The Road to Colgate

A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO YOUR ARRIVAL IN THE FALL

COLGATE UNIVERSITY
Welcome, Incoming Students

As the dean of the college, I am delighted to be among the first to officially welcome you to Colgate University. We are looking forward, with anticipation, to your arrival in August. We know that you may have remaining academic responsibilities to complete, but we also do not want to wait to welcome you and to help you begin your transition to Colgate.

Mark your calendars now: Arrival Day is Sunday, August 21, 2022. Please plan to arrive early that morning (we begin check-in at 8:30 a.m. EDT) to take advantage of the full schedule of events. It will be a full day with check-in activities, moving into your room, Parent and Family Orientation, and receptions hosted by faculty and administrative staff. That afternoon, following brief remarks from President Brian Casey and me, you will say farewell to your families and begin orientation activities with your classmates.

In an effort to streamline information this summer, several documents, required forms, and additional resources will be available at colgate.edu/newstudents. At this link, you will find information about course registration; two required online courses that you must complete before Arrival Day; the University’s Student Handbook, which includes the policy against hazing; and the diversity, equity, and inclusion module that you will also need to complete before Arrival Day.

Please take a moment now to familiarize yourself with the new student webpage and check your email regularly for updates and announcements throughout the summer. I have also enclosed information regarding several pre-orientation opportunities we anticipate offering to your class. I strongly encourage you to consider participating in one of these pre-orientation programs; please sign up soon because these programs often reach capacity early. Students who do participate say it makes them feel much more a part of their new community.

A note regarding your travel to Colgate: As you make plans for the fall semester, take note of the fall recess and exam dates indicated on the academic calendar, and please plan accordingly (see colgate.edu/academics/academic-calendar/2022-2023). For planning purposes, you should assume that you will have a final exam on the last day of exam week in December 2022, ending at 5 p.m. Exams cannot be rescheduled to accommodate travel plans, so book travel carefully.

Your admission to Colgate is not an end in itself; it is the beginning of your college education. It is the beginning of what we hope will be a transformative experience in your life. The effort you invest in your academics these remaining weeks of high school sets the tone for your first semester at Colgate.

Finally, enjoy your summer; you’ve earned it. Let us know how we can help and if you have questions. Again, congratulations on your admission to Colgate. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon.

Go, ‘gate.

Paul J. McLoughlin II, PhD
Vice President and Dean of the College
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New Student

From now until your arrival on our hilltop, there are a number of things that you are required to do — important forms to fill out, information to share with the University, and training and assignments to complete — as well as recommended resources for you to take advantage of and review. Go to colgate.edu/newstudentchecklist to get started.

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Academics
AN INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMICS

The fall term begins on August 25. Academics at Colgate are appropriately challenging, and as you navigate those challenges, remind yourself that you were admitted here for a reason — you have proven yourself and you can succeed at Colgate. The distribution requirements give all students the opportunity to explore new fields and disciplines, and to take classes across campus in a variety of academic departments. This is your opportunity to explore new ideas, areas, approaches, and fields of study. For more clarity on requirements, visit catalog.colgate.edu and consult your academic adviser.

LIBERAL ARTS CORE CURRICULUM

The Liberal Arts Core Curriculum (the core) ensures a well-rounded liberal arts education by requiring all students to take a wide array of courses beyond, but often complementary to, their majors and minors. The core comprises:

I. The First-Year Seminar (FSEM) is completed during the fall of a student’s first year.

II. The Core Components are completed during the first two years and are each made up of four courses, completed in any order:
   A. Communities and Identities or Core Communities
   B. Any two of the following:
      1. Core 151: Legacies of the Ancient World
      2. Core 152: Challenges of Modernity
      3. Core Conversations
      4. Scientific Perspectives or Core Sciences

III. Two courses in each of the Areas of Inquiry are completed prior to graduation in any order (and each must come from a different department):
   A. Human Thought and Expression
   B. Natural Science and Mathematics
   C. Social Relations, Institutions, and Agents

IV. The Physical Education and Wellness requirement should be started no later than the second year. Two units are required and there are a variety of ways to fulfill them. Visit the Department of Physical Education webpage for more info.

More detailed information about the Liberal Arts Core Curriculum will be available on the first-year registration webpage in June.

PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Throughout orientation, we will be holding six pre-professional sessions hosted by Colgate faculty. New students can take advantage of the opportunity to connect with professors and learn more about specific areas of study. More information regarding these sessions will be given with the orientation schedule. The programs offered are as follows:

- Pre-med
- Pre-law
- Pre-health
- Pre-engineering
- Math
- Languages
FALL COURSE SCHEDULES AND ADVISING

The registrar’s office will build your fall schedule based on the information you provide on your Colgate Academic Preferences and Experiences (CAPE) form. The CAPE will ask you to provide information about relevant high school coursework and experiences, provide your current intentions for studying at Colgate, and give you the opportunity to identify courses that are of interest to you. The CAPE will guide you through each step of the process and the registrar’s office webpages will give you the information you need to make informed decisions for the fall semester and beyond.

Your CAPE form must be submitted no later than June 29. Many of your questions will be answered by reading the Class of 2026–specific information curated on the registrar’s office webpage (available on June 15), but there will also be summer advisers available to help you think through your interests and help you navigate Colgate’s curriculum. Summer advisers are members of the faculty uniquely positioned to discuss Colgate’s curriculum and can also direct you to appropriate resources if you need further guidance. The registrar’s office is also available to help answer questions about completing and submitting your CAPE form.

The registrar’s office anticipates releasing schedule information by July 20. Keep an eye on your Colgate email during this process for announcements and information from the registrar’s office.

STUDYING LANGUAGES AT COLGATE

Learning languages is fundamental to the liberal arts tradition. In recognition of the multilingual constitution of the U.S. and global societies, Colgate grasps language learning as a key liberal arts practice of the core curriculum relevant to life in the 21st century. Studying new languages increases students’ access to off-campus study programs, fellowships, and scholarships.

Colgate offers beginning and advanced courses in 11 different languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Classical Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Russian, and Spanish. Many first-year language courses are only offered during the fall, so students who would like to study a new language are encouraged to enroll during their first semester. Students who wish to advance their previous studies of a language should consult departmental websites for placement guidelines or contact the department or chair for advice prior to course registration. An advising session is also offered during first-year orientation for languages and off-campus study.

