

Getting Ready for College: Important Things to Know

- Semester start date _____ (May not be the same as your first day of classes.)
- Add/Drop period _____ (A short window at semester-start during which you can add a course or withdraw from a course. However, if you drop below 12 credits your first semester you will lose the ECforME scholarship. And beginning with your second semester, you must have 12 *new* credits. If you fail a course and must repeat it, it won't count toward the 12-credit minimum.)
- Academic calendar (Gives semester dates, vacations, and holidays.)
- Student Handbook/Planner (If your college provides one, use it!)

Over the Summer

Verify that your college application is complete:

- Early college course(s) on your high school transcript?
- Health/immunization record submitted?
- Health insurance waived, if applicable?
- Accuplacer scores accepted?
- Test(s) taken specific to your major, such as for Nursing or Allied Health?
- Course equipment/tool list and any other program-specific requirement? (Ask your academic advisor.)
- Letter of Acceptance received from the college?
- Tuition deposit paid, if required?
- Dorm room reserved and deposit paid, if applicable?
- Registered for at least 12 credits for the semester?

Before Classes Start

- Check with Billing _____ (phone) to be sure you have no outstanding balance and to be sure Billing knows that you are an ECforME student.
- Check in with Financial Aid _____ (phone) to be sure you have confirmed your financial aid offer and to be sure Financial Aid knows that you are an ECforME student.
- If you'll be living in a dorm, check in with Residential Life to find out when you can move into the dorm and what you need to bring.

Orientation

- On-campus *required* meeting with RD: _____ (date/place/time).
- Obtain your Student ID.
- Obtain your Parking Permit, if required.
- Buy your books (If using the ECforME scholarship to buy books, be sure to find out how to do this—with a voucher from Billing or Financial Aid or through your RD—campuses do this differently.)

Adjusting to College

ASK FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT! Your RD is there to help you, but you must ASK.