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New Student Orientation

New Student Orientation at Brandeis University is unique because it is created by students for students. The Orientation Core Committee comprises a small group of undergraduates selected through a competitive application process to create, plan and implement Orientation for all incoming students. The Department of Orientation staff and other community members supervise and advise the Orientation Core Committee to create an unbelievable Orientation experience just for you!

From the moment you arrive on campus, our vibrant student leaders and friendly staff members will welcome you into the Brandeis community. The first people you see will be the volunteer Orientation Leaders, one of whom will serve as a guide, resource and mentor to you throughout your Orientation days and beyond. If you are living on campus, you will also meet your Community Advisor, a returning student who lives in your residence hall.

Orientation is a weeklong series of informative and educational programs, sessions and events that will help ease your transition to life at Brandeis. You will begin to understand what it means to be a Brandeisian by learning about the university’s history, the resources available to assist you and the intelligent faculty members you will work with. And even though Orientation will come to an end, your Orientation Leader (OL), your Community Advisor (CA), staff members and faculty members will be here for you whenever you need us.

The Brandeis University student leaders, staff and faculty are excited to welcome you to our campus during Opening Weekend. Whether you are arriving on Friday, Aug. 25 (students are invited or selected by a program to arrive on this day) or Sunday, Aug. 27, we hope that you have an enjoyable and memorable experience.
OPENING WEEKEND INFORMATION

FRIDAY, AUG. 25 MOVE-IN INFORMATION

→ 9:00 a.m.-noon: Move-In for Students in the Following Programs
  ■ Creative Arts Preorientation
  ■ Myra Kraft Transitional Year Program (MKTYP)
  ■ Outdoor Leadership Preorientation
  ■ Social Justice Preorientation
  ■ Student Support Services Program (SSSP)

→ 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Move-In for International Students

Check-in for all programs listed above will be in the Hassenfeld Conference Center. Please follow signs for Orientation Check-In and park in Hassenfeld Lot. Orientation Leaders will then direct you to the conference center to pick up your room key and Orientation materials. When you return to your car, Orientation Leaders will direct you to your residence hall, where student leaders will bring your luggage and other belongings directly to your room.

FRIDAY, AUG. 25 STUDENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

→ 1:00-2:00 p.m.: Welcome Reception
  ■ Hear from senior administration, and get to know staff, other families and students at this reception.

→ 2:00-2:50 p.m.: Family Information Session
  ■ Staff from Academic Services, Community Living (housing) and the Dean’s Office are eager to answer all of your questions about life on campus — inside and outside of the classroom.

→ 3:00-4:00 p.m.: Parent Welcome Meeting
  ■ Staff from Academic Services, International Students and Scholars Office, Hiatt Career Center and Brandeis Counseling Center will discuss resources available specifically for international students to aid in their transition to Brandeis University.

SUNDAY, AUG. 27 MOVE-IN INFORMATION

→ 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Move-In for First-Year Students
  ■ First-year students: Please refer to your housing assignment email for your specific predesignated arrival time. You will receive this in early July at your Brandeis email address.
  ■ When you arrive on campus, Orientation Leaders and Brandeis University Public Safety will direct you to the appropriate check-in location. You will receive your Orientation materials while waiting
in our staging area. You will pick up your room key in the center of the first-year quad you are living in. Please bring a photo ID with you to pick up your room key.

- At your residence hall, student leaders will bring your luggage and other belongings directly to your room. We do ask that one person who can drive the car remain with the vehicle at all times so that it can be moved as soon as it is unloaded. This process only takes a few minutes. You can then park your car for the day in our off-site parking lot (J Lot). Shuttles will be running constantly to bring passengers back to campus and back to J Lot at the end of the day.

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Move-In and Check-In for Transfer Students

- When you arrive on campus, please follow the signs for Transfer Student Check-In at Spingold Theater. You will pick up your room key (if living on campus) and Orientation materials there. After you check in, you will go directly to your residence hall to move in.

- In August, you will receive an email with a “Transfer Student Parking Pass.” Please display the parking pass on your windshield when you get to campus. This will give you access to the “Transfer/Commuter/Staff Entrance.”

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.: Check-In for Commuter Students

- Please follow the signs for Commuter Student Check-In at Spingold Theater. You will pick up your Orientation materials there. Then please join us for our programs happening throughout the day.

- In August, you’ll receive an email with a “Commuter Student Parking Pass.” Please display the parking pass on your windshield when you get to campus to gain access to the “Transfer/Commuter/Staff Entrance.” Once you have picked up your Orientation materials, please park your car in J Lot and take the shuttle back to campus.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Only one car per student is allowed on campus when you arrive.
- If you plan to bring a second car, it should go directly to J Lot. A shuttle will bring passengers and additional belongings back to the main campus. There will be signs from campus directing you to J Lot.
- U-Hauls, trailers and moving companies are not permitted.
- Free shuttles will be available for your use around campus. All shuttles are handicapped-accessible.
The Department of Orientation staff will provide assistance to anyone who needs it. Please email Director of Orientation Jenny Abdou at jabdou@brandeis.edu to make arrangements prior to your arrival.