COMMUNITY/SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Each academic year, the Colgate community, led by a committee of students, faculty, and staff, selects a text for all incoming students to read prior to coming to campus. Associated with this reading will be your first assignment as a Colgate student. Given the manner in which this text is chosen, the theme of the summer reading is considered to be important and relevant to your life as a member of this intellectual and scholarly community that you are poised to join. Your assignment is an opportunity to engage with the practice of the liberal arts, to open a dialogue with your academic adviser and professor of your First-Year Seminar, and to introduce yourself, your interests, and your educational goals to both your academic adviser and administrative dean. Once on campus, there will be other opportunities to discuss the reading with classmates, professors, and visiting scholars while attending programs related to the main themes and topics addressed in the text.
ACADEMIC ESSENTIALS, SUPPORT, AND RESOURCES

The people, places, and things that will assist you in your academic journey.

PEOPLE

Your Academic Adviser

Every first-year student at Colgate takes a First-Year Seminar (FSEM), and the professor of that course also serves as your academic adviser, normally until you declare a major. There is no rush to declare a major (you will not be required to do so until the spring of sophomore year) and, in the meantime, your FSEM professor can help you find the academic program that will work best for you. Transfer students will be assigned an academic adviser based on their area of interest. All new students will have their first individual advising meeting during orientation, so you’ll be able to sort out any concerns you may have about your fall course schedule as soon as you get to campus. Remember that your academic adviser is an invaluable resource, so set up a time to meet with them if you have any questions or concerns.

Your Faculty

Every member of the faculty posts and maintains regular office hours, typically three to four hours each week, as dedicated time for their students to ask questions about concepts, assignments, or other matters related to each professor’s courses. You can find your professors’ office hours in the course syllabi as well as in their on-campus directory listings. Office hours are set aside specifically to help students, so do not be shy about using them.

Your Administrative Dean

In addition to your faculty adviser (who is also your FSEM professor), you are assigned an administrative dean to whom you can turn to for advice and assistance. Your administrative dean normally remains with you for your entire four years at Colgate. They provide guidance on your academic progress, connect you with valuable Colgate resources, and assist if challenges arise that affect your academics or life at Colgate. The name of your dean can be found in your student portal. Administrative deans hold weekly open office hours, so it is highly recommended that you pop your head in during your first semester and introduce yourself. Again, this is your dean for all four years, so get to know this individual early in your Colgate career.
PLACES

Case Library and Geyer Center for Information Technology (Case-Geyer)
Case-Geyer is the place to go for research projects if you need assistance from a librarian or need to access one of its many computers. It holds all the books (and access to electronic materials) you'll need for research assignments as well as pleasure reading. Anything they don’t have can be found through the interlibrary loan system. For a coffee break, head to Chobani at the Hieber Café on the fifth floor, where there is a combination of studying and socializing (and delicious treats). If you are in a time crunch, go to the depths of the second floor or the silent reading room on the fifth floor. The librarians here are extremely knowledgeable and can help you with everything from finding a book to sorting through online databases for the exact information you’re seeking. You'll get an introduction to all things library related in your FSEM at the beginning of the fall semester. Information Technology Services, located in Case-Geyer, maintains several public workstations of both Mac and Windows computers, printing (including 3D printing), and three computer lab spaces, including the Digital Learning and Media Center on the fifth floor. The ITS Service Desk on the third floor offers tech assistance, consultation, and equipment lending.

Cooley Science Library
Located on the ground level of McGregory Hall, Cooley houses natural science and mathematics collections. Cooley is great for quick printing or finding a less inhabited and nearly silent study space, and is especially nice for anyone who lives on the hill and doesn’t want to trek through the winter snow to Case-Geyer.

W.M. Keck Center for Language Study (Keck Center)
The Keck Center, located in Lawrence Hall, is the hub of language study on campus. It offers access to language learning technology, provides language tutoring, and houses our eight international language interns. Students can use the language center for group study in the lounge or reserve individual rooms for private study. During the year, students can participate in several cultural events sponsored by the Keck Center. Through the center, students can also learn about opportunities for scholarships and fellowships to study languages off campus during the summer. The Keck Center also administers Colgate's Less Commonly Taught Languages Program for students to study languages that are not already offered (like on campus).
**The Center for Learning, Teaching, and Research (CLTR)**

The CLTR is dedicated to enhancing and supporting student learning. Services include tutoring and learning support, coordination of summer research opportunities with faculty members, disability services (including an accommodated testing center), and student-athlete support. Students at any stage of their progress through Colgate are able to make an appointment at the CLTR to discuss time management, test-taking strategies, and general academic support. The CLTR arranges peer tutoring, free of charge, for students for a variety of courses and publishes a guide to tutoring resources available across campus. Students needing modifications in their educational plan can make an appointment to meet with the director of disability services (Office of Disability Services). Student-athletes are able to meet with the director of student-athlete academic services in the center to help them plan and maintain balance between academics and athletics. The CLTR also coordinates the partnership between faculty and students on the faculty’s summer research projects through a comprehensive application process.

**Writing and Speaking Center**

Regardless of skill level, all writers and speakers benefit from feedback on their essays or oral presentations. The Writing and Speaking Center is committed to helping all Colgate students succeed as clear, effective communicators. The center’s staff includes highly qualified Colgate students who work as peer consultants. Peer writing consultants help students improve their writings’ focus, organization, style, or citations. The consultants work through dialogue, asking questions about the writer’s goals and particular concerns, and then offering suggested approaches to revision. Peer speaking consultants help students organize content for an effective speech or oral presentation. They can also serve as a test audience, offering a speaker feedback and tips for improving delivery to an audience. Videotaping and review of practice speeches is also available. All meetings in the center are private. Students may self-schedule appointments at any time using the online scheduling system.
THINGS

Syllabi
In each course at Colgate, you will receive a syllabus from your professor. A syllabus outlines the goals of the class, as well as assignments, mandatory events, grading, and attendance policies. Your professor will also list office hours and other academic support service information. Syllabi are typically distributed on the first day of classes.

