Calendar

APRIL
- April 11: Odyssey Day (for newly admitted students)

MAY
- May 1: Enrollment deposit due for first-year students
- May 15: Housing application deadline for first-year students

JUNE
- Mid-June: Orientation and registration information mailed

JULY
- July 1: Fall housing assignments for first-year students available online in MyHousing
- July 16: Account statements for the fall term will be available for viewing in CardinalPAY. Email notifications will be sent to each student’s CUA email address as well as to any Authorized Payers established on the account.
- Late July: Housing assignments mailed
- July 31: Final high school transcript due to CUA

AUGUST
- August 1: Housing application deadline for transfer students
- Early August: Work-study program instructional letter mailed
- August 20: International Student and Scholar Orientation
- August 21: Residence halls open for new students and New Student Orientation and parent programs begin
- August 23: Residence halls open for continuing students
- August 24: New Student Orientation ends
- August 25: Classes begin

SEPTEMBER
- Early September: Deadline to waive auto-enrollment in the student medical plan. More information to follow.
Welcome to CUA!

Dear Incoming Student,

On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs, it is my pleasure to welcome you to The Catholic University of America community. At CUA, you will find an exceptional collegiate experience that has the potential to make a true difference in your life … if you want it to and if you let it.

You will have many opportunities to do great things over the course of the next few years. Each of you has chosen this University, just as we have chosen you. And each of you should take great pride in your accomplishments to date on your journey here. We, in turn, take great pride in you and have high expectations for your future.

This booklet is intended to provide you with some of the key information that you need to address to complete your initial transition to Catholic University. In particular, please pay special attention to the Calendar and Checklist of Items that require action on your part. Please remember to forward your official final transcript directly to the Office of Admissions once you have completed your academic work.

During the summer months, you will receive further information regarding registration, new student orientation, campus housing, and other programs and services. Our goal is to keep you informed and start building your connection to our community.

Our doors are always open, so please be in touch. We wish you the very best as you finish your studies and await your arrival in August for Orientation.

Sincerely yours,

Jonathan C. Sawyer
Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
An Introduction to Campus Life

The life of a CUA student revolves around vibrant school spirit, activities, and tradition. As a CUA student you have joined a dynamic and supportive community, both academically and socially. Our goal in the Division of Student Affairs is to assist you in building connections to the larger University community in the hope that you will become an active participant in University life and gain a greater appreciation for community values and service.

Attending a CUA football game under the lights in the fall, dancing at Founders Day ball, participating in the Freshman Retreat and Residence Hall programs — the student experience is enriched by our Catholic Identity, tradition, and history. While there are a number of resources available to help prepare you for the life of a CUA student, the best place to start your search is The Nest (nest.cua.edu). The Nest is your home base for everything CUA, from academic events and traditional campus activities to your Cardinal Transcript.

On behalf of the entire Division of Student Affairs, we invite you to get involved, get excited, and become part of the history of this great school. Go Cards!

Campus Activities
activities.cua.edu
202-319-6003

Campus Ministry
ministry.cua.edu
202-319-5575

Dean of Students
dos.cua.edu
202-319-5619

Housing Services
housing.cua.edu
202-319-5615

Residence Life
residencelife.cua.edu
202-319-5619
The Campus Community

The Office of Residence Life at CUA is committed to creating residential living communities that support the University’s mission, values, and Catholic identity. In the residential communities, you will find values-centered intellectual, physical, spiritual, and social experiences and opportunities that contribute to healthy student development, encourage student citizenship and civility, and create connections to the CUA community. The Residence Life professional staff members, in conjunction with more than 100 student staff members, work to make living on campus a memorable experience.

Residence Life has developed a Residential Experience that guides departmental practices and shapes the educational experiences of CUA students in the residence halls. The residential experience is defined by areas that Residence Life believes students should explore while living in the residential communities on campus. We believe that a firm foundation in the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity will empower our students to be positively contributing members of our globalized society.

