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WELCOME TOWELLESLEY

As the Class Dean for first-year students, I am fortunate to be among the first people to welcome you and your loved ones to Wellesley and every year I am honored and thrilled to do so.

The theme of orientation for the

red class of 2028 is **COURAGE** TO GROW. Our logo—a fluttering butterfly—is a symbol of positive transformation, new beginnings and courage. My hope is that you will be courageous enough to try new things and meet new people; to not be perfect and learn from mistakes; to reach out when you need assistance along your journey; and to have some serious fun along the way. You'll see the butterfly throughout our orientation materials as a reminder that Wellesley will support your curiosity and courageous growth, not just at the beginning, but throughout your four years here.

The Wellesley family, our professional staff, student leaders, and faculty will provide support as you make the transition to your new campus home. In addition to the importance of the academic journey, we also strongly value creating connections within our community. With our theme **COURAGE TO GROW**, our Orientation program strengthens your innate curiosity that leads to engaging in new conversations, developing strong connections and new friendships, and transforming how you view yourself, others, and the world around you.

Loved ones—your support as your students begin to seek out these connections is critical. Encourage them to bring their most authentic and curious self to college, to have an open heart and mind, to be courageous enough to start conversations, and meet new people with curiosity and kindness. As their Class Dean, I will be there to cheer them on, help them get adjusted to campus life, connect them with resources, and help them make decisions about their Wellesley journey. We are delighted to welcome you and your student to the Wellesley community, and are confident that they will find their people, place and purpose here. We look forward to meeting you at the end of August!

Warm regards,

Shannon Mokoro

SHANNON MOKORO

Dean for First-Year Students

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION



COURAGE TO **GROW**

The 2024 Orientation theme, Courage to Grow, and its corresponding design came from a place of hope for your time here. The hope that you are brave enough to stretch—to allow yourself to be swept into the current of self-discovery, holding tightly to the things that bring you joy and releasing the need to be perfect. There will be moments to reach out for a life-line and moments when you have to ride the wave yourself to find your way. All of this will take courage. Courage to embrace the process. Courage to ask questions, advocate for yourself, and learn new ways of living. Courage to extend kindness into places that might not deserve it. Courage to look silly. Courage to connect. Courage to not know. Courage to love who you are, right now, in this moment. As you look towards your future here at Wellesley College we hope, above all, you have the Courage to Grow.



OUR ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Orientation is your first step as you journey into college and find a sense of belonging at Wellesley. The New Student Orientation (NSO) program will have something

for all of our new students, including first-year, transfer, Davis Scholar, exchange, and international students. The program includes social and educational events, small

group conversations, and fun activities that will enrich your Wellesley experience and help you feel at home in our diverse community. Orientation activities will begin in July, through virtual

interactions with your Orientation Mentor and your fellow Wellesley Sibs. Orientation will also introduce you to life at Wellesley through presentations, discussions, panels, peer support, and advising sessions. Through these activities, you will begin to see the many ways that you can begin to grow at Wellesley.

SPECIFIC PROGRAMS ARE DESIGNED TO:

- Introduce you to the Wellesley College community, our history and shared values, and our rich traditions
- Provide opportunities for you to meet members of the college community, develop friendships, and establish personal connections with faculty, staff, and other valued members of the extended Wellesley family
- Familiarize you with the campus and its resources, including academic advising and support services
- Prepare you to become actively engaged in this community of life-long learners, as you embark on your liberal arts education

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VIRTUAL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Our virtual New Student Orientation (NSO) is designed to help entering students feel well prepared as they enter the college experience here at Wellesley. In late July, students will be invited to participate in Virtual New Student Orientation. During this time, students will meet their Orientation Mentor (OM) Group (composed of fellow entering students!) and begin connecting with their assigned student leader, aka, their OM. Students will also receive all sorts of information including how to be successful in your academics, community building opportunities, ways we prioritize your wellness here at Wellesley, etc. We recommend checking the Virtual Orientation Platform at least once a week until you get to campus.

In addition to these resources, we are hosting live Zoom events every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM, starting on July 30. In these live events, students will meet key department leaders and learn more about how they plan to support students at Wellesley. These will be recorded and posted online and are not required events (although we strongly encourage you to attend!).

PREPARING FORYOUR ARRIVAL

As an incoming student you will have some tasks to complete before you arrive at Wellesley. Be sure to stay in contact with the College during the summer by checking your Wellesley email frequently. Engaging with Workday, and specifically the Entering Student Checklist, regularly will help you feel prepared for Orientation and your first year on campus.

Orientation Schedule

JULY 29

VIRTUAL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION BEGINS

Informational Sessions will be held via Zoom every Tuesday evening at 8:00 PM EST beginning July 30.

Orientation Coordinators will host a social event via Zoom every Thursday evening at 8:00 PM EST beginning August 1.

AUGUST 23

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOVE-IN

AUGUST 24-27

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION

International students will join the rest of our entering students for New Student Orientation on August 28.

AUGUST 28

DOMESTIC STUDENT MOVE-IN

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

PARENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

- Resource Fair
- Welcome to Wellesley Ceremony
- Intro to Residential Life
- Farewell Reception

Parent and Family programs end with the Family Farewell Reception on Opening Day. There are no parent and family programs after August 28 and students will have consistent commitments throughout new student orientation.

AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 1

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

SEPTEMBER 3

CLASSES BEGIN

YOUR ENTERING STUDENT CHECKLIST

You should have already received an email from Wellesley College containing your Wellesley email, login credentials and access to the Entering Student Checklist via Workday. Completing the tasks on the checklist will help you get started on your path to becoming a member of the Wellesley community. In preparation for Orientation and your first semester at Wellesley, you should visit the checklist regularly and complete tasks by the stated deadlines. There are some tasks that must be completed before you may move into your residence hall or attend classes, so pay close attention to those due dates. You can find a list of all checklist items and their open and close dates here.

YOUR HOUSING ASSIGNMENT

As a new student, you should access the Housing Portal through the Entering Student Checklist. Your housing assignment will be based on the information you provided in your housing application and will be available through the Housing Portal during the summer. The residence halls vary in size and house students in a combination of single, double, and triple rooms, as well as suites. First-year students will be assigned one or more roommates. If you are an incoming transfer student, your assignment will be based on the availability of housing according to your class year.