Colgate Student Portal
The Colgate Student Portal will be your gateway for academic and personal information. There you will find all things related to the registrar, financial aid, student accounts, and InfoShare. (InfoShare allows you to share select records online with trusted individuals like parents or guardians.) You will also find various resources through the portal, including your assigned first-year adviser, details on purchasing course materials, and LinkedIn Learning opportunities. To set up your student portal, visit colgate.edu/newstudentchecklist.

Degree Works
To help students and advisers monitor progress toward degree completion, Colgate uses Degree Works, a web-based tool which uses degree requirements from the University Catalog and reorganizes the student’s transcript categorically to produce an easy-to-read audit. You will find the Degree Works tool at your student portal homepage. The audit is divided into blocks to show all of the necessary requirements and how courses taken or in progress count toward those requirements. Each block contains checkboxes to easily identify what courses and requirements are complete, almost complete, or still outstanding. Degree Works can be used as part of advising sessions to determine course selections (in conjunction with the course offerings for the term) and review graduation requirements.

Moodle
The Moodle Learning Management System is a platform that will keep you informed about various engagement opportunities, important deadlines, and informative content to help you be successful at Colgate. Moodle is also used by professors and students to distribute and receive academic course materials, syllabi, grades, and more during the semester. Sign into Moodle with your Single Sign-On (SSO) account and your password. Your first time signing in, you will be prompted through a quick tutorial of the site. To launch Moodle, visit moodle.colgate.edu. You can also access Moodle through your student portal.

STUDY TIPS
In transitioning from high school to the college environment, building skills such as time management, notetaking strategies, and effective studying techniques is the key to finding success. Here are a few effective study tips to help you through your academics:

- **Find your own place**: Step away from the temptation of group studying and find your own quiet, comfortable study space.
- **Fuel up**: The best way to keep your energy levels high is to follow a healthy, balanced diet, including a variety of fruits and vegetables every day. Staying hydrated helps maintain energy levels and keeps your muscles energized.
- **Remain true to your own pace**: Students study in different ways. Be open to new ways of knowing, learning, and exploring; however, don’t judge your success by others.
- **Ask for help**: If you’re stuck on something, you can always ask for help — even if you’re not sure what it is that you may need. See all the resources listed above.
- **Take a break**: Sometimes the solution to a studying brain freeze is a change of pace. Take a walk outside or go run an errand to give yourself a break. And stretch. The benefits of regular exercise are countless.

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Home on the Hill
HOME ON THE HILL

The residential experience at Colgate is an integral part of your education; not separate from it. You learn in the classroom and where you live. Here’s a look into your residential experience at Colgate.

OUR RESIDENTIAL COMMONS

Colgate’s four Residential Commons are the foundation of your living and learning experience, helping to build a strong sense of belonging and connection. The four commons are Brown Commons, Ciccone Commons, Dart Colegrove Commons, and Hancock Commons. Supported by professional staff members in the Office of Residential Life, Residential Commons directors, faculty and staff affiliates, residential fellows, and community leaders, your commons will build your academic and social transition into a welcoming, enriching, and supportive community. You’ll be able to engage with professors and your fellow commons members in activities throughout the year and be invited to help shape the activities and events of your commons. Learn more at colgate.edu/residential-commons.

Commons Directors

Your Residential Commons has two directors who lead the intellectual, recreational, and social opportunities that will set the foundation of your living and learning experience in a welcoming, enriching, and supportive community. The directors are simply another resource for you, outside of the classroom, to provide counsel or be a sounding board for you.

Community Leader (CL)

CLs are well trained and ready for your questions and concerns about living in a residential community. They have taken on a position of leadership because they want to help create the best experience possible for you. This is an important person in your corner; use their knowledge and willingness to help, and it will make a difference in your first year at Colgate.

LIVING AT COLGATE

Housing Preference Form

Housing placement for new students (first-year students in the Class of 2026 and new transfer students) is a different process than housing selection for returning students. New students must complete their housing preference form, found on the Student Housing Portal, by June 15, 2022. Once you have completed your housing preference form, the Office of Residential Life will begin working to identify and assign roommates who share similar preferences. There are no further action steps required.

Roommate(s)

First-year students will be housed in a commons with the students from their assigned First-Year Seminar (FSEM). Once FSEMs are assigned to one of the four commons, the University will use the information you shared about yourself in the housing preference form to place you with a roommate(s) within your commons the first week of August. Having students living with peers from their FSEM is done to help facilitate deeper intellectual discussions both in the classroom and within the commons.
Parking Information
First-year and other incoming students may apply for a parking permit. All vehicles must be registered with the Campus Safety Department and properly display a parking decal. A parking permit does not guarantee a specific parking space, which is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Student parking is available in a general-purpose student lot located near the athletics facilities.

Shipping Your Belongings
Do you need to ship some of your belongings to Colgate ahead of time? Plan shipments to arrive near Arrival Day, or if you’re moving in early for a pre-orientation program, schedule shipments to arrive around that date. Be sure your CU Box Number is on all mail; this will help sort through the thousands of packages that Mail Services will receive throughout the year. You will find your CU Box Number in your student portal. Here’s how you should write your new address:

Your Name ’26
Colgate University
CU Box Number, 13 Oak Drive
Hamilton, NY 13346

Campus Safety
Colgate University Campus Safety is always available and is operational 24/7 year-round, including evenings, weekends, holidays, and even occasions when the college is closed. Campus safety is located at 88 Hamilton Street and can be reached at 315-228-7333 or cusafety@colgate.edu (for non-emergencies). Please program this number into your phone. Off campus, dial 911.

Campus safety is responsible for regular patrols of campus facilities and grounds, coordinated emergency response (police, fire, and medical), incident investigation, and community education and outreach. Other service areas under campus safety’s purview include parking management, ID cards and card access, special event management, safety escorts, repository for lost and found, motor vehicle assistance, and (on-campus) vehicular and traffic control. If you are not sure whom to call, campus safety is an important resource and will help you get connected — whatever your need.