SUNDAY, AUG. 27 STUDENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS

› 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.: Welcome Fair for New Students and Families
› 11:15 a.m.-1:45 p.m.: Taste of Brandeis (drinks and food are provided for all new students and family members)
› 1:00-1:45 p.m.: Meet and Greet With University Departments
› 1:45-2:45 p.m.: Student Panel
› 1:45-2:45 p.m.: Family Panel
› 3:00-3:45 p.m.: Convocation: Brandeis Beginnings
› 3:45-4:00 p.m.: Families Say Goodbye
› 4:00 p.m.: Family Reception

All of the programs listed above are optional. Some families are unable to stay for the entire day, and that is acceptable. There are a number of new students, student leaders and staff who will support new students throughout the day.
THINGS TO PACK

“The Essentials”
You should definitely bring the following when you move in:

☐ Alarm clock
☐ Bath towels, hand towels, wash cloths
☐ Clothes (and remember to pack for New England — you never know what the weather will be!)
☐ Clothes hangers
☐ Cold-water laundry detergent
☐ Comforter/blanket, extra-long twin sheets (standard twin size will not fit)
☐ Dry-erase/bulletin board
☐ Flip-flops (for the shower)
☐ Computer security to lock your computer in your room
☐ Laundry bag/basket, detergent, dryer sheets
☐ LED desk lamp
☐ Pillows/pillowcases
☐ Quarters for laundry ($1.00 each wash/$1.00 each dry); WhoCash can also be used in place of quarters
☐ Reusable water bottle
☐ School supplies (backpack, pens, notebooks, binders)
☐ Small trash can
☐ Toiletries
☐ UL-approved power strips (surge protectors)
“What’s Already There?”

The university will provide you with your own:

- Desk and chair
- Bed frame and mattress
- Closet storage space
- Wireless Internet
- Overhead light
- Television cable jack (please refer to the Library and Technology Services website for the latest update on television service: https://kb.brandeis.edu/x/__4BG)
- Mixed paper and plastic recycling receptacles

“The Extras”

You may want to consider some of the following items as well:

- Bicycle and bike lock
- Fan
- Headphones
- Iron and small ironing board
- Small toolkit
- TV

“What NOT to Bring”

Do NOT bring any of the following items with you:

- Alcohol or illegal drugs
- Animals/pets
- Candles
- Extension cords
- Firearms or weapons
- Halogen lamps
- Hot plates, toasters or other appliances with open coils
- Incense
- Nails or tacks for decorations
- Portable air conditioner
- Space heaters
SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

If you are planning to ship some of your belongings, please note that Brandeis will accept shipped items in the Brandeis Mailroom after Aug. 1. Packages will not be accepted before Aug. 1.

Please use the following address to ship items to campus:

[Your Name, Residence Hall, Room Number]
Brandeis University
415 South Street
Waltham, MA 02453-2728 USA

Labeling Boxes
Label each piece clearly with your name, residence hall and room number. Make sure to ship your items one to two weeks before you plan to arrive, as late August is a busy time for many carriers.

Shipping Companies
There are many companies that can ship your items to Brandeis. Check the local Yellow Pages for carriers in your area. Be sure to check with your carrier before packing your items, as restrictions on size and weight often apply. We recommend that you tag your items with two address tags: one on the outside and one on the inside. We also recommend purchasing insurance on the items.

Claiming Packages
Packages will be available for pickup in the quad outside your residence hall between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 25 and Sunday, Aug. 27. Any student leader or staff member can assist you in picking up your packages and bringing them to your room. If you do not live in Massell or North Quad, contact your Community Advisor about receiving your package(s) upon your arrival, and we will make arrangements to get them to your room.

To collect your packages after 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, please contact Brandeis Mail Services (located in Usdan Student Center) at 781-736-4236. For general questions about shipping and package collection, please call Facilities Services at 781-736-4385 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
TRANSFER STUDENT ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Transfer students are strongly encouraged to participate in all Orientation events. Though you may have already participated in a new student orientation at a previous institution, our Orientation highlights all aspects of the Brandeis community — its resources, staff members and fellow students — that are important for you to know. There are also transfer-student-only programs during Orientation, such as:

- A luncheon with staff members and peers
- A session on transferring credits to Brandeis
- A social event for transfer students only

You will be assigned an Orientation Leader and will be with a group of other transfer students, but you will also interact often with other members of the Brandeis community. If you have questions about transfer Orientation, please email Deena Fisch ’18, student coordinator, at dfisch@brandeis.edu.

OFF-CAMPUS RESIDENT INFORMATION

There are resources available to off-campus residents to ease their transition to Brandeis. On-campus services include:

**Off-Campus Student Lounge:** The Off-Campus Student Lounge is in the Shapiro Campus Center, providing Brandeis students who live off campus with a place on campus to hang out during downtime. The lounge serves as a quiet space where you can retreat, rest and reenergize for the remainder of the day.

**Off-Campus Student Lockers:** Off-campus students may keep their books and personal belongings in a locker provided by the university. Lockers are dispersed on the second and third floors of the Shapiro Campus Center.

For information and access to the lounge and lockers, inquire at the information booth in the atrium of the Shapiro Campus Center or the Department of Student Activities.
TECHNOLOGY TIPS:
BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

☐ Open a Brandeis email account at go.brandeis.edu/accounts. You’ll need one to register for classes. Your account will be active within 48 hours of signing up. Manage your account settings at https://identity.brandeis.edu.