RECEIVING MAIL AND PACKAGES

The Department of Mail Services coordinates all incoming and outgoing packages and letter mail. You may pick up your packages up to 10 lbs or send out mail and packages with prepaid postage and shipping labels at the Mail Services retail window located in the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center.

When a package arrives for you on campus, you will receive an email notification to pick it up in the Student Mailroom unless it is small enough to fit in your unit box. Your OneCard and signature will be required upon pick-up.

Shipping your belongings:

This 2024 Mailing Instructions document contains specific information about shipping your belongings in advance of your arrival, including the proper address format, and a list of ZIP codes for the student unit mailbox numbers.

YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

Prior to your arrival on campus, you will be assigned a unit (mailbox) number, which will serve as your mailing address during your entire stay at Wellesley. You will receive your unit number through your Workday account during the summer.

Here are the instructions related to mail at Wellesley College.

Delivery of all your campus and U.S. mail will be made directly to this assigned unit.

[Your name]
Wellesley College
Unit XXYY
21 Wellesley College Rd
Wellesley, MA 02481

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Getting ready for college in New England requires some careful planning. For example, it is likely to be very warm in August when you arrive and very cold during finals week in December. It is also important to consider what your plan is for summer storage in

Red clothes! (for class

GET COZY		
	Extra-long twin sheets Blanket Comforter Extra-long twin mattress pad	
00000	(for extra comfort) Pillows Pillowcases Slippers/cozy socks Sleeping mask Ear plugs	
C#	AMPUS LIVING	
	Power strips (UL approved)	
	Power cables for your	
	electronic devices Pillow for your chair Floor/desk lamp (the College does not	
000000	provide lamps) Push pins	
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	JMMER DAYS	
	Sunglasses Swimsuit Reusable water bottle Fan for your room Sunblock Sporting equipment (like a frisbee!)	

between academic years before you bring your things to campus.

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Blanket	A pair of sneakers to
Comforter	on a run or work ou
Extra-long twin	the Fitness Center
mattress pad	
(for extra comfort)	WINTER NIGHTS
Pillows	Socks, socks, socks
Pillowcases	Rain and snow boot
Slippers/cozy socks	Umbrella
Sleeping mask	Winter jacket
Ear plugs	Hat, mittens, earmı
	Mug for tea or coffe
AMPUS LIVING	Warm blankets
Power strips (UL	Snow pants for sno
approved)	day fun
Power cables for your	CLEANING
electronic devices	CLEANING
Pillow for your chair	Room freshener
Floor/desk lamp	Trash bags
(the College does not	Toolbox
provide lamps)	Space-saving cloth
Push pins	hangers
Packing tape	Stackable storage
Stamps and envelopes	containers
Alarm clock	Multi-surface clean
Portable lap desk	wipes
Command [™] strips	Swiffer duster or
for decorating	sweeper
UMMER DAYS	Laundry detergent,
	fabric softener, and
Sunglasses	dryer sheets
Swimsuit	 Laundry bag or ham

GROOMING Mesh shower

- caddy (plastic not Shower shoes Extra toothbrushes
- Nail clippers ■ Towels Bathrobe First aid kit
- Toiletries ☐ Face masks Hand sanitizer Thermometer

BUCKLING DOWN

- Backpack ■ Stapler
- Tape Calculator
- Post-It® Notes Ruler Scissors
- Healthy snacks! (for those late night study sessions) ■ Writing utensils

■ Three-hole punch

SUSTAINABLE LIVING

As you pack, please Wellesley College is committed to reducing our collective impact on the environment. We encourage buying less, using recycled

products, reusing items and developing community through the sharing of

Please be thoughtful about what you really need, and what might be borrowed or bought used. In addition, during the first week of class, you will find bargains low prices. Here are some other ideas:

- Travel mug for hot beverages Canvas/reusable shopping bag
- Microwave safe dishes Eating utensils **LINEN AND LAUNDRY**

SERVICES

Some Wellesley students opt for a laundry and dry-cleaning contract during the school year. E&R Campus Laundry is a local on-campus services for Wellesley College Students. To learn more about their services, please visit www.EandRCleaners.com.

WHAT TO LEAVE AT HOME

- Alcohol and other drugs.
- Weapons of any kind, including pepper spray or mace.
- Candles, incense, or scent pot burners.
- Extension cords (Exception: Power strips with built-in surge protectors are permitted).
- Cooking equipment with exposed heating elements including hot pots, rice cookers, toasters, toaster ovens, tabletop grills, coffeemakers (excluding Keurig), and electric water boilers. These items can only be used in communal kitchens.
- Non UL approved portable electrical devices.
- Halogen lamps or bulbs.
- Electric portable heaters or air coolers/ conditioners (Exception: air conditioners as approved as an accommodation through Accessibility and Disability Resources).
- Flammable decorations including natural or artificial Christmas trees.
- Draperies, curtains, and tapestries that are not labeled fire retardant.

THE COLLEGE PROVIDES

- Extra-long twin bed and mattress
- Desk and chair
- Mirror (size varies by residence hall)

It makes sense for you to confer with your new roommate(s) before you start packing as you may decide to share some items rather than having duplicates. Many of these items may be purchased on or near campus after you arrive at Wellesley, or at the Sustainability Sale.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS

All Wellesley students are expected to be familiar with and comply with policies included in the Wellesley College Handbook and the Wellesley College Code of Student Conduct. The Handbook can be found here, and includes both legally mandated guidelines and Wellesley specific policies. You will acknowledge your willingness to uphold those policies through the Entering Student Checklist this summer. Fundamental to all our policies and our life together is the Wellesley College Honor Code, which binds everyone on campus together with a promise of mutual honesty, integrity, and respect.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS

Wellesley College utilizes a harm reduction approach to support students in making thoughtful and responsible decisions regarding substance use. In addition to educational programming during Orientation, all new students must complete AlcoholEdu, an online education program that explores substance use harm reduction strategies for a safer Wellesley community. This interactive program also provides feedback on your own alcohol behaviors, potential risk factors, along with helpful resources available to you at Wellesley College and in the greater community.

The information you provide in this program is anonymous and will only be used to verify completion of the program. You can find the program when you log in to your Entering Student Checklist on July 9. Be sure to complete the assessment using your Wellesley email address to ensure you receive a green checkmark for completion by August 18. You will see a green check mark approximately one business day after you've completed your training.

