Welcome to Lehigh! In just a few months you will join the rest of the Class of 2017 and we cannot wait to meet you. Right now, you’re probably looking forward to a summer of relaxation and connecting with your friends and family. It might feel like going off to Bethlehem to start college is years away. Our office is here to tell you, it is not! Your evoLUtion will begin soon and we want to help you be as prepared as possible.

You’re probably asking yourself, “What is evoLUtion?” At Lehigh, it is your first-year experience, a gradual process in which you will change into a more complex individual. We challenge you to discover more about yourself and Lehigh, explore the vast array of ideas and experiences in this community, connect what you learn inside and outside the classroom, and apply your understanding and insight to future endeavors. We want you to try new things, step out of your comfort zone, and reflect on who you are and who you want your college experience to help you be in the future. We want you to evolve into the best version of yourself. The Office of the First-Year Experience (OFYE) is just one university office that will be guiding you through the next few years. Get ready — it is an exciting journey!

While it is up to you to create your Lehigh experience, we will shape your exposure and learning, using these five Learning Themes:

- **Creative Curiosity** — Developing a creative and curious outlook to guide and shape every aspect of your life.
- **Identity Development** — Developing into your own unique person, living out your carefully chosen values and beliefs.
- **Collaborative Connections** — Shaping collaborative relationships and communities, utilizing your personal values.
- **Inclusive Leadership** — Developing inclusive leadership skills that guide your decisions, actions and contributions to a diverse community.
- **Professional Growth and Success** — Creating and living out a personal definition of success based on your interests, who you are, and what you want to contribute to the world.

We know you have a lot on your mind as you prepare to start your college career, so the information in this Welcome Kit is designed to help make this a smooth transition. Be sure to read everything on these pages and then complete the necessary tasks. It’s your experience and you need to know what is on these pages. Consider this your first college homework assignment.
GETTING STARTED

As a new student, there are a few things you need to complete before August. We call it your Summer Checklist. Make sure you complete these items (and not your mom, brother or cousin, even though they may be tempted to help you out). Finishing these tasks on your own, or with a little guidance from us, will help you in the event you have a question when you arrive in the fall. Trust us. We have done this before.

**Open your Lehigh Account:**
In order to accomplish anything on the Summer Checklist, you must open your Lehigh Computing Account.
- Go to www.lehigh.edu/open.
- Make sure you have your Lehigh Identification Number (LIN) and Personal Identification Number (PIN), which are on the back of your acceptance letter. Don’t have your LIN or PIN? Contact the Admissions Office (610-758-3100) and they can help you.
- Once you open your account, you will receive your username of three letters and three numbers (example abc117.)
- This username is also the start of your Lehigh email address. (example abc117@lehigh.edu).

**Go to the Campus Portal**
The Campus Portal (http:/portal.lehigh.edu) is where you can check your email and get up to date information. The Portal is your one stop shop for Lehigh information, so check it often.

The evolution:1 tab is just for first-year students and has been created to help you keep everything organized this summer. It also includes your Summer Checklist. You will receive an email in the afternoon on Monday, May 13 when the Portal goes live.

In August, you will automatically receive the evolution:2 tab, which will focus on move-in and Orientation. It will include some helpful packing tips, information on Anticipatory Exams and more instructions for moving in to your residence hall.

If you forget your password or don’t remember your Lehigh email address, just contact the HELP Desk at 610-758-HELP (4357).

The items on the next few pages are just some of the items on the Summer Checklist. The complete list is located on the evolution:1 tab.

All official Lehigh communication will be sent to your Lehigh email address, so yes, you really do need to check it every day.
Submit your Housing Application: Since first and second year students are required to live on campus, this is the first thing you need to complete on the Summer Checklist. In this application, you will preference the type of housing you want and select your meal plan. If you don’t have a specific roommate you want to live with, you can complete a survey to match you with another new student. We recommend completing the survey. Go on, be brave and meet someone new!

Complete your Emergency Contact Information: It goes without saying that we want to know who to contact for you if there is ever an emergency. The Summer Checklist has a link to the Emergency Contact information page.