Your Campus Passport: The ’Gate Card
Your student ID card is your facility access card, meal swipe card, and quasi-debit card. Your ’Gate Card is one of those items you don’t want to leave at home. Take it everywhere. Log on to the portal to put money or ’Gate Cash on it to do your laundry and to spend at many of the local restaurants and stores in Hamilton. Take care of your ’Gate Card, both because you’ll be lacking access to food and many buildings without it, and also because it’s expensive to replace — $40. It’s an important little piece of plastic, and important to function on campus and in Hamilton. Immediately report lost/stolen ID cards to campus safety at 315-884-7333. For more information, visit colgate.edu/gatecard.

Colgate Dining
As a first-year student, you are automatically enrolled in the Premier Plan. This meal plan is indeed premier, allowing you unlimited access to Frank Dining Hall and the Coop during operating hours, as well as one swipe per meal period at the library café (more formally known as Chobani at the Hieber Café), Donovan’s Pub, and our deli and smoothie concept kitchen.

Dietitian
The chefs are friendly, knowledgeable, and accommodating to all dietary restrictions and special needs. Our full-time dietitian is an additional resource for those with nutrition-related questions or concerns or any special dietary needs and/or food allergies, and can help you navigate the dining halls. To consult with dining services on any such restrictions and special needs, visit colgate.edu/campus-life/campus-dining/contact-us.

Boost Mobile Ordering App
Download the Boost mobile ordering app to order food ahead of time and avoid lines at several dining venues. If you add your ’Gate Card to the app, you can use your meal plan or ’Gate Cash when you place orders.
Reusable Dining Containers
To promote sustainability on campus and to give you flexibility with meals, you will also receive a complimentary reusable container for take-out meals. Just return the container when you return, and the staff will give you a clean one for your next meal to go. If you lose it, you will need to purchase a replacement. Consider using reusable utensils and minimizing plastic waste to help Colgate with its sustainability goals.

COLGATE’S DINING OPTIONS

Frank Dining Hall
Colgate’s largest dining hall is conveniently situated on top of the hill near first- and second-year residence halls and the academic quad. Frank has it all, serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Besides different stations serving a new menu every day, Frank has the classics like pizza, cereal, salad bar, pasta, and fresh fruits. Frank is a great place to meet friends for food at any time of the day. Frank Dining Hall is open from early morning until late into the evening. For students with dietary restrictions, Frank features Rooted, a station specializing in vegetarian and vegan meals, and G8, an allergen-friendly station that also serves Halal meat for lunch and dinner.

The Coop
The O’Connor Campus Center, but really only referred to as the Coop, is the center for student life up the hill. The Coop is known for its grab-and-go food, but you’ll also find lots of space to meet friends and to sit and enjoy a meal. Sit outside on the patio, or do some last-minute studying by the fireplace. The building also houses a deli and smoothie concept, which you can order ahead of time via a mobile app.

Chobani at the Hieber Café
Chobani at the Hieber Café is the first-ever Chobani Café on a college campus. Located on the fifth floor of Case Library, the café is popular throughout the day, serving yogurt creations, simit sandwiches, smoothies, coffee, and more. As part of your premier meal plan, you get unlimited coffee and tea refills, plus meal swipes four times per day.

Donovan’s Pub
Donovan’s Pub serves classic pub food and has a fun atmosphere complete with pool tables and TVs to watch the big game. You can regularly catch a comedian, musical act, or magician performing in the evenings at the pub, or swing by for a board game night, open mic, or student improv performance. Weekly trivia nights and karaoke are also a hit. Located on the first floor of the James C. Colgate Student Union, this is also a late-night dining option once Frank Dining Hall closes for the evening.
Student Health Services
HEALTH SERVICES
The medical professionals at Student Health Services (SHS) offer a wide range of treatments and services, including general health, examinations for illness and injury, sexual and reproductive health, psychiatry support through a telehealth program, limited laboratory services, New York state driver’s license vision testing, routine vaccines and immunizations, and travel consultations regarding immunizations and medications. For more information on Student Health Services, visit colgate.edu/studenthealthservices. Student Health Services is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. Office hours are more limited during the summer months. You can call SHS at 315-228-7750.

IMMUNIZATIONS AND HEALTH RECORDS

- All students are required to activate their patient portal. See on-boarding checklist for details.

- All students are required to complete and present proof of immunizations including COVID no later than July 1, 2022. Activate your Patient Portal in June by calling the SHS office or emailing studenthealth@colgate.edu.

- Complete and submit a Patient Consent Form, Immunization Record, and Tuberculosis Screening form via the Patient Portal. Find up-to-date COVID information at colgate.edu/colgate-together.

- Review health insurance requirements. Please see enrollment waiver instructions.

- Plan to call SHS to make an appointment on Arrival Day if you are unable to complete your immunizations prior to arrival. (International students: arrangements for immunizations will be made by the Office of International Student Services.)

Students who lack adequate immunizations and/or do not send immunization information to SHS will not be able to check in and receive their room key on Arrival Day. We strongly recommend that you receive all required vaccines before you arrive at Colgate; however, if this is not possible, you will need to receive your immunizations (at cost) by appointment at the Colgate Student Health Center.

STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE ACTION REQUIRED
Colgate University requires that all full-time students have health insurance that provides adequate coverage in the Hamilton, N.Y., area. This requirement is fulfilled in partnership with collegiate specialist insurance broker Haylor, Freyer & Coon (Haylor) in one of two ways:

- Through Colgate’s Student Health Insurance Plan, underwritten by Capital District Physicians’ Health Plan (CDPHP). **(All non-domestic students are automatically enrolled in the Colgate plan.)**

- Through family or individual plan coverage that is comparable to the CDPHP (domestic students only).
Each academic year (even if your insurance coverage remains unchanged), Colgate requires all domestic students to complete an insurance decision form choosing one of the two options. Haylor administers this process. The decision form will be available starting June 1, and the deadline for the 2022–2023 academic year is August 1, 2022.

1. Confirm enrollment in CDPHP. This option will officially activate your insurance with CDPHP. Please allow 7 to 10 days for activation. Further details and enrollment instructions are listed below. We strongly recommend actively enrolling for more streamlined and timely confirmation of enrollment and service.

2. Waive enrollment in the CDPHP by submitting proof of comparable coverage through another carrier (domestic students only).