☐ If you bring a computer, we suggest a laptop — go.brandeis.edu/computer-ed-discounts. Either Mac or PC is acceptable. If you bring a desktop, make sure to get a wireless card. (There are no wired Ethernet ports in the residence halls.)


☐ Bring a cellphone. All major cellphone carriers have service on campus.

☐ Pack a few key items to save headaches later:
  ☐ Bring any media that came with your computer (e.g. CDs, USB stick), particularly those pertaining to the Windows operating system.
  ☐ An external hard drive for backing up your data.
  ☐ A 25-foot coax cable if you’re bringing a cable-ready TV.
  ☐ A USB cable for your printer. Wireless printing is not supported in the residence halls, and rogue wireless printers will be discovered and disabled. Public printing is also available in the library and other locations on campus for a fee.
  ☐ A surge protector (not a power strip).

Questions about any of the above or other technical questions? Visit us online at https://help.brandeis.edu, call the Help Desk at 781-736-HELP, or come see us at the library.
WELCOME TO THE BRANDEIS LIBRARY

- Library staff members are here to help with your library and research questions. Our Research Help page outlines all the ways that students can ask questions — online chat, email, drop-in help, research consultations and more. [http://lts.brandeis.edu/research/help](http://lts.brandeis.edu/research/help)

- Getting started with a research assignment? Visit our Research Guides for recommended resources and tips. [http://guides.library.brandeis.edu](http://guides.library.brandeis.edu)

- Your Brandeis ID is your library card, enabling you to check out books and equipment. We also have reserve materials for classes. Reserves can be checked out for two hours and used within the library.

- Along with our collection of print books, the library has databases offering articles, ebooks and other online research materials. You can use your Brandeis username and password to access online resources.

- The University Archives & Special Collections has unique and rare books and manuscript material on many different subjects.

- Stop by the MakerLab ([go.brandeis.edu/makerlab](http://go.brandeis.edu/makerlab)) and the Getz Multimedia Lab ([go.brandeis.edu/getz](http://go.brandeis.edu/getz)) to learn more about their services.

- Looking for a place to study? The library provides a variety of study spaces, including designated quiet areas, group study areas and a Starbucks cafe. The library is open until 2:00 a.m. five nights per week during the semester and 24 hours during final exams.
The Student Service Bureau (SSB) is a student-run business with a mission to provide convenience for Brandeis students and staff through a variety of services. Located in the Game Room in the Usdan Student Center, the SSB is easily accessible and open seven days a week. For more information about any of the following services, please visit www.ssb-brandeis.com, call 781-736-3766, or email ssb@brandeis.edu.

**Linens Program**
If you’re having a hard time finding the extra-long sheets for your residence hall room, the linens program can help. We offer packages that include pillows and pillowcases, sheets and bedding, comforters and more for a reasonable price.

**MicroFridge® Rentals**
Need a convenient way to get a fridge and true-zero freezer, microwave, and charging station for your room? Rent this great three-in-one! Free delivery and pick-up to your room.

**College Welcome Packages**
We work with On Campus Marketing (OCM) to offer many care packages that can be ordered throughout the year. Family and friends can send a Welcome Package at the beginning of the year, a survival package at Finals or a package specially made for holiday celebrations! You can choose just one package to send or book now for the entire academic year. Look in your mail for order forms by mid-July!

**Laundry Service and Dry Cleaning**
SSB is pleased to partner again with E&R — The Campus Laundry to provide its popular laundry service to Brandeis students. E&R’s weekly service provides a convenience to new students adjusting to college life, returning students involved in clubs, athletics and internships, or those who just prefer having someone else do their laundry. The service offers convenient pickup and drop-off in the Game Room, located in Usdan Student Center. To order, visit www.TheCampusLaundry.com, or call 800-243-7789 and press 1.

**Storage Squad**
Storage Squad is the official storage partner of the Student Service Bureau! Storage Squad provides affordable pickup and delivery storage and shipping services to more than 3,500 students in the Greater Boston area each summer. Its services include free pickup and delivery, free packing supplies and the lowest storage prices in the country.

Visit www.storagesquad.com to schedule your appointment and to learn more.

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**Come Find Us!**

**Usdan Student Center**

**Game Room**

Monday, 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Tuesday - Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Friday, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday, 1:00-4:00 p.m.
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The two hotels listed below have rooms blocked at a special rate for Brandeis Orientation 2017.

Be sure to mention “Brandeis Orientation” when calling to reserve a room. If you prefer another hotel, there are several hotels in the Waltham area.

**Boston Marriott, Newton**
2345 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02466
617-969-1000

$149/night (reserve by July 20)

**Embassy Suites**
550 Winter Street
Waltham, MA 02451
781-890-6767

$159/night (reserve by July 25)

TRANSPORTATION

If you need transportation from Logan International Airport to Brandeis University, you can make a reservation with GO Boston Shuttle by calling 888-437-4379 or online at www.gobostonshuttle.com/reservations.

