## Transfer Life at Drake Classes Clubs Research Art Sports Concerts Dining

# It's official!

#### (insert happy dance here)

Now, dive in and explore. Get a feel for the programs, organizations, and experiences you can only find at Drake. Learn about opportunities within your major as well as transfer credit and financial aid. Then, when you're ready, enroll, meet with your adviser, arrange for housing, plan for orientation, etc.

You'll find information on all of these steps in "The Practical Stuff" booklet in this packet. It's everything you need to make a seamless transition to life as a Bulldog. ■









# at Drake

When you come to Drake, you're going to be asked, "What do you want to do with your life?" As someone with some academic (and life!) experience under your belt, you may have a good idea. But you may not be absolutely sure, or question exactly how to get there. Here's

the good news: you don't need to have all the answers yet. At Drake, you'll connect with faculty who will question, mentor, and encourage you as you find your way. So when you graduate, you have more than a degree—you have a dream, fully realized.



#### ACADEMICS

Choose from over 70 programs of study in six colleges and schools, or blaze your own trail through interdisciplinary concentrations, design a personal academic plan, combine majors, or engage in independent studies. Or if that doesn't get your blood pumping, just create your own path. It's all possible here.

#### MENTORSHIP

Whether you need a hand, advice, or a professional connection, Drake faculty are always there for you. You'll work one-on-one with professors in your field to acquire the classes and experiences you'll need to stand out as a professional—and still graduate on time.

#### SERVICE

Broaden your world view and gain valuable experience while making a difference in the local community or around the world. Whether you're pitching in with a team or leading your own charge, you can also earn academic credit while doing it.

#### J-TERM

This is your chance to explore new interests and find what inspires you. Our tuition-free, three-week January Term lets you take a deep dive into the topics that fascinate you most—on campus, in town, or around the world.

#### INTERNSHIPS

Learn by doing by tackling high-caliber internships, publishing research as an undergrad, and other résumé-worthy opportunities. And you don't need to wait until summer—in Des Moines, you're just minutes from all the action.

## The Drake Commitment

So, what is the Drake Commitment? It's simple. You commit to the full Drake experience and we promise life-defining opportunities that will take you anywhere. And will last forever.

These four powerful experiences are guaranteed to every single student.



Professional Mentorship



Learn Through Service



Explore Interests



Build A Great Résumé

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Soon you'll be arriving on campus—your campus. Gathering for coffee-fueled collaboration with fellow Bulldogs who are now close friends. Honing your writing, research, and critical thinking skills like never before. Discovering—and being amazed by—what you're capable of. To the right are just a few of the campus spaces you'll soon be calling "home." Visit drake.edu/life to see more.













## This is where life happens

Residence Halls—About one-third of transfer students live on campus in one of four spacious upper-class residence halls. Others live off-campus in Drake West Village apartments, other apartments, or multiple-resident houses. See your "The Practical Stuff" booklet for details on offerings and requirements.

Olmsted Center—This is your home base—grab a coffee at the café, meet up with friends at the student lounge, load up on supplies at the University Book Store, or take a break and head to Free Movie Fridays in Sussman Theater.

Drake Stadium—This is not only home to our NCAA Division I Drake Bulldogs football team but also familiar territory for hundreds of Olympic athletes that participate in Drake Relays every year. (It's only one of the most famous track-and-field events in the country.)

Painted Street—It's not so much a street as a walkway, and it's not so much painting as it is a paint fight set to music. There's nothing quite as "Drake" as this iconic ribbon of concrete, refreshed each April during Relays.

Cowles Library—This is where legendary all-nighters happen, in our 24-hour study space. And you can find tutoring resources including a writing workshop and speaking center, a computer lab, extensive print, digital, and archival holdings. But most importantly, caffeine.

**Hubbell/Quad Creek Café**—Home to two dining spots, a convenience store, a stage for live music, and a lower level with a lounge, big-screen video game stations, and a pool table.

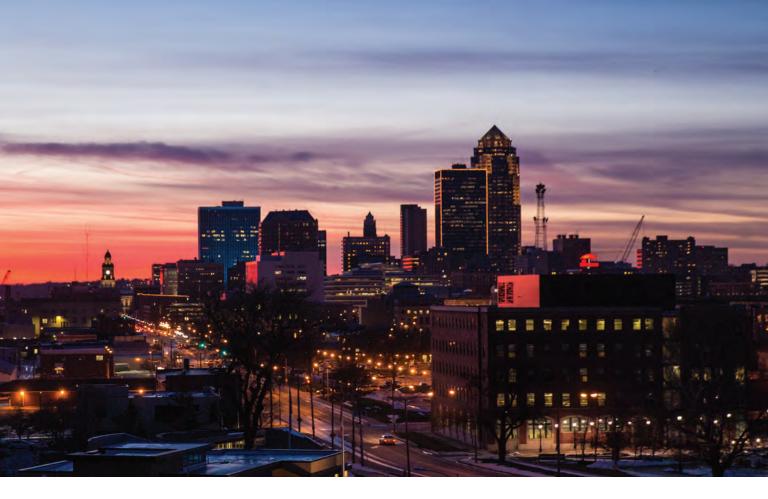
**Turner Jazz Center**—Escape from work and soak in the music at a show or take advantage of the top-notch recording studio.

**Knapp Center**—Take a seat (or jump up and down) and enjoy watching the Drake Bulldogs play basketball, or catch lectures by former world leaders or current media icons.

**Anderson Gallery**—Showcase your artwork with other students, faculty, and guest artists in this art exhibition space.

**Performing Arts Hall**—Catch an opera, play, or musical event with friends in this 460-seat auditorium, or in the intimate black box theatre.

The Bell Center/Underground Fitness—Get active, have fun, or—ideally!—both. The Bell Center includes weight training and group exercise; an indoor track; pool; and racquetball, tennis, basketball, and volleyball courts; and the students-only Underground Fitness in lower level Olmsted offers cardio and weight equipment—all accessed free with your Drake Card.



# Off Campus On the Map

The full Drake experience engages you with the great city of Des Moines and connects you with the world. From a vibrant arts scene and a quirky foodie culture to prestigious internships and a front-row seat to national politics, it's no wonder Des Moines is recognized as a top place for young professionals to live and launch (or re-launch) a career.

Learn more about the offerings, opportunities, and points of distinction of Iowa's capital city at *drake.edu/about/drakedesmoines*.

### Follow the Drake Student experience on Instagram @OnPaintedStreet





IT'S DEBATE WEEK! Ten students working with CBS to produce the second Democratic Debate in Drake's Sheslow Auditorium on Nov. 14 will share the behind-the-scenes of setting up a national media event. #DemDebate #DrakeDebate - Kevin M.





When I am not in my classes or extracurriculars, I am interning at Principal in their Global Investors Division for about 30 hours a week. I usually bike to Principal through the beautiful sculpture garden. It's scenery like this that makes me think that Des Moines is one of the most captivating places I have ever lived. – Daniel C.





As Des Moines continues to grow, so does its music scene: just last weekend, country star Luke Bryan came through town and we were able to find our way up to the front of the audience! -Noah S..

Which apartments allow dogs?

How big a difference do scholarships make?

Do I need snow boots?

Who can guide me through transfer credit?

Where can I get an iced latte on campus?

Share your excitement and questions. We're ready!

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