

Hi there incoming DePauw student!

My name is Robyn Jenkins and I will be your first-year mentor next year! I am from Beavercreek, Ohio and am a senior majoring in Economics and Political Science. Over the past three years I have taken part in many of the activities that DePauw has to offer such as Varsity tennis, Management Fellows, a sorority, The DePauw, D3TV, WGRE, volunteer work and most recently a study abroad trip.

I am sure you are counting down the days until you arrive to campus to begin your college career. You will finally get to move into your room and meet your floor mates. You will say goodbye to your family and friends and then go back to your room wondering what is the next step?

Well, that is where I come in! As your first-year mentor, it is my job to guide you throughout the orientation process. Your first few days on campus will be filled with fun activities that will help you get to know me and your mentor group (classmates from your seminar) as well as familiarize you with various opportunities on and near DePauw's beautiful campus. I know from experience that it is scary to come to a new place with all new classmates, but our mentor group activities will allow you to get your feet wet before jumping into classes. After orientation, our mentor group will continue to meet throughout the year to catch up and eat dinner, see a movie, or go bowling.

I hope you are as excited for DePauw as I am for you to be here! Of course the main reason for coming to college is the schoolwork aspect. Classes are fun, but DePauw students definitely know how to have a good time outside of work time. Some of my favorite things in Greencastle are: garlic cheeseburgers from Marvins (We will definitely eat there as a group as one of our first outings!), playing campus golf (hitting a tennis ball with a golf club toward "holes" of your choice), the Monon Bell football game (our rivalry with Wabash College), Dance Marathon, and the Little 500 Bike Race. Of course, there is plenty more to do, and I am sure you will find your own favorites in no time!

Now, I hope I haven't gotten you too excited! Make sure you make the best of the rest of your summer! Spend time with your family and high school friends and build those relationships so you can keep them strong over distance. If you have ANY questions at all, do not hesitate to contact me though email or a phone call. After all, that is why I am here: to make you comfortable as you settle into your new home! Have a fabulous summer and I look forward to meeting you in August!

Sincerely,

Robyn Jenkins