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Dear TCU Parent,

Welcome to Texas Christian University and Orientation 2015! I hope you will enjoy this time on our campus and get a strong sense of the University and our vibrant Horned Frog community.

We are delighted that your student has chosen to attend TCU to begin an education that is firmly grounded in the arts and sciences, develops critical thinking skills, emphasizes ethics and leadership, and provides the knowledge and skills required for professional success. We hope you will encourage your student to be adventurous and sample a variety of courses among our 130 areas of undergraduate study.

Your student will experience classrooms and laboratories with state-of-the-art technology. They have been meticulously planned to support interdisciplinary study and an education designed to be as relevant in the future as it is today.

Living on campus is crucial because it builds strong connections. Our Campus Commons is at the center of a vibrant 24/7 community that comes together to study, dine, debate and explore a diversity of thought. The growing Worth Hills residential development is also based upon this well-proven model.

TCU’s Center for Career & Professional Development offers programs that are expertly tailored to prepare your student to be competitive in the job market, with programs beginning in the freshman year. We hope you will encourage your student to think about a career and to begin using career services this fall.

As a TCU parent, you have entrusted your student to us and you too have a special place in the Horned Frog family. We hope you will share your son’s or daughter’s educational journey, and that we will often see you on our campus.

Best wishes,

Victor J. Boschini, Jr.
Chancellor
Vision
To be a world-class, values-centered university.

Values
TCU values academic achievement, personal freedom and integrity, the dignity and respect for the individual, and a deep heritage of inclusiveness and service.

As a mission-driven university, our first priority is the education of our students, from first-year to post-doctoral researchers, through an array of academic, professional, cocurricular and athletic programs of first rank. To do this, TCU has set four cognitive and ethical capacities that all TCU students should master upon graduation.

The central mission of Texas Christian University is to educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community.
Cognitive and Ethical Capacities

TCU expects all graduates to demonstrate the following capacities:

Knowledge and Ability to Act as a Learner Informed by the Liberal Arts, including:

- Thinking critically using tools from literature, the humanities, fine arts, mathematics, and the natural and social sciences
- Drawing reasoned conclusions using complex information from a variety of sources
- Applying theoretical and practical knowledge to novel situations
- Demonstrating an ability and willingness to learn in response to the challenges posed by a diverse and evolving society
- Using appropriate methods of inquiry to analyze important natural, social, and human phenomena
- Influencing others through effective written, spoken, or artistic expression

Knowledge and Ability to Act as an Ethical Participant in the Global Community, including:

- Participating in organizational or civic systems of governance
- Recognizing the unfair, unjust, or uncivil behaviors of individuals or groups and the duty to challenge them appropriately
- Participating in service or volunteer activities
- Understanding the economic, political, and ecological implications of private decisions and public policies
- Understanding and enacting practices to promote personal and public health

Knowledge and Ability to Act as an Ethical Leader, including:

- Solving problems by attending to the unique goals, needs, and expertise of others
- Articulating a coherent leadership style or philosophy
- Being aware of the personal and interpersonal complexities of change, and demonstrating the ability to initiate, evaluate, and manage change
- Managing time effectively in order to accomplish goals
- Employing core knowledge from a discipline of choice to develop and demonstrate an enhanced capacity for effective leadership

Knowledge and Ability to Act as a Responsible Citizen, including:

- Demonstrating informed participation in civic discourse and decision-making at local and global levels

Cardinal Principles

Vision in Action, the TCU Strategic Plan, identifies five cardinal principles that will determine the shape of the total TCU experience for at least a decade to come.

Recruit and retain outstanding students, faculty and staff who can thrive intellectually, personally and professionally at TCU. This is achieved through the enhancement of the quality of the undergraduate student academic experience and by developing a strong and safe campus community.

Design a vibrant, strong and brave learning community that is characterized by outstanding teaching, high-quality research, exceptional creative activity, and distinctive curricular, cocurricular and residential programs. We do this by integrating the curricular and co-curricular programs and services offered to our students and supporting exceptional research and creative activity.

Enhance TCU’s learning community by providing outstanding facilities and appropriate technology.

