on greens fees are available for students. Call 355-1635 for more information. Enjoy our all-weather heated/covered practice facility and hit golf balls year round.

These are just some of the options available to you for entertainment at MSU.

Spartan Marching Band

One of MSU’s great traditions! The Spartan Marching Band rehearses in the fall and is viewable by the public. Stop by the new “Turf” field at Munn Field any day between 4:30pm and 6pm to see a rehearsal. Join the band on home football Saturday’s 90 minutes before kick-off for a pregame concert on Adams Field. The Spartan Marching Band “March To The Stadium” is one of the greatest fall spectacles in all of collegiate pageantry. Make the Spartan Marching Band part of your fall tradition. For more information about Spartan Marching Band or audition opportunities, contact 355-7654.

University Activities Board

The University Activities Board (UAB) is the premiere programming organization on-campus. UAB provides local and national entertainment for all MSU students. Last year, UAB sponsored 430 events with 97,631 students in attendance.

UAB sponsors events that are social, cultural, educational, and recreational in nature. UAB events are FREE and open to all MSU students with a valid I.D. Programs include: Live Music, Comedy, Campus Center Cinemas (showing first-run films in conjunction with RHA and are FREE to all undergraduate residence hall students), Craft Nights, Movie Advance Screenings, Homecoming Week Events, Leadership Academy, and Special Events such as Spartan Idol, Battle of the Bands, Last Spartan Standing, Arts and Crafts shows and much more!

Get involved at MSU with UAB! Membership is FREE and open to all MSU undergraduate students, all year long. Members gain valuable leadership skills that are applicable to all areas of study and have a positive impact on any career path. Check us out at Bingo Bash (Sunday, August 24, International Center, 9:30 pm) or U-Fest (Monday, August 25, 7pm-10pm, MSU Union) or attend our fall kick-off meeting Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 7pm at the MSU Union, 49 Abbot Road, Ground Floor, Room 50. Follow us on Instagram and Twitter @UABatMSU or “like” our page at www.facebook.com/UABatMSU or visit www.uabevents.com for more information.

Homecoming - “Spartans Make Headlines”

September 22-27, 2014 Michigan State University will celebrate Homecoming 2014 with a variety of activities for students, staff, alumni, and East Lansing and Lansing community members. This year’s Homecoming theme is “Spartans Make Headlines” in honor of the MSU alumnus and Grand Marshal Jemele Hill. Jemele Hill is a ’97 graduate from MSU’s College of Communication Arts and Sciences and is a co-host for ESPN2’s Numbers Never Lie, along with fellow co-host Michael Smith. Hill and Smith also co-host an ESPN Audio podcast, His & Hers. She joined ESPN in November 2006 as a national columnist on ESPN.com and makes regular appearances on television, including SportsCenter, ESPN First Take, Jim Rome is Burning, and Outside the Lines. While at MSU, Jemele was a regular columnist for The State News.

The annual Homecoming parade, sponsored by the MSU Alumni Association and the MSU Homecoming committee, will take place on Friday, September 26th, beginning at 6pm in downtown East Lansing. All student groups are welcome to participate in the parade and are encouraged to focus parade entries on the “Spartans Make Headlines” theme.

Spartan fans are also encouraged to “Glow Green” during Homecoming week by swapping out any light in their home to a green bulb to show Spartan Spirit. Those who “Glow Green” and post the photo using #GlowGreen on social media will be entered to win a prize!

Many student activities will also take place during Homecoming week. For a detailed list of activities, additional information on how to “Glow Green,” or to submit an entry in the parade, visit the Homecoming website at www.homecoming.msu.edu.
Recreational Sports and Fitness Services

Recreational Sports and Fitness Services is here to provide you with the opportunity to continue your sport of choice or try a new one. We know how important it is to take that study break and exercise. There is a lot to choose from with fitness centers at IM West and IM East for weight training and working out, intramural league sports with your friends, group exercise classes, outdoor and indoor pools for swimming, an indoor track for running, open recreation time for pickup games, and a lot of open hours to fit your busy schedule.

There are three facilities on main campus, IM East on Shaw Lane near Hagadorn Rd., IM West next to Spartan Stadium, and IM Circle on the north side of the river from IM West. We also have a Sailing Center on Lake Lansing with lessons and kayak, canoe and stand up paddleboard rentals.

You can meet new players by signing up to play an intramural league. We offer basketball, soccer, football, volleyball and a whole lot more! Check the website for the entire list! Sign up for a golf tournament, the swimming and diving meet, tennis or the archery and shooting leagues. Programs for persons with disabilities can be found on the website under Adaptive Recreation. We are adding a new adaptive shooting league this fall!

Try a Club Sport. There are over 28 sports like water polo, rugby, lacrosse, pompon, ultimate frisbee, crew, sailing and many more.

Need a job? With all these games, we need referees and umpires! With all these pools we need lifeguards and swim instructors! Do you know self defense? We need instructors for that too!