Residence Life is committed to creating educational experiences that stretch beyond the classroom. We invite you to explore the opportunities available by living on campus.
At CUA, undergraduate students live in single-sex residence halls. Coupled with programs directed at students’ personal, spiritual, and moral development, single-sex housing fosters an environment of virtuous living consistent with the Catholic intellectual tradition and the mission of The Catholic University of America.

First-year students benefit from living with their peers, surrounded by other students who are having the same experiences as they make the transition into college. For that reason, several residence halls across campus concentrate specifically on the needs of freshman students. As students progress through Catholic University they will find more independent living options available on campus.

**Flather, Ryan, and Regan Halls**

Flather, Ryan, and Regan are the hub of CUA’s first-year community. They are traditional style halls with rooms along a hallways, community bathrooms, and common living spaces. St. Vincent de Paul Chapel is located between Ryan and Regan halls.

Built in 1962 and named for Mary Flather, friend of the University, Flather Hall offers primarily double rooms as well as a large lounge space on the first floor of the building. Amenities include pool and foosball tables, as well as common study and kitchen facilities. Flather Hall was renovated in 2008. There is a priest-in-residence and the Sacred Heart Chapel on the first floor of Flather Hall.

Ryan Hall was built in 1945 and named for Rev. James Hugh Ryan, the rector who first admitted women to the University. Fittingly, Ryan Hall was the home of the first female residents at CUA. Ryan offers a variety of single, double, and triple rooms, as well as a common area kitchen and lounge space.

Regan Hall was initially built as a residence hall for women and was completed in 1949. It is named in honor of Agnes Gertrude Regan (1869–1943), known for her leadership in the National Council of Catholic Women and the National Catholic School of Social Service. Regan Hall also offers a variety of single, double, and triple rooms and has several large lounge spaces for community use. There are two religious-in-residence living on the ground floor. Regan also houses the North Neighborhood Two Residence Hall Office, which serves Flather, Regan, and Ryan halls. The interior finishes in Regan and Ryan halls were updated in 2010.

**Centennial Village**

The Centennial Village community of eight buildings houses first-year and sophomore students. The close proximity of the houses, built in 1988, provides fertile ground for community-based activities and programs. Each house is a community that provides students with a living option in which a shared bathroom connects two double rooms. With fewer than 90 students in any given house, Centennial Village offers a close-knit community for the students who live there. Each building offers community lounges. There are two live-in faculty members, as well as two live-in religious in four of the buildings. The eight houses surround a common grassy area called Conte Circle, named for Silvio O. Conte, a Massachusetts congressman whose leadership assured federal funds to the University for the CV building project. Conte Circle provides space for many outdoor activities and socializing. Centennial Village comprises Camalier, Engelhard, Magner, McDonald, Quinn, Reardon, Unanue and Walton houses.

**Opus North and South**

Opus Hall opened in spring 2009 as CUA’s newest and largest residence hall. Separated into distinct North and South wings for female and male students, Opus Hall is home primarily to sophomore students, with approximately 400 beds. It is LEED certified with an environmentally friendly, sustainable design that reflects the University’s “collegiate gothic” architecture. Features include ample community space and lounges, with a kitchen and dining area on floors two through seven. Students living in five-person suites have one double and three single rooms, a shared private living area, and bathroom facilities.

**Gibbons, Caldwell, and Seton Halls**

Gibbons Hall is a stately, castle-like building that is among the most historic at CUA, contributing to the feeling of a traditional university. Gibbons Hall houses sophomores and upperclass students in a mix of single, double, and triple rooms; some of the rooms have private baths. Caldwell Hall and the Seton Wing offer single and double rooms also for sophomore and upperclass residents.