THE WELLESLEY HONOR CODE

As a Wellesley College student, I will act with honesty, integrity, and respect. In making this commitment, I am accountable to the community and dedicate myself to a life of honor.

The power of the Honor Code is in its asking of us that we make decisions, in and outside of the classroom, informed by honesty, integrity, and respect. Each and all of these decisions contribute to the flourishing of our academic and social community. For detailed information regarding the Honor Code and Honor Code Council, its educational accountability work and the Code of Student Conduct, please visit the **Honor Code website**.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

Wellesley College takes seriously its commitment to empower students to end sexual violence. In addition to an in-person training on sexual health, healthy relationships, consent and bystander intervention during Orientation weekend, starting July 9, all new students should complete Sexual Violence Prevention (SVP). SVP is an online education program that will provide you with information about sexual violence on college campuses, how to be an active bystander, as well as opportunities for personal reflection. Sexual Violence Prevention will also provide you with helpful resources available to you at Wellesley College and in the community. The information you provide in this program is anonymous and will only be used to verify completion of the program.

You will see a green check mark for this task approximately two business days after you've completed your training. Be sure to complete the training using your Wellesley email address to ensure you receive a green checkmark for completion by August 18. For any questions, please contact studentwellness@welleslev.edu.

WORKING ON CAMPUS

Students who have been awarded Federal Work-Study or Wellesley Work awards have first priority for on-campus jobs. There may be some additional opportunities throughout the year for non-work study students including positions that require highly specialized skills or are unable to be filled with a work-study student. Jobs are competitive and there is no guarantee of securing a position. Available academic year jobs are listed online and can be accessed through Workday. As a first-year student eligible for work-study, it is important to apply for positions before coming to campus. In early August, first year students who have received a student employment award through Student Financial Services are given early access to Wellesley's online student employment job postings through Workday. Certain campus departments are designated as first year student employers. These departments/offices include: Physical Education, Recreation, Athletics (PERA), Library and Technology Services (LTS), Career Education, Dining, and Student Life.



Wellesley's community is a remarkable blend of treasured tradition and contemporary creativity. As our campus community evolves, grows, and diversifies, our traditions help to unite us and shape our common identity, spirit, and Wellesley pride. Living and learning together in our residential community, Wellesley students engage with others to create

modern ways of honoring tradition and upholding our values.

OFFICE OF STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

The Office of Student Involvement guides students through the process of exploring their interests and passions in clubs, organizations, activities and events which will complement and enhance their educational, social, and relational experience at Wellesley College, as well as support traditions such as Lake Day and Hooprolling. We believe that by participating in activities outside the classroom, students create meaningful interpersonal connections through common experiences and provide a foundation for community development.

SOCIAL PROGRAMMING

Throughout the year our student organizations host various social programs. The Office of Student Involvement hosts a variety of events each semester. These events include trivia nights, BINGO, off-campus trips and more.

CAMPUS BOOKSTORE

The Wellesley College Bookstore is more than a bookstore it's a support system with everything you need to succeed at Wellesley, conveniently located on the 4th floor of the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center. Stop in to pick up school supplies, Wellesley spirit gear and, of course, textbooks! Save big on textbooks each term with the Bookstore's rental program, and also discover new, used and digital books. Guaranteed to have the right book in the correct edition, the staff will be happy to help you find exactly what you need for class, or you can shop online for your books and pick them up FREE in store when you're on campus.

Bookstore Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9am-4pm **Summer:** Monday-Friday 10am-2pm Shop Online: wellesleycollegestore.com Contact Us: 781.283.2136

Instagram: @wellesleycollegebkstr

STUDENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Wellesley is committed to supporting the overall wellbeing of each student. Throughout your time at Wellesley, we encourage you to utilize the many services and supports that are available to meet your holistic health and wellness needs.

OFFICE OF STUDENT WELLNESS

The Office of Student Wellness (OSW) works with campus partners and Peer Health Educators to support your holistic wellbeing on topics like self-care, stress management, sleep, healthy relationships, and substance use harm reduction. We see wellness as shaped by many intersectional identities and factors that change throughout one's life, and we know that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to wellness. That's why we are here to support wellness your way! Join us for our signature Wellness Fairs and Therapy Dog visits, set up a one-on-one consultation, or stop by one of our many programs throughout the year. To stay up-to-date on programs or connect for questions about your wellness: follow @wellesleywellness, email studentwellness@ wellesley.edu, visit our website, or stop by the OSW office in Billings 100. We look forward to supporting you throughout your time at Wellesley!



HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED BY MASS GENERAL MEDICAL GROUP

Health Services at Wellesley College is provided by Mass General Medical Group. We are staffed by providers board certified in Family Medicine and who have additional expertise in Sports Medicine and Women's Care. Health Services is located right on campus, and we are open 5 days a week, with 24/7 after hours on-call support.

We offer many services including: primary care, chronic disease management, treatment of acute illness or injuries, travel consults, gynecologic and reproductive care, sports medicine, and mental health support. We can provide immunizations and administer some injectable medications, please reach out to confirm. We also have in-office point of care testing (including rapid COVID PCR) and a full-service lab on site!

In addition, through a unique partnership between Wellesley College and Newton Wellesley Hospital/Mass General Medical Group, students also have access to a broad network of clinical resources, specialists, and leaders throughout the larger Mass General Brigham Hospital system.

On campus, Health Services collaborates with multiple offices on campus including Residential Life, Counseling, Public Safety, Office of Accessibility and Disability Resources, Office of Student Life, the Class Dean's Office and the Slater International Center. We will also collaborate with your home treatment team as needed.

We are committed to providing easy access, quality, and comprehensive care on campus and to remove barriers to or gaps in care while you are away from home. For more information, please visit our website. For any further questions, please call the office (781-283-2810) or email us through your Patient Gateway account. We look forward to serving your health care needs!

STONE CENTER COUNSELING SERVICE

The mission of the Stone Center Counseling Service is to foster student's psychological resiliency and capacity to change. We support students by working collaboratively and relationally, being mindful of their diverse needs and backgrounds, encouraging self-reflection and selfacceptance. We offer students a continuum of counseling services that promote wellness, balance, acceptance of self, and connection to others. We provide an array of developmental and mental health services and build partnerships to raise awareness and educate about emotional well-being. The service provides time-limited personal counseling and a variety of groups and outreach programs, as well as consultation to the community, after hours support and emergency intervention. Counseling is confidential and there is no fee. The Counseling Service also provides referrals for long-term counseling, and if clinical need arises, referral for medication consultation and assessment will be facilitated. The Counseling staff consists of an experienced team of psychologists, social workers, a clinical nurse specialist, a psychiatrist and advanced trainees and interns. For more information about counseling, please visit our website.