Check us out at www.recsports.msu.edu or like us on Facebook at MSU Recreational Sports and Fitness Services. Call us at IM West at 355-5250 or IM East at 353-3136. Get in here — it’s time to play!

Where Spartans Play

The Breslin Student Events Center showcases a wide variety of entertainment, athletic, and academic events for MSU students and the greater Mid-Michigan Community. The proud home of MSU’s Men’s and Women’s Spartan Basketball teams, the Breslin Center has also hosted some of today’s hottest concerts/performers including Macklemore and Ryan Lewis, Kanye West, Will Ferrell, Cirque du Soleil, Keith Urban, Carrie Underwood, Trans-Siberian Orchestra, as well as signature sporting events such as the Michigan High School Athletic Association’s Boy’s & Girl’s State Basketball Championships. The Breslin Center offers numerous year-round student employment opportunities in production and guest relations. Visit our website at www.breslincenter.com for hiring information and a schedule of upcoming events. For general information, contact our administrative office at 432-1989.

The 2014 Home Football schedule is:

Aug 29 Jacksonville State (Friday)
Sept 20 Eastern Michigan
Sept 27 Homecoming vs. Wyoming
Oct 4 Nebraska
Oct 25 Michigan
Nov 8 Ohio State
Nov 22 Rutgers

MSU’s Off-Campus Housing Listing Service

FEATURING
- property listings
- roommate search
- post & search sublets
- photos & maps
- info & resources

http://offcampushousing.msu.edu

Brought to you by the Division of Student Affairs & Services
Performing and Fine Arts

There are a number of different ways to expand your cultural experiences! Here are a few of the major cultural events/centers on-campus.

Wharton Center is Michigan’s largest presenter of performing arts with four unique stages (Cobb Great Hall, Pasont Theatre, MSU Concert Auditorium and Fairchild Theatre) all found on the campus of Michigan State University.

Wharton presents the best Broadway shows, the finest classical musicians, unrivaled dance companies along with an “A”-list of high profile performers. The goal is to diversify Wharton Center’s programs so the audience reflects the diversity seen on the stage. The Center even created a student public relations and marketing team to help reach younger audiences who may want to take advantage of student pricing which is $25.00 to most MSU Federal Credit Union Broadway at Wharton Center attractions and $15.00 to most Performing Arts attractions.

The 2014-2015 season includes Broadway hits such as: “ONCE,” “ANNIE,” “PIPPIN,” “THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA,” “KINKY BOOTS,” BLUE MAN GROUP, and “I LOVE LUCY LIVE ON STAGE.” Performing Arts highlights include 2CELLOS, ITZHAK PERLMAN, DANCE THEATRE OF HARLEM, THE HOT SARDINES, and DAVID SEDARIS, to name only a few.

For a complete schedule visit www.whartoncenter.com or call the Auto-Owners Ticket office at Wharton Center at 1-800-Wharton (800-942-7866) or 432-2000 to have a season brochure sent to your address.

Wharton Center also manages the non-athletic events at Breslin Center and presents world famous attractions and bands throughout the year. For more information visit breslincenter.com.

The Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum is located at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Farm Lane campus entrance. For updates and future exhibition and program schedules visit www.broadmuseum.msu.edu or call 353-9836.

The MSU Museum features three floors of natural science and culture exhibits, special exhibits, public programs and a museum store. The museum is open seven days a week FREE of charge, and is located next to Beaumont Tower on West Circle Drive. For more information call 355-2370 or visit our website at www.museum.msu.edu.

Department of Theatre productions are offered throughout the year and range from traditional to avant-garde fare. This is a wonderful opportunity to see MSU talent in superb (but affordable productions). Check out this year’s season at www.theatre.msu.edu.

The Residential College in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH) in Snyder-Phillips Hall offers a variety of free performances in the RCAH Theater featuring nationally known writers, musicians, and artists. Student organizations, including the ROIAL Players (a theatre company) and RCAHppella (an a cappella singing group) present free plays and concerts throughout the year. The RCAH Center for Poetry has an extensive program of poetry readings as well as writing workshops. The LookOut! Gallery, on the second floor of Snyder Hall, hosts regular exhibitions of art by faculty, students, artists-in-residence, and community members. For more information, visit www.rcah.msu.edu.

The College of Music presents more than 300 concerts, recitals, master classes, and workshops every year – almost all of which are free to students. Band, orchestra, jazz, chamber music, new music, and opera…the College of Music has it all! Guest artists have included some of the most prominent musicians and conductors in the world. If you’re interested in playing in a College of Music ensemble, you can! Auditions are open to all MSU students. And if you want to improve your musical skills, lessons and group classes are available through the college’s Community Music School. For more information, visit www.music.msu.edu.