**Millennium North and Millennium South**

The Millenniums offer the widest variety of independent living options to upperclass residents. Millennium South and Millennium North are attractive and popular housing options offering both apartment and suite-style living. Each Millennium apartment contains a combination of single- and double-occupancy bedrooms that share a common living room, kitchen area, and bathroom. Millennium suites contain three single-occupancy bedrooms that share a common living area and bathroom. There are kitchen facilities on each floor with locked storage cabinets available to suite residents.
Theme Communities

The Office of Residence Life has developed several unique learning environments in the residence halls that are focused on a particular theme and are designed to supplement and enhance students’ collegiate experience. Theme community events and activities engage students in academic and social experiences and allow greater opportunity for students to build connections with CUA faculty, staff, and students who share a common interest.

Creative Arts Community
The Creative Arts Community is open to students interested in performing arts, visual arts, creative media, literature and creative writing, and other artistic or creative endeavors. Residential programs and activities will focus on exposing students to various creative arts and will encourage students to share their talents and areas of interest with other community members.

Honors Residential Community
The Honors Residential Community offers honors students access to faculty in residence, lectures, discussion groups, and activities, including off-campus educational opportunities and excursions into the greater D.C. area that are led by faculty, students, and staff. Community members are expected to contribute to the community through service, activities, and scholastic excellence.

Global Village
The Global Village is available for students who have a passion for exploring and understanding the world community. This community, supported by Residence Life, the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, and the Center for Global Education, offers opportunities to engage with others in dialogue about culture, communication, languages, and a shared social responsibility.

Politics
The Politics Community is a unique housing option intended for students interested in learning about and discussing the political issues of the day in a residential environment. This community is designed to help integrate students into Washington, D.C.’s political landscape and demonstrate the wide array of possibilities in the political field during college and after graduation.
Residence Life is proud to have a diverse group of motivated and well-qualified professional and student staff working in the residence halls. These individuals support the faith-based mission and values of the University through their work in the residential communities. They are committed to helping students engage in the CUA community and achieve academic, personal, and social success.

Community Directors (CD)
CDs are full-time professional staff members responsible for the day-to-day operations of the residential communities. Their responsibilities include promoting a community living environment that enhances a student’s residential living experience, supervising hall staff, coordinating community events, and managing administrative responsibilities. Each CD lives in a University residence hall and has responsibility for a specific residential neighborhood.

Priests/Religious-in-Residence
Campus Ministry collaborates with Residence Life to provide priests and religious community members who live in the residence halls and minister to the residential population. These priests and religious community members take on this role of mentoring undergraduate students in addition to their academic commitments. The Priests/Religious-in-Residence actively support and promote the spiritual, intellectual, personal, and social development of students by being active and visible members of their residence hall and providing a pastoral presence in the residential communities.

Resident Assistants (RA)
The student staff member with whom residents have the most interaction is their RA. The primary responsibility of the RA is to foster a sense of community among the residents and to promote a balanced, responsible, and respectful atmosphere that is safe, friendly, and supportive. RAs assist residents with their adjustment to the University and community living by providing leadership for residential activities and encouraging active participation in University events. Resident assistants can direct residents to the appropriate individual or office when they have questions and regularly relay important information from Housing Services, Residence Life, and other University offices.

Student Ministers
Student ministers, staffed by Campus Ministry, play an integral role in the spiritual life at the University and in the residence halls. Each area of campus is served by either a House minister or resident minister in partnership with Residence Life. Student ministers lead RENEW, small faith community meetings to discuss the weekly Gospel readings; offer opportunities for discussion on issues of faith; provide regular opportunities for fellowship; extend personal support to the residents in their area; and refer students to appropriate University resources when necessary. The student ministers also help organize University-wide Campus Ministry events and strive to live as Gospel witnesses to students and staff. House ministers are dedicated primarily to serving the freshman population and offer hospitality within their living space (The House), while resident ministers serve the upperclass populations by living among their peers in upperclass residence halls.
Dining at CUA