RESIDENTIAL LIVING

Wellesley is a residential college. This means we house more than 95% of the student body on campus, and your living together creates a special community that is the heart of the College. We want you to feel at home no matter where you live on campus. Our residence halls are configured into three main campus neighborhoods: East Side, Quint, and Tower Court. As you prepare to join our community, we'd like you to get to know these campus neighborhoods!

EAST SIDE RESIDENCE HALLS

Bates, Freeman, McAfee, and Stone-Davis

Bates, Freeman, and McAfee are all connected by a shared dining hall and are near the Science Center and a short distance to the Ville (town of Wellesley). Students love living in these buildings because the rooms are large, many have nice big windows, and there is a kitchenette and lounge on each floor. McAfee, Bates, and Freeman have recently been updated and all rooms are carpet free. Stone-Davis was actually designed as two buildings that have become one. This horseshoe-shaped building has its own dining hall and provides a wide variety of living options for all students. The living room is a fluid space and the modern interior is a contrast to the building's stately exterior. In addition to beautiful public and private spaces, Stone Davis also houses the Kosher, vegan, and vegetarian dining hall.



Beebe, Cazenove, Munger, Pomeroy, and Shafer

The grand buildings in the Quad are more than 100 years old, and Munger became part of the "Quint" in 1933. All of these residence halls are amazing to look at, as well as to live in. Something unique about the Quad is that Beebe and Cazenove (Caz) are mirror images of Shafer and Pomeroy (Pom). Munger is a very short walk from the center of the Quad's courtyard and is actually the closest hall on campus to the Academic Quad. Students love living in the Quint because of the friendly atmosphere, the halls' history, the lofty living rooms, and close proximity to the Campus Center, the Keohane Sports Center, and the academic buildings. The Quint is home to the Wellesley Scream Tunnel, the portion of the Boston Marathon that runs directly past Caz, Pom, and Munger each year.



TOWER COURT RESIDENCE HALLS

Claflin, Severance, and Tower

Tower Court is the neighborhood for castle-like buildings and many historic images. Each of the halls offers some rooms on main corridors, while others are tucked into corners you will have to search to find. This charm and unique layout—along with some terrific views of Lake Waban—are some of the reasons students love living in these spaces. Tower Dining Hall is central to this group of buildings and features nut-sensitive and Halal dining. In all three buildings you will be able to find extraordinary wood carvings, some of famous characters from literature, and others that are purely decorative. Part of the movie "Mona Lisa Smile" was actually filmed in Claflin hall, which also hosts carvings of Alice in Wonderland characters in the living room.

We hope that you will explore the many different options of places to live on campus, as there is definitely something for every style and type of person. Welcome to your new community and to your new home!



Interested in getting involved on campus and staying active through Recreation?

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OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY

The student body at Wellesley College is among the most diverse on any campus in the nation. This diversity enriches the experience of all our students and provides us with incentives to respond to and support the varied backgrounds and experiences of community members.

OFFICE OF INTERCULTURAL EDUCATION

Wellesley's Office of Intercultural Education (OICE) works in partnership to examine issues of campus climate, to encourage dialogue around issues of diversity with the goal of creating broader understanding, and to respond to issues and concerns that have an impact on the quality of student life. Each member of the team engages with colleagues and students to create a multiculturally inclusive environment at Wellesley, and also works to develop a vibrant and inclusive sense of community on campus by affirming social identities through the support of cultural communities. The college has a network of multicultural spaces on campus that will allow our students to collaborate with and draw strength from those with whom they share a common identity while, at the same time, promoting intercultural dialogue and connection among all members of the Wellesley community.

ACORNS HOUSE

Acorns House is a space that provides social, emotional, cultural, and academic support to students of Asian and Latinx descent at Wellesley College. Additionally, Acorns House provides educational and cultural programming for the Wellesley College community. Acorns houses the offices for the Assistant Deans and Advisors to students of Asian descent, Latina/x students, Mixed Race students and Native American and Indigenous students.

HARAMBEE HOUSE

Harambee House is committed to facilitating a healthy and supportive campus environment for students of African descent, with a wide array of services and programs that foster academic, personal, and communal growth. Harambee House also offers enlightening cultural activities that raise a sense of consciousness and awareness to the history and culture of people of the African Diaspora.

SLATER INTERNATIONAL CENTER

The Slater International Center promotes intercultural awareness, mutual respect, and global leadership by providing collaborative programming and support services for international students and scholars. The Center is the focal point for international activities and events that bring together members of the College community who share a desire to explore global issues and to increase intercultural understanding. Students meet here to study, learn, cook, entertain, and gather informally. The Slater staff works closely with other departments to provide a variety of services to assist international students and scholars, including advising services related to immigration, employment, academic, social and cultural issues and referrals. The Slater International Center supports international and multicultural student organizations and promotes global student leadership. For more information on the Slater International Center, please visit our website.

LGBTQ+ PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

LGBTQ+ Programs and Services promotes a safe and supportive environment for LGBTQ+ students at Wellesley through hosting programs and events, advocating on behalf of students, and offering resources and advising. The Director and Q-Connector student employees organize co-curricular educational and community building activities to support the entire campus, especially during LGBTQ History Month and Trans Week of Visibility. Some students become involved in LGBTQ+ affinity student groups, including blackOUT, Familia, QTSAC, Siblings, Tea Talks, Wildcards, Siblings, and oSTEM. LGBTQ+ Programs and Services is housed in the Penthouse on the fourth floor of Billings Hall, where students can find a lounge space with games and a library and the office of the Director.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SUCCESS

The Office of Student Success (OSS) was established to enhance and expand the support that is available to firstgeneration, low-income students at Wellesley College. This is done in collaboration with a number of campus partners, including but not limited to: The Office of Intercultural Education, Admissions, Class Deans, Career Education Services, Student Wellness, Stone Center, LGBTQ+ Programs and Services, Office of International Study, Office of Religious and Spiritual Life, Parent and Family Programs, Residential Life, Pforzheimer Learning and Teaching Center (PLTC), Slater International Center, Student Financial Services, the Science Center, and academic departments. Additionally, OSS oversees the WellesleyPlus program, which provides cohort guidance, programming, peer mentorship, and community building for eligible first-year students, and the FLI Network, which creates opportunities throughout the academic year for all first-gen students to connect with each other, as well as with the faculty and staff that are available to support them. Students can learn more about OSS by visiting the website.



RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life (ORSL) nurtures the well-being of all Wellesley students—whether religious, spiritual, secular, or none of the above. We provide judgment-free pastoral care, interfaith programs, holiday celebrations, and mindfulness practices. Inspired by Wellesley's historic belief that education is a spiritual as well as an intellectual journey, ORSL celebrates and affirms the diversity of religious and cultural experience of our students by creating space for particular traditions and fostering communities for multifaith and intercultural exchange. Led by a diverse team of college chaplains, students can join religious communities for weekly

services, seek confidential counseling, participate in multifaith programs, connect to community and friendship, or learn new skills to foster spiritual wellness. Students of all faiths or no faith practice can find a home in the Office of Religious & Spiritual Life. Houghton Chapel and the Multifaith Center (MFC) are accessible to students by swipe card access. Students can walk our labyrinths in the Chapel or on munger meadow, hang out in our gathering areas, practice mindfulness in the meditation room, and much more. We welcome you to explore our enriching and beloved community. We hope to accompany you throughout your Wellesley journey.

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ACADEMICS ATWELLESLEY

Wellesley is dedicated to providing you with an excellent liberal arts education. Our curriculum is designed to support students to take the first year to explore different disciplines and build upon that foundation so that in subsequent years you can work in depth in your specific field of interest. You can find a list of all of our academic departments here.

ACADEMIC PLANNING FOR YOUR FIRST YEAR

Wellesley's liberal arts curriculum provides an incredible entry point for your intellectual growth. The first year is the best time for you to explore the breadth of all that Wellesley has to offer, identify new subjects that are exciting, and solidify interest in familiar fields. It is also the right time to develop a network of resources that will support and sustain you throughout your years at Wellesley. Your first-year advisor is here to assist you in exploring your intellectual curiosities and passions. Below is some basic information about academic programs and requirements to help you get started. We will have a virtual session in the summer to discuss all of the first-year requirements.

FIRST-YEAR WRITING COURSES

During the first year, every Wellesley student is required to take a First-Year Writing course during either the fall or spring semester. This course introduces students to the rigors of college-level writing, and each section delves into a different topic conducive to intensive writing instruction. In these Writing courses, students are able to hone their writing skills, explore new topics, develop critical thinking skills, and prepare for further college study and writing assignments. Through the Entering Student Checklist there is a preregistration form that you must fill out in order to be placed in your First-Year Writing course. If you have questions about this requirement, please reach out to the First-Year Dean.

QUANTITATIVE REASONING

Each first-year student must satisfy the quantitative reasoning (QR) basic skills requirement in one of two ways: by passing the QR assessment, or by completing the Quantitative Reasoning 140 course. QR is also a prerequisite for other courses, so we encourage you to complete this in your first year. This one of the required placement exams which you can learn more about in the Entering Student Checklist.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Proficiency in a language other than English is a key component of a liberal arts education. Wellesley requires each student to demonstrate mastery of a language other than English, up to, or beyond, the second year of college-level study. As an entering student, you will be placed into an appropriate level of language study based on prior experience, along with placement exam results. It is optional to take the language placement prior to entry at Wellesley. If you want to take a language your first year then you should take the appropriate language placement exam.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (PE)

Students must earn eight physical education credits to fulfill the College's graduation requirement. These credits do not count as academic units toward the degree, but are required for graduation. Students may earn PE credits in a variety of ways, including First-Year Only PE Courses.

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

During your time at Wellesley, all students are expected to complete a series of distribution requirements that exposes them to the liberal arts curriculum. In order to fulfill the distribution requirements, you have the opportunity to take courses in a variety of disciplines, in such areas as the humanities, fine arts, social sciences, natural & physical sciences, and math. With so many courses to choose from, this is an exciting educational objective! You will receive guidance on the distribution requirements from your Class Dean and the Office of the Registrar.

FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS

Wellesley offers a limited number of first-year seminars, which are optional, small, participatory classes in which first-year students work closely with a faculty member and with each other. Seminars are designed to foster the skills and habits of mind essential for intellectual inquiry at the college level. A respected member of the faculty teaches each seminar; enrollment is limited to 15 or fewer first-year students.

SHADOW GRADING

To encourage you to explore the curriculum and support your transition into college academics, Wellesley has a shadow grading policy for first-year students in their first semester. You will receive grades and other feedback in your first semester courses. These grades are not reported on your official transcript and will not be released outside of the College. However, you should use those to learn about Wellesley's academic standards and your own abilities and interests. While the policy of shadow grading allows you to be free to take some academic risks during your first semester, you are still expected to maintain the academic rigor that earned you entry into Wellesley College.

TRANSFER CREDITS

If you have successfully completed college coursework at a different institution before coming to Wellesley, and it did not appear on your high school transcript, you may be eligible to earn some credit toward the Wellesley degree. Credit for college-level work completed during high school will be granted only if the course does not appear on your high school transcript and if it meets our criteria for transfer credit. Information about the transfer of college credit toward the Wellesley degree once a student is enrolled can be obtained from the Registrar's Office. International students who have attended another college or university before matriculating at Wellesley have until the end of the first year to decide whether to accept advanced standing by transferring credit from the prior institution(s). Entering Davis Scholars and transfer students should consult their Class Dean about transfer credits for previous college work, placement issues, and course selection.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Depending on how many units a student transfers in, they may still have distribution requirements to fulfill and should also take advantage of the expansive liberal arts curricular offerings at Wellesley. Transfer students should refer to the preliminary credit assessment included in their admission letter, and should also consult with their Class Dean. We also encourage you to reach out to the Chair of the department in which you are interested in pursuing a major.



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CHOOSING COURSES FOR YOUR FIRST YEAR

During Virtual Orientation we will host two academic focused informational sessions for entering students (check WEngage for exact dates). The most wonderful aspect of a true liberal arts education is the wide variety of courses offered across the various disciplines. Every course you choose is the RIGHT course! Since you cannot

declare a major until your second year, your first year should be a balanced mix of distribution requirements and courses that speak to your intellectual curiosity. As you look through the course catalog for courses of interest and start to build some possible schedules, a good strategy is to consider courses with varying content and kinds of work.