*If no action is taken by August 1, 2022, students will be automatically enrolled in the CDPHP.*

**Colgate Student Health Insurance Fee Assessment**

All students are automatically assessed the fee for the CDPHP annual health insurance premium during the fall semester billing in July. If option 2 above (waiver) is completed, and the waiver is approved, the CDPHP charge will be reversed from your student account. (If the waiver is processed prior to fall term billing, the charge and reversal activity will not appear on the student account.)
Enrollment/Waiver Instructions

The deadline to enroll in or waive the Colgate University Student Health Insurance Plan is August 1, 2022.

Go to haylor.com/college/colgate-university (starting June 1, 2022), then

• Click on “Enroll or Waive Health Insurance.”
• Input student last name and Colgate ID number.
• Log in and submit an acknowledgment form.
• Complete the enroll/waive process.

If enrolling, please complete the requested information. You will receive an email from CDPHP on how to obtain your ID card (please allow seven to 10 business days).

If waiving coverage (domestic students only), have your current health insurance ID card ready; you will need this information in order to complete the waiver portion of the decision form (including uploading an image of your card, front and back).

For questions or assistance with the health insurance process, please contact Haylor, Freyer & Coon at 866-535-0456, student@haylor.com.
Wellness
SHAW WELLNESS INSTITUTE

Shaw staff members help students focus on all areas of wellness, including physical, emotional, intellectual, financial, social, and more through evidence-based information, tips, strategies, and digital programming. Students can also schedule a confidential appointment with a counselor regarding alcohol and other drugs or with a registered dietitian. Shaw Wellness Institute also hires and trains student peer coaches to help other students work through some of these related well-being topics: stress and time management, sleep, and loneliness or isolation.

Alcohol and Other Drugs

The University seeks to educate students about the implications of drug and alcohol misuse and abuse as well as the importance of healthy and responsible choices. During the summer, students will be required to complete a course on alcohol and other drugs meant to increase awareness and introduce helpful strategies for the use of alcohol or other drugs for students who choose not to abstain from substance use. The misuse of alcohol or other drugs can result in physical and psychological impacts, poor judgments, and conduct in violation of the University’s policies. Alcohol and other drug misuse can also lead to sexual violence. Repeated involvement with, or excessive use of, alcohol and/or other drugs will be viewed as a health concern as well as a disciplinary matter.

Counseling and Psychological Services

The professional counselors at the counseling center are committed to helping students find success at Colgate through small group counseling, individual therapy, or referrals to other resources related to nutrition, recreation, sleep, or organizational skills. All students are welcome, with nearly half of the student body seeking the center’s clinical services at some point during their four years at Colgate. Walk-in hours are available for all students Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–noon and 1:30–4:30 p.m. during academic semesters. Additionally, outreach programming is available upon request. For more information on the counseling center, visit colgate.edu/student-life/health-safety-wellness/counseling-and- psychological-services.

HAVEN

Colgate’s sexual violence resource center provides confidential care, support, advocacy, and trauma-informed clinical services to survivors of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, child/family abuse, stalking, and/or harassment. Haven is survivor-centric and provides individual and group therapy and offers awareness and prevention programming through outreach and education initiatives.

colgate.edu/student-life/health-safety-wellness/haven-sexual-violence-survivor-support.

Sexual Assault, Discrimination, and Harassment

Colgate aims to create and maintain a community whose members can study, live, and work together in an environment characterized by equal opportunity, inclusiveness, safety, and mutual respect. To that end, Colgate has a policy that explicitly prohibits discrimination, harassment (including sexual harassment), sexual assault, sexual exploitation, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, and related retaliation (collectively “Prohibited Conduct”). In short, these behaviors will not be tolerated. The close community at Colgate means students learn the skills of empathy, sociability, flexibility, and respect for others.

CHAPEL HOUSE

Chapel House encourages personal, religious, spiritual, and humanistic quests. The house provides a quiet setting for meditation, prayer, and study, as well as a venue for the appreciation of religious art and music. All visitors are welcome to explore its extensive library, numerous artifacts from many religious traditions, and a large collection of sacred music. The house is separated from the main Colgate campus, to allow individuals a quiet retreat from daily life, for purposes of reflection, personal healing, and contemplation.

RECREATION, OUTDOOR EDUCATION, AND ATHLETICS

Recreation, club sports, intramurals, fitness, outdoor education, and Division I athletics offer students a variety of ways to remain physically active. With nearly 40 club sports, a variety of activities are available. Intramural sports offer Colgate students a chance to team up with their friends to compete against other members of the Colgate community. The fitness program includes free drop-in group fitness classes and a 15,000-square-foot fitness facility. Outdoor education offers a wide range of trips and outings; students get off campus for a chance to disconnect, meet a dynamic group of adventurous people, and learn a new skill. Colgate has 23 Division I athletic teams competing in the Patriot League and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC). Join the Raider Fan Zone to cheer on your favorite team and fellow peers.
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
REQUIRED COURSE: PLEASE COMPLETE

Please complete the assignments in the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion module prior to Arrival Day. These assignments will be discussed within your orientation link groups. Diversity of identities, thoughts, experiences, beliefs, and perspectives that are different from one's own enriches the education that Colgate offers. The shared summer reading also provides a foundation for a variety of events throughout your first year at Colgate.

AFFINITY SPACES AND STUDENT SUPPORT RESOURCES

Colgate is committed to a healthy and safe learning and living environment that promotes well-being and encourages growth.

**ALANA Cultural Center**

Colgate’s Africana, Latin, Asian, and Native American (ALANA) Cultural Center provides multicultural exploration, social justice education, and campus community building. The ALANA Cultural Center strengthens bonds and builds connections between individuals. The center is a community within a community, where students can explore and express their authentic selves. The ALANA Cultural Center supports students’ social identity and leadership development through various programs that foster a sense of community, cultural identity, and self-efficacy.

**Disability Services**

The Office of Disability Services provides academic, residential, and dining accommodations/adjustments and support to ensure every student can access the opportunities available at Colgate University. Students with documented disabilities who wish to seek an accommodation or adjustment should complete the online Accommodation/Adjustment Request Form and submit current, appropriate, and comprehensive documentation of their disability. For details, including documentation guidelines, visit colgate.edu/making-needs-known.