For help finding work opportunities, contact: MSU Student Employment at 110 Nisbet Building or 113 Student Services. Or, visit MySpartanCareer.com.
Join us for the “Fall Welcome Spartan Spectacular” showcasing some of our traditional programs with a touch of a few new and spectacular components. Spartan Spectacular will kick-off with a Fall Welcome Cookout. This will be followed by our traditional Sparticipation event which will highlight over 400 student organizations. Next up will be the biggest Pep Rally in the “Big Ten”, the Spartan Spirit event. Spartan Spirit will feature greetings by campus VIP’s including President Simon, the athletic coaches, and the MSU homecoming court. MSU’s own magnificent MSU Marching band will be on hand as well to provide lots of traditional MSU songs that will let you know you are truly at “the school that’s known to all”!
We will close out the evening with a spectacular Laser Show.

Don’t miss this closing spectacular Spartan event that will officially start your academic career from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Fall Welcome Cookout - Food Service ends at 8:00 p.m.

Sparticipation ‘14
Spartan Spirit
Music and Spartan Showcase
Laser Show
Health & Safety

Medical Services
MSU Student Health Services are available at 5 on-campus locations. Olin Health Center, on East Circle Drive, is the primary location for medical care and health education services. Additional services at Olin include:

- Women’s Health, Sports Medicine and Orthopedics
- Psychiatry
- Physical Therapy, Radiology (X-ray), Pharmacy, and Laboratory
- Allergy therapy and Immunizations
- Nutrition Counseling, HIV & STI counseling and testing, LIFE:Rx Fitness Testing
- Phone Information Nurse (available 24/7 for health-related questions 353-5557)

Neighborhood Clinics, located in Brody, Holden, Hubbard, and McDonel Halls, are available for illness, minor injuries, and preventive care.

Pharmacy and Lab are available on a walk-in basis; all other services are available by appointment by calling 353-4660.

A Courtesy Van provides free transportation to and from Olin for patients who, because of illness or injury, are otherwise unable to get to Olin. Request the Courtesy Van service when making your appointment.

The first three medical office visits each year are prepaid for all enrolled students (excluding MSU Law and Lifelong Education). MSU-SHS will bill the patient (or their insurance company) for the fourth and subsequent visits as well as for tests, x-rays, medical procedures, etc.

Health insurance is required for international students. It is highly recommended for all other students. MSU ID and insurance information should be presented at the time of the visit. Patients without insurance are welcome to use SHS, and will be billed for services.

MSU’s Health Education Services department addresses the health promotion, education, and primary prevention needs of MSU students. Individual appointments, workshops, and special event programming are available to assist students in their decision-making with regard to alcohol and other drugs, nutrition, fitness, sexuality, stress management, self-care, and other health issues. Opportunities for student involvement includes the Student Health Advisory Council (SHAC) and the Olin “In Your Face” Theatre Troupe.

For more information regarding MSU Student Health Services, please visit olin.msu.edu.

MSU Student Cancer Support Network
If you are a student with a personal history of cancer, are currently undergoing cancer treatment, or if you are providing support for a family member or friend with cancer, you may be interested in sharing your journey with other students dealing with similar experiences. We are a student run group focused on providing opportunities to share concerns, information, and to offer support to each other regardless of the situation we may be facing. We care about each other, we have a good time together and we laugh a lot!

Meetings for fall semester will be listed at olin.msu.edu/scsn/. Watch for our table at Sparticipation ’14 at Munn Field on August 26th!

For more information call Student Health Services at Olin Health Center/Health Education Services at 353-0718, or visit olin.msu.edu.

Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution (SCCR)
Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution is a part of the Department of Student Life, located at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 101 Student Services Building. Its mission is to facilitate responsible citizenship by maintaining student rights and responsibilities as outlined in Student Rights and Responsibilities (the “SRR”). The campus conduct program provides a means of addressing allegations that students have violated University standards for personal behavior, and protects student rights against infringement by members of the University community. The conflict resolution programs seek to teach others how to resolve conflict peacefully, while holding members of the community accountable to one another. All programs seek to maintain the delicate balance between maximum freedom and necessary order that is fundamental to foster an effective learning environment. A thorough guide to the disciplinary process is located in the student handbook entitled Spartan Life, on-line at splife.studentlife.msu.edu.

Sexual Assault Facts and Safety Tips!

- More than 1 in 4 women have experienced some form of unwanted sexual contact in their lifetime.
- Approximately 1 in 9 men have experienced some form of unwanted sexual contact in their lifetime.
- The majority of sexual assault survivors are between the ages of 16 & 24.
- 1 in 5 women have been sexually assaulted while in college.
- Approximately 90% of women were raped by someone they know.
- Nearly 85% of men were raped by someone they know.
Safety Tips:

• Take time to get to know new people by spending time with them in public settings or in groups (AVOID ISOLATED LOCATIONS like bedrooms or private homes).

• Trust your instincts and intuition. If you feel uncomfortable in a situation, there is probably good reason. It is important to listen to any feelings of discomfort or uncertainty that you may have.

• Pay attention to how someone is interacting with you. Are they disrespectful or pressuring you to do things you don’t want to do? This is a warning sign to get out of the situation.