Submit Your ID Card Application: Your ID card identifies you as a member of the Lehigh community and grants you access to your residence hall, academic buildings, and athletic events. It is also how you access your meal plan and GoldPLUS account. You must submit your ID application online. More information is available on the Summer Checklist. You will receive your ID card at your residence hall when you arrive in August.

Read the Summer Reading Selection: You didn’t think you were done with books after high school graduation did you? You and your classmates will complete your first college reading assignment together: The Madonnas of Echo Park by Brando Skyhorse.

It may be tempting to skip this assignment, but you want to start your college career off on the right foot, don’t you? During Orientation, you’ll have a shared intellectual experience with your classmates discussing this book with fellow students, Orientation Leaders, Gryphons, and a faculty or staff member. Just come ready to share your opinions! If that is not enough of a reason to pick up your copy of the book, some of your academic courses will also use the book. Make sure you get your copy at your local bookstore or online and bring it to Orientation. (ISBN: 978-1-4391-7080-9)

Want to get published? You will have the opportunity to submit a reflection after reading The Madonnas of Echo Park to be considered for publication in the Lehigh Review! Over the past twenty-one years, Lehigh University has published the Lehigh Review, an entirely student-produced journal. Each edition contains some of the best scholarly writing by Lehigh undergraduates. To view the reflection prompts and learn how to submit your reflection, check the Summer Checklist.
Submit Your Student Health Forms: We tried to make completing health forms as easy as we could! All of the health forms you need to submit are in the back of this booklet. You will need to have a doctor sign off on some of the forms, so be sure to take care of this early! More information on health forms and Lehigh’s optional Health Insurance Plan is available on the evolution:1 tab.

Complete Surveys: On the Summer Checklist, there are a few surveys you need to complete including the Orientation Confirmation, Music Interest Survey and the Research Skills Assessment. The surveys will disappear from your checklist once you have completed them, so don’t panic if you log in one day and they are gone. Unless, of course, you didn’t complete them… then you may need to go check if someone in your family did it for you. (Then you need to ask why they have your log in information. This is one time it is ok NOT to share!)

Complete AlcoholEdu: Every first-year student at Lehigh is expected to complete AlcoholEdu for College, an online alcohol-abuse prevention program. This program will empower you to make well-informed decisions about alcohol and other related issues. The information regarding the date this program will become available will be posted on the Summer Checklist. You will also get an email at your Lehigh email account with more information regarding this program.

Create your HUB account: The HUB is a “virtual campus center” and the primary location for the Lehigh community to learn about student involvement opportunities. At the HUB, you can manage your club and organization participation, learn about involvement opportunities and join organizations, so create your account now. Instructions are available on the Summer Checklist.

Become a 2017 Class Officer: Jumpstart your Lehigh involvement by running for the Class of 2017 Officer Board. If you want to plan events to unite your class, spread passion for Lehigh, and connect with alumni, then apply to be a Class Officer candidate today! Elections for the 2017 Class Officers will take place during Orientation, but applications are due July 19, 2013. For more information and to view the application, visit the evoLUtion:1 tab.

Be sure to tell your family to check out lehigh.edu/~infys for information on Family Orientation.
Scheduling your classes is one of the most exciting aspects of being a college student! At Lehigh, you will “request” courses in the summer for the fall semester. We call the process Course Request because you won’t need to know the specific day of the week, professor or other details about a course; you just need to know what courses you want or need to take. For example, you don’t need to know which English 001 to select since it may be offered at various times of the day on different days of the week, you just need to let us know that you need the course English 001. In the summer, Lehigh will create a schedule that takes into account your college requirements, your requests and any Advanced Placement, IB, or college credits.

To start the process, you need to read the college-specific Course Request Packet in the back folder of this booklet. It will provide information on how to request your courses in June and which courses you need to take during your first semester. This material is specific to the requirements of your college of enrollment. In the unlikely case you lose this packet, or an overly excited family member takes it, you can find the same information on the evolution:1 tab.

The Course Request Process begins on Wednesday, June 7 and is open until Wednesday, June 21. You may log into the system as many times as you like during this two week window, but the most recent submission is the one Lehigh will use to build your schedule.

