

Hello!

I hope you are enjoying the last couple weeks of summer as they draw to a close. Pretty soon you will be starting a brand new part of your life at DePauw. It is a big step, but it's one that opens a lot of doors. I was in your shoes just a couple of years ago, and so I know just how it feels. DePauw is a great place to make that transition from high school into college and adulthood, and as your mentor I hope to help make that transition a little easier and hopefully a little more fun.

My name is Adam Gilbert, and I'm a junior from South Bend, Indiana. I will be your mentor for next year! I'm a music major with an emphasis in voice, and have a double major in communications. That means that I'm involved in both the School of Music and the College of Liberal Arts. I know this is kind of confusing right now, but it will all make sense to you once you get to DePauw. I have been really involved here on campus through all kinds of groups and events, such as DePauw Cappella (an a cappella group), WGRE (the campus radio station), and DePauw Student Congress. DePauw has a ton of opportunities for you, and I hope you take advantage of as many of them as you can.

As your mentor, it's my job to help you through orientation and your first couple of semesters here at DePauw. Orientation will be a couple of days when you will move into your rooms, meet a ton of people, and get involved with your mentor group. Your mentor group will consist of the people in your First-Year seminar class. Your seminar, which will be taught by Professor Brockmann, is a fun and active class that rotates throughout the music school to get a taste of other new and exciting musical ideas. I had the same seminar my first year, and it was a blast!

I'm sure there are a lot of things you guys will have on your mind as you get ready for the big move in August. Just so you guys know, I will be staying on campus this summer to work and will be more than available to meet up with some of you if you come down for a tour or early orientation. It would be great to get to know you guys a bit before the move in, so don't hesitate to let me know! If you guys have any questions about anything, whether it is about DePauw, orientation, or even me, don't hesitate to email me. That's probably the best way to get a hold of me, and I'd love to hear from you guys. Like I said, enjoy the last couple of weeks as summer winds down, and don't get too excited about the big move. It will be here before you know it.

I look forward to seeing all of you in August!

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