Dining Services
The Edward J. Pryzbyla University Center is currently home to four unique Dining Services venues. The Student Restaurant, the primary location where students use their meal plans, provides well-balanced meals from a variety of food options such as grilled sandwiches and burgers, fresh deli meats and cheeses, homemade meals and hot soups, freshly made pizzas with a variety of toppings, salad bar with fresh veggies, and decadent desserts that are all freshly prepared by the Catholic University culinary team. Students and guests can also dine at the Food Court utilizing Dining Dollars, Cardinal Cash, credit cards, or cash. Block Meal Plan holders can dine at the Food Court utilizing the “Meal Exchange” program, which allows them to choose from a selection of pre-set offerings in the Food Court. This location includes a variety of food stations, such as the ever-popular Chick-fil-A, Quiznos, Asian stir fry at Fusion, Southwest cuisine at Picante, sizzling beef and chicken sandwiches at the Grille Works, brick oven pizza at Bene Pizza, freshly made salads at The Fresh Market, fresh sushi from Bumblefish, unstoppable toppable frozen yogurt at Zen Fresh, and Grab-N-Go convenience offerings. The P.O.D. (Provisions on Demand) offers students a variety of snacks, beverages, personal toiletries, as well as other Grab-N-Go items. A full-service Starbucks housed on the third floor of the Pryzbyla Center offers extended hours and a great aroma of freshly brewed coffee and specialty drinks. At all locations students can use the Dining Dollars on their meal plan, Cardinal Cash, or simply pay by cash or credit. In additional to these food service operations in the Pryzbyla Center, students may use the Law School Café where fresh meals are provided daily (Dining Dollars, Cardinal Cash, cash, and credit cards are accepted). The Law School Café offerings include hand-tossed pizza, full grill and deli, homemade soups, salad bar, and a wide variety of premade salads and sandwiches.
Dining Plan Participation Requirement
The University strongly believes that students beginning their collegiate studies benefit from participation in a dining plan as they adjust to life away from home. Therefore, all residential freshmen and sophomores are required to enroll in a meal plan. For all other students, the meal plan is voluntary. Residential freshmen and sophomores may choose from the “Anytime Meal” plan options. All other students may select the “Anytime Meal” plans or any of the more traditional block plans.

The following dining plans are provided for the 2014–2015 academic year:

- **Anytime Platinum**: Provides unlimited access to continuous all-you-care-to-eat service in the Student Restaurant plus eight guest meal passes and $300 in Dining Dollars per semester.

- **Anytime Gold**: Provides unlimited access to continuous all-you-care-to-eat service in the Student Restaurant plus four guest meal passes and $200 in Dining Dollars per semester.

- **Anytime Silver**: Provides unlimited access to continuous all-you-care-to-eat service in the Student Restaurant plus two guest meal passes and $100 in Dining Dollars per semester.

- **175 Block Plan**: Available to all students except residential freshmen and sophomores. Students are offered a choice of any 175 meals served in the Student Restaurant or the meal exchange program in the Food Court during the academic semester (average of six meals per week). Only one meal can be used per dining period (i.e., breakfast, lunch, or dinner). An additional $500 in Dining Dollars is included that can be spent at any on-campus dining services location.

- **75 Block Plan**: Available to all students except residential freshmen and sophomores. Students are offered a choice of any 75 meals served in the Student Restaurant or the meal exchange program in the Food Court during the academic semester (average of five meals per week). Only one meal can be used per dining period (i.e., breakfast, lunch, or dinner). An additional $200 in Dining Dollars is included that can be spent at any on-campus dining services location.

- **50 Block Plan**: Available to all students except residential freshmen and sophomores. Students are offered a choice of any 50 meals served in the Student Restaurant or the meal exchange program in the Food Court during the academic semester (average of three meals per week). Only one meal can be used per dining period (i.e., breakfast, lunch, or dinner). An additional $200 in Dining Dollars is included that can be spent at any on-campus dining services location.

