



# Parents

POCKET GUIDE 2008–09

**Drake**  
UNIVERSITY

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# WELCOME TO DRAKE

[www.drake.edu](http://www.drake.edu)

[www.drake.edu/parents](http://www.drake.edu/parents)

THIS HANDBOOK IS DESIGNED TO ACT AS A RESOURCE FOR THE DURATION OF YOUR STUDENT'S TIME AT DRAKE UNIVERSITY. HANG ON TO THIS HANDY REFERENCE AND USE IT OFTEN. YOU CAN ALSO ACCESS THE HANDBOOK ON THE DRAKE UNIVERSITY PARENTS' WEB SITE, [WWW.DRAKE.EDU/PARENTS](http://WWW.DRAKE.EDU/PARENTS).

## ABOUT DRAKE UNIVERSITY

A national, coeducational, independent and private university founded in 1881, Drake offers more than 70 undergraduate majors in five colleges and schools, and graduate programs in business, education and law.

Your student will learn from and interact with outstanding, accessible faculty and other students. About 3,200 full-time undergraduate students from around the U.S. and 54 countries attend Drake. Equally important, your student will benefit from a lifelong connection to Drake: After graduating, he or she will automatically become a member of the Drake National Alumni Association, connecting him or her to the University and to a network of more than 64,000 Drake alumni worldwide.

## DRAKE PARENTS ASSOCIATION

At Drake, we welcome and encourage parents to get involved in their students' education and invite you to make the most of your automatic membership in the Drake University Parents Association.

Parents Association Board members and University staff are ready and willing to answer your questions and listen to your ideas about your student's education. As we look forward to your student joining us on campus, we also look forward to your joining our extended campus community. Welcome!

The Drake University Parents Association provides a variety of special events for parents, such as Parents and Family Weekend, the President's Assembly and other activities designed to introduce you to the Drake faculty and administration.

## CALENDAR

### Fall 2008

<i>Aug. 25</i>	Classes begin at 8 a.m.
<i>Sept. 1</i>	Labor Day (no classes)
<i>Sept. 26–28</i>	Parents and Family Weekend
<i>Sept. 26–27</i>	Homecoming Weekend
<i>Oct. 17</i>	Mid-point of fall semester
<i>Oct. 20–21</i>	Fall recess
<i>Oct. 22</i>	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
<i>Nov. 25</i>	Thanksgiving recess begins after evening classes
<i>Dec. 1</i>	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
<i>Dec. 12</i>	Day free for study
<i>Dec. 15–19</i>	Examinations
<i>Dec. 19</i>	Semester ends

### Spring 2009

<i>Jan. 19</i>	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no classes)
<i>Jan. 20</i>	Classes begin at 8 a.m.
<i>March 13</i>	Mid-point of spring semester
<i>March 16–20</i>	Spring recess
<i>April 24</i>	Relays (classes dismissed at 1:50 p.m.)
<i>May 8</i>	Day free for study
<i>May 11–15</i>	Final examinations
<i>May 15</i>	Semester ends
<i>May 16</i>	Commencement

As a Drake parent, you can:

- expect that your student's education needs and adjustment to college life are Drake's first priority.
- help recruit other students (and parents) for Drake.
- contribute to the Parents Annual Fund, which provides important financial support to benefit students.
- receive Drake-related offers in the mail, such as the Bank of America MasterCard, GradMed short-term health insurance for new Drake graduates, and diploma frames to display your student's degree.

## MAKING THE GRADE

[www.drake.edu/academics](http://www.drake.edu/academics)

The Drake Curriculum provides your student with opportunities across the curriculum and within his/her major. This unique curriculum begins with First Year Seminars and concludes with a Senior Capstone Experience — a research project, thesis or other major work to synthesize his/her educational experience at Drake.

Grade reports are no longer printed and mailed but are made available to your student online.

To receive a Drake degree, your student must have a cumulative 2.0 grade point average. Students must complete 124 hours of class work, or about 15 hours per semester, to graduate, except in pharmacy, which requires 208 hours. The average class at Drake equals three hours of credit, although some are worth more and some less.

### Breaking Down the GPA

$$\text{GPA} = \frac{\text{Number of grade points earned}}{\text{number of credit hours attempted}}$$

A = 4.0 points

B = 3.0 points

C = 2.0 points

D = 1.0 point

F = 0.0 point\*

\*Earning an F means no credit toward graduation for that course, although the zero is figured as part of the GPA.

All Drake phone numbers begin with 515-271.

