

WELCOME

GRADUATE STUDENTS!

FROM YOUR FRIENDS IN



OFFICE OF
STUDENT LIFE



We are excited that you will be joining us at Ohio State in the fall. Our programs and services are designed specifically to enhance your graduate student experience and help you succeed at Ohio State.

Home Sweet Home

University Residences and Dining Services (URDS) provides a convenient, safe, and dynamic housing community for graduate students attending Ohio State. Space is limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis, so students are encouraged to act quickly if interested. urds.osu.edu

To help identify alternative housing options for graduate students, URDS works with Off-Campus Student Services (OCSS) and Commuter Affairs. In addition to helping locate apartments and other housing units, OCSS offers information on budgeting, renter's insurance, safety, roommate resources, and more. The department of Commuter Affairs supports all students who live off-campus – whether they in the University District or dozens of miles away – by offering unique ways to build a sense of community, providing educational outreach, and giving non-resident students creative ways to get and stay engaged with the university. offcampus.osu.edu

Student Life Support Departments & Programs

BuckID buckid.osu.edu

Career Connection careerconnection.osu.edu

Center for Student Leadership & Service ohiounion.osu.edu/csls

Commuter Affairs offcampus.osu.edu

Counseling and Consultation Service ccs.osu.edu

Disability Services ods.osu.edu

Multicultural Center mcc.osu.edu

Off-Campus Student Services offcampus.osu.edu

The Ohio Union and Student Activities ohiounion.osu.edu

Parent and Family Relations parent.osu.edu

Recreational Sports recsports.osu.edu

Student Advocacy Center studentlife.osu.edu/advocacy

Student Health Insurance Program shi.osu.edu

Student Health Services shs.osu.edu

Student Judicial Affairs sja.osu.edu

Student Life Orientation studentlife.osu.edu/orientation

Student Wellness Center swc.osu.edu

University Residences and Dining Services urds.osu.edu

The Younkin Success Center younkinsuccess.osu.edu



What's Cooking?

Dining Services offers flexible meal plans for all students, featuring a wide variety of delicious and nutritious foods. Whether you're looking for fast food, a coffee shop, or a traditional food court with multiple options, many graduate school locations are conveniently located near Dining Services facilities. urds.osu.edu

Staying Healthy

Student Health Services is a nationally accredited outpatient facility providing a variety of health care services to the student population. Medical services include primary care, dental care, sports medicine, preventive medicine, optometry, gynecology, and allergy evaluations and therapy. Support services include radiology, laboratory, and physical therapy. These services and an on-site pharmacy are all available in one, convenient location – the Wilce Student Health Center. shs.osu.edu

For more Student Life information, visit www.studentlife.osu.edu.

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Staying Healthy continued

When the stress of managing class, work, family, and personal commitments gets to be too much, our Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) team can help. CCS provides a full range of counseling and mental health services at no cost to enrolled students. ccs.osu.edu

For students who need health insurance, or are looking for a plan that is more affordable, we offer a comprehensive health plan for graduate students and their dependents, as long as the student is enrolled at least half-time in a degree program or enrolled in a qualified exception course for research. Students may also opt to purchase WilceCare to supplement coverage they have under a parent's or spouse's plan. The university will pay 85% toward the insurance premium cost for students who hold a graduate associate appointment. shi.osu.edu

Get Fit and Stay Well at Ohio State

All graduate students enrolled in four or more credit hours pay a fee to be members of the five Recreational Sports facilities. Because you are a graduate student paying for the fee, you can also purchase a Rec Sports membership for your spouse or domestic partner at the student rate. Rec Sports also offers free family hours for student members' immediate families at the RPAC and ARC on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday each week. recsports.osu.edu

The Student Wellness Center, located in the RPAC, supports students as they take charge of their health and well-being. From financial counseling to one-on-one nutritional sessions, the Student Wellness Center can help. swc.osu.edu

Let Us Entertain You

Our research shows that a healthy dose of downtime can actually help students perform better in the classroom, so we offer graduate students special discounts and activities when you have a few minutes to spare.

D-Tix, the discount ticket program at the Ohio Union and brought to you by your Student Activity Fee, is your 'ticket to the city'. We offer discounts and tickets to some of Central Ohio's most sought-after activities, including many family-friendly options like the Columbus Zoo and COSI. D-Tix is located at the Information Center in the Ohio Union. dtix.osu.edu

The Ohio Union Activities Board (OUAB) Grad/Prof Committee sponsors free events such as happy hours, quiz nights, dinner and dialogue, and family fun day. ouab.osu.edu



Find Many Student Services in the Ohio Union

The new Ohio Union, opened in spring 2010, offers dozens of support services, programs, study and lounge spaces, dining facilities, and more. Home to the office of the Vice President for Student Life, Off-Campus Student Services, a satellite office for the Alumni Association, and the Center for Student Leadership and Service, the Ohio Union serves as a gathering place for students, staff, faculty, alumni, and guests to the university. ohiounion.osu.edu

While there, be sure to stop by the Multicultural Center, conveniently located on the ground floor, where you can learn about how Ohio State celebrates the rich diversity on campus and how you can develop the intercultural skills necessary to be successful in the global marketplace. mcc.osu.edu



Easy Access with BuckID

Your BuckID, the official university identification card, is critical to many student functions and operations at Ohio State. Some professors require a BuckID when giving tests. Your BuckID also gives you special privileges that you will find particularly handy when navigating campus. You can access Columbus's bus service, COTA, by showing your current BuckID to the driver. You can load money onto your BuckID account and conveniently pay for copies, vending machine purchases, and anything else through the more than 300 merchants that accept BuckID as a form of payment. And unlike credit cards and bank-issued debit cards, BuckID never charges any interest or overdraft fees. buckid.osu.edu

Supporting Student Success

The Student Advocacy Center can help you navigate Ohio State's various departments, policies, and procedures. They can answer questions, direct you to the appropriate department, give guidance, and more. studentlife.osu.edu/advocacy

Disability Services collaborates with and empowers students who have disabilities in order to coordinate support services and programs that enable equal access to the university. To learn more about documenting a disability and accessing assistance, visit ods.osu.edu.