WELCOME, PARENTS AND FAMILIES

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I would like to warmly welcome your new Hofstra student, you and your family to the Hofstra Pride. You will find helpful links and answers to many of your questions at hofstra.edu/parents.

Office of Parent and Family Programs is busy planning for Family Orientation and we strongly encourage you to join us. At Family Orientation, you will not only learn about Hofstra's resources and services, but you will have the opportunity to meet some of our outstanding faculty members, administrators, staff, and student leaders who have the privilege of supporting and mentoring your student over the next four years. Details about Family Orientation are at hofstra.edu/fo.

Here are your next steps:

- Once students make their deposit, they register themselves and their family members for orientation through the Hofstra portal at **my.hofstra.edu**. Family Orientation is separate from New Student Orientation, but registration for both programs is completed through the student portal. Students receive confirmation of their orientation session dates through their Hofstra Pride email account. Please postpone making travel plans until your student receives this confirmation.
- International students move in on August 23 and begin their orientation the following day. We cordially invite you, their family member, to attend the International Family Orientation on Monday, August 24, 2020. Information on how to register for International Family Orientation will be sent to your student's Hofstra Pride email account.
- Please "like" our Hofstra Parents Facebook page and connect with other parents and with us. The Office of Parent and Family Programs uses that page to post information about upcoming Hofstra events and deadlines.
- If you enjoy writing, consider joining the team of bloggers for our Family Connection blog.
- Get involved! There are numerous opportunities for you to volunteer on campus and at regional Hofstra events. You may join the Hofstra University Parent Council (geography does not matter online meetings allow Hofstra parents to share their ideas and support student and family programs) or apply to join the Parent Fund Leadership Committee. Just email us at parents@hofstra.edu.

The *Family Link* is an e-newsletter emailed to Hofstra parents at least once a month. You may subscribe your email address by <u>clicking here.</u>

Most importantly, you are always welcome and encouraged to email our office at **parents@hofstra.edu** if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Hofstra Parents, Hofstra Pride!

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