## ACHIEVING SUCCESS

**Office of Academic Assistance, x3752**

[www.drake.edu/students](http://www.drake.edu/students),

[crystal.stanley@drake.edu](mailto:crystal.stanley@drake.edu)

Drake's Academic Assistance Office provides general academic support. Students interested in time management, study skills or test-taking strategies can contact the Office of the Provost. Students needing content-specific assistance are encouraged to work directly with their professors and academic departments.

## COMPUTERS ON CAMPUS

**Office of Information Technology, x3214** [www.drake.edu/it](http://www.drake.edu/it)

Every residence hall room has Ethernet ports — one per resident — that give students full, high-speed connections to the campus-wide network, the Internet and e-mail. Students are expected to bring their own computers to campus. The University also offers attractive pricing arrangements with several manufacturers for students who wish to purchase a computer. Students may also use computer labs located conveniently across campus.

## PROFESSIONAL AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

**Professional and Career Development Services, x3721**

[www.drake.edu/career](http://www.drake.edu/career)

Drake's Professional and Career Development Services focuses on professional career development rather than job placement. This focus is a perfect fit for higher education due to its emphasis on learning a process. Career development at its best begins the student's first year and builds with each internship, research study, service project or part-time job. Ultimately, this process culminates in the student's seeking and landing a job. Professional and Career Development Services offers comprehensive services for students both in and out of the classroom.

### Services include:

- Career assessments
- Networking
- Career bluePrint (Drake's online job posting board)
- Internship and service learning experiences
- Resume and cover letter development
- Mock interviews
- Portfolio development

## TUITION PAYMENT AND DROP POLICIES

**Office of Student Accounts, x2151**

[www.drake.edu/accounts](http://www.drake.edu/accounts)

The Office of Student Accounts offers several options for paying for your student's Drake education. You should choose a method of payment and complete a payment plan application by the time your student registers for classes. Students who have not paid or registered for a payment plan by the end of the period for dropping classes will receive a letter from the Office of Student Accounts informing them that they have an additional 10 days to make the necessary arrangements. If students have not made the necessary arrangements by the fourth week of the semester, they may be dropped from classes for the semester and are not allowed to re-enroll or live in University housing until the following academic term.

To review payment options, visit [www.drake.edu](http://www.drake.edu) and click on the left-hand link "Current Students," then "Student Accounts" under "Campus Services."

## STAYING HEALTHY

**American Republic Student Health Center, x3731**

**[www.drake.edu/students/health](http://www.drake.edu/students/health)**

The American Republic Student Health Center provides outpatient services for students, illnesses, injuries and routine health care needs. The center is located on campus, and health professionals are available on-site Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and by phone.

**Services include:**

- Health screening
- Immunizations and other injections
- Acute care for illnesses and injuries
- Annual physicals and health education

If students require emergency treatment or specialized care beyond services provided by the health center, referrals to physicians, specialists and emergency departments near Drake are made as necessary.

Drake’s Counseling Center is also conveniently located at the Student Health Center and offers group and individual counseling.

**A BALANCED DIET**

**Sodexo Campus Dining Services, x3175**

**[www.drake.edu/students/dining](http://www.drake.edu/students/dining)**

Drake’s dining services provider, Sodexo, offers a variety of meal plans that let students budget how and when they use their meal plans throughout the semester.

- Hubbell Dining Hall’s Ultimate Dining offers a buffet with the popular “All-You-Can-Eat” concept.
- Spike’s C-Store and Spike’s Pizza/Sub Shoppe are perfect for students on the go.
- Terrace Court serves breakfast and a range of food options throughout the day.
- Starbucks coffees, Freshens’ smoothies and a variety of to-go items are available in Olmsted Center.
- Cowles Cafe, located in Cowles Library, features Starbucks Coffee beverages, freshly baked pastries and baked goods, specialty salads and sandwiches, along with a variety of sweet and salty snacks.
- Students can use their Flex Dollars or Bulldog Bucks to get their favorite concession items at on-campus Drake sporting events at designated stands in the Knapp Center.

**SHAPING UP**

**Bell Center, x3173, [www.godrakebulldogs.com](http://www.godrakebulldogs.com)**

Students also have many opportunities to exercise in exceptional facilities.

**Drake offers:**

- Swimming
- Jogging
- Racquetball
- Tennis
- Intramural sports
- Aerobics
- Diet and exercise schedules created by trained staff

**MEETING YOUR NEEDS**

**Student Disability Services, x3100 (voice), x2825 (TTY)**

**[www.drake.edu/sds/](http://www.drake.edu/sds/)**

Student Disability Services, located in Old Main, offers support and accommodations for students with disabilities, enabling them to participate in all Drake programs and activities. Students who need accommodations, accessible residence hall rooms and/or wheelchair-accessible classrooms should contact Disability Services as soon as possible.