**Gender-Inclusive Bathrooms**

Gender-neutral restrooms are available throughout campus. To see locations, check out Colgate's online campus map at colgate.edu/about/maps-travel/campus-map.

**LGBTQ+ Initiatives**

The Office of LGBTQ+ Initiatives is committed to ensuring that everyone, inclusive of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression, feels supported. The office is proud to be a campus resource for students and works to provide a safe and affirming community for all LGBTQ+ individuals. Through various educational and social programs and community-building opportunities, LGBTQ+ Initiatives is focused on enhancing LGBTQ+ inclusion and advocating for the LGBTQ+ community.

**The Office of the Chaplains**

The Office of the Chaplains, Colgate’s religious hub, nurtures engaged, thoughtful communities of spiritual practice. Most of the major religious traditions have active student groups that provide a vibrant and diverse community with regular opportunities for worship. Through these connections, students in many traditions meet weekly for worship, prayer, discussion, learning, and meals. The chaplaincy staff also routinely supports opportunities to worship with local congregations.

**The Office of International Student Services**

The Office of International Student Services provides F-1 visa immigration services and support to international students. The office also enhances the Colgate student experience by promoting understanding and awareness of cultural issues with the goal of cultivating global citizenship.
Money Matters
MONEY MATTERS

Billing and Student Accounts

Below are several important items related to your student account for this upcoming academic year. Additional information on all of these items is available on the Student Accounts website: colgate.edu/studentaccounts. Please contact us at 315-228-4817 or stuaccounts@colgate.edu if you have questions or need assistance. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.–noon and 1–5 p.m.

Fall 2022 Term Billing

Student account balance, current account activity, monthly statements, and electronic payments are accessible by students and authorized users via TouchNet. Visit colgate.edu/studentaccounts and click the red “Online Tuition Payments” button. Billing statements are generated the first week of each month, along with a corresponding email notification to students and their authorized users. Colgate does not issue paper bills for active students.

The main academic term charges (tuition, student activity fee, housing, meal plan, and health insurance) are assessed prior to the start of each semester. Fall 2022 term bills will be available in early July, with a payment due date of August 1. If you are a financial aid recipient and have completed all requirements, your student account balance will reflect your financial aid credits.

Establishing a TouchNet Authorized User

Please be aware that the Office of Student Accounts can only share and discuss details of your student account with those individuals you have established as authorized users via TouchNet. TouchNet-authorized users receive e-billing notifications; can view your student account information; and can make e-payments on your behalf. We strongly recommend establishing any individuals assisting with your student account as authorized users. Log in to TouchNet and select “Authorized Users” under My Profile Setup.

Complete this step by July 1, 2022.

TouchNet Term Payment Plan

Rather than paying the full-term balance by the initial deadline (August 1 for fall, mid-January for spring), students and families may choose to use a term-based payment plan available in TouchNet.

- A four-payment plan is available during the month of July, after fall bills are shared. Similarly, the plan exists for the spring term in December (after spring bills are shared).
  - The plan evenly divides the student account balance into four payment installments.
  - Due dates for fall term are: August 1, September 1, October 1, and November 1.
  - Due dates for spring term are: January 1, February 1, March 1, and April 1.
  - The plan is integrated with the student account and payment plan balances are automatically updated with account activity throughout the term.

- A $20 enrollment fee is assessed at sign-up.
- To set up a TouchNet monthly payment plan, log in to TouchNet, click on “Payment Plans,” and follow the prompts to enroll.
- If the standard TouchNet payment plan option does not meet your individual needs or circumstances, please contact the Office of Student Accounts for consideration of special arrangements.

Financial Responsibility Form ACTION REQUIRED

You will receive a separate mailing from the Office of Student Accounts containing the Financial Responsibility Form and a return envelope. Please sign the form and return it by August 1, 2022.
**Tuition Insurance Program**

Tuition insurance is available through A.W.G. Dewar, Inc. Information about the tuition insurance program is available on our website, colgate.edu/studentaccounts, and will be provided in a separate mailing.

**Student Employment**

Enrolled students interested in obtaining on-campus employment should watch their Colgate email in early to mid-August for information from student employment. This email will include information about applying for positions on campus and about the required employment paperwork.

Students with questions about employment opportunities on campus and how to apply for a job should contact Student Employment at studentemployment@colgate.edu. Those with questions or concerns about meeting their earnings targets should contact the Office of Financial Aid at finaid@colgate.edu, supplying their name, Colgate ID#, and the nature of their question/concern.
Tech Connection
GET YOUR TECH CONNECTED AND SET UP

All University information will be sent to your Colgate email, including course registration, financial aid, billing, and student life information, so it is important to get connected.

Set Up Colgate Email and Network/Single Sign On (SSO) Account
Check your Colgate email weekly for updates and deadline reminders. Your Colgate email address, network account username, and instructions for setting up these accounts were sent to your admission application email when you completed your admission deposit.

Enroll in Multi-factor Authentication
Multi-factor Authentication is required for your Colgate email and network account. You will have two weeks after the first login of email to set up Google’s Two-Step Authentication. At the time of initial setup of your network account, setup of Duo will be required. Set up Google’s Two-Step Authentication by visiting Get Started at google.com/landing/2step. If you miss the two-week deadline and get locked out, contact ITS for support at itshelp@colgate.edu or 315-228-7111. To modify any Duo settings, visit myaccount.colgate.edu/duo. Use Google’s Two-Step Authentication to help protect your email account.

Set Up Zoom Account
A Zoom account is available to all students with an active Colgate network account. To set up your account, visit colgate.zoom.us and sign in using the SSO option.

Mobile Hotspots (Internet Access at Home)
During the summer, if you have an issue with accessing the internet at your home, the ITS Service Desk may be able to loan you a hotspot. Call 315-228-7111 or email itshelp@colgate.edu to request a mobile hotspot.

Mobile Carriers
The carriers in the Hamilton area that have the best coverage include Verizon, AT&T, and T-Mobile. Check with each carrier for specific coverage, terms, and agreements before committing to any purchase of phone or data plan.

Software
Before making any software purchases, check out our selection of software you can download and install at colgate.edu/software.