• Decide on your limits before a date or social situation. Communicate your sexual boundaries CLEARLY and respect the boundaries set by others. USE YOUR VOICE! BE ASSERTIVE!

• Go to events or parties in groups and return with everyone. Tell your friends where you are going anytime you leave the group area to be alone with someone or to go somewhere else.

• Alcohol or other drugs are frequently used to help facilitate sexual assault. Limit your alcohol consumption particularly in new or unfamiliar settings.

• Don’t drink any beverage from any container you haven’t opened yourself. “Date Rape” drugs that are odorless and tasteless can easily be slipped into an open can or mixed drink.

• If you leave a beverage unattended, replace it with another.

• Be aware of others and who may be vulnerable.

• Seek consent for all sexual contact. Make sure consent is freely given and clearly communicated. Explicitly ask for your partner’s consent for each step of desired activity.

• If a friend or acquaintance talks about a plan to “trick” someone into sex (getting them drunk, pressure or through other means), let them know they could be charged with sexual assault. Warn the person, if you can, and let others know.

• If you witness someone taking an intoxicated person off to a bedroom or other private area, stop them or intervene in some other way if you can safely do so.

Call the MSU Sexual Assault Program office for sexual assault counseling, advocacy or information at (517) 355-3551 during regular business hours (M-F 8am-5pm) or visit our website at [www.endrape.msu.edu](http://www.endrape.msu.edu). Find us on Facebook & Twitter too! For crisis support and after-hours assistance, call the 24-Hour Sexual Assault Hotline at (517) 372-6666.

Relationship Violence

MSU Safe Place is the relationship violence and stalking program on campus. This program reflects the University’s commitment to help provide an environment that offers prevention and supportive interventions to deal with stalking and relationship violence (emotional, physical, economic, and sexual abuse within a dating, married or live-in heterosexual or same-sex relationship). MSU Safe Place provides many programs, including counseling, support group, community education, referrals, advocacy services and emergency shelter. All services are free and confidential.

For more information about volunteering, donations or services call (517) 355-1100, visit our website at [safeplace.msu.edu](http://safeplace.msu.edu) or contact us at [noabuse@msu.edu](mailto:noabuse@msu.edu).

Counseling Services

The Counseling Center offers time-limited individual and group counseling and crisis intervention for all students. Our clinical services are confidential, and there is no charge for the majority of these services. We also offer workshops, skills-based groups, and class presentations on a variety of topics. We have a caring, diverse, and international/multilingual staff with a wide range of clinical expertise. Our goal is to help students address their presenting concerns and to improve their sense of well-being, connectedness, identity, and purpose in the context of reaching their academic goals. If you want to speak to a member of our clinical staff, please do not hesitate to come by the Counseling Center, 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 207 Student Services Building, 355-8270. We have a walk-in system for initial appointments, either in person or by phone. Extended hours during the academic year: Monday-Tuesday, 8am-7pm and Wednesday-Friday, 8am-5pm. Crisis appointments are available throughout open office hours, and non-emergency hours are listed on our website at [counseling.msu.edu](http://counseling.msu.edu).

If you have experienced a rape or sexual assault, the Counseling Center’s Sexual Assault Program provides immediate assistance, advocacy, and individual and group counseling, as well as education, prevention, and consultation services. The Sexual Assault Program is also located in the Student Services Building, and can be found online at [endrape.msu.edu](http://endrape.msu.edu).

The Testing Office is located in the Student Services building within the Counseling Center. We are a national test site for most standardized exams, including: English Proficiency Exams (e.g., TOEFL, MELAB); college/grad/professional school entrance exams (e.g., GRE, MCAT, ACT, LSAT); and make-up placement testing in math, Spanish, French, and German. Testing Office hours: Monday through Friday, 8am-5pm, 355-8385. Visit us at [testingoffice.msu.edu](http://testingoffice.msu.edu).
**Community Safety**

The MSU Police Department has eight Community Team Policing Offices (CTPO). The office locations and telephone numbers for each are listed below. Community Team Police Officers are here to assist YOU! So, please stop by and personally meet your area’s CTPO. If the CTPO is not available, call 355-2221 for non-emergencies and 911 for emergencies. For more information visit our website at [police.msu.edu](http://police.msu.edu).

**TEAM #1** - Brody Neighborhood, 125 Brody Hall, 432-1195
North Neighborhood, 61 MSU Union, 353-5525

**TEAM #2** - Spartan Village Neighborhood, 169 Spartan Village Community Center, 884-1732
West Neighborhood, 148 E. Wilson Hall, 353-5544

**TEAM #3** - East Neighborhood, C115 Holmes Hall, 884-6667
River Trail Neighborhood, Shaw Ramp Office-MSU CATA Transportation Center, 432-1118

**FACULTY/STAFF**
Main Library, 353-5448

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**Financial Aid**

Many people think “financial aid” only means scholarships. However, the term actually includes work study programs, student and parent loans, as well as scholarships and grants. The MSU Office of Financial Aid (OFA) is the department that oversees the awarding of various forms of financial aid funded by the University, the State of Michigan, and the federal government. We also disburse monies that are donated by many private and civic organizations. Our goal is to help you meet your financial obligations while in college.