The commuter rail will get you to and from Boston. The commuter rail stop at Brandeis is called Brandeis-Roberts and is located on the Fitchburg line that departs from North Station in Boston. Please note that commuter rail service may be unavailable or limited on weekends. For the most up-to-date information and schedule, please visit www.mbta.com.
BRANDEIS BOOKSTORE

Save money on textbooks and simplify your move-in by purchasing or renting your textbooks through the Brandeis Bookstore. Students who purchase their books through the bookstore’s website get first access to used books. Since the bookstore staff works directly with professors, you’ll be sure to have the right books for your classes.

It is advisable to select in-store pickup for several reasons. In-store pickup orders are pulled when the used book inventory is at its highest, which will result in more used books for your order. You will also save money by avoiding shipping costs, and move-in is simplified because your books are already here. These textbooks will be available for pickup starting on Opening Sunday and through the first week of classes.

SHOPPING

The Brandeis Bookstore can take care of many of your last-minute purchases, from bedding to extension cords to everything in between. It also carries all the necessary school supplies for classes.

There are also plenty of stores in Waltham and the surrounding areas. The malls listed below are about a 20-minute drive from campus. Detailed driving directions are available on their websites.


BANKS

On Friday, Aug. 25, and Sunday, Aug. 27, representatives from Bank of America, Citizens Bank, Santander Bank and Webster Bank will be available to assist you in opening a bank account. International students can open an account with a passport and a Brandeis student ID.
FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE COURSE

The PE 44a First-Year Experience course is listed under the Physical Education courses section in the University Bulletin. This course counts toward one of the two PE General Education Requirements. The First-Year Experience class offers students:

→ Skills for academic success
→ Discussions on diversity and awareness
→ Enhancement of critical thinking abilities
→ Connection to the university, its resources, faculty, staff and peers
→ Engagement in the community through involvement and service
→ Opportunities to build interpersonal skills and learn time and stress management techniques

Space is limited, so register as soon as possible. For questions or further information, contact Stephanie Grimes at grimes@brandeis.edu.

TESTIMONIALS:

"I loved this course and would recommend it to all first-years!"

"The diverse range of topics that we covered in our weekly discussions was extremely helpful in building my character and communication skills."
PREORIENTATION PROGRAMS

Brandeis University offers three preorientation programs that you can apply to participate in. All students may apply for these programs, with the exception of fall-sport athletes and those participating in the International Student Orientation, Myra Kraft Transitional Year Program or Student Support Services Program because of scheduling conflicts.

The three preorientation programs being offered are based around the following themes: creative arts, outdoor leadership and social justice. Space is limited in each one.

If you are interested in one, two or three of these programs, please go to the Department of Orientation website at www.brandeis.edu/orientation and complete the Preorientation Application. **The application is due by June 15.** Please note that you can be selected to participate in only one of these programs, as they run simultaneously.

Below are brief descriptions as well as cost and contact information for each preorientation program. **Please do not be discouraged by the cost of the program, as there are scholarships available for students who need them.**

**Creative Arts**
The Creative Arts Preorientation (CAPO), taking place Aug. 19-20, will revolve around the theme of “Transitions: Building Tomorrow.” It will focus on helping students embrace themselves and learn more about others through the use of several mediums. Through various arts-orientated activities and media, CAPO students will engage with one another and gain a better understanding of the Brandeis community. Participants will have the opportunity to create something (a story, poem, dance or song, for example) to share with the other CAPO participants. Through CAPO, we hope to instill within each student a sense of pride in themselves, their passions and their school.

For questions or additional information, contact Kaylee Wallace ’19 at kwallace521@brandeis.edu.

Cost: $150
Outdoor Leadership
Be part of a small group of peers that participates in a fun-filled and thoughtful experience in the woods of Massachusetts. Through different activities, you will explore group and personal processes using the outdoors as a medium for learning. Ranging from orienteering and a ropes course to cooking shared meals and making a campfire, this program will encourage you to step out of your comfort zone to enhance the skills you will need for a successful transition to college. You need not have any previous experience in the outdoors to apply.

→ For questions or additional information, contact Scott Berozi at sberozi@brandeis.edu.

→ Cost: $250

Social Justice
Social justice is an integral part of the Brandeis community and an important part of the Brandeis experience. Do you have a passion for learning about other people’s experiences and how they differ from your own? Are you looking for a framework to be an advocate for social change? Come join many other bright, driven and socially aware new students on a journey of self-discovery. Through different activities led by Orientation Leaders, you will learn about yourself and your identity; evaluate your perspective on social issues through a dialogue with your peers, Brandeis staff and professors; and learn how to make effective change.

→ For questions or additional information, contact Zach Cihlar ’19 at zachcihlar@brandeis.edu.

→ Cost: $150
INVITATION-ONLY PREORIENTATION PROGRAMS

The following programs are through invitation only. If you are eligible for any of these programs, you will be contacted directly.