Accelerate TCU’s connections with the greater community: Fort Worth, Texas, the nation and the world. Central to our mission as a world-class university, we strive to enhance opportunities that support TCU’s connections with the world at large through teaching, research, creative activities and service while embracing the changing demography of the region, state and nation to contribute to responsible global citizenship.

Couple wise financial stewardship with a well-planned entrepreneurial approach to academic opportunities.
**LEARNING UNIVERSITY rights & standards**

TCU expects its students not only to be good citizens in the academic community, but also to care actively about the Horned Frog Family.

Successful students are aware of the expectations of them as members of the university community. Students who enroll at Texas Christian University are obliged to conduct themselves in a manner that is compatible with the University’s function as an educational institution. Each student is expected to be fully acquainted with all published policies, rules, and regulations of the University and will be held responsible for compliance with them. Students are also expected to comply with all federal, state and local laws. This principle extends to conduct off campus that is likely to have an adverse effect on the University or on the educational process of any student. Students may be held accountable by Texas Christian University and by police agencies for the same instance of misconduct.

Become familiar with university standards by visiting the Official Student Handbook, online at campuslife.tcu.edu and reviewing the Code of Conduct.

**Academic Integrity**

“As a member of the TCU community, I will work actively to create an environment of academic integrity. On my honor, I will not participate in any form of academic misconduct.”

In order to encourage and preserve the honor, traditions and integrity of the academic community, Texas Christian University expects that students will adopt and maintain the highest standards of personal and scholarly conduct. All students are expected to be aware of academic standards and behaviors. Students who fail to uphold the academic integrity standards not only suffer severe grade consequences and jeopardize their status at the university, but also cheat themselves and others out of learning, degrade the value of TCU degrees and diminish the prestige of a TCU education. The Academic Conduct Policy, including what constitutes academic misconduct, at TCU, is spelled out in the Official Student Handbook (campuslife.tcu.edu). Academic misconduct is any act which gains or is intended to gain an unfair academic advantage for a student or which circumvents an instructor’s course standards, regardless of intent.

This may include, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, abuse of resource materials, computer misuse, fabrication and falsification, multiple submission, complicity, or bearing false witness. Additional information can be found by visiting Campus Life located in Sadler Hall, Suite 2006.

All students are expected to make themselves aware of and abide by these standards.

**Bill of Rights and Responsibilities**

The TCU Bill of Rights and Responsibilities enumerates the essential provisions of the student’s rights and freedoms, together with the corresponding responsibilities which the student assumes while enrolled at Texas Christian University. It is understood by all persons concerned that the rights and responsibilities enumerated herein are to be exercised within the framework of the philosophies and objectives of the University. The sections include Freedom of Access to Higher Education, Classroom Expression, and Student Records. The Bill of Rights and Responsibilities can be found online at studenthandbook.tcu.edu.

**ORIENTATION Expectations**

The integrity of a TCU Horned Frog is the hallmark of our community. There are high expectations of students, both while they attend Orientation and as they become official members of the TCU community. It is crucial that new students understand these expectations.

**Orientation Guidelines**

- Be respectful of all people at all times, including behavior, appropriate language and providing your undivided attention to the presenters.
- Adhere to all policies indicated in the TCU Student Code of Conduct (www.studenthandbook.tcu.edu)
- No alcohol or drugs, regardless of age of participant, are permitted during any of the Orientation programs or in the living units. Students are advised that the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or drugs may jeopardize their participation in Orientation and their status at the University.
- Attend all sessions and remain on campus at all times during the session.
- Students may only visit with other TCU students (other students attending Orientation and Orientation Leaders) in open spaces and not behind closed doors, with the exception of your assigned roommate in your residence hall room for Orientation.
- Participation in any fraternity or sorority activities during Orientation is prohibited (violations of this policy may impact one’s ability to participate in the recruitment process).
- Be back inside your assigned residence hall by 12 a.m. when temporary access cards will no longer work.

During Orientation, students will enroll in their first semester courses. The enrollment process is when new students become official members of the TCU community, and while there is much to look forward to as a TCU student after Orientation is over, it is important to understand the responsibilities that apply to this privilege.
TCU offers over 100 undergraduate majors across seven colleges and schools. Whether your student chooses to major in Accounting or Sport Psychology, there are many opportunities that await your student based on his/her interest.
Academic Programs
Center for Academic Services
Sadler Hall 1010 & Sadler Hall 1022
(817) 257-7486
www.cas.tcu.edu

The Center for Academic Services provides numerous services designed to assist students in achieving academic success and assuring equal access for students with disabilities.