To apply for federal and state aid, as well as aid administered through MSU, you need to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You must reapply each year.

You may apply on-line through FAFSA on the web at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). Once your FAFSA has been reviewed and financial aid has been awarded, you can access it on-line at [stuinfo.msu.edu](http://stuinfo.msu.edu) under the Financial Aid (Check Your Aid) link.

If you have questions concerning your financial aid, you are encouraged to first follow the steps on the web at [StuInfo](http://stuinfo.msu.edu). You must have your MSUNet ID and password and agree to eConsent in order to use StuInfo.

The following information is available on [StuInfo Financial Aid (Check Your Aid)](http://stuinfo.msu.edu):

- your application status
- the awards you have for the academic period
- whether or not you must accept loans and complete online promissory notes
- problems that require you to take action

If you use StuInfo, you may never need to phone or visit the Office of Financial Aid. If you do need to make contact, however, call 353-5940, email [finaid@msu.edu](mailto:finaid@msu.edu), or visit us at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 252. Financial aid staff are available for walk-in appointments from 9am to 5pm. You can also follow us on Twitter, Facebook, and Tumblr.

In order to receive financial aid for summer semester, you must complete a request for summer aid. You can do so by going to Financial Aid (Check Your Aid) in StuInfo and click the Summer Aid Application button on the Overview tab. Please note that the application button is not available until late fall semester. It is recommended that you apply for summer aid between January 1 and March 1, 2015. You must also have completed the 2014-15 FAFSA.

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**Questions about Voting?**


**Go to**

[YouVote.msu.edu](http://YouVote.msu.edu)

**Register at the YouVote Tables at Sparticipation**

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Your Career Services Network

We’re here for you from start to finish. We can help you focus your interests and explore major and career options. From career assessments to career advising to job and internship postings, your MSU Career Services Network helps you connect with resources, people and opportunities to explore your interests and gain the experience you need.

Everything we do is designed with students in mind including:

• Career assessments to help you explore your interests
• Career consultants and service centers all around campus
• Career fairs and events for students in all majors and at every class level
• Individual career advising for personal attention
• Internship and job listings on MySpartanCareer
• Help finding part-time jobs, including Work Study
• Career Exposure programs to help you get an inside look at careers
• On-campus interviewing with employers
• Social media on YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn to keep you connected
• Workshops on career and professional topics

Connect with us at 355-9510, CareerNetwork.msu.edu or CareerServices@csp.msu.edu.

Where Can I Find a Part-Time or Work-Study Job?

Each year, MSU hires over 17,000 students for on-campus work. Part-time jobs are a great way to meet people, explore career possibilities, and establish good work-related skills to go along with your academic skills. Research indicates that students who work 10-15 hours a week often do better in their classes!

If you have Work Study or student employment listed in your financial aid package, it means you need to find a part-time job to earn that amount.

Anytime someone wants to hire a student, we list the job on MySpartanCareer job site for students. Go to CareerNetwork.msu.edu and log in to MySpartanCareer to find and apply for part-time jobs, internships and full time positions.

To use MySpartanCareer, log in using your MSU NetID and password. Complete your profile information and upload your resume – your resume serves as your job application!

1. Do I need a resume? Yes! You’ll need to upload your resume in order to search and apply for jobs. Everyone needs a resume in college. You never know when you’ll need it for a scholarship, a job opportunity, or a graduate school application. Check out CareerNetwork.msu.edu for resume help.

2. How do I search jobs? It’s easy! In MySpartanCareer click on the Jobs/View Jobs tab. To start your search, it’s best to start out with a broad “keyword” search and ignore other search filters. EXAMPLE: To find on-campus jobs, type “MSU” in the keyword search box and hit “apply search” button.

3. Can I apply for positions right on MySpartanCareer? Yes! Follow the application instructions specified by the employer for the job(s) you are interested in. Some may ask for you to submit your resume, others may direct you to their website to complete an online application.

Questions? Career Services at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 113 Student Services Building, can help you with your job search questions. Contact us at 355-9510 or CareerServices@csp.msu.edu.

Drop-In Days

August 25 – 29, 11am – 3:00pm at Career Services at 556 E. Circle Drive, Room 113 Student Services Building.

We welcome you to drop in to Career Services in the Student Services Building all week! Our career advisors will be available with resources to help you find a part-time job, tips to polish your resume and advice for preparing for the Earn, Learn and Internship Fair coming up on September 3.

Earn, Learn, & Internship Job Fair

Wednesday, September 3, 2014, 2pm– 6pm at the Spartan Club, at 535 Chestnut Road, 4th Floor MSU Stadium Building.

