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Dear Junior Transfer Students,

On behalf of my colleagues in the Dean's Office, it is a pleasure to welcome you to the Wesleyan University community. I am delighted that you will be coming to Wesleyan! As your Class Dean, I will be assisting you in your transition to Wes and will serve as an academic source of support and general point of contact for you during your two years here.

**Transfer Student Orientation begins on Wednesday, August 29 and continues through Sunday, September 2.** This is an important time for you to become familiar with the campus and make new friends, and to begin your academic career by getting settled into a major and discussing your fall semester course selection and educational goals with your faculty advisor. Dean Brown and I will meet with the entire group of transfer students to discuss academic regulations, policies, and procedures. Also I will meet with you individually to address your concerns and answer any questions you may have. **You are expected to arrive at Wesleyan between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on August 29.** If you anticipate a problem with this arrival time, please contact the Orientation Office at (860) 685-5666 or at [orientation@wesleyan.edu](mailto:orientation@wesleyan.edu).

To prepare for your arrival to Wesleyan, please review the following documents that are available online through your electronic portfolio via the **Orientation News & Checklist** link for:

1. Academic Interest Questionnaire (due June 30)
2. Transfer, Exchange Visiting Students
  - a. Transfer Connections form (due June 30)
  - b. Course Registration Checklist

Information about placement testing, disability services, and other important information, links and deadlines also can be found in the **"Orientation News & Checklist"** bucket in WesPortal. **Please use the Checklist to ensure that you return all required materials by their various deadlines. It is important that you stay on top of these.**

There are some important resources you will need to consult as you start planning your academic program for course pre-registration in July.

1. **WesMaps** is Wesleyan's online course catalog, which provides scheduling information and course descriptions for classes that will be offered in the 2018-19 academic year.
2. **WesPortal** is used to access information related to your academic record as well as to check your e-mail and review your student account bill. You also enroll in the University and register for courses through WesPortal. You can log on at <https://webapps.wesleyan.edu/portal>.
3. The **Placement Test** information should be read with care. Placement tests for mathematics and music theory and for the following languages--Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Russian, and Spanish—are administered online through WesPortal. These placement tests are required, if you are

planning to continue to study in the listed areas and will be used to enable enrollment in the appropriate course level in July. In certain cases, you may be able to use AP scores for a placement recommendation.

4. The **Major Declaration** website contains helpful information and links that can assist you in the process of declaring a major. As a junior, you will want to declare your major before the end of July. You also can wait until you arrive on campus but it makes more sense to connect you prior to course scheduling, which closes on July 31, so that you will have the benefit of major status in course selection. Upon acceptance into a major, you will be assigned a faculty advisor.

About your **transfer credits**:

1. Bring a course catalog from each college or university from which you have submitted a transcript, since it is essential to the credit transfer process. I will work with you on any outstanding issues concerning transfer credits, including the evaluation of credits for courses that were in progress when you applied to Wesleyan. No matter how many transfer credits you post to your Wesleyan transcript, you will need to earn a minimum of 16.00 Wesleyan credits to meet one of Wesleyan's graduation requirements.

2. A maximum of two credits per summer in which you earn a C- or above may be counted toward your degree. If you are taking classes this summer and intend to transfer these credits to Wesleyan, be sure to have an official transcript sent to me (Deans' Office, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT 06459) upon completion of your coursework. Please contact me if you have questions or concerns.

3. Pre-matriculant credit (2.00 credits maximum) may be earned by students who have received high scores in Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and A-Level examinations. In most cases, it will be necessary to successfully complete a specified course at Wesleyan in order to post the test credit to your Wesleyan transcript.

Regular communication will be e-mailed about course registration, arrival day, and orientation during the summer. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Remember to stay on top of the information and deadlines in your portfolio and peruse the Orientation website for updates on schedules and events.

Best wishes for an enjoyable summer and again, please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or concerns. I look forward to your arrival!

Sincerely,



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