Academic Advising
The Center for Academic Services provides academic advising for all pre-major students as well as first-time, first-year students with declared majors in the AddRan College of Liberal Arts and first-year students majoring in Design, Merchandising, and Textiles.

Academic Success Workshops
Topics include time management, note-taking, coping with anxiety, test and final exam preparation and others.

Disability Services
TCU complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act and with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 regarding students with disabilities. No otherwise qualified individual shall be denied access to or participation in the services, programs and activities of TCU solely on the basis of a disability. TCU shall provide reasonable accommodations for each eligible student who (a) has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, (b) has a record or history of such an impairment or (c) is regarded as having an impairment.

Each eligible student is responsible for presenting relevant, verifiable, professional documentation and/or assessment reports to the Coordinator of Student Disabilities Services. The Coordinator will consult with the student and faculty and staff to ensure delivery of appropriate support services and will serve as liaison between the student and faculty members as needed.

Pre-Major Program
Students entering TCU without a declared major are designated as Liberal Arts Pre-Majors. Students are encouraged to make the most of being a Pre-Major by taking at least one course each semester in academic areas that interest them most. Treating the first year as an academic exploration period allows students to take courses in several areas of interest and can help them determine what academic field is best suited for them.

Students may remain Pre-Majors until they have fulfilled 54 credit hours. However, students are encouraged to declare an academic major as soon as possible if they wish to remain on track for graduation in four years.

UNPR 10001: Self-Assessment & Career Exploration
Designed for pre-major students, this course provides opportunities for students to assess interests, values and abilities while learning about the factors related to choosing a major and career field. Students in this class will earn one hour of elective credit and work closely with an academic advisor as well as staff in the Center for Career and Professional Development and the TCU Leadership Center.

Center for International Studies
Reed Hall 214
(817) 257-7473
studyabroad.tcu.edu

TCU students can study abroad on yearlong, semester and summer programs in 45 countries around the world. The Center also supports several on-campus initiatives such as the Certificate in International Studies, the TCU Global Academy, VISA Corps and Phi Beta Delta. Study abroad students must have a minimum 2.8 GPA and two semesters of residency on the TCU campus. Some programs have additional prerequisites. Deadlines occur in January (for summer), March (for fall), and October (for spring). Interested students should meet with their academic advisor to determine the best time to go abroad.

Credit by Exam
Mary Wright Admission Center
(817) 257-7490
admissions.tcu.edu/Academics/Credit-by-Exam

Through several methods, many students may earn academic credit for college-level learning by taking a TCU-approved examination in the appropriate area. In most cases, credit granted can be used to satisfy specific and general degree requirements. Credit by exam must be earned during the first 66 semester hours of college credit.
The Department of Nutritional Sciences provides a distinctive program of study in all areas of nutrition and dietetics within a traditional liberal arts setting. All programs of study lead to a Bachelor of Science degree.

Coordinated Program in Dietetics
The Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CP), accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, offers the unique opportunity to acquire both the required didactic instruction (lecture and laboratory courses) and the minimum 1200 clock hours of supervised practice necessary to meet the Eligibility Requirements and Standards for Entry-Level Dietitians as mandated by ACEND. Graduates receive program verification and eligibility to take the national Registration Examination for Dietitians.

Didactic Program in Dietetics
The Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, provides a preeminent academic curriculum that prepares students to be scientifically competent, accountable, and ethically responsible food, health and nutrition professionals prepared for supervised practice and/or graduate school and advancing as self-educating dietetics professionals who will become Registered Dietitians.

FrogFolio
Rees Jones Hall 220
(817) 257-5150
frogfolio.tcu.edu

FrogFolio is TCU’s ePortfolio program, a digital portfolio where students reflect upon, document and display their college learning experiences, both inside and outside the classroom. FrogFolio makes a student’s learning visible to peers, parents, faculty and staff, prospective employers and potential graduate schools. Building a FrogFolio deepens a student’s learning and yields an amazing digital product (website) that reveals who they are, what they know, and what their learning means to them. First-year students can receive a portfolio in UNPR 10210 – “Introduction to University Life” or COMM 10123 – “Basic Speech Communication.”