If you have any questions during the Course Request process, please contact your college of enrollment (Contacts are listed in the back of this booklet.)

When you check in for Orientation, you will receive your fall course schedule. If you need to make changes to this schedule, your first chance to do so will be on Friday, August 23, when you have the opportunity to meet with your academic advisor. As for your textbooks, we know you want to purchase those as soon as possible, but don’t worry; you will have plenty of time to buy your books when you arrive and know your official schedule.

Resources you need to complete Course Request are:

- Internet access
- The Course Request packet from your college
- The Course Catalog www4.lehigh.edu/academics/catalog
- College information posted on the evolution:1 tab
- College contacts located in this booklet
Fall 2013 Prelusion Programs

- alLUsions: Literary Lehigh
- ArtsAlive
- Discover Lehigh
- Excel@Lehigh
- GlobaLehigh
- Outdoor Adventure Program
- Quest
- SustainaBLEHIGH
- Urban Ops
- Volunteer Experience (VE)

Registration opens May 13th
When you picture your college experience do you envision meeting new people who have a similar interest? Do you see yourself trying something new? Are you looking for an adventure in a new place? If you want to make strong bonds with your peers, then Prelusion might be just what you are looking for at Lehigh!

Prelusion is a collection of optional pre-orientation programs designed to connect you with students who have similar interests. Prelusion allows you to engage with a smaller community of students and staff before classes begin.

Prelusion begins on Monday, August 19, 2013, three days before the rest of first-year class arrives and Orientation begins. You will move into your fall housing assignment in the morning and meet with the members of your program at lunch.

While each of our programs is different, they do share some common elements. During the day, you will participate in a variety of activities based on your program theme. At night, all the on-campus program participants are invited to attend various social events to meet the students in the other Prelusion programs. Prelusion programs have been intentionally planned by Lehigh staff, faculty and students so you will need to make arrangements to attend the entire program. And honestly, you won’t want to miss any of the action!

Each Prelusion program has a limited number of spaces and sign-up is on a first-come, first-served basis. To maximize your experience, each program requires a minimum of five students in order to run successfully. Students who register for a Prelusion program will receive a confirmation packet with specific program details and move-in information. Please don’t make travel arrangements until you receive your confirmation.

Limited scholarships are available. To learn more about Prelusion or to apply for a scholarship, go to www.lehigh.edu/~infys. Registration is available via the Campus Portal beginning on Monday, May 13 when the evoLution:1 tab goes live.

If your plans change over the summer, refund requests must be made in writing to fye@lehigh.edu. No refund requests will be accepted after June 30, 2013.
**alLUsions: Literary Lehigh**

College opens a space for creativity and self-exploration. alLUsions introduces you to a community of writers at Lehigh University. This program uses writing as a means to develop new relationships with other incoming students interested in creative writing, literature, and the written world. To this end, alLUsions explores three different literary environments: Bethlehem’s Northside, New York City’s bookish treasures, and Northeastern Pennsylvania’s natural beauties.

alLUsions begins in Bethlehem’s Northside, exploring the haunts of the city’s most famous poet, H.D. We then travel to New York City for a daylong investigation of the city’s unparalleled literary tradition and living culture. You will tour the New York Public Library, visit the world-famous Strand Bookstore, and write in Washington Square Park, an inspirational oasis for Mark Twain, Henry James, and the Beat poets, among many others.

alLUsions juxtaposes this urban landscape with a day in the countryside, where you will take in Ricketts Glen State Park and its 24 named waterfalls.

Throughout this journey, you will write and share your work in order to nurture connections with each other and with Lehigh’s larger literary community. You will become acquainted with the English Department, the Drown Writers’ Series, and the Writing Center, although writers from all academic backgrounds and interests are encouraged to participate. Regardless of intended major, alLUsions is a program that focuses on the many ways that language helps us to connect with the world that surrounds us.

**Cost:** $330  
**Capacity:** 15

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**ArtsAlive**

ArtsAlive is designed for incoming students interested in artistic opportunities on campus and in the local community. You get hands-on experiences in the arts as you engage in various workshops which have included: dance/movement, drumming circle, improve, a field trip to the Martin Guitar company, learning to play a violin, pottery and more.