This is a great opportunity for new and returning students to find part-time jobs and internships! Meet with local and on-campus employers looking to hire. Bring yourself, a pen, a few friends, and your resume. Don’t have a resume? Check out the Career Passport publication, careerNetwork.msu.edu, or visit Career Services during Drop-In Days to learn how to put one together. This is an easy way to learn about 100+ employers on or near campus!
East Lansing
Is Spartan Country

Welcome to East Lansing, the proud home of Michigan State University. We hope you will take the time to get to know the city you will call home for the next four years a little better. Visit www.cityofeastlansing.com to find the information on the latest community events, the city’s full slate of recreational offerings and more. We are also on Facebook and Twitter at www.facebook.com/cityofeastlansing and www.twitter.com/CityofEL. Read on to learn about specific things that may apply to you!

Register to Vote

If you live in a campus residence hall, you are a resident of East Lansing. This is important, because it means you can vote in East Lansing in local, state and national elections. Register to vote by stopping in at the City Clerk’s office, located in East Lansing City Hall, 410 Abbot Road. The voting precincts are located inside many residence halls, making it easy for on-campus students to vote. If you have questions, contact the City Clerk’s office at 319-6914.

One Book, One Community

The City of East Lansing and Michigan State University have announced the 2014 One Book, One Community program, featuring three voices on race in America. This year, a “menu” of literary and cinematic works have been selected:

- The graphic novel March Book One; by U.S. Congressman John Lewis, Andrew Aydin and Nate Powell; is a vivid, first-hand account of John Lewis’ lifelong struggle for civil and human rights. The authors will speak to the community on Monday, Aug. 25 at the MSU Academic Welcome at 9am and the East Lansing Hannah Community Center at 7:30pm. It’s free.

- The memoir The Grace of Silence, by award-winning journalist and NPR contributor Michele Norris, explores Norris’ family’s racial legacy and discusses how America talks about race. On Monday, Sept. 15th, Norris will speak about her memoir and the “Race Card” project and sign books at 7:30pm at the Wharton Center for Performing Art, as part of the World View Lecture Series. The event is ticketed.

- The film Fruitvale Station, by director Ryan Coogler, is based on a true story of a 22-year-old black man who was killed by a Bay Area Rapid Transit police officer on a subway platform in Oakland, Calif. The film is on DVD and will be shown prior to Coogler’s visit on July 21 and Aug. 18 at the East Lansing Public Library. Coogler’s visit will be free and will take place in September.

The OBOC program encourages the university community to read the same book and come together over a four-week period in the fall to explore its themes in a variety of campus and community settings. Visit www.onebookeastlansing.com to learn more about the OBOC program and the other fall 2014 events.

We Care About Your Safety

Whether you are living on- or off-campus, you are protected 24 hours a day, seven days a week by the East Lansing Fire Department, the MSU Police Department and the East Lansing Police Department. In an emergency, simply call 911.

The city asks that of-age students look out for their safety and the safety of others by being smart about the amount of alcohol they consume. Off-campus students should be mindful of the city’s open alcohol and minor-in-possession laws, which are strictly enforced. Drunk driving is also strictly enforced by both ELPD and MSUPD. Students should know the warning signs for alcohol poisoning and call 911 if at any time there is a concern for the safety of themselves or a friend.

Students should also remember to lock their doors and windows at night, when they are not in their residence, and should forbid strangers from entering their home at anytime. Students should remember to keep all valuables, such as cell phones, purses, iPods, laptops and similar items hidden when having a party.

Make Yourself at Home

East Lansing is proud to be a university community. According to the 2010 Census, East Lansing’s population was 48,579, with students consisting of more than half of the population.

As a new resident, we encourage you to take advantage of the many services the city offers. Many students find the East Lansing Public Library, located at 950 Abbot Road, to be a nice, quiet study place off the beaten path of campus. Visit www.elpl.org to learn more about this wonderful East Lansing amenity.

The East Lansing Aquatic Center, located on Abbot Road just north of Lake Lansing Road, is also a popular amenity open to students. The Aquatic Center features monster slides, a zero-depth entry pool, a sunbathing deck, picnic areas and more. In the past, MSU students attending summer classes have been frequent and enthusiastic users!

The East Lansing Hannah Community Center (ELHCC), 819 Abbot Road, is just a quick, five-minute walk from the MSU campus. ELHCC includes a fitness room with exercise machines and weights, an open gym, a pool for...
lap swimming/play and a 520-seat performing arts theater. ELHCC also features a wide variety of fitness and art classes as well. MSU students living on- or off-campus are welcome to use the center for all their leisure and fitness needs.