- **25 Block Plan**: Available to all students except residential freshmen and sophomores. Students are offered a choice of any 25 meals served in the Student Restaurant or the meal exchange program in the Food Court during the academic semester (average of one meal per week). Only one meal can be used per dining period (i.e., breakfast, lunch, or dinner). An additional $200 in Dining Dollars is included that can be spent at any on-campus dining services location.

Visit [dining.cua.edu](http://dining.cua.edu) for more enrollment details.
Amenities and Services

At Catholic University, we strive to make the transition from living at home to your new University environment as easy as possible. In addition to the excellent services provided by our well-trained staff, living on campus provides many other benefits — all at no additional cost to residents.

All rooms and suites come fully furnished with an extra-long twin bed and mattress, desk and desk chair, closet or wardrobe, and dresser. In Millennium North, Millennium South, Curley Court, and Opus Hall, units with living areas also come furnished with couches, chairs, and end tables. Many residence halls also have study and television lounges and recreational equipment (i.e., foosball or billiards tables) for students to take a break from the rigors of study. Washers and dryers are available in every residence hall for residents’ personal use. These machines do not require any coins or card exchange as the cost of washing and drying is included in room charges.

Residents enjoy more than 85 standard TV stations in addition to 30 channels available in HD within a media package that provides a mix of local and national network news, sports, and general entertainment programs. In addition, the University television lineup includes Cardinal Cinema, a campus movie channel offering current and popular box office hits.

As a part of Technology Services, Residential Networking (ResNet) maintains the high-speed network and satellite television services to residents. ResNet employs both professional and student staff members to help students connect their personal computers to the campus network when they arrive and troubleshoot technical issues throughout the year. All residence halls have wireless networking and one wired network data port per bed space (except Curley Court which is wireless only). Connecting to the campus network from your residence hall room requires a computer with network capability, and your CUA network logon username and password to register your computer on the network. ResNet will respond to student requests to address residence hall cable, TV, and network connection problems. ResNet provides a free, best-effort carry-in service in Leahy Hall to assist students with virus, spyware, and other software problems on their personally owned computers.

Safety at CUA

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) works in collaboration with residential staff to maintain a safe and secure University environment. Well-lit pathways, a nighttime escort system, camera surveillance, and DPS officers patrolling the University around the clock are just some of the elements that contribute to a safe environment for living and learning.

DPS officers and Residence Life professional staff members are on duty and available to students 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Public safety assistants and hall security assistants also monitor the entrance to certain residence halls during nighttime hours.
REQUIRED IMMUNIZATION RECORD

All information needs to be submitted on this form. Any information not on this form will not be processed. Please do not attach other immunization records to this form. Student Health Services will not be held responsible for attached documents.

Name ___________________________________________ Email address ______________________________

Last Name                         First Name                   Middle Initial

Date of birth ___________________ CUA 7-digit ID # (required) ___________________ □ Freshman □ Transfer □ Graduate

Month/Day/Year

THIS FORM NEEDS TO BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES. A LATE FEE OF $100 WILL BE ASSESSED TO STUDENTS WHOSE RECORDS ARE NOT POSTMARKED BY JULY 1, 2014, AND TO STUDENTS WHOSE RECORDS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BUT ARE NOT COMPLETE BY THIS DATE.

The Catholic University of America, in compliance with District of Columbia law, requires all students under the age of 26 to have the following immunizations:

Required Immunizations Date Given

POLIO (date original series completed, if under 19 years) ___________

TETANUS (last booster, must be within 10 years) ___________

MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) Dose #1 ___________ Dose #2 ___________

(Doing doses required after first birthday)

OR MMR Titer Measles ___________ Mumps ___________ Rubella ___________

HEPATITIS B (Three doses required) Dose #1 ___________ Dose #2 ___________ Dose #3 ___________

OR HEPATITIS B Titer (HBsAB) ___________

Did student have VARICELLA (Chickenpox)? YES NO (please circle)

OR VARICELLA Vaccine Dose #1 ___________ Dose #2 ___________

(if dose #1 is after 13th birthday, 2 doses are required)

OR VARICELLA Titer Result ___________

All freshmen are also required to receive the meningitis vaccine or sign a waiver declining the vaccine after reading the meningitis FAQ sheet. Should you decide to waive the vaccine, the waiver form must be attached to this form. The waiver and meningitis FAQ sheet are available on our website at health.cua.edu.