You will also be introduced to the local community by visiting points of interest which are within walking distance of the campus. Meal times give you a taste of the many cultures flourishing in the area by sampling food from various ethnic regions.

This program helps you connect your creative interests. ArtsAlive is not just for arts majors, but for any students with an interest in the arts. Students who have participated in the past years have majored in Computer Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Mathematics, Journalism, Sociology and Social Psychology.

**Cost:** $300  
**Capacity:** 15

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*Family Orientation for Prelusion participants will be held on Monday, August 19. So…families don’t have to return for Thursday’s program.*
Discover Lehigh

Set off on a discovery of your new hometown! On this expedition, you’ll discover the history of Bethlehem and how Lehigh came to be. You’ll explore the hometown of Lehigh’s founder, Asa Packer, in scenic Jim Thorpe, Pa. You’ll learn about Bethlehem Steel and the impact the company’s rise and fall has had on your new community. Fall in love with your new school while beginning to discover your place in helping with the reinvention of Bethlehem as an eclectic hub for music, shopping, arts and entertainment. Throughout this adventure, you will also experience the Lehigh community, self-explore, and share your new home in Bethlehem with your peers!

As a part of this three-day discovery, here are some activities that you will experience:

- Tour Asa Packer’s mansion in his hometown of Jim Thorpe, Pa.
- Take a historic tour of Southside Bethlehem with a member of the community
- Enjoy different dining experiences in Bethlehem and the surrounding areas

**Cost:** $265  **Capacity:** 25

Excel@Lehigh

College is about learning — from the classes you take and the people you meet, to all of the experiences you’ll have in between! Learning how you can excel in navigating your academic and personal realities at Lehigh will be key.

Excel@Lehigh is an extended five-day Prelusion program that focuses on who you are and the strengths and skills you’re bringing to the Lehigh community. Building on that, we’ll take you on a reality tour of the academic experience, your leadership potential, ways you can get involved, how to continue in your career exploration and the great resources to tap along the way.

With current undergraduate students as your mentors, we’re excited to explore how you will Excel@Lehigh!

Check out some highlights of this interactive experience:

- Thoughtful discussions with Lehigh students, faculty, staff and alumni
- Ropes course
- Tour of Lehigh and the surrounding community
- Food and fun

**Cost:** $200  **Capacity:** 25

GlobaLehigh

GlobaLehigh takes you on a virtual three-day trip around the world as you immerse yourself in culture, cuisine and all things global. As you experience your first taste of campus, your activities will extend far and wide.

Here are just a few of the activities awaiting you:

- Take a behind the scenes tour of the United Nations headquarters and meet with a diplomat
- Eat your way around the world
- Network with Lehigh alumni working in international careers
- Explore the many different views of Globalization

This journey will be led by current students highly involved with all things Global at Lehigh. See for yourself why Lehigh University is truly a Global community!

**Cost:** $265  **Capacity:** 25
Outdoor Adventure Program (OAP)

Do you enjoy being adventurous, meeting new people and being outdoors? If so, then OAP is for you! This program takes first-year students to the Pocono Mountains where they spend their time rafting down the Delaware River, playing paintball, riding the zip line, taking day and night hikes and developing new friendships. Students will arrive on campus and drop off their belongings in their residence hall rooms before heading to the Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC) with their student trip leaders. While at PEEC, students will be housed in guest lodges. All trips are led by experienced student leader coordinators. This year, students will participate in Paddle, Battle and Adventure.

PADDLE: Rafting
Rafting on the scenic Delaware River, sunbathing, swimming and fun make this trip memorable. RAFTERS MUST BE ABLE TO SWIM.

BATTLE: Paintball
Kittatinny Paintball features exceptional mountaintop playing fields overlooking the beautiful Delaware River. Kittatinny’s fields, featuring natural forests with huge boulders and bunkers are designed to make each game exciting and fun! Paintballs are water-soluble, biodegradable and non-toxic. Everything you need is provided.

