NEW STUDENT PROGRAMS

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After an undergraduate student is admitted to Towson, the Office of New Student Programs (NSP) serves as their point of contact during their transition to the university. NSP coordinates orientation programs for all new freshmen and students transferring to Towson from another institution. Beginning with an official orientation to the university and extending throughout the student’s first year, NSP connects students with academic advisers, other new students and student leaders to help them learn about academic and student life.

Transferring students complete the Transfer Program, Part I, a one-day orientation session held in July (for the fall term) or January (for the spring term). This program includes the components above as well as academic advising and registration. These students also participate in the Transfer Program, Part II, just before classes begin. During this time, they become familiar with Towson resources and receive personalized campus tours. First-year students beginning at Towson during the spring term also participate in the January program.

First-year students entering in the fall term attend a four-day program that takes place in late August, just before the start of classes. During this time, students learn about the university through a variety of activities, conversations and meetings with their First-Year Experience (FYE) group, led by an academic adviser and an Orientation Leader.

All new students are encouraged to see their transition as an ongoing process of adjustment to a new environment. New Student Programs staff is available at any time to answer questions and offer advice.