Connecting to Campus Wi-Fi
Once you arrive on campus, connect your phone and laptop to the eduroam wireless network. For more information on connecting to our network, visit colgate.edu/getconnected.

Know How to Access Support
Information Technology Services (ITS) can provide you with support.
Website: colgate.edu/its
Email: itshelp@colgate.edu
Phone: 315-228-7111
In Person: ITS Service Desk, third floor, Case Library and Geyer Center for Information Technology
Pre-Orientation Programs
PRE-ORIENTATION PROGRAMS

Make friends and get acquainted with the Colgate community prior to orientation. Select from nine pre-orientation programs offered in the weeks leading up to your first semester, providing you the chance to connect with classmates and create memories.

Our pre-orientation programs provide opportunities to:

- work closely with a campus organization
- interact with upper-level student leaders
- gain valuable leadership skills
- meet students with similar interests
- get involved early on campus
- have fun

Broadcast Media
August 17–21, 2022
Gain real-world broadcast radio and podcasting experience with the largest student-run organization at Colgate, WRCU-FM 90.1. Come discuss your favorite musicians and podcasters and pick up skills in audio production and storytelling all while exploring our extensive music library. Join this pre-orientation program to explore Colgate’s campus, the local music scene, and the broader Hamilton community. WRCU Pre-Orientation DJs and podcasters are guaranteed a show slot on the official programming schedule once the semester begins. No prior experience is necessary. Contact information: Office of the Dean of the College, newstudents@colgate.edu, 315-228-7368, colgate.edu/newstudents.

Community Outreach
August 17–21, 2022
Make friends through community outreach and service, and learn about the local community in which you will live. The village and town of Hamilton, Madison County, the Mohawk Valley, and the central New York (CNY) region will be your home during the next four years. Become a community member and engaged citizen — serving with and learning from local residents and nonprofit agencies in the Hamilton and Utica communities.

Through service and reflection on its definition, purpose, and efficacy, this pre-orientation program invites you to begin your time at Colgate enacting and thinking about the public good. Learn how to connect individual acts of service to long-term social change; join a group of students on a service journey and see what answers you find. Contact information: Max A. Shacknai Center for Outreach, Volunteerism, and Education (COVE), Jeremy T. Wattles ’05, director, jwattles@colgate.edu, 315-228-6879.

First@Colgate and QuestBridge Scholars
August 17–21, 2022
Build community and familiarize yourself with campus resources that will help you thrive at Colgate. This program provides QuestBridge Scholars and first-generation students early access to opportunities to network with faculty and staff, get acquainted with key University offices, hear from upper-level students, and bond with fellow first-year students. Join this pre-orientation program and make the most of your Colgate experience right out of the ’Gate! Contact information: First@Colgate, first@colgate.edu; QuestBridge Scholars, RaJhai Spencer, assistant dean for administrative advising, rspencer@colgate.edu.

Intro to Campus Events and Communities
August 17–21, 2022
The Student Activities Association (SAA) is the main event-planning organization on Colgate’s campus. Every year, the SAA plans a number of events that are designed to be fun ways for all students to relax. Whether it’s creating a haunted house in the tunnels under campus, bringing local vendors to campus for the Taste of Hamilton tradition, or planning exciting weekend events, there are many opportunities for everyone to get involved. Design your very own event for the start of the semester, explore campus, make friends, and have a good time! Contact information: Office of the Dean of the College, newstudents@colgate.edu, 315-228-7368, colgate.edu/newstudents.
**Journalism and Digital Media 101**

August 17–21, 2022

This pre-orientation program is a unique opportunity to participate in the production of the country’s oldest college weekly newspaper and to learn about campus through the eyes of the people who report on current events, culture, and sports. Students will learn about every aspect of the print cycle, from investigating, writing and editing to layout with Adobe InDesign. Students interested in photography, social media, and graphic design will have the chance to work with the *Colgate Maroon News*’ photo editor and multimedia manager and learn how the MN keeps the community informed with its digital presence.

No previous experience in writing, editing, or photography is needed — just a willingness to learn and try new things. Contact information: Office of the Dean of the College, newstudents@colgate.edu, 315-228-7368, colgate.edu/newstudents.

**Men of Color Success Network**

August 17–21, 2022

Take advantage of this pre-orientation program and establish early connections! The Men of Color Success Network program assists incoming self-identified men of color and building connections with faculty, staff, and peers through participation in workshops, a trip, community service, and networking activities. Participants will learn about campus resources, opportunities for involvement, explore their leadership identity, and establish a sense of community, belonging, and support to aid in their transition to Colgate University. Join us for a fun and engaging experience from the moment you step on campus! Contact information: Office of the Dean of the College, Dorsey Spencer Jr., PhD, dean of students, deanofstudents@colgate.edu.

**Raider Pep Band**

August 17–21, 2022

Combine your passion for music with the camaraderie of the Colgate Raider Pep Band. All levels of musicians are welcome! You’ll learn the pep band repertoire and the tailgate, pregame, and halftime routines. There will also be activities to help connect you with new friends and introduce you to life at Colgate. Contact information: Office of the Dean of the College, newstudents@colgate.edu, 315-228-7368, colgate.edu/newstudents.

**Social Justice and Cultural Resilience**

August 17–21, 2022

Create a foundation of knowledge with other social justice–oriented students and learn about the tools and resources available to get you started on this meaningful journey on campus! Students will learn about techniques and approaches to be a part of the solution, while at the same time, build a micro-learning community, meaningful connections with other students, and be informed about resources in order to change minds and awareness of Colgate campus and its culture. Social Justice and Cultural Resilience pre-orientation program will provide tool kits to foster a respectful, inclusive, well-connected, and equitable environment where everyone can thrive. Additionally, students will make connections with faculty, staff, and student organization leaders. Contact information: The Africana, Latin, Asian, Native American (ALANA) Cultural Center, alana@colgate.edu, 315-228-7330.