ACADEMIC ADVISING AND SUPPORT

In addition to providing rich academic opportunities, Wellesley is committed to broadly encouraging our students' intellectual curiosity and intellectual growth. All students need guidance and advice as they begin to define their academic goals and start to make choices about how they want to spend their time in college and beyond. Learning how to make these decisions independently is often as important a part of one's education as the substance of what they learn in the classroom, laboratory, and library. To ensure that you have early opportunities to discuss your intellectual passions with our faculty, each incoming first-year student is matched with a faculty advisor. The first-year faculty advisor's role is to be a general guide for discussing the beauty of a liberal arts education. Your Class Dean is an important advising resource for understanding your distribution requirements, understanding the academic policies & procedures, and accessing academic support resources. Your first-year faculty advisor and First Year Dean are two important resources in an extensive network of advising resources, including Orientation Mentors, Academic Success Coaches, Career Education advisor (your ACE), and other members of the faculty and staff. Transfer students are encouraged to work with their Class Dean to identify faculty who share their intellectual interests and will be assigned a faculty major advisor once they declare a major.

OFFICE OF THE CLASS DEANS

Every student, whether they are a first-year, Davis Scholar, or a transfer student is assigned a Class Dean. Class Deans work collaboratively with faculty and staff across campus to support individual student needs and objectives. For more information, please visit the Office of the Class Deans website. The Class Deans will send regular communication (usually via email) with important announcements. They also have a calendar on which students can make an advising appointment. The Dean for First-Year Students is responsible for coordinating the general advising needs for all first-year students. You can meet with your Class Dean throughout the academic year to discuss your academic requirements as well as to discuss academic resources and academic, social, and personal challenges arising from your transition into college.

PFORZHEIMER LEARNING AND TEACHING CENTER (PLTC)

The PLTC is temporarily located in suite M401H of the Modular buildings, near the east entrance of the green wing. We provide many resources to help students take full advantage of Wellesley's educational opportunities and realize their academic potential. At the PLTC, students can strengthen their study habits and learn strategies to improve the way they navigate course material.

There are several types of peer support programs available to students through the PLTC. Among them are the residencehall based Academic Success Coaches (ASCs), who help with a broad range of academic needs such as registration, time management, academic planning, resource referrals, etc.; content tutors who provide small-group drop-in and limited individual tutoring; Supplemental Instruction (SI) leaders and embedded tutors who deliver in-class support and additional guided study sessions outside of class; and public speaking tutors to facilitate strong verbal and nonverbal communication and presentation skills. Wellesley students do not incur any additional costs for these services. For more information, please visit the PLTC website.

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Wellesley is committed to providing students who have disabilities the access and support they need to achieve their academic potential and to participate fully in Wellesley's activities. The Office of Accessibility and Disability Resources (ADR) works with the entire campus community: from applicants and prospective students to lifelong staff members, faculty, alumnae, and visitors for special events. They also work collaboratively with many offices on campus, including but not limited to, Health Services, the Stone Counseling Center, and the PLTC. Students with all types of disabilities (including physical, medical, chronic health, food allergies, mental health, learning disabilities, temporary injuries, etc) who are interested in developing a plan for obtaining access to programs and services, or to requesting reasonable accommodations should contact accessibility@wellesley. edu (or 781-283-1300). Students may also go directly to the online system, AIM, to fill out a registration form and upload documentation. (If you need to upload your documentation at a later point in time, you may do so.) You will receive an email inviting you to meet to go over your request. This form is also available on your Entering Student Checklist.

CAREER EDUCATION

Located on the 4th floor of Green Hall, Career Education equips and empowers Wellesley students and graduates to engage, personally and professionally, in an ever-changing world with a keen awareness of self, an expansive sense of possibility, and the confidence in their abilities to make decisions, build connections, and pursue a life of purpose. All Wellesley students are assigned an Advisor for Career Exploration (ACE) based on their class year who stays with them through graduation to help them explore their values, strengths, and skills in relation to their career interests. Students can also work with Career Advisors and staff specializing in specific industries and fields of interest, fellowships and scholarships, civic engagement, and Wellesley-funded internships. As a lifelong service, Career Education is here for students from Orientation through graduation and beyond. For more information, visit our website or email careereducation@welleslev.edu.



Your new Domain Account username and a temporary password were emailed to you in late spring, to the personal email address you provided to us. We also asked that you immediately change the temporary password to a permanent one by visiting: reset.wellesley.edu. If you have not done so, do this immediately. It is this username and password that you will use to access everything mentioned below. If your temporary password has expired and you are unable to change it, you can contact the Computing Help Desk at helpdesk@wellesley.edu. Please read the following sections carefully.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Technical support staff and highly trained students provide support, troubleshooting, training, and academic project support for students through the LTS Computing Help Desk. You can reach them by emailing helpdesk@wellesley.edu, calling 781-283-7777 or visiting the Modulars room L104. The Help Desk is open Monday through Friday, 8:15 am until 5:30 pm.

BORROWING AND USING EQUIPMENT

If you need a laptop for temporary or semester use, you can request to borrow one from the Computing Help Desk. iPads are available at a first-come first-reserved basis at the start of each semester.

The Knapp Center in Modulars M304 has video cameras, audio recorders and other equipment available for loan and you can visit them to digitize and edit audio and video. The Makerspace section of Knapp also has many different types of equipment that you can use for class or recreation.

All libraries (Modulars, Art, and Music) have document scanners. More information can be found on the LTS Help website.

LIBRARY SERVICES AND RESOURCES

Wellesley has three libraries: Clapp, Art, and Music. Clapp Library is currently under renovation and expected to open in the Fall of 2025. It holds the majority of our collections, and also houses Special Collections, Archives, the Book Arts Lab, the Knapp Multimedia Center and Makerspace, as well as the Computing Help Desk, some classrooms, and offices for most LTS staff. To learn more about where we have set up some temporary spaces please visit the Clapp Renovation website. You can get help finding or borrowing materials, and research assistance from librarians by contacting askus@wellesley.edu, coming to the service desk at any of the libraries, or by calling 781-283-2166.

