Dear First-Year Student,

On behalf of the Dean of the College and the Registrar’s offices, I would like to welcome you to Carleton. By now you should have received two paper mailings; you should have taken your placement exams and sent us (electronically or by fax) your choices for first year seminars. If you haven’t received the mailings, let us know; if you haven’t done what you need to do, please do so. This mailing, Being at Carleton, is the final paper mailing for the summer. Your weekly e-mails, however, will continue through September 1st.

Being at Carleton focuses on registration. To help you plan accordingly, enclosed is:

- Courses Available to First-Year Students and Web Registration “How To”

Also enclosed are the:

- New Student Week Guide
- CIRP Freshman Survey letter. CIRP is a national survey of all incoming first year students. Carleton uses the responses—confidentially—to understand the experiences and skills of entering students and to give us a starting point for assessment (about which you’ll hear more during New Student Week). We take seriously the need to assess what we do; you can do your part by taking the survey.

Summer Registration Directions:

Before Registration:

- Read the registration information on the New Student Website, see: https://apps.carleton.edu/student/new/academic/registration/.
- Look through the Courses Available to First-Year Students you received in this mailing. You will notice that most of the courses are numbered in the 100s. A few courses are part of a sequence and have prerequisites: language courses numbered 101, 102, 103 and 204; and MATH 111, 131, 141, 151 and 211 (Calculus sequence). Most courses in Courses Available to First-Year Students have no prerequisites, and a course numbered 180 is no harder than a course numbered 112. The courses included which are numbered in the 200s are appropriate for first-year students and do not have pre-requisites.
- Check The Hub at https://thehub.carleton.edu throughout the week of July 27th for your first-year seminar placement (use the “My Class Schedule” link) as well as other placements (use the “Test Summary” link).
- Before you register, check The Hub for up-to-date information on which courses are still available. Use the “Search for Sections (real time)” link in the Registration section of the Students menu.

Registration:

- The week of July 14, check “Am I Registration Ready” link on The Hub for your priority registration time. Registration is August 18-29.
• Use the New Student website decision trees to help you decide what to enroll in.
• Enroll in the equivalent of three 6-credit courses (this includes the first year seminar). [Note that Calc II and Introduction to Physics courses are broken down into 3 credit courses which meet for half a term. Two of these courses equals one 6 credit course.] Music lessons, ensembles, and physical education are in addition. You’ll enroll in nine 6-credit courses your first year.
• If there’s a course that really interests you and it says “closed” or “waitlist” you may still place yourself on the waitlist, but waitlisting does not count as one of your three courses.
• Enroll in no more than one laboratory course (except in the case of two 5-week introductory physics classes, mentioned above: Physics 131/151 or Physics 142/151 are equivalent to one lab course).
• At least two of the courses should be graded A-F (courses whose number is 100—ENGL 100, POSC 100, etc.—are graded on a satisfactory/credit/no credit basis).
• Visit CAUCUS! Go to http://caucus.carleton.edu, and search for these conferences by name:
  
  **Class of 2012**—a spot for general questions, meet and greet, and interaction with all sorts of Carls.
  **Class of 2012 Registration**—restricted access to members of the Class of 2012 and staff/students who have received training about all things registration-related.

Questions about courses? Need someone to talk to? Call 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CST (Central Standard Time):
  
  507-222-4289 Registrar’s Office
  507-222-4075 Dean of Students Office
  507-222-4300 Dean of the College Office
  507-222-5937 Director of International Student Programs

If you can’t register online, please call the Dean of the College Office using the number listed above. Our mailing address is:

  Carleton College
  Registrar’s Office
  1 N. College Street
  Northfield, MN 55057

  Fax: 507-222-5419 or 507-222-5427

You should know that it’s hard to make a serious registration mistake your first term; several staff members will be reviewing your registration. We are more than happy to answer questions, so don’t hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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