

Welcome! Registration for the <u>August</u> Destination Kent State program begins on July 25. Register online through Flashline or call 330-672-2014 for assistance.

Payment of the \$150.00 Enrollment Fee is required before a student can register for the Destination Kent State program.

We are pleased to have you join the Kent State University community. Destination Kent State, our three-step orientation program, is designed to help in the transition to becoming a Golden Flash. The first step is "Advising & Registration," an orientation program that will take place this summer. Students will take placement assessments, meet one-on-one with their college academic advisor to plan their fall schedule and have an opportunity to visit with a representative from Financial Aid.

#### **Dates**

The final dates for Destination Kent State programs are Friday, August 16, 2013 or Monday, August 19, 2013. Arrive by 7:45 on the date of your scheduled visit (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Kent Student Center, Governance Chamber). Park in the visitor lot next to the Kent Student Center off of Summit St. and Risman Drive.

- The second half of your DKS experience is Welcome Weekend. Welcome Weekend begins with Residence Hall move-in on August 22, 2013.
  - o Commuter students will begin Welcome Weekend activities on August 23.
  - Visit <u>www.kent.edu/success</u> for a link to Welcome Weekend activities. Many Welcome Weekend activities are required for new students.
- Classes begin Monday, August 26, 2013.

Registration for the August 1-day Destination Kent State programs will begin on **Wednesday, July 25, 2013**. To make your appointment for Destination Kent State: Advising & Registration, please visit <a href="https://www.kent.edu/destination">www.kent.edu/destination</a> to log on to your FlashLine account. Follow the links to the Destination Kent State registration system. Select the date that is available for your major (that date will be a "live" link in the scheduling system).

Have your answers to the following questions ready when logging in to your Flashline account to register for Destination Kent State.

- 1. Will you have any college credit that will transfer including Post-Secondary Enrollment Options (PSEOP), Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB)?
  - If you have college credit, all official transcripts must be submitted to the Admissions Office at least two weeks prior to your scheduled appointment. Please indicate the number of anticipated transfer credit hours.
- 2. Do you or a family member who will be attending the Destination Kent State program require any special accommodations?
  - If YES, please specify in detail what your special needs are for the visit. Please list the name of the individual requiring assistance, the nature of assistance needed, and if it is a student or family member.

#### **Fee Information**

There is no additional fee for students attending the August Destination Kent State program.

# Program Schedule (arrive between 7:30-7:45 a.m. on the date of your scheduled visit)

Students check-in outside of the Governance Chamber on the second floor of the Kent Student Center. Each student schedule is personalized. Students visit one-on-one with an Academic Advisor. The visit should conclude by 5:00 p.m. Included in the schedule is an opportunity to visit with a representative from Financial Aid.

### **Who should attend Destination Kent State?**

New students are required to attend Destination Kent State. Parents may also visit a Financial Aid representative with their student in the afternoon of the DKS visit after or before the student meets with their Academic Advisor (time depends upon the student's individualized schedule). Otherwise, parents accompanying students are welcome to explore the campus while the student is taking placement assessments and visiting with their Academic Advisor.

# What to Bring

Below is a list of items we would recommend bringing to your Advising & Registration session:

- ✓ Casual Clothing and comfortable walking shoes (you will visit many places on campus)
- ✓ Umbrella (rain or shine, you may do some campus navigating during your visit!)
- ✓ Paper and pen/pencil
- ✓ Photo ID to obtain your student ID Card (Flashcard)
- ✓ Jacket or sweater (many of our buildings are air-conditioned and may get chilly)
- ✓ Advanced Placement Test scores, Post-Secondary credits, or college transcripts as appropriate. Transcripts may be unofficial for advising purposes.
- ✓ Your FlashLine username (Kent State University e-mail address) and password
- ✓ Cash for lunch either on campus or off-campus (lunch is not provided during the program)

## **How to Get Ready**

There are many things you should do in preparation for your Destination Kent State: Advising & Registration visit.

- Log-in and regularly check your Flashline account (www.kent.edu). All admitted students receive information in their admission letter about their Flashline portal account (includes email) which includes your login, Student ID number, and password. Students will be required to complete some activities within the Flash Line portal. Please be aware that email is the official form of communication at Kent State University and students should begin checking their accounts regularly.
- Complete the FAFSA. All students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ as soon as possible after Janaury 1 to determine eligibility for federal and state aid including student and parent loans. Kent State's Title IV School Code is 003051.