WORKDAY

We are sure that you have already accessed Workday. This is an important system that you will be using over the course of your time at the College. You will access Workday from the My Wellesley portal and use it for several functions. Initially, you may use it to:

- Complete the Entering Student Checklist
- Maintain your personal and emergency contact information
- Provide information for bill payment (by designating third party payers)
- Register for classes
- Look for and apply to on-campus jobs

Any questions, email helpdesk@wellesley.edu. Also review this document for detailed instructions on using the various functions in Workday.

MYWELLESLEY PORTAL

MyWellesley Portal is the gateway to many of the resources that you will need during your time at the College. You can access Gmail, Workday, Course Browser etc. easily with one click on the icons in the top right corners. You will also find links to other important forms and applications either from Student Self Service or Administrivia tabs. You can access MyWellesley portal at: portal.wellesley.edu. Log into it regularly and familiarize yourself with the links there since this will be how you will be directed to access various services. Note: This summer, the portal will be replaced by an "intranet" which will provide a very different user experience, but serve the same functionality. Stay tuned!

GOOGLE WORKSPACE FOR EDUCATION

Wellesley uses Google Workspace for Education for email, calendaring, collaboration through documents, groups, and sites. You can access Google Workspace through the MyWellesley portal or by visiting: mail.wellesley.edu. If you have used Gmail before, the features available through this will be familiar, if not, Google has this guide about all the features and options available to you. Your email address will be your Wellesley Domain username@wellesley.edu. You also get additional email aliases based on your full name and preferred name. See this guide on setting up and using your Gmail aliases.

PROTECT YOURSELF

Start building good security habits now—beware of emails or other websites asking for your personal information; do not share your username and password with anyone. Learn more about our security best practices by visiting our security website. The number of phishing scams promising you jobs or internships have been on the rise and we would like you not to fall for them. See our Phishing website for more details on the latest scams and tips on how to identify them and protect yourself. To assist all of our users protect their information, we require Duo two factor authentication, which requires you to confirm your login using your personal phone. Also, as part of the Entering Student Checklist, you will be required to complete your SANS Cybersecurity Awareness training. It will be made available to you on July 1. This is an annual training required of all students.

BRING A COMPUTER TO CAMPUS

We strongly recommend that you bring your own laptop to help ensure your success as a Wellesley student. You will be able to use the secure campus wireless network in all campus buildings and the residence halls to connect your computers, phones and other network capable devices. If you are unable to afford a laptop or you run into hardware issues with yours, you may request to borrow a temporary one on a per semester basis through our Computing Help Desk Equipment Request Form. Computing workstations are also available in several academic buildings including the Science Center, PNE, and the Modular Building, Printers are available in locations including the libraries, Science Center, and several residence halls, while high-end laboratories provide opportunities for developing skills with advanced software. You can view the current computer and software recommendations and options on our Purchasing Guide website.

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YOUR STUDENT ACCOUNTAND FINANCIALAID

Student Financial Services (SFS) works with students and families in all areas of financing your Wellesley education including student accounts, educational financing (monthly payment plans and student and parent loans), and financial aid.

BILLING NOTIFICATIONS

Fall semester billing notifications are sent in early July and are due August 7. In early December, you will receive a billing notification for the Spring semester, with payment due by January 2, 2024. Billing notifications will be issued in any month when there is a balance due on your account or any month with account activity. All notifications are sent directly to students and any registered third party user (TPU) on their account. Instructions for setting up a TPU are available on the Student Self-Service tab in MyWellesley. Please be aware that in order to register for courses each semester, families must complete the Financial Responsibility Agreement (FRA).

PAYMENT

You can pay by check or credit card online, by wire transfer, or sign up for a monthly payment plan through Nelnet. Timely resolution of your balance is important, as it allows you to focus on starting the semester being fully engaged in the Wellesley experience, not concerned about your student account. Consequences of late payment may include late fees and the loss of, or inability to, register for classes, participate in the housing selection process, or obtain your diploma at graduation. Please carefully review any billing and payment information that was sent to you or visit the SFS website for more information about Wellesley's payment policy.

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Outside scholarships must be reported to SFS via the outside scholarship reporting tool (available after June 1) on the Financial Services tab of your MyWellesley portal. Once your scholarship is reported, it will be added as an anticipated resource to reduce the balance due on your student account. Please note, outside scholarships are divided between the fall and spring semester unless the provider tells SFS that a scholarship is for one semester only.

FINANCIAL AID

Grants and loans from Wellesley College are credited to your account in two installments, one each semester, approximately ten days before the start of classes. Students should monitor their Workday student account and confirm that all financial aid is disbursed (or paid) and reach out to SFS with any questions. If you have workstudy as part of your financial aid offer, it is important to realize that your work-study is not credited to your student account. Students are responsible for finding employment and applying directly for jobs they are interested in (student jobs are not guaranteed). Students are paid directly for the hours they work and typically use this money to pay for books, personal expenses, and travel home.



PARENT S. FAMILY PROGRAMS

The Office of Parent and Family Programs would like to welcome you to Wellesley! The Office serves as your point of contact for questions about resources available to your student.

To keep you informed of campus events and important dates and deadlines, the Parent and Family Office emails a monthly newsletter to all families from August through June. Please be sure we have your current email address as the vast majority of College communications are sent electronically. The best way to ensure we have your correct contact information is for your student to complete the Share Your Family Information section in the Entering Student Checklist in Workday.

Families are encouraged to get involved in the Wellesley community throughout the year in many ways:

- Enjoy concerts, lectures, and other events on campus or via livestream.
- ➤ Cheer for the Blue at sporting events or watch the competitions on YouTube.
- Work with Wellesley Career Education to share internship and job opportunities for students.
- loin us for Friends and Family Weekend on October 25-27, 2024.

First-year Wellesley College students begin to establish their independence and become their own best advocates. Some students maintain daily contact with their parents as they settle into life on campus, while others prefer to check in less frequently. Your family should develop a communication plan that is mutually satisfying, and is responsive to your student's need for independence. As a Wellesley College family, you will see your student find and create meaningful connections on campus and you may also hear about missteps and frustrations from time to time.

Wellesley offers a wide range of resources for students and we encourage you to help your student reach out and find their way to the ones they need. The Office of Parent and Family Programs is here to help you navigate College services and support your student during their time here. You can reach Lesley Robertson, Director of Parent and Family Programs, at parents@wellesley.edu, lrobert3@wellesley.edu, or 781-283-2808.