**Wilderness Adventure**

August 6–11, 2022

August 16–21, 2022

Each August, more than a quarter of first-year students choose a Wilderness Adventure as their pre-orientation program. For over 30 years, these trips have taken place in the Adirondack State Park, which, at six million acres, is larger than Yellowstone, Everglades, Glacier, and Grand Canyon national parks combined. The Outdoor Education (OE) staff hopes you’ll be able to experience one of their backpacking, canoeing, combo (half backpack, half canoe), sea kayaking, rock climbing, mountain biking, conservation,
or sampler trips in the Adirondack State Park. Whether you’re an experienced backpacker or have never
camped before, there is a range of activities, and trips come in a variety of difficulty levels. Contact
information: Outdoor Education, Ben Oliver, director, wildernessadv@colgate.edu, colgate.edu/wilderness-
adventure, 315-228-6499.

REQUIRED PRE-ORIENTATION PROGRAMS FOR THE FOLLOWING
GROUPS:

**International Students (invitation only)**
August 16–21, 2022
Join the international orientation team for a week filled with sun, fun activities, and community building
as we immerse you in American culture and prepare you for your journey ahead. Dual citizens, students
on non–F-1 visas, and students who grew up in international locations are also welcome to attend
International Student Orientation. Please contact the Office of International Student Services at oiss@
colgate.edu, +1-315-228-6131.

All international students are required to maintain valid F-1 status in order to enroll at Colgate University.
During International Student Orientation, students will complete the initial immigration registration as
well as discuss topics specific to the international student experience.

**Alumni Memorial Scholars**
August 17–21, 2022
For over 100 years, Colgate students and graduates have explored the world through scholarship, research,
and discovery. All Alumni Memorial Scholars (AMS) of the Class of 2026 begin their Colgate experience
participating in a pre-orientation program. Fostering community and a shared commitment for the
pursuit of knowledge, the AMS pre-orientation program is designed to introduce participants to this
active scholarship and types of scholarly support found across Colgate’s campus. Learn about the unique
resources and opportunities available to the AMS community while getting to know your fellow scholars.
Contact information: Office of the Provost and Dean of the Faculty, undergraduatescholars@colgate.edu.
Orientation & Arrival
ORIENTATION AND ARRIVAL

Arrival Day: AUGUST 21, 2022

Most incoming students will arrive on campus the morning of the first day of orientation, which starts at 1 p.m. on August 21. Others, such as varsity athletes, students who participate in a pre-orientation program, and students in certain populations such as international students and those in specific scholars programs, may arrive on campus earlier in order to take part in specific pre-orientation programs. The organizing departments send information during the summer for these specific programs. If you are arriving on the first day of orientation (further instructions will be sent over the summer), be sure to honk loudly and proudly when you pass the “Honk If You Love Colgate” sign. There will be volunteers to help move your belongings up the hill.

You will check in and receive your orientation materials, then walk up to your residence hall, where your belongings will be waiting for you! Don’t worry, you don’t need to memorize the sequence of events. There will be volunteers all over campus to help you along the way.

Orientation AUGUST 21–24, 2022

Orientation is a four-day program that allows you to get your bearings on campus before classes begin on Thursday, August 25. You will become familiar with the basics of life at Colgate, and you’ll meet some of the people who will help you through your first year. You will have the opportunity to participate in Colgate’s traditions and experience the First-Year Arrival Dinner, convocation, and other rituals of pride. Each speaker or event will give you a little more insight into Colgate's academic, cultural, and social fabric. Four days may sound like a lot, but the days will fly by and there's a lot to learn. The more you give to orientation, the more you will get out of it, so use it as a time to get acclimated and excited about this remarkable place.

YOUR ORIENTATION LINK

A yearlong peer mentor, constant ally, confidant, and friend, who can help you celebrate your successes and guide you through the unexpected rough patches of both orientation and your first year. You’ll meet members of the link staff throughout the summer as well as your own link on Arrival Day. Because the transition to college doesn’t happen instantaneously, your link remains a resource to you for your entire first year. Their job is to stay in touch with you, but you should also reach out to your link yourself for questions or guidance. They have volunteered for this position because they sincerely want to help ease your transition to Colgate, so please, ask for their help.

Founders’ Day Convocation

Convocation begins with the traditional procession of the first-year class, led by the University president, deans, and the faculty in academic regalia. The Founders’ Day ceremony commemorates Colgate’s historic origins and welcomes the first-year class into the University’s community of scholars.

Welcome Weeks August 26–September 11, 2022

Welcome Weeks introduce you to life at Colgate through many events and programs. You will have the opportunity to continue meeting new people, learning about campus resources, getting involved, and having a chance to explore the village of Hamilton.
Colgate Spirit & Pride
Colgate was founded by 13 men with 13 dollars, 13 prayers, and 13 articles; the number 13 has become historically symbolic for the University. This past year, as Colgate celebrated its 50th anniversary of co-education, 13 women gave $13 million dollars to Colgate in support of University initiatives. The tradition of 13 remains even as Colgate changes and evolves.

Our logo, the C, is inspired by the cover of the 1904 *Salmagundi* school yearbook. Track and field athletes brandished that C and Colgate had its first athletics logo more than 100 years ago.

Our motto, “Deo ac Veritati,” means “For God and Truth.” The goal and motivation for all Colgate students — past, present, and future — is the pursuit of truth. Even the University’s motto has a connection with 13. There are — no surprise here — 13 letters in Colgate’s motto.

Our number, 13. Learn to love the number 13 because it will be ever present throughout your Colgate career. The University’s address is 13 Oak Drive. Our ZIP code is 13346. The first two numbers, standing alone, are the number 13, and the sum of the remaining three totals 13.

Colgate athletes wear 13 stripes in an iconic C-branded shield. The 13 stripes represent Colgate's 13 and pay homage to those Colgate student-athletes who have come before and who “earned their stripes” competing for championships. Each student-athlete's uniform will feature the 13 stripes shield spirit mark. By “donning their stripes,” Colgate student-athletes are representing not only their team but the values and competitive tradition of the University.

The script ‘gate, beloved by Colgate's alumni community, has a special place in celebrating our rich tradition of competitive success. The apostrophe reflects the shield, and, appropriately, the script is poised at a 13-degree angle.

Colgate Day: So this superstitious number has a very special meaning on our campus. And in honor of the tradition, every Friday the 13th is “Colgate Day,” where students, staff, faculty, and alumni from all around the world celebrate by wearing maroon.