ADVENTURE: Zip Line
Take a ride on the dual racing zip line, one of the longest zip lines in the USA — over 3000 feet long. Soar 150 feet in the air overlooking the Delaware River. No special skills or abilities needed to enjoy this ride. If this adventure isn’t for you, don’t worry, there will be plenty of other activities to do. CAPACITY: 250 LBS. CLOSED SHOES REQUIRED.

Cost: $417 Capacity: 100

Quest

Are you considering joining a fraternity or sorority at Lehigh?

When the fraternity and sorority experience is “done right” it is a lifetime experience that encompasses understanding your values, running an organization, giving back to the community, developing leadership skills and having a lot of fun! Quest provides you an opportunity to examine the potential of the fraternity and sorority experience from all angles.

- How do the Greek recruitment and intake processes work?
- What are the challenges that Greek Life faces?
- How can Greek Life enhance your undergraduate experience and beyond?

Quest brings together both undergraduate and alumni Greek leaders to critically discuss and analyze “going Greek” at Lehigh. You will be able to look at all facets of Greek Life, discuss the challenges and benefits of the experience, and learn how a lifetime commitment to values can emerge from joining a chapter. Quest will take you from campus to Southside Bethlehem, to the city of Philadelphia.

Even if you are uncertain about “going Greek,” this is a great opportunity to learn more about Greek Life at Lehigh.

QUESTion your values. QUESTion your opportunities. QUESTion your involvement!

Cost: $265 Capacity: 30 (15 male, 15 female)
SustainabLEHIGH

Be a part of the growing Lehigh community focused on sustainability. In SustainabLEHIGH, you will not only meet students, faculty and staff engaged in sustainability efforts on campus, but also explore the Lehigh Valley through biking, canoeing, eating organic meals, visiting a farm and camping on our very own island.

As part of this exciting 3-day adventure, you will:
- Meet like-minded students
- Camp on your very own island
- Bike and canoe on the rail-to-trail
- Visit a local farm
- Take a green tour of campus
- Eat delicious organic meals
- Learn about sustainability-related clubs and classes

Cost: $325  Capacity: 15

Urban Ops

Your supplies: A map, a video camera and some cash to spend.

Your mission: To explore and stay overnight in the hottest tourist destination in the United States with a group of your new friends.

Urban Ops gives you the opportunity to begin your Lehigh journey by exploring the university and New York City. Throughout this experience, you will participate in a ropes course, meet young Lehigh alumni and learn concepts of group dynamics that will help you navigate the plethora of involvement opportunities at Lehigh.

Each group will be led by a highly trained squad leader to scout NYC where you will gather information using only the resources provided to you.

Cost: $375  Capacity: 30

“Prelusion allowed me to get settled on campus early, start meeting new people earlier, and add my love of adventure into the mix, in other words, it was the perfect opportunity for me.”

“Looking back at my experience, Prelusion was one of the best decisions I have ever made.”
Volunteer Experience (VE)

Volunteer Experience is a great way to begin your journey at Lehigh! Participants will immerse themselves in three days of service within the Lehigh Valley through which they will discover area agencies, take action to help alleviate issues facing their new community and building lasting friendships. VE introduces incoming students to Lehigh’s Community Service Office offering students a pathway to continue engaging in meaningful service through their four years at Lehigh if they so choose.

This year, Volunteer Experience is offering three service opportunities: a trip to Volunteers of America and Cityspace working with children, a trip to Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center helping address local environmental issues and a trip to several local human service agencies in Bethlehem to provide various forms of service.

Volunteers of America/Cityspace: It’s more than just fun and games at VOA and Cityspace — local youth centers for children ages 6-13. You can make an impact by being a role model for this group of youngsters while having fun and enjoying students’ last few days of summer before school resumes!

Jacobsburg Environmental Education Center: Get your hands dirty while you help maintain the natural environment of this environmental education center. Various activities may include: deepening park waterways to promote healthy aquatic life, restoring trails, removing invasive plants and creating habitats for indigenous amphibians.