Please note that while the College welcomes parental feedback and contact, our obligation is to communicate directly with our students. Information regarding grades, personal conduct, and other student progress will not be shared with parents except in unusual circumstances, or with the explicit consent of the student.

GETTINGHERE

Please refer to the 2024 Arrival Planning Guide, which will be distributed via email later this summer, for information on getting to Wellesley. It may be particularly helpful while planning your trip.

SHOPPING IN THE AREA

There are several shopping options nearby if you need last minute items for move-in, including Target, the Container store, Walmart, Home Goods, the Natick Mall, as well as smaller local stores in the town of Wellesley.

HOTEL INFORMATION

If you plan to stay overnight in the area, the following local hotels are close and convenient to campus. Please note that family members may not stay on campus on move-in days, or during Orientation programming.

THE VERVE

1360 Worcester St. Natick, MA 01760 508.653.8800

MARRIOTT COURTYARD

342 Speen St. Natick, MA 01760 508.655.6100

HAMPTON INN

319 Speen St. Natick, MA 01760 508.653.5000

RESIDENCE

1 Superior Dr. Natick, MA 01760 508.651.6520

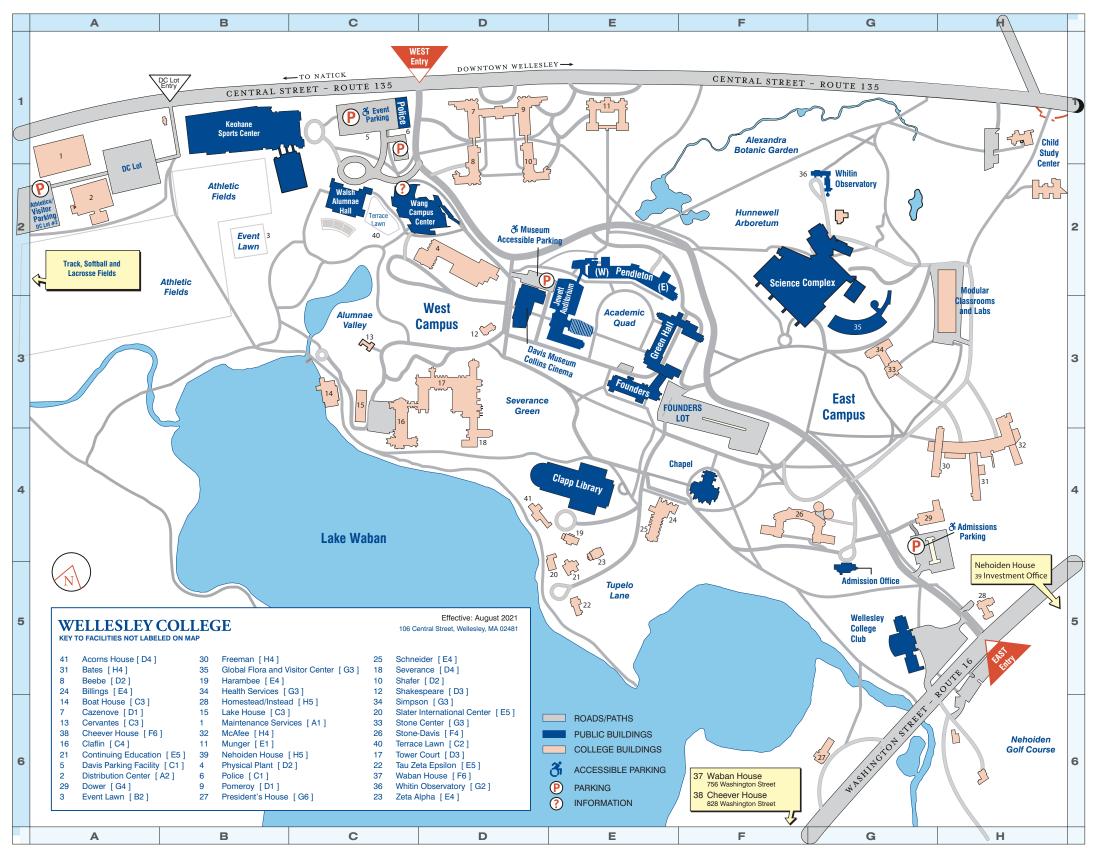




CONFIDENTIALITY OF STUDENT RECORDS

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) governs how all colleges protect and release information about students. A statement of the College's FERPA policy is available on the college's website. To summarize a few salient points, certain directory information may be released to the public by the College without the student's explicit consent, unless a student informs the Registrar in writing by July 1 of the following academic year that they do not want directory information to be shared. At Wellesley, "directory information" is defined in the policy and includes identifiers such as name, class year, and College email address. Participation in officially recognized sports and activities, as well as height and weight of student athletes, may also be made public in certain circumstances. In addition, Wellesley College maintains a photo directory of students, staff, and faculty available only within the College community. FERPA guidelines also permit, for example, the sharing of student education record information between College officials who have a legitimate educational interest in receiving it, and the sharing of information as necessary in the event of a health or safety emergency. College policies discourage the indiscriminate release of any information about individual students. If you have questions about how Wellesley maintains educational records, please consult the FERPA policy linked to above, a Class Dean, or the Registrar's office.





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CONTACT INFORMATION

Accessibility and Disability Resources

781.283.1300 accessibility@wellesely.edu

Public Safety Campus Police EMERGENCY:

781.283.5555 TTY: 781.283.2303 Non-emergency: 781.283.2121

Computing Help Desk

781.283.3333 helpdesk@wellesley.edu

Stone Counseling **Center Service**

781.283.2839 counseling@wellesley.edu

Office of the Class Deans

Marvellen Kilev, Associate Dean 781.283.2325 advising@wellesley.edu

Office of the Dean for First-Year Students

Shannon Mokoro.

First-Year Dean 781.283.2326 orientation@wellesley.edu

Dean of Students' Office

Sheila Shaw Horton, Vice President and Dean of Students 781.283.2322 deanofstudentsoffice@ wellesley.edu

Dining Services

Julie Jordan, Director 781.283.3192 jj100@wellesley.edu

Health Services

Jennifer Schwartz, Medical Director 781.283.2810 healthmd@wellesley.edu

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Roberta Schotka, Director 781.283.2675 pltc@wellesley.edu

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Office of Parent and Family Programs

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Office of Student Success

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