Community amenities surround the centrally located, vibrant downtown of East Lansing. Both traditional and modern, the downtown includes an eclectic mix of retail, restaurants and art galleries. National chains such as American Apparel, Urban Outfitters and Moosejaw are situated right next door to a mix of one-of-a-kind, locally owned shops such as Mackerel Sky, Footgear, Clever Clover, Mad Eagle, Silver & Beyond, Curious Book Shop and more. Offering the best in ethnic and traditional cuisine, East Lansing dining includes HopCat East Lansing, Peppino’s Pizzeria, Black Cat Bistro, El Azteco, Potbelly Sandwich Works, Dublin Square, Woody’s Oasis, Beggar’s Banquet, The Peanut Barrel, Omi Sushi, Cottage Inn Pizza, Sultan’s Delight and much more. Find a complete list of downtown businesses at www.cityofeastlansing.com/downtown.

In addition to East Lansing’s community amenities and vibrant downtown, a full schedule of free community events is hosted each year. Students are welcome at any to all of these events. Visit www.cityofeastlansing.com/communityevents to learn more.

Getting around to the various amenities in East Lansing is easy on the CATA bus system. CATA routes connect the entire community with the MSU campus. Visit www.cata.org to learn more.

**Off-Campus Living**

All students who move off campus are encouraged to take a minute to think about the lifestyle they desire and what it takes to live alongside neighbors in a neighborhood. For some students, a residence hall or apartment is a better choice.

MSU students and permanent East Lansing residents are at their best when they celebrate the university and community together. It takes cooperation, patience and understanding. Lifestyles are often very different though - with one person’s bedtime sometimes being another person’s playtime. Students wishing for a great deal of freedom and few rules may not be the best candidates for living in a rental house in a traditional neighborhood. Neighbors expect homes and yards to be cared for, noise to be minimized at a reasonable hour and property to be respected. Local ordinances support keeping neighborhoods livable for all residents.

**History**

The City of East Lansing was incorporated in 1907 as a place of residence for the growing Michigan Agricultural College faculty, staff and their families. Since then, East Lansing and MSU’s unique histories have been intertwined as both the city and university populations have grown. East Lansing schools, streets and even neighborhoods are named after eminent professors and past university presidents. Many neighborhoods were built between the 1950’s and 1960’s to house the faculty of the rapidly expanding university.

East Lansing residents and officials welcome you and wish you well in your academic studies. We hope your stay in the East Lansing community is an enjoyable, safe and successful one.

**Stay Connected**

The city encourages students to visit the East Lansing website, www.cityofeastlansing.com, and to stay connected on Facebook and Twitter; www.facebook.com/cityofeastlansing and www.twitter.com/CityofEL.

**FALL CONVOCATION**

Featuring U.S. Congressman John Lewis, Author of *March Book One*

**MONDAY, AUGUST 25**

Breslin Center

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The formal ceremony that marks the beginning of each academic year. President Lou Anna K. Simon and representatives from each of the undergraduate degree-granting colleges will welcome you to the “pioneer land-grant university.” Additionally, the Ladies First (student a capella singers) will perform and special guest U.S. Congressman John Lewis, author of *March Book One*, the One Book One Community book will address you, the newest members of the MSU community.
Global MSU

Study Abroad

Greece, Madagascar, Sri Lanka… exotic names? Distant places? Yes, but also just a few of the more than 60 countries where Spartans can study abroad!

Study Abroad adds an international dimension to your education – a critical asset that sets you apart from the competition. Second language skills can open many doors. Another country may be the ideal place for you to gain hands-on experience pertinent to your major. Most of all, you can have the experience of a lifetime while acquiring independence, self-confidence and global awareness!

At Michigan State University, close to 3,000 students study abroad each year. Spartans can be found in classrooms, research labs, field stations, and internship sites throughout the world. They understand that combining their academic and professional desires with the opportunity to engage in cultures different from their own provides unparalleled learning experiences that add a highly valuable component to their MSU degree.

With over 300 programs on every continent – from Australia to Vietnam – study abroad at MSU offers a broad range of experiences. Courses are available in every undergraduate college as well as additional opportunities in Human and Osteopathic Medicine, Law and Veterinary Medicine. Credits count toward graduation and may include Integrative Studies requirements, electives or classes in a specific major. Many programs also offer Honors options.

Students often think they can’t afford to study abroad, but there are many ways to help pay for it. In fact, about 72% of MSU study abroad participants receive some sort of financial assistance. Both financial aid and scholarships are available to students who want to study abroad. If they already receive aid, students can take it with them! Most importantly, students must plan ahead to make the most of financial aid opportunities. Planning early allows time to meet application deadlines, save money and work extra hours, and/or request gifts for travel at holidays and birthdays.

Please visit our website for the most comprehensive and current information about Study Abroad at MSU.

Contact info: Office of Study Abroad, 427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 109, International Center; Phone: (517) 353-8920; Email: osapa@isp.msu.edu; Web: studyabroad.msu.edu; Social media: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube; App: MSU Abroad.

Office for International Students and Scholars

Michigan State University is proud to host an international community of more than 7,000 students, scholars, and their family members. The international community greatly enriches the cultural, intellectual, and social life of the University. Advisors in the Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS) are aware of the demands associated with studying, working, and living in another country and are available to assist students, scholars and their families in matters related to their immigration status, employment, housing, health insurance, medical care, social security, financial aid, and personal concerns.