Mary Couts Burnett Library
(817) 257-7117
library.tcu.edu
reference@tcu.edu

The Mary Couts Burnett Library provides intellectual resources, innovative technology tools, and an inspiring physical and virtual environment to serve the TCU community. Students have access to over 75,000 unique journal titles and over 1,500,000 books, CDs, DVDs, videos and other items housed in the TCU Library, the Library Annex or online via the Library’s website.

The Library is open daily, providing different environments for studying, including group study rooms and various “quiet zones” throughout the building. The scholarly materials are supplemented by the popular reading or best-seller author’s collection. Reference librarians providing library and research assistance are available and can be contacted in person, by phone, by email or by live text messaging.

Model Union Nations
Scharbaurer Hall 2007 & BLUU 2003
(817) 257-5219
(817) 257-7855
sds.tcu.edu/mun.asp

The Model United Nations program offers students of any major the opportunity to simulate the workings of the United Nations as representatives of one of the Member States of the UN. Participation in conferences helps students to improve their negotiating, public speaking and writing skills. Students can begin participating in the Model UN program in one of two ways: an informal sign-up for a cocurricular program in the fall, or a more formal curricular route requiring students to take two upper-division Political Science classes as they prepare to attend the National Model United Nations conference in New York in the spring.
The following is a list of publications and useful websites to help you get acquainted with what TCU has to offer.

TCU Undergraduate Catalog
catalog.tcu.edu

The TCU Catalog is the academic roadmap for TCU. Organized by school, the catalog lists detailed information and requirements – including course descriptions – for every major, minor, and certificate or specialized program TCU offers. Students can refer to it for everything from degree requirements to financial aid information to university policies.

Army
Army ROTC offers dynamic and interactive training that focuses on complete leadership development. In addition to our on-campus training program, training opportunities are offered throughout the world. Army ROTC also offers full-tuition scholarships to eligible cadets. Until your student accepts a scholarship or decides, as a junior, that he/she wants a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the US Army, there is absolutely no military obligation incurred.

William L. Adams Center for Writing
Reed Hall 419
(817) 257-7221
wrt.tcu.edu

The Writing Center offers tutorials conducted by trained, experienced writing consultants, happy to assist students any stage of a writing project, from topic generation through organizing ideas and documenting sources. Consultants help student writers focus on the process of critical thinking, drafting and revision that leads to clearly expressed ideas, coherent argument and persuasive reasoning.

Pre-Health Professions Institute
Sid Richardson Hall 258
(817) 257-7196
www.prehealth.tcu.edu

The Pre-Health Professions Institute assists students interested in pursuing a career in a variety of health-related fields including: dentistry, medicine, optometry, pharmacy, physician’s assistant, podiatric medicine and veterinary medicine. At TCU, the Pre-Health program is a career track that gives students the opportunity to choose from a variety of majors.

Pre-Law Advisement Program
Scharbauer Hall 2007
(817) 257-7395
www.pol.tcu.edu/pre-law.asp

The Pre-Law advisement program provides information regarding careers in the legal profession, choices of majors, minors, and specific courses; preparation for and scheduling of the Law School Admission Test; and the law school application process.

ROTC
Rickel Academic Wing
(817) 257-7461 (Air Force)
(817 257-7455 (Army)
www.afrtoc.tcu.edu
army.tcu.edu

Air Force
The Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) is a four year educational program designed to provide theoretical and applied leadership experience to become an Air Force Officer while your student completes his/her bachelor’s degree. The goal is to commission Second Lieutenants into the Air Force after evaluating leadership characteristics and ensuring Air Force ROTC and degree requirements are completed.

myTCU
my.tcu.edu

The myTCU portal provides students, faculty, and staff with personalized access to various campus resources from a single website. Through myTCU, students can use class search to identify classes offered in a semester, activate Purple Schedule Builder to explore alternative schedules, register for classes, view the academic calendar, and see TCU announcements. To access it, click on Popular Links on the TCU home page or visit my.tcu.edu to log in.