South Side Serve: Get to know more about the Southside of Bethlehem while helping organizations in your new backyard. You will volunteer at various local neighborhood agencies including a senior center, a historical center, a food bank, and the South Bethlehem Library.

All trips are led by upper class students who are interested in community service and committed to providing you with the best first three days on campus you can have. Every evening after putting in a day of work at your project site, you will take part in activities with your fellow volunteers that help you become acquainted to your new home and new friends. Highlights include a BBQ with beach volleyball on campus one evening as well as dinners at off campus restaurants.

All meals will be included over the three days with the opportunity to check out the dining halls for breakfast, sample one of the most popular off-campus delis for lunch and socialize and relax for dinner time.

Check out our Facebook page by searching for “Lehigh University Volunteer Experience” on Facebook.

Also, visit our website with leader biographies, photos, and more program information at: http://www.lehigh.edu/service/vexperience/index.html

Cost: $265   Capacity: 25
ORIENTATION … your introduction to Lehigh

Moving In
First-year students will move in on Thursday, August 22, 2013 between 8:30am–1:00pm. Move-in is a two-part process. First, you will check-in for Orientation at Iacocca Hall on the Mountaintop Campus. Here you will receive your Orientation Group information, your class schedule and directions to your residence hall. You must keep all of these materials with you throughout Orientation. To make the move-in process run smoothly each residence hall will have specific directions to take you down the mountain to unload your belongings. You must check-in for Orientation first in order to receive your residence hall keys. Specific directions to Iacocca Hall for Orientation check-in will be available in August on the evolution:2 tab.

We know it is hard to decide what to pack so we tried to helped you out by creating a packing checklist on the evolution:2 tab. Go light on the packing. It easier to add things to your room after you are settled than to have a tower of belongings stacked next to your bed.

Orientation begins!
The goal of Orientation is to help you get ready for the academic rigor at Lehigh and integrate you into the vibrant campus network. Orientation is a jam-packed, four-day adventure, so you can tell your family to hit the road after their program ends on Thursday.

You will be assigned to a small group led by one of our 77 upper-class Orientation Leaders (OLs) who are trained to help answer all of your questions and guide you through the first semester at Lehigh. You can meet the OLs at the OFYE website.

The OLs represent all that Lehigh has to offer, including the variety of different majors, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, and student involvement opportunities. They will lead discussions on the transition from high school to college, introduce you to all the resources available to you as a Lehigh student, and share their experiences navigating the college environment.

During Orientation, you will:
- Meet with your academic advisor and learn college course requirements
- Explore South Bethlehem
- Attend a multitude of social events
- Learn about campus resources
- Discuss Lehigh and community expectations

The First-Year/Alumni Rally, the Lehigh After Dark kickoff at ArtsQuest, the Lehigh Symposium, and University Convocation are traditions you won’t want to miss! While the schedule is intense, there will be times
that you will be able to make decisions as to what is important for you to learn. You only get one college Orientation, so come with a positive attitude and be ready to learn about your new home.

**International Students and U.S. Citizens Living Abroad**
You are expected to attend the International Student Orientation which begins on Wednesday, August 21. This orientation program is designed to help you:
- Learn about your immigration responsibilities
- Learn campus resources and services specific to international students
- Get tips from current international students

More information on the date and time of this orientation program is available on the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) website at http://www.lehigh.edu/~intnl/prospective.html.

**Orientation Schedule-At-A-Glance***

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* This schedule is subject to change. An updated schedule will be provided at Orientation.
evoLUtion SEMINAR

Being a Lehigh student means you are an involved, engaged, and active participant in your learning experiences. To help engage you with the Lehigh and South Bethlehem communities and prepare you with the skills you need for future experiences, we created the evoLUtion Seminar, an eight-week experience that begins the third week of the fall semester.

During the 8-week Seminar you will:

- Complete the Lehigh Ropes Course
- Work in a small team to complete a project
- Learn about and explore South Bethlehem
- Get to know a faculty or staff member and student leader
- Learn critical university resources
- Increase your research skills

How to Register
To register for the seminar, a link will be emailed to you the first week of classes. (Remember when we said you need to check your Lehigh email every day? Trust us, you don’t want to miss this email!) You will select a time that works with your academic course schedule. We will confirm your time and send your section information within a week of the close of registration.