International Student Orientation
International students must arrive at Brandeis on Friday, Aug. 25, 2017, before 1:00 p.m. The International Student Orientation Program includes a series of sessions and activities that welcome international students to Brandeis and to the United States. We introduce topics such as adjusting to living in a new environment, connecting with peers, staff and faculty, and finding academic support and key resources typical to university life in the U.S. We also offer an overview of nonimmigrant visa regulations and benefits. There are social events that create a fun and relaxing atmosphere where international students will get to know their peers and other members of the community. To learn more about the International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO), visit www.brandeis.edu/isso or email isso@brandeis.edu.
Myra Kraft Transitional Year Program (MKTYP)
The 20 fellows admitted to Brandeis through the Myra Kraft TYP must arrive on campus for this preorientation program between 9:00 a.m. and noon on Friday, Aug. 25, 2017. The preorientation experience serves as an opportunity for the students in the program to receive specialized academic advising and reflect on their common strengths and talents. Program alumni and instructors, as well as members of the campus faculty and staff, provide students with helpful information, advice and presentations in preparation for beginning a successful academic career at Brandeis. For more information about the MKTYP or its preorientation program, visit www.brandeis.edu/acserv/typ or email Elizabeth Rotolo at erotolo@brandeis.edu.

Student Support Services Program (SSSP)
SSSP is a small, community-oriented program within Academic Services. SSSP is federally funded by a TRiO grant aimed at supporting students who are the first in their families to attend college and students who have overcome financial or other significant barriers to attend a postsecondary education institution. SSSP provides customized and cutting-edge academic support, guidance in career planning, graduate school preparation, peer mentoring, peer tutoring, a semester-long Learning Community, and cultural and academic trips. Approximately 35 to 40 students enroll and become members each year. The preorientation program is a time for students to build community and learn about SSSP services. To find out more about the program, contact Elena Lewis, interim director, or visit www.brandeis.edu/acserv/sssp.
COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community service is engraved into Brandeis’ core and mission. As such, our Department of Community Service is dedicated to providing relevant volunteer experiences that align the skills and interests of the Brandeis community with the needs of local and global communities. The department strives to establish sustainable and reciprocal partnerships with community, governmental, educational, cultural and social-service agencies, and our staff members offer advice and support for student-led initiatives.

Student service outreach is done primarily through the Waltham Group, a student-led community service organization. The Waltham Group was founded in 1966 in response to student activism and in recognition of the university’s responsibility to produce engaged citizens of the community. More than 750 students volunteer each semester through the 20 Waltham Group programs, making it the largest student organization on campus.

Through the Commitment to Service Award Program, students can log their volunteer hours in SAGE. This record of service can be beneficial when applying for internships, graduate programs, grants and more. It also offers an opportunity to celebrate our students’ commitment to social justice and service. At a ceremony prior to graduation, Brandeis awards a Commitment to Service medal to students who have achieved 300, 600 or 900 hours of service during their years at Brandeis. Students are encouraged to wear their medal at the Commencement ceremony.

If you are interested in participating in a Waltham Group program, be sure to stop by Recruitment Night on Sept. 6 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Shapiro Campus Center Atrium. For further information about what type of programs are available, please visit the Department of Community Service website at www.brandeis.edu/communityservice or stop by the office in the Shapiro Campus Center, suite 203.
VOLUNTEER FEST 2017

Be part of something truly special at Brandeis — Volunteer Fest! For the eighth consecutive year, the Departments of Community Service and Orientation are partnering to create an opportunity for students to engage in service throughout the greater Waltham and Boston communities and leave a lasting impact on themselves and our neighbors.

Join us for another weekend of service followed by engaging dialogue, reflections, food and freebies! Participants will partner with upperclass students, faculty and staff to address community needs. Please contact Gianna Petrillo ’19 at gpetrillo@brandeis.edu with questions about Volunteer Fest 2017. Be sure to check the Orientation website at www.brandeis.edu/orientation for Volunteer Fest updates and to register for the program.

RESIDING ON CAMPUS

Most first-year students are assigned to double, natural or lofted triple rooms in one of two residence quadrangles (quads), Massell Quad or North Quad. Both quads allow for single and mixed-gender floors. Additionally, there are laundry facilities in both residence quads.

Massell Quad
Encircling Yakus Pond, Massell Quad consists of four residence halls: Shapiro, Usen, Deroy and Renfield. Students living in Massell have a variety of living options. Overlooking Massell Quad is the Hassenfeld Conference Quad.
Center, which houses Sherman Dining Hall and The Stein. Massell is also close to the Shapiro Campus Center, which is accessible 24 hours a day to study and hang out. There is a lounge located in the Shapiro Residence Hall that is open 24 hours a day for students to relax, watch television or play foosball. It also offers an ideal location for study groups.

Located directly behind Renfield Hall are the university chapels and Chapels Field, which is used for many outdoor quad and university functions.

**North Quad**

North Quad comprises four buildings: Scheffres, Gordon, Reitman and Cable. It surrounds a tranquil courtyard and also houses the Polaris Lounge, between Gordon and Scheffres Halls. Open 24 hours a day, the lounge provides an excellent place for group or quiet study, games of foosball and quad-wide events.

North Quad is located next to the Mandel Academic Quad and the Kutz Administrative Building, which houses the Office of the University Registrar, Campus Card Office, International Students and Scholars Office and a number of other student services. North Quad is only steps away from the Usdan Student Center, where you will find Usdan Café and Boulevard as well as Student Financial Services, the Department of Community Living, the Game Room, the post office, the Hoot Market and much more.
COMMUNITY LIVING

Community Advisors
All incoming students who reside on campus will have a Community Advisor (CA). These students live in the residence halls and serve as mentors, leaders and resources throughout the school year. Community Advisors can assist you with getting around campus, solving roommate conflicts, handling homesickness and other personal concerns. In addition, there is a Community Advisor on duty in each quad every night in case of emergencies.