Registrar
Sadler Hall 1006
(817) 257-77825
reg.tcu.edu

The Registrar’s office performs many services associated with the academic success of students, including scheduling and maintaining class enrollment for each semester, receiving and distributing grades at the end of the semester, and providing the official documentation of majors, minors, credits for graduation and transcripts.

Information Services

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Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (The Buckley Amendment)
www.reg.tcu.edu/privacy.asp

Sometimes referred to as the Buckley Amendment, the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of educational records for any student at the university. To comply with this law, TCU must have written permission from the student in order to release any non-directory information from a student’s education record.

Recognizing that many students wish to share this information with their family members, TCU has developed an online

system that allows students to give their family members permission to view educational records by logging into the Student Center within the myTCU portal. Authorization for guest access takes effect immediately and remains in effect until the student revokes it.

The University accords all the rights under the law to its students. Students wishing access to a complete copy of the regulation and the University policy governing their educational records may do so at these locations: Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Sadler Hall 4022; Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Sadler Hall 4017; Dean of Campus Life, Sadler Hall 2006; Registrar, Sadler Hall 1006; or Scholarships and Financial Aid, Sadler Hall 2008.

To read the policy in its entirety, visit www.reg.tcu.edu/privacy.asp.
EXPLORING THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

TCU offers many resources and services to connect students and families to the university. Alumni Relations; the Greek community; Religious and Spiritual Life; and Student Development Services all provide ways to get involved and become a Horned Frog for Life.

Alumni Relations
Dee J. Kelly Alumni & Visitors Center
(817) 257-7803
www.froglinks.com

The TCU Alumni Association seeks to actively engage alumni, parents and friends in the life of the university. With more than 80,000 alumni located worldwide, the goal is to help alumni stay connected with their alma mater, through programs for special interest groups, reunion classes and chapters across the United States.

Athletics
3500 Bellaire Drive North
(817) 257-7969
www.GoFrogs.com

TCU Athletics, a proud member of the Big 12 Conference, hosts athletic events in baseball, basketball, cross country, equestrian, football, golf, rifle, soccer, swimming & diving, tennis, track & field, and volleyball. TCU students receive free admission to all home sporting events excluding post-season tournaments. For complete schedules of all sports, visit GoFrogs.com.

Brown-Lupton University Union (BLUU)
2901 Stadium Drive
(817) 257-7927
www.union.tcu.edu

The Brown-Lupton University Union (BLUU) provides programs, services, and facilities that enhance the campus community. As the community center for all members of the university family, the BLUU serves as the “living room” of the university, and is designed to provide a clean, comfortable and safe environment, offering services and amenities for the university’s family and friends. As the center of university community life, it serves as an arena for students to apply their educational experience outside the classroom, providing co-curricular activities and employment opportunities. The BLUU Guest Services include general campus information, reservations for the union, lost and found, local bus information, general Fort Worth information, campus maps, tickets to local attractions, and vending and laundry refunds.

Multipurpose Building
The Multipurpose building, located in Worth Hills, provides additional space for students to study, dine, and socialize. In addition to hosting four food venues, including Caliente, Magnolia’s Bistro, O’Brien’s Grill, and the Press, the Multipurpose Building is also home to Fraternity and Sorority Life and features study and seating areas as well as programming space for student groups.

Campus Life
Sadler Hall 2006
(817) 257-7926
campuslife.tcu.edu

The Campus Life Dean’s Office promotes student learning, enhances campus life and provides a comprehensive, expert response to issues impeding collegiate success. Campus Life staff provide assistance to students with academic concerns, help resolve personal emergencies, promote healthy lifestyles, and advocate for students who need help working with faculty due to a serious illness. The Dean’s Office works collaboratively with faculty, staff, family members, and students to address student safety and wellbeing while ensuring each student has a positive, engaging time during his/her tenure at TCU. Students who need assistance in the event of an emergency after regular business hours may contact TCU Police at (817) 257-7777 and if necessary, the “Dean on Call” will be contacted.

Educational Discipline
TCU students are obligated to conduct themselves in a manner that is compatible with the University’s function as an educational institution and with the TCU Mission Statement. Each student is expected to be fully acquainted with all published policies, rules and regulations of the University and will be held responsible for compliance with them.