**SAFETY FIRST**

**Campus Security Services, x2222**

**[www.drake.edu/security](http://www.drake.edu/security)**

While Drake is a very safe place, the University doesn’t take any chances with students’ welfare. Drake maintains a full security force 24 hours a day, operates a free and convenient shuttle service between campus and off-campus housing during the evenings, and has emergency phones located around campus for students to use in case of an emergency.

Students are asked to keep doors locked, and overnight guests and visitors must be checked in by their Drake host at the student’s residence hall front desk. Overnight visitors receive guest passes to use as identification for admission to the residence hall after 11 p.m., when doors are locked.

**THE SOCIAL SIDE**

**Student Life Center, x3711**

**[www.drake.edu/life/studentlife/](http://www.drake.edu/life/studentlife/)**

The Student Activities Board offers a number of all-University events throughout the year, as do the residence halls and fraternity and sorority organizations. Students can join one or more of the 160-plus campus organizations at Drake or take advantage of opportunities to volunteer in the community. Professional fraternities and other major-related organizations combine academic and social worlds and let students learn more about various fields and professions.

**CULTURE, ARTS AND OTHER ENTERTAINMENT**

**Drake Arts, x2018, [www.drake.edu/arts](http://www.drake.edu/arts)**

Artistic expression abounds on Drake’s campus, and most fine arts events are free to students.

- The Drake Theatre Arts Department sponsors productions ranging from musicals and contemporary plays to one-act and student-directed performances.
- Campus choral ensembles, symphony and band performances are open to all Drake students.
- The Art Department sponsors art exhibitions of guest artists, faculty and students.

## HEADING HOME

### Office of Alumni and Parent Programs, x2500 [www.drake.edu/alumni](http://www.drake.edu/alumni)

A number of Drake students head home to Chicago, Minneapolis, Kansas City and other areas, so they can often catch a ride with each other. A ride board is posted in Olmsted Center so students can find someone with whom to share the road.

With the help of parent volunteers, the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs also arranges chartered buses for students from the Chicago and Milwaukee areas at fall, Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks. Contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs for more information.

## SUPPORT FROM AFAR

Whether you're five miles or 500 miles from Drake, you can still give your student the comforts of home.

- Sodexo Campus Dining Services offers theme packages ("Happy Birthday," "Cold Buster," "Thinking of You," and many seasonal themes) for parents to send to their students from home on a big day. Call Sodexo Campus Dining Services at x3175 for more information or to place an order.
- Visit Gift University on the Drake Dining Web site for true gourmet, floral, plant and gift experts. Powered by 1-800-FLOWERS.COM®, Gift University was founded in partnership with Sodexo as a way to send great gifts for any occasion, from birthdays and anniversaries to exams and special holidays. Both parents and students can use the Web site to send and receive care packages, tasty snacks, "just because" surprises and much more.

*Local florists, chocolatiers and bakeries also offer a full selection of goodies to surprise your student. See the list below for ideas.*

## FLORISTS

**Boesen the Florist**  
515-274-4761

**Irene's Flowers and Exotic Plants**  
515-274-3859

**Plaza Florist and Gifts**  
515-276-4951

## SWEETS

**Cookies by Design**  
515-252-7757

## DRESSING FOR DRAKE

Now that you're a Drake parent, you'll want to look the part — as will your student. The D-Shoppe and University Book Store offer a wide variety of college paraphernalia.

## MONEY MATTERS

If you or your student needs money while on campus, Olmsted Center has an ATM, and the Cashier's Office in Old Main cashes checks up to \$50.

## BREATHE EASY

Effective July 1, 2008, Iowa law prohibits smoking anywhere on the Drake campus. This includes all University buildings and outdoor areas, as well as parking lots and University-owned vehicles. Smoking will also be prohibited within personal vehicles parked on Drake property. The regulations can be viewed at [www.IowaSmokefreeAir.gov](http://www.IowaSmokefreeAir.gov). In addition, a map outlining the Drake University campus is available at [www.drake.edu/about/campusmap-bw-8x11.pdf](http://www.drake.edu/about/campusmap-bw-8x11.pdf).

## "YOU AUTO KNOW"

### Student Handbook, [www.drake.edu/dos/handbook/](http://www.drake.edu/dos/handbook/)

All students may have cars on campus.