Area Coordinator
In addition to CAs, the Area Coordinator (AC) — a full-time, master’s-level professional staff member — manages the residential experience for students, assisting with everything from facilities concerns to roommate mediation and program development. The Area Coordinator holds regular office hours both within the quad and in the Department of Community Living in the Usdan Student Center or calling 781-736-5060.

Roommates
You will live with your roommate(s) for the academic year, so it’s important for all roommates to understand one another’s lifestyle. Your CA will meet with you and your roommate(s) at the start of the semester to complete a roommate agreement, which will allow you to establish the ground rules for your room and for living together.

Safety and Fire Policies
All residence hall rooms and suites come equipped with smoke detectors. These act as an early warning system designed to signal a life-threatening situation — not just to the residents of that room or suite, but to the entire building. Therefore, smoke detectors must not be tampered with. All quads are smoke-free. A confirmed fire-safety violation in a residence hall will result in a monetary fine. First-year and sophomore quads are alcohol-free. For more information regarding policies, visit www.brandeis.edu/studentlife/srcs.

Insurance
While your family’s homeowners’ insurance may cover some loss or damage to property, you may want to explore the insurance option offered by National Student Services Inc. The university cannot take responsibility for loss or damage to an individual’s personal property. Policies from National Student Services cover student property at school and home or a personally owned vehicle. Brandeis has no financial relationship with this company. This information is provided as a service to our students and their families. Visit www.nssi.com for more information.
SUSTAINABILITY AT BRANDEIS

Brandeis students care deeply about social justice issues, including climate change and sustainable living. Here at Brandeis, we are working tirelessly as a community to ensure that future generations enjoy the same resources we have today. Even our small everyday choices make a difference.

Follow these guidelines to help us reach our sustainability goals:

**Energy efficiency**
- Turn off all lights when you leave your room.
- Turn off lights in common rooms when they are unoccupied.
- Unplug any electronic devices you are not using, such as gaming consoles, monitors, chargers, etc.
- At night, remember to turn off the bathroom lights. Emergency lights in hallways will stay on no matter what, so you will never be completely in the dark.
- Share a mini-refrigerator with your roommate(s) to save space and lower your energy usage.
- Use the eco-friendly power management settings on your laptop, and do not use desktop screensavers — they use extra energy when you are not even using your laptop!
- Wash your clothes in cold water — it saves a lot of energy!

**Water efficiency**
- Take shorter showers and turn off the faucet when brushing your teeth.
- Washers use the same amount of water no matter the size of the load. Pool your laundry with a roommate or friend so you don’t have to wash a small load by itself (and save money, too).
Waste reduction

→ Recycle as much as possible. Brandeis has recycling bins all over campus, each with instructions that clearly state what can be recycled. We have zero-sort recycling, so all recyclable materials go in the same bin.
→ Take advantage of composting bins in Usdan, one of our campus dining halls, where you can dispose of any food waste.
→ Save money by using a reusable bottle instead of bottled water. Brandeis has several water bottle filling stations across campus.
→ Fun Fact: You get a discount on your coffee and hot drinks when you bring your own mug to Starbucks, Dunkin’ Donuts and Einstein’s!

Keep your eye out for opportunities to participate in first-year quad sustainability competitions. Prizes will be awarded!

Let’s work together to live sustainably. Remind your friends of these practices and encourage each other to follow these guidelines. For more information, visit www.brandeis.edu/sustainability.
WHAT IS SAGE?

Sage (sage.brandeis.edu) is our online system that provides students, faculty and staff with access to academic and administrative information. Sage allows you to access your records, view and enroll in courses, see grades, order transcripts, monitor degree progress, connect to our Student Account Center, view and pay charges and control your privacy settings with respect to the online directory.

Student Account Center (SAC) Access
Our SAC allows you to invite trusted third parties, usually your parent(s) or legal guardian(s), to access your SAC details. Authorized users will have their own access to your student account details to make payments and sign up for a monthly payment plan. Authorized access is controlled by you, which means you may add or delete users as you wish. Brandeis assumes that we may speak to anyone who has been granted access to your account.

To invite an authorized user to your account, go to sage.brandeis.edu. Once logged in, select the link to the Student Account Center and then Manage Account Access. This will allow you to invite a parent or other bill payer to register and access your student account information. Please contact the Office of Student Financial Services at 781-736-3700 or sfs@brandeis.edu if you have any questions about account access.

Sage Community Crisis Information
Sage is one way for you to enter personal emergency notification information. To enter your contact information, log in to Sage and click on “Crisis Contact Information” in the “Personal Information” section of the Student Center. For a broader context and description of the entire emergency preparedness program, go to www.brandeis.edu/emergency-prepare/index.html.

The emergency notification system at Brandeis utilizes the latest in technology. During an actual campuswide emergency, Brandeis will use sirens, campus telephones, Brandeis email, the Brandeis website and plasma displays in public to provide emergency instructions to the entire Brandeis community.

