

*Hello!*

*We just wanted to say congratulations on your acceptance to DePauw and hope you're enjoying this summer!*

*My name is Quiaria Ray (Key-air-a) and I am a sophomore here at DePauw. This is my first year as a mentor but I am really excited for this experience. I am originally from Michigan, but I love it here in Indiana. I am also the president of the school dance team X-cell, so I really enjoy dancing, I also enjoy singing as a member of Exhalt! Gospel choir here on campus. I am a hopeful Education and Communications double major with a Spanish minor, and I truly look forward to meeting you all.*

*My name is Lindsay Merwin and I'll be one of your first-year mentors. Basically my job is to make your transition as comfortable as possible when you get here in August. Quiaria (my awesome partner) and I will be here to get to know you, hang out, answer your questions about DePauw, and basically just have a good time. DePauw is an amazing place and we can't wait to meet all of you! I'll be a junior next year and I think I'm already getting sad to leave DePauw with two more years to go - it really flies! I'm an English writing major and Media Fellow from Evansville, Indiana, which is about 2 ½ hours from here. On campus, I'm really involved in the media programs - I'm a part of d3TV's (our campus TV station) weekly news show, I write occasionally for The DePauw newspaper, and I'll be a DJ for WGRE next semester. I also hold a position in my Greek house, take piano lessons, and participate in DePauw Community Service. There is A TON of great opportunities here at DePauw and soon enough you'll be able to jump right into whatever interests you. Outside of school stuff, I am a coffee fiend, a compulsive e-mail checker, and a hardcore fan of The Office. Also, I'm a huge movie buff ...I went to the Sundance Film Festival last winter term and it was incredible! (You'll learn all about WT when you get here, trust me.) This winter term I'll be going to Ireland and then (sadly) I'll be leaving DePauw for the spring semester to fulfill my Media Fellows internship. But I'm really looking forward to our mentor group time this fall!*

*We would like to offer a few little pieces of advice before you get here: Pack what you know you'll need, but don't totally overdo it. You'll accumulate so much stuff over this year that you'll run out of places to put things. And, you'll make it easier on yourself on move-in day. Also, don't stress if you're not enrolled in every single class you wanted originally. Once you get here, opportunities to adjust your schedule may open up. At least you'll be able to give it a shot first and see if you really like it after all. Finally, just relax and enjoy your summer! And get ready for DePauw...because it's going to be a blast!*

*If you have any questions at all, or if you just want to say hi, please don't hesitate to contact us. We'll see you all in August!*

*Lindsay & Quiaria*