MENINGITIS VACCINE ___________

MENINGITIS WAIVER (please attach) YES NO (please circle)

SIGNATURE OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDER: __________________________________________

EXEMPTION: If you are exempt due to MEDICAL or RELIGIOUS reasons (please circle one), an explanatory letter must be attached. This must be signed by a health care provider or religious organization.

RETURN TO: The Catholic University of America, Student Health Services, 620 Michigan Ave., N.E., Washington, DC 20064
Checklist

☐ ACTIVATE YOUR CARDINALMAIL ACCOUNT/NETWORK LOGIN so that you can have access to the student email system, your “M” drive (for storing files on protected, backed-up network server), and free antivirus software, and can log on to any machine in the student labs. All messages to CUA students are delivered to their @cardinalmail.cua.edu address. To set up these accounts, visit computing.cua.edu/cardinalmail.

☐ DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES (DSS) coordinates and assists with the provision of appropriate accommodations for students with documented disabilities. DSS strongly encourages all students with disabilities to register as early as possible. Services cannot be provided until the student’s documentation is submitted and approved. Accommodations are not retroactive. Ideally students will register with DSS before arriving on campus so they may begin using accommodations on the first day of class. To learn more about DSS services and the registration process, visit the DSS website at dss.cua.edu.

☐ NOTIFICATION OF YOUR ACCOUNT STATEMENT will be sent to your Catholic University email address when your first account statement is available. To authorize other individuals to receive statements on your behalf, follow the instructions at enrollmentservices.cua.edu/payersetup.cfm. Be sure to review your statement to ensure that all charges, payments, and financial aid awards have posted. If any financial aid awards are missing from your account, please contact the Office of Student Financial Aid at 202-319-5300 or cua-enrollmentservices@cua.edu.

Any remaining balance due on your account must be paid in full by August 5th. Students who prefer to make monthly payments may do so by enrolling in the monthly payment plan through Tuition Management Systems (TMS) at 800-722-4867 or www.afford.com/cua. Students enrolling in the monthly payment option through TMS should continue to review their regular CUA billing statements in CardinalPAY to ensure that the amount budgeted through the payment plan is sufficient to cover all expenses. If the TMS payment plan does not cover all expenses, students will be billed by CUA for the difference.

☐ FINANCIAL AID Students who have not filed the necessary financial aid forms are strongly encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA, CUA School Code: 001437) to determine any financial assistance that may be available to the student and the student’s family.

☐ IMMUNIZATIONS are required by Washington, D.C., law for all students under the age of 26. Please see the enclosed information and complete and return the appropriate forms by July 1.

☐ STUDENT MEDICAL INSURANCE is required for all full-time domestic students as well as international students (both full and part time). The insurance is also available to part-time domestic students on a voluntary basis. Students will be enrolled in the school-sponsored plan unless they indicate comparable insurance coverage via the online waiver process. Please check the Student Medical Insurance website at studentinsurance.cua.edu for the most current information and waive/enrollment deadlines.

☐ TUITION, ROOM, BOARD, AND FEES for 2014–2015 can be found by clicking on the Tuition and Fees schedule at cardinalstation.cua.edu.

☐ TUITION REFUND INSURANCE is available. Given the substantial financial commitment that students and their families make to pay for an education at CUA, the University offers a voluntary insurance program offered by A.W.G. Dewar, Inc., that is designed to protect that investment should a student need to withdraw from the University for medical reasons. For more information on the Tuition Refund Plan, visit Dewar’s website at www.collegerefund.com or contact them via telephone at 617-774-1555.