The following services are provided by OISS to international students and scholars:

Walk-in Advising: OISS advisors are available to meet with students and scholars Monday–Friday, 1pm-3pm without an appointment to answer questions or to provide general information. Students with questions, concerns, or applications to process should come to the OISS when advisors are on duty. Office hours, including summer walk-in hours, are listed at oiss.msu.edu.

Appointments: Appointments with advisors are available to students and scholars with more involved questions or issues. Please contact OISS at 353-1720 or oiss@msu.edu to schedule an appointment.

OISS Website: Obtain information on immigration updates, programming events, and much more on the OISS website at oiss.msu.edu. Also follow us on twitter.com/oiss, facebook.com/oissmsu or oissmsu.wordpress.com.

OISS Email: Information is sent to international students and scholars regarding their immigration status and ways to be involved at MSU. Email questions or comments to oiss@msu.edu.
DON’T FORGET TO REGISTER for your Sexual Assault & Relationship Violence (SARV) Prevention Program workshop

REGISTER ONLINE: studentlife.msu.edu/sarv/register

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| **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES** |
| SAILING CENTER, SPARTAN SWIM SCHOOL, FREE SELF DEFENSE CLASSES, AND INTRAMURAL AND CLUB SPORTS! |

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MSU REC SPORTS AND FITNESS SERVICES
What Will You Do When You Get To MSU?
Get Involved In a Student Organization!

Getting involved in a student organization or campus event/activity is a way to make new friends and develop your own skills and abilities! There are student organizations focusing on almost every interest imaginable—and if there isn’t already one you can start your own!

Sparticipation ‘14

Student Organization Fair
Tuesday, August 26, 5-8pm
MSU Munn Field

Also Check-Out These On-line Resources to Get Involved!

Student Organization Directory
studentlife.msu.edu/student-organizations-activities
CONSERVE IT!
Learn how to conserve water and energy by turning off lights, unplugging electronics when not in use, and taking shorter showers. Learn more and visit us at bespartangreen.msu.edu.

RECYCLE IT!
Recycling is an easy way to keep millions of pounds of material out of the landfill, and it helps MSU use resources more efficiently. Ask your RA where you can take recycling in your residence hall!

JOIN IT!
Join the sustainability movement on campus by joining one of the many sustainability or environmental student groups. You can make a difference!

REUSE IT!
Reuse is an effective and inexpensive way to keep material out of the landfill. MSU Surplus Store sells thousands of items, new and used, that can help make your room feel like home.

LIKE IT!
Like us on Facebook. Stay up-to-date on Sustainability news, events, and learn more about how you can BE SPARTAN GREEN.

To learn more visit: bespartangreen.msu.edu

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Dear MSU students:

Welcome back from summer break—and an especially warm welcome to our first-time students. Transformational experiences await you. The sun never sets on our global community of scholars and alumni, and the power of this place on the beautiful banks of the Red Cedar will leave you with memories to cherish for the rest of your life.

Here is where you will gather the tools to make a real difference in your own life, in the lives of those around you, and in the world beyond. The opening of a new academic year forges the 157th link in a chain spanning the years since our first class arrived here. They were the pioneer students and faculty at what would prove to be a prototype for America’s system of 106 land-grant colleges and universities.

We recently celebrated the sesquicentennial of the Morrill Act, which established the land-grant system that did so much to bring higher education within reach of the common citizen. In doing so, it also transformed our communities, our state, and, indeed, our nation. In the 19th century, Michigan State combined education, research, and outreach into a new model for modern higher education, and in the 20th century we again blazed the trail by expanding our mission around the globe through our international programs. Now in the 21st century, you have the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of our founders as we fulfill the land-grant mission for a new era.

You will, I am sure, discover the power of this place, even within the context of the hyper-connected society in which you’ve grown up. You could have stayed home, perhaps opting for a more virtual experience. But you came here. You chose us, and we chose you. Our intentional community presents a rare opportunity—and a responsibility.

These things—opportunity and responsibility—are woven into Michigan State’s three core values of quality, inclusiveness, and connectedness. Every single one of us—students, faculty, staff, leaders—plays an important part in making this the community we desire it to be. We are neighbors, partners, mentors, fellow travelers, and, hopefully, friends. We strive to understand one another, and we need to look out for each other. Perhaps the greatest education before you is what you learn from your fellow scholars and the others you meet in the course of your “formal” education. An amazing world of people and perspectives converges at this place, and it is in your power to both tap into and contribute to its energy.

Like every human institution, this campus community also has its flaws—pressures, temptations, and even dangers. So take care of yourself and your fellow Spartans. Work hard and play it smart. Value both respect and kindness. The more you give, the more you will take away with you.

Remember that the strength of the Spartans of antiquity lay in their individual courage joined in collective effort. So it is today: Spartans Will.

Lou Anna K. Simon, PhD
President