- Students must purchase a parking sticker or hangtag park in Drake-owned lots.
- Parking passes can be purchased during registration or from the Cashier's Office. (See cost structure below.)
- The Olmsted lot, near the Olmsted Center, is a pay lot. You can pay cash or buy a pay-lot pass in the Olmsted Center D-Shoppe.
- Drake University's parking policy is posted on the campus Web site, or individuals can request a hard copy from Campus Security. This policy contains the rules regarding parking on the Drake campus as well as the appeal process should a vehicle receive an illegal parking citation.

### Drake University Parking Permit Structure for 2008-09

Commuter Day	\$140.00 annual
Residence Hall/Overnight	\$225.00 annual
Commuter Day	\$90.00 fall only
Commuter Day	\$90.00 spring only
Residence Hall/Overnight	\$150.00 fall only
Residence Hall/Overnight	\$150.00 spring only

## PHONE NUMBERS AND E-MAIL ADDRESSES

All Drake phone numbers begin with 515-271.

If you have questions or comments, contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Programs, 1-800-44-DRAKE, x2500, [www.drake.edu/alumni](http://www.drake.edu/alumni).

**Academic Affairs, x3751**

Ronald Troyer, provost, [ronald.troyer@drake.edu](mailto:ronald.troyer@drake.edu)

**Admission and Financial Aid, x2092**

Tom Delahunt, vice president for admission and financial aid, [tom.delahunt@drake.edu](mailto:tom.delahunt@drake.edu)

Susan Ladd, director of financial aid, x3048  
[susan.ladd@drake.edu](mailto:susan.ladd@drake.edu)

Laura Linn, director of admissions, x3182  
[laura.linn@drake.edu](mailto:laura.linn@drake.edu)

**Alumni and Parent Programs, x2500**

Barbara Dietrich Boose, director of Alumni and Parent Programs, x3077, [barbara.boose@drake.edu](mailto:barbara.boose@drake.edu)

**American Republic Student Health Center, x3731**

**Athletic Office, x2889**

**Athletic Ticket Office, x3791**

**Cashier, x2151**

**Fine Arts Box Office, x3841**

**President's Office, x2191**

David E. Maxwell, president, [david.maxwell@drake.edu](mailto:david.maxwell@drake.edu)

**Security, x2222**

**Student Life Center, x3711**

**Student Records, x3901**

## COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

**Arts and Sciences, x3939**

Joseph Lenz, interim dean  
[joseph.lenz@drake.edu](mailto:joseph.lenz@drake.edu)

**Business and Public Administration, x2871**

Charles Edwards Jr., dean  
[charles.edwards@drake.edu](mailto:charles.edwards@drake.edu)

**Education, x3726**

Jan McMahill, dean  
[janet.mcmahill@drake.edu](mailto:janet.mcmahill@drake.edu)

**Journalism and Mass Communication, x3194**

Charles Edwards Jr., dean  
[charles.edwards@drake.edu](mailto:charles.edwards@drake.edu)

**Law, x2824**

Ben Ullem, dean  
[ben.ullem@drake.edu](mailto:ben.ullem@drake.edu)

**Pharmacy and Health Sciences, x1814**

Raylene Rospond, dean  
[raylene.rospond@drake.edu](mailto:raylene.rospond@drake.edu)

## RESIDENCE HALLS

Carpenter — 2900 Forest Avenue; x1878

Crawford — 1333 30th Street; x2207

Drake West Village — 1315 31st Street, x4840

Goodwin-Kirk — 1215 30th Street; x3511

Herriott — 2842 Forest Avenue; x2488

Jewett — 2717 Carpenter Avenue; x3236

Morehouse — 1202 28th Street; x3367

Ross Hall — 1214 31st Street; x1953

Stalnaker — 1319 30th Street; x3274

## FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

### Fraternities

Phi Delta Theta — 1245 34th Street, x2078

Phi Gamma Delta — 1236 34th Street, x2078

Pi Kappa Alpha — 1219 34th Street, x2078

Sigma Alpha Epsilon — 1235 34th Street, x2078

Sigma Chi — 3212 Forest Avenue, x2078

Sigma Phi Epsilon — 1243 34th Street, x2078

Tau Kappa Epsilon — 1316 34th Street, 971-6840

Theta Chi — 1320 34th Street, x2078

### Sororities

Alpha Kappa Alpha — Olmsted, x2078

Alpha Phi — 1240 34th Street, 221-0024

Delta Gamma — 1227 34th Street, 274-1664

Kappa Alpha Theta — 1335 34th Street, x2078

Kappa Kappa Gamma — 1305 34th Street, 277-6361

## VISITING CAMPUS

[www.drake.edu/stuff2do.html](http://www.drake.edu/stuff2do.html)

Experience Drake with your student. Participate in Homecoming and Parents and Family Weekend, Drake Relays and Summer Orientation. Or explore the variety of events and activities going on around campus and in Des Moines anytime.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Des Moines and its suburbs have many different lodging options. Several local hotels offer special rates for the parents of Drake students; just identify yourself as such when you call. For more information on lodging as well as addresses for hotels, see the parent Web site at [www.drake.edu/parents](http://www.drake.edu/parents).