It is strongly recommended that you register your personal telephone number and personal email address to receive emergency instructions via cellphone and SMS text message as well. You also have the option to enter permanent home contact information if you wish for your family to be notified in a campuswide emergency. This is under the “Emergency Contact” link in the “Personal Information” section of the Student Center.
ACADEMIC ADVISING AT BRANDEIS

Academic Advising
At Brandeis, you will have a team of advisors to support you as you embark on your academic journey:

A staff advisor in Academic Services. Your advisor is assigned to you based on your last name or program affiliation (see next page). Academic Services provides advising and support for every stage of your academic career — from the first time you register for classes through graduation. Our office is a place where you can talk with an advisor one-on-one and discuss your concerns and questions. The staff can help you develop meaningful educational plans that allow you to learn, explore and make the most of academic opportunities available at Brandeis.

A first-year faculty advisor. Assigned in early August, faculty advisors are available to talk with you about their own academic path, how an academic department is structured, opportunities to get intellectually involved and how their discipline fits into the larger liberal arts philosophy of Brandeis University. You will have an advising appointment with your faculty advisor during Orientation.

A Roosevelt Fellow. Assigned before course registration, the Roosevelt Fellows are junior or senior peer mentors who offer one-on-one academic advising and events throughout the academic year. Your Roosevelt Fellow will be able to provide a student’s perspective on academics at Brandeis. Visit www.brandeis.edu/acserv/roosevelt for more information.

For more info!
Check out www.brandeis.edu/advising/firstyears for information.
OFFICE OF ACADEMIC SERVICES

Fall 2017 course registration in SAGE will be open for new incoming students July 10-16, and will be available to all undergraduates July 17-Sept. 13. In preparation for registration, Academic Services will send a series of emails in mid-June with information on academic requirements, building a balanced schedule, claiming AP/IB scores and more. You're invited to speak with your advisor via phone, Skype or email throughout the summer. To schedule an appointment, please call Academic Services at 781-736-3470, or schedule online through www.brandeisadvising.youcanbook.me.

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MLK Scholars should contact Elizabeth Teurlay (eteurlay@brandeis.edu).

Myra Kraft Transitional Year Program Scholars should contact Erika Smith (esmith@brandeis.edu).

Student Support Services Program Scholars should contact their SSSP advisor: Jennifer Morazes (jmorazes@brandeis.edu), Elena Lewis (ewilson@brandeis.edu) or Katie Julian (kjulian@brandeis.edu).

Brandeis Undergraduate Group Study (BUGS)
BUGS provides free peer group study for more than 60 courses. Review course material and prep for exams with knowledgeable and experienced peer leaders who have taken the class previously. Visit www.brandeis.edu/acserv/bugs for more information.

Disabilities Services and Support
Brandeis University provides individual support and accommodations to all students who have need. Students with documented disabilities — including mobility, visual, hearing, medical, psychological or learning disabilities — can request course accommodations and other campus services by contacting a member of the staff. Visit www.brandeis.edu/acserv/disabilities for more information.

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GLOBAL BRANDEIS

Brandeis alum Thomas Friedman writes, “Today more than ever, the traditional boundaries between politics, culture, technology, finance, national security and ecology are disappearing. You often cannot explain one without referring to the others, and you cannot explain the whole without reference to them all.” In this way, ideas of what it means to be a global citizen are constantly evolving. Brandeis is responding with efforts to strengthen its global engagement by encouraging students to embrace thought, experience and action through cultural exchange and dialogue, both on campus and abroad. Your time at Brandeis will be important to develop friendships with those from different countries, study abroad to immerse yourself in another culture, and take classes to learn about other cultures.

International Students and Scholars (ISSO)
The International Students and Scholars Office (ISSO) supports Brandeis international students and scholars from approximately 100 countries around the globe. The ISSO offers programs that aim to enhance the American educational experience for international students and scholars as well as help the community benefit from the presence of diverse cultures on campus. In support of our international students and scholars, the ISSO determines visa eligibility and generates the visa documents needed for nonimmigrant students, scholars and their dependents to obtain visas in order to come to Brandeis University. The ISSO also assists with immigration benefits and procedures and advises about the rights and responsibilities of living, studying and working in the U.S. as a nonimmigrant.
Study Abroad
With nearly 40 percent of each class studying overseas, the Office of Study Abroad offers students the opportunity to spend a year, semester or summer abroad through more than 300 approved programs in about 60 countries. Our advisors will help you through the entire process — from choosing a program and selecting courses to being abroad and then returning to campus. Whether you are seeking to take classes at a local university, conduct research, work in the field or partake in an academic internship, there are many ways to integrate global engagement into your Brandeis degree.

The Office of Study Abroad is also proud to offer five unique Brandeis-led/faculty-directed programs throughout the year:

→ **Brandeis in The Hague (spring and summer):** Study with Brandeis faculty and gain experience in international justice and human rights through firsthand interactions with criminal tribunals in The Hague.

→ **Brandeis-India Science Scholars Program (spring):** Study biology, chemistry, physics, math or computer science and conduct research at the renowned Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore.

→ **Brandeis in Siena (summer):** Experience the global classroom by studying studio art and art history with Brandeis faculty in the artistic city of Siena, Italy.