# **Placement Assessment**

Kent State University is committed to student success. To ensure proper placement in math, all students will take the ALEKS math assessment (personal calculators are not permitted). Please take the ALEKS placement assessment and Foreign Language Assessment (foreign language is not required for all students) 24-48 hours prior to arrival for DKS. Some students will take a reading and/or writing assessment. See your Flashline new student checklist for assistance with Placement Assessment.

## Directions, maps and lodging

Use this convenient web site to find information about lodging, directions and maps: http://www.kent.edu/campuses/maps/kent-wayfinding.cfm.

#### **Parking**

Attendees for the Destination Kent State Advising & Registration program park in the Kent Student Center pay lot off of Summit Street and Risman Drive. There will be no charge for parking. You may print a parking permit by clicking on the link in the confirmation e-mail you will be sent after you register for Destination Kent State or by linking to:

http://www.kent.edu/destination/advising/directions/upload/parkingpermit.pdf.

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

#### Q: Is Destination Kent State: Advising & Registration a required program for new students?

A: Yes. All incoming first-year students are required to attend the Destination Kent State program.

# Q: I have taken Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) tests in high school. How do I get credit for these exams?

A: Kent State University awards college credit for most Advanced Placement exams with scores of three, four or five. The Honors College Web site (<a href="http://www.kent.edu/honors/">http://www.kent.edu/honors/</a>) provides specific information about scores, credit and placement recommendations. If you are a high school student and you asked the College Board to send your scores to Kent State University, your scores will be evaluated when Kent State receives the score report. You and your degree-granting college will receive notification of credit by letter several weeks later. Kent State University awards college credit for most International Baccalaureate exams with scores of five or higher on the higher-level examinations. No credit can be posted until a student has enrolled as a Kent State University student. Please let the advisor you are meeting with during Destination Kent State: Advising and Registration know about the tests you have taken so they can accurately advise you.

## Q: I took college courses while in high school. How are these courses evaluated for credit?

A: If you took the courses at Kent State or at any of our regional campuses, you do not need to do anything, as these are already a part of your academic record. If you took courses at another institution, please request an official transcript to be sent to Kent State University, Office of Admissions. A transfer evaluation will then be completed and sent to you. If you have already received the transfer evaluation, please bring it with you to your session. You should also bring a copy of your college transcript in case your official transcript has not been evaluated by the time you attend Destination Kent State.

#### Q: Is it possible to change my reservation for the Destination Kent State: Advising & Registration program?

A: There are two dates in August available for Advising and Registration. Changing your scheduled date will limit your options. However, if you want to change your date, that is possible by logging back into your FlashLine account.

#### Q: What should I do if I want to change my major prior to or after attending the program?

A: If you decide to change your major, you should contact the Admissions office at (330) 672-2444 as soon as possible. It is best to make the changes prior to making your appointment for Destination Kent State so that you can meet with the advisor for your major.

#### Q: I had an accommodation/was on an IEP in high school. Am I automatically eligible for accommodations at Kent State?

A: Services for students with disabilities at Kent State University are based upon appropriate documentation, in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and/or the Americans with Disabilities Act, and an in-person intake with SAS personnel. Guidelines for what constitutes "appropriate documentation" can be found on SAS' website at <a href="http://www.registrars.kent.edu/disability/eligibility/index.htm">http://www.registrars.kent.edu/disability/eligibility/index.htm</a> or by calling (330) 672-3391. Services cannot be provided until this documentation is submitted and approved. For more information about the services available through the SAS office, please refer to their website at <a href="http://www.kent.edu/sas">www.kent.edu/sas</a> or contact them at (330) 672-3391.

# Q: What is the university's immunization requirement?

A: All students born after January 1, 1957, must show proof of 2 MMRs (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) in a lifetime or 1 in the last 6 years. Students from the following areas are required to have a tuberculosis screening test (TB/PPD/Mantoux) in the last 12 months: Africa, Eastern Europe, Russia, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean Islands, and Asia. There is an immunization requirement form that all students must complete and return to the university health center. Please refer to the DeWeese Health Center website for more information: http://www.uhs.kent.edu/