It’s Ropes Course Time!
So, what is a ropes course?
It is a series of outdoor elements made up of trees, wires, poles, and other equipment designed to create unique and challenging problem solving scenarios. Teams work together to negotiate the elements and successfully meet the challenges presented. You will complete the ropes course with your seminar group so you can get to know them better and begin your seminar experience.

This is a rain or shine event, so pack accordingly when you are preparing to come to Lehigh. It’s a challenge by choice course, so if you are uncomfortable or unable to participate in any particular element, that is okay! You can still support your team during that element.

As part of the seminar, all first-year students will participate in the Lehigh University Ropes Course the weekend of September 6-8, so be sure not to make plans to leave campus that weekend.

Channeling Your Curiosity and Future Goals
Learning more about yourself and how you learn best will require some thoughtful reflections. During each seminar class, you will be asked to spend a few moments reflecting on past experiences or future goals. We encourage you to “write to think” and will provide numerous opportunities for you to enjoy a quiet moment and jot down some of your thoughts about your college experience.
We will also ask you to push yourself to explore all that Lehigh has to offer and begin your journey of curiosity. We expect all first-year students to attend five programs, one for each of the five learning themes (refer to page one if you don’t remember them.) You will have plenty of time to complete this portion of your experience.

Last year students attended events such as:
- From ‘Gladiator’ to ‘The Hunger Games’: The History of Violence in Film
- 10 Tips for a Successful Semester
- Global Vaccine Advocacy-Issues of Access and Acceptance
- Dan Gillmor: New Tools of Storytelling

While the evoLution Seminar is not a credit bearing experience, it is required of all students. Your active participation in the experience will not only help your transition to Lehigh, but can allow you to make strong connections with faculty and staff on campus. If you choose not to participate fully in the experience, your course registration for the following semester may be delayed.

evolveLution Seminar Quick Facts

- Seminar begins the week of September 9th
- Groups meet for 50 minutes, once a week
- Staff or faculty and a student leader facilitate the seminar
- Check Lehigh email for registration information during the first week of classes

SAVE THE DATE: Ropes Course September 6-8
CAMP HAWK … sleep away camp for college students

September 20-22, 2013

Whether you went to camp every summer of your childhood or have never been to summer camp before in your life, Camp Hawk is for you!

Camp Hawk is Lehigh’s version of summer camp for first and second year students AFTER school has already started. This two-night retreat experience, which takes place in the Pocono Mountains is held at an authentic summer camp! You will have the chance to play classic camp games, like Gaga and compete in the Iron Hawk competition, while making new connections.

Camp Hawk is part of a larger off-campus experience called the Great Pocono Escape, which includes student leaders from various campus organizations. In addition to your fellow Camp Hawkers, you will have the chance to meet and interact with lots of upper-class student leaders. In total, about 250 students will depart Lehigh for the mountains to build connections and enhance their leadership skills.

So how do I sign up?
Registration for Camp Hawk will go live on Thursday, August 22, which is the first day of Orientation. Registration operates on a first-come, first-served basis. Limited scholarships are available. Please email fye@lehigh.edu for more information or check out the OFYE homepage at www.lehigh.edu/~infys/CampHawk.

When are we leaving and who’s going?
We leave campus for Camp Canadensis on Friday after classes end and return to Lehigh on Sunday around lunchtime. Students stay in cabins (and yes, there is hot water!) with other Camp Hawk participants and the Camp Hawk Counselors (CHCs). The CHCs consist of 20 upperclass leaders who will guide you through the weekend games and activities. We will bring the snacks if you bring your moves to the late night dance party.

“Camp Hawk was a great way to meet many people and was a great way to start my first year at Lehigh.”

“The people that went to Camp Hawk with me became my second family.”
CONTACT US

We want to answer all of your questions so don’t be shy (remember, this is YOUR experience).

We will host an online webinar about Orientation and move-in live on Wednesday, August 14 at 9:00pm EDT. Information about logging in will be sent to your Lehigh email address in August.

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