→ **Brandeis in Copenhagen (summer):** Earn intermediate economics credit and explore European case studies in behavior economics in Copenhagen, Denmark, with a Brandeis faculty member.

For more information and to reach one of the advising staff, please visit [www.brandeis.edu/abroad](http://www.brandeis.edu/abroad).
ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

The Office of Student Financial Services coordinates all hourly on-campus student employment and maintains an up-to-date listing of all available on- and off-campus job opportunities for students. Visit www.brandeis.edu/offices/sfs for all the information you will need about student employment policies, procedures and guidelines for obtaining an on-campus job.

All students who intend to secure a job on campus will be required to present identification to the Office of Student Financial Services that satisfies the requirements of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Form I-9. You must complete the form after you receive a job offer but prior to beginning work. You cannot begin work if you do not bring these ORIGINAL documents to campus with you! Please see the next page for a partial list of common documents that we accept.
ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE ORIGINAL AND UNEXPIRED

Employees may present one selection from List A or a combination of one selection from List B and one selection from List C. This is a partial list; please see Form I-9 instructions for a complete list.

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<td>School ID card with a photograph</td>
<td>Original or certified copy of birth certificate issued by a state, county, municipal authority or territory of the United States bearing an official seal</td>
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<td>Permanent resident card or alien registration receipt card (Form I-551)</td>
<td>Voter’s registration card</td>
<td>A Social Security account number card, unless the card includes one of the following restrictions: (1) not valid for employment (2) valid for work only with ins authorization (3) valid for work only with dhs authorization</td>
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For a nonimmigrant alien authorized to work for a specific employer because of his or her status:

- a. Foreign passport; and
- b. Form I-94 or Form I-94A that has the following:
  - (1) The same name as the passport; and
  - (2) An endorsement of the alien's nonimmigrant status as long as that period of endorsement has not yet expired and the proposed employment is not in conflict with any restrictions or limitations identified on the form.

- Driver's license or ID card issued by a state or outlying possession of the United States, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color and address

- Unexpired DHS employment authorization document
Please note that students who have been awarded a Federal Work-Study or University Employment allotment as part of their financial aid package have priority for campus jobs until Oct. 1. Students who were not awarded these funds are ineligible for employment until after this date. If you have not yet filed an application for financial aid and would like to do so, please visit www.brandeis.edu/offices/sfs/finaid/apply.html for more information.

International students may be eligible to work on campus while maintaining full-time student status at Brandeis. Eligibility for working on campus will be discussed during the International Student Preorientation Program.

Please contact the Office of Student Financial Services at 781-736-3700 or sfs@brandeis.edu with any questions or concerns regarding Student Employment. You can also learn more at our information session during orientation.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO CAMPUS**

**From the Massachusetts Turnpike**

*(Interstate 90 Eastbound)*

Take exit 14 for I-95/Route 128. After the tollbooth, keep left for 95/128 North. While on the ramp, exit immediately onto exit 24 for Route 30. Turn left at the light onto Route 30. Turn right at the next traffic light. This is South Street, and Brandeis is two miles ahead on the left.

**From the Massachusetts Turnpike**

*(Interstate 90 Westbound)*

Take exit 15 for I-95/Route 128 and Route 30. After the tollbooth, proceed straight toward Route 30. Turn right at the end of the ramp, and then right again at the first traffic light on Route 30. Turn left at next traffic light. This is South Street, and Brandeis is two miles ahead on the left.

**From I-95/Route 128 Northbound**

Take exit 24 for Route 30. Route 30 is one of several options at this exit, so follow signs carefully. Turn left at the light onto Route 30. Turn right at the next traffic light. This is South Street, and Brandeis is two miles ahead on the left.

**From I-95/Route 128 Southbound**

Take exit 24 for Route 30. At end of the ramp, proceed through the light (across Route 30). This is South Street, and Brandeis is two miles ahead on the left.
Orientation Finale: A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017
8:00-11:30 p.m.

Join us for a night to remember as you explore Boston’s Museum of Science! This private event will be held in the museum’s Blue Wing, which encloses three levels of galleries wrapped around a towering central atrium. Come dance the night away and take in Boston’s beautiful skyline, all while a 45-foot-long T-Rex lurks in one corner and an Apollo module floats overhead.

Buses will leave campus at 7:30 p.m. and return around midnight.

This event is FREE to all new students. You can pick up your ticket at Brandeis Tickets located in the Shapiro Campus Center Atrium during Orientation. If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Orientation at 781-736-5074 or orientation@brandeis.edu.
SAVE THE DATE: FAMILY WEEKEND

Family Weekend, scheduled for Oct. 26-30, 2017, is an annual program that highlights the life your student is creating at Brandeis.

For more than 65 years, students have come to Brandeis to learn, become leaders and make their mark. Family Weekend invites friends and family to the Brandeis community to learn more about what our institution offers. The weekend provides visitors the opportunity to spend quality time with family while attending on- and off-campus events to get a taste of the Brandeis experience.

We look forward to seeing you here! You may direct questions or concerns about Family Weekend to Student Activities at 781-736-5065 or fallfest@brandeis.edu.
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Please visit www.brandeis.edu for additional department information.

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**Contact Information for Orientation**

If you have any questions or concerns about Orientation, please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Orientation.

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