**Airport Holiday Inn**

800-248-4013

Drake rate: \$85 + tax

**Best Western Clive Inn & Suites**

866-788-7013

Drake rate: \$72 + tax

**Chase Suite Hotel**

888-433-6140

Drake rate: \$99, \$109 + tax \*Rate based upon availability; blackout dates may apply

**Comfort Suites at Living History Farms**

800-395-7675

Drake rate: \$89 + tax \*Rate based upon availability

**Country Inn and Suites**

800-456-4000

Drake rate: \$88; \$98 suite + tax

**Courtyard by Marriott**

800-627-7468

Drake rate: \$85 + tax

**Des Moines Marriott Downtown**

800-514-4681

Drake rate: \$89 + tax

**Drury Inn & Suites West Des Moines**

877-600-4351

Drake rate: \$90 + tax \*Rate based upon 1–4 people

**Embassy Suites Hotel**

515-244-1700

800-EMBASSY

Drake rate: \$135 + tax \*Rate cannot be booked through the toll-free number

**Heartland Inn Airport**

800-334-3277 code 28

Drake rate: \$72.99 + tax

**Heartland Inn Clive**

800-334-3277 #16

Drake rate: \$69.75 + tax

**Holiday Inn Downtown**

515-283-0151

Drake rate: \$89.95 + tax

**Holiday Inn Express at Drake**

515-255-4000

Drake rate: \$84 + tax \*Blackout dates may apply

**Hotel Fort Des Moines**

800-532-1466

Drake rate: \$99 single/double; \$119 suite + tax

**Radisson Hotel Des Moines Airport**

800-557-7048

Drake rate: \$89 + tax

**Renaissance Savery Hotel**

800-514-4706

Drake rate: \$92 + tax \*Rate based upon availability

**Sheraton West Des Moines**

888-627-8043

Drake rate: \$92 + tax

**Sleep Inn**

877-233-0333

Drake rate: \$64 + tax \*Rate based upon availability

**The Cottage/Bed and Breakfast**

515-277-7559

Drake rate: \$89 + tax

**The Suites of 800 Locust**

800-320-2580

Drake rate: \$145 + tax

**West Des Moines Marriott**

800-228-9290

515-457-3241

Drake rate: \$89 + tax

**Wildwood Lodge**

800-728-1223

Drake rate: \$89 + tax

## DINING

Join your son or daughter for meals in the Drake dining halls during your visit. Or try one of the eateries in the Des Moines area. The Drake Diner, just a block from campus, the Court Avenue district in downtown Des Moines, and neighboring suburbs offer a variety of culinary delights for any taste.

### AND MORE ...

**Greater Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau,**  
**515-286-4960; [www.seedesmoines.com](http://www.seedesmoines.com)**

Des Moines provides a plethora of sporting, cultural and recreational activities. Contact the Greater Des Moines Convention and Visitors Bureau for more information.

### GROCERY STORES

**Dahl's Food Marts**  
3425 Ingersoll Avenue  
515-255-3118  
1819 Beaver Avenue  
515-255-3151

**Walgreens**  
3030 University  
515-279-3004

### HOSPITALS

**Iowa Lutheran Hospital**  
700 East University Avenue  
515-263-5612

**Iowa Methodist Medical Center**  
1200 Pleasant Street  
515-241-6212

**Mercy Franklin Center**  
**Behavioral Management Facility**  
48th and Franklin  
515-271-6000

**Mercy Hospital Medical Center**  
1111 6th Avenue  
515-247-3121

### SHOPPING MALLS

**Jordan Creek Town Center**  
101 Jordan Creek Parkway  
515-224-5000

**Merle Hay Mall**  
Merle Hay Road and  
Douglas Avenue  
515-276-8551

**Southridge Mall**  
SE 14th and Army Post Road  
515-287-3889

**Valley West Mall**  
1551 Valley West Drive  
515-225-3631

### HOW TO REACH DRAKE

Drake University  
2507 University Avenue  
Des Moines, Iowa 50311-4505  
CALL: 1-800-44-DRAKE, then dial any extension listed in this handbook

CALL LOCALLY AND FROM OUTSIDE  
THE UNITED STATES: 1-515-271-2011

SURF: [www.drake.edu](http://www.drake.edu)  
[www.drake.edu/parents](http://www.drake.edu/parents)