WE’RE READY FOR YOU.
YOU + YOUR TEAM

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This is the beginning of a new chapter. Starting today, you are no longer a prospective student, but a member of a community of scholars, leaders and innovators.

Welcome to DePauw.

The full arc of your DePauw experience now stands before you. A course you’ll take may lead to an internship or research project. Your Extended Studies may take you to Morocco, Italy or another distant classroom.

A student club or research project may give you the leadership experience that lands you a job. Whatever your experiences bring, one will lead to the other, forming a DePauw story that only you can shape.

From the intellectual engagement of academic life at DePauw, our vibrant campus and transformative culture, to the sense of accomplishment and passion that shapes our students, we expect much from those who enroll at DePauw. A network of people will be your support team from now until long after you graduate.

It’s time to meet some of them.

FIRST-YEAR SEMINAR PROFESSOR

In your first year, the cornerstone of academic life will be your first-year seminar. Alongside other first-year students, you’ll be introduced to critical writing, thinking, reading and the nature of discussion-based classes at DePauw.

Your first-year seminar professor will know your name and come to know your work. They will view it as their job to engage you, challenge you and guide you. They will teach you to be a scholar.

CLASS DEAN

You’re an individual with individual needs. But you’re also a member of an incoming class with many shared needs. Knowing this, we created a system of class deans who advocate for each class.

From the moment you step on campus, your first-year class dean is prepared to be your guide at DePauw. If you don’t know where to start, your class dean is there. Class deans take a “whole student” approach to helping you problem-solve and make decisions about your academic, personal and vocational life.

FIRST-YEAR MENTOR AND RESIDENT ASSISTANT

Life at DePauw may center on the classroom, but it extends far beyond it. The campus culture thrives – and depends on – the energy of students like you. In class and outside of it, DePauw students teach each other.

As you connect with new friends, peers and partners, your first-year mentor and RA will be there to guide you. Upper-class students selected for the insight and energy they bring to DePauw, your mentor and RA have much to share about things to do, resources to use and opportunities to explore. They’ve been in your shoes, and they’ll know how to help.

COMMITMENT ADVISOR

Whether you know what you’re going to be or you’re still trying to figure that out, you’ll build a portfolio of experiences that deepen and broaden your life.

You’ll work with a commitment advisor starting in your first year to help you explore opportunities for collaboration and communication, civic and global engagement and career development. This advisor will help you connect what you’re doing in the classroom to what exists beyond it, and open your mind to the multitude of experiences that are available to you here. They will be your guide on the path of The DePauw Gold Commitment, and help ensure your success in your steps after DePauw as well.

IN THE WEEKS AHEAD, LOOK FOR EMAILS AND MAILINGS WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT EVERYTHING FROM HOUSING TO CLASSES AND LIFE ON CAMPUS.