Students are also expected to comply with all federal, state and local laws. This principle extends to conduct on and off campus and cyberspace that is likely to have an adverse effect on the University or on the educational process of any student. Students may be held accountable by TCU and by police agencies for the same instance of misconduct.
Reported violations of the Code of Student Conduct are investigated and resolved by staff members in the Division of Student Affairs under the general supervision and direction of the Office of Campus Life. Violations of the Code are subject to a wide range of disciplinary action.

A complete Code of Student Conduct and the Bill of Student Rights, including the educational discipline process is available at www.studenthandbook.tcu.edu.

**Center for Career & Professional Development**
Jarvis Hall 147  
(817) 257-2222  
careers.tcu.edu

The Center for Career & Professional Development offers a wide array of resources and programs to educate students as they explore career options, discover internship and employment opportunities, and connect with alumni and employers in a wide variety of fields. The Career Center offers students and alumni exclusive job listings on FrogJobs, resume assistance, career consulting, assessments to identify strengths and interests, career workshops throughout the year and fall and spring Career Expos that brings over one hundred employers to campus.

**Center for Community Involvement & Service Learning (CISL)**
Jarvis Hall 218  
(817) 257-5557  
involved.tcu.edu

The Center for Community Involvement & Service Learning is dedicated to promoting volunteerism and integrating service and learning through reciprocal community-based partnerships. The center connects students, faculty, and staff to the surrounding neighborhood through community service and offers numerous student programs, including the opportunity to participate in student service organizations. In addition, CISL sponsors programs such as LEAPS and the MLK Day of Service while also partnering with other offices in programs such as Hunger Week and Spring Break service trips.

**Fraternity & Sorority Life**
Multipurpose Building 209  
(817) 257-7281  
greeks.tcu.edu

Fraternities and sororities reflect a broad range of interests, purposes, and historical traditions, while complementing students’ academic experiences by providing personal and professional development. Members create meaningful intergenerational relationships, adopt shared values, and develop skills needed to become leaders in a global community.

The Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life provides advisement and support to the 41 recognized TCU fraternities and sororities as well as supervision of the 22 fraternity and sorority chapter facilities in the Worth Hills area of campus. Although many organizations reflect historical origins based on a variety of religious or ethnic traditions, membership is open to all students, irrespective of these historic roots. Membership selection – also referred to as recruitment or intake – typically takes place at the beginning of the fall semester, although some organizations accept members throughout the academic year.

**Frog Prints**
2865 West Bowie  
(817) 257-5992  
www.tcuprint.tcu.edu

Frog Prints is dedicated to the copying and printing needs of students and student organizations and the personal copying of faculty and staff. Services include full-service and self-service copying and printing, color copies, transparencies, binding, laminating, fax service and wide-format prints. All services can be paid for with cash, major credit cards or with the student ID card, which puts charges on the student account.

**Inclusiveness & Intercultural Services**
Jarvis Hall, 2nd Floor  
(817) 257-5557  
diversity.tcu.edu

Inclusiveness and Intercultural Services (IIS) advocates and promotes diversity, inclusiveness, and cultural awareness throughout the TCU community through multicultural outreach, leadership development and student conference opportunities, cultural awareness programs and diversity training. IIS also houses the Community Scholars Program and the Veterans Services Task Force while overseeing and supporting 17 different multicultural, religious and social justice student organizations. Signature programs include Hispanic Heritage Month, LGBTQ History Month, the TCU Veterans Celebration, Black History Month, CommUNITY Week, Cultural Cuisine, the Atlantic Slave Trade Bus Tour and the Civil Rights Bus tour.

**Information Technology**  
IT Support HelpDesk  
Carter Tech Center  
(817) 257-5855  
it.tcu.edu  
password.tcu.edu

The IT Support group is designed to provide assistance with network connections, support for TCU student accounts, and troubleshooting for general computer-related issues. Students should contact the calling center to receive support by phone, chat and remote support.

**Technical Services**  
Secrest-Wible 105A  
(817) 257-4357  
www.tcutechnicalservices.com

Technical Services assists students with cable service in each residence hall room.
accomplishes this task by programming three or four free events per week that range from small, drop-in events all the way to large scale, all-campus events.

HallCrew
HallCrew provides social and wellness programs in each of TCU’s campus residence halls. Each residential community has a dedicated HallCrew student team that provides routine opportunities for residents to have community, explore wellness topics, and build lasting memories.

Yearbook
The Horned Frog has been a campus icon since its first edition in 1898. Over the years, The Horned Frog has continued to adopt modern technology and production techniques and is now produced digitally with all design, photography, scans and pre-press production taking place in the student-run Horned Frog offices. In addition to a printed, leather-bound book, The Horned Frog also produces a two-hour, movie-style DVD that accompanies each yearbook, as well as Frog Features, TCU’s freshman class annual. For more information, visit www.yearbook.tcu.edu.

Student Activities
Brown-Lupton University Union, 1st Floor
(817) 257-4914
studentactivities.tcu.edu
what2do.tcu.edu

Student Activities provides services, programs and resources to help students connect with the university. Through Student Activities, students are offered hands-on, real-world opportunities to build relationships with their peers, plan and host campus events, and get involved in civic governance. In addition to major campus events like Frogs First, Family Weekend, theEnd, Homecoming, and the Tree Lighting, Student Activities also includes:

- Student Government Association
- theCrew

The SGA represents the collective voice of the student body while encompassing the spirit of the TCU community through service, programming and legislation. SGA achieves this mission through the House of Student Representatives, supporting student programming on campus and allocating funding to support student projects and create permanent campus improvements.

Students involved in SGA gain valuable experience in critical thinking, creative problem solving, public speaking, human resource management and financial responsibility. For more information about how to run for a position or serve in a non-elected capacity, please visit sga.tcu.edu.

theCrew
theCrew is a student-led event planning group charged with creating events that develop a dynamic atmosphere on campus that endears students to TCU. theCrew

International Services
Jarvis Hall, 2nd Floor
(817) 257-7292
wholewideworld.tcu.edu

The Office of International Services serves the unique needs of international students and their families as well as visiting international scholars. The office serves as a resource center offering assistance with immigration regulations, academic progress, financial concerns, housing, legal matters and cross-cultural adjustment. In addition, International Services supports TCU’s internationalization efforts through workshops and programming, and engagement with like-minded organizations and institutions.

Religious & Spiritual Life
Jarvis Hall, 1st Floor
(817) 257-7830
faith.tcu.edu

The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life supports students’ pursuit of spiritual growth, faith development and religious practice while fostering a campus atmosphere in which all members of the TCU community may freely express their beliefs, values and traditions. Students can connect to one of the 25 student religious organizations or get involved with campus-wide worship, book groups, retreats, meditation and other events. In addition, RSL provides pastoral and spiritual care to all students, faculty, and staff in times of struggle, loss or just during the everyday transitions and journeys of life.

Student Development Services
Brown-Lupton University Union 2003
(817) 257-7855
sds.tcu.edu

Student Development Services (SDS) maximizes student potential through individual and community development. By overseeing leadership development, community and international involvement, organizational membership, experiential learning, mentoring, transitional programming, and the cultivation of a culture of care, SDS provides students with the opportunity to learn, to lead, to achieve, and to contribute. SDS includes:

Frog Camp
Frog Camp is a three to nine-day retreat that immerses new students in the history and traditions of TCU, helps them establish new friendships, and guides them to acquire the
training on a variety of topics. Signature programs include the Chancellor’s Leadership Program, the Leadership Scholar Program, Strengths-based training, Connections, Emerging Leaders, Leadership Adventures and LeaderKids. Additionally, domestic and international experiences are offered through trips and conferences. For more information, visit leadership.tcu.edu.

Women’s and Men’s Programs
Women’s and Men’s Programs is designed to provide students with opportunities and experiences to explore and understand self, gender and community in addition to how they intersect. To learn more, visit womenandmen.tcu.edu.

Student Organizations
TCU has more than 240 student organizations representing a wide variety of interests, cultures, and disciplines. To learn more, visit studentorgs.tcu.edu.

Transfer Center
This office is a one stop-shop that facilitates a smooth transition to TCU for transfer students, resulting in a stronger connection to the Horned Frog Family.

Transitional Programming
Including the First Year Experience, the Sophomore/Junior Year Experience, and the Senior Year Experience, TCU Transitions sponsors developmental programs during the academic year, including milestone events such as the Chancellor’s Assembly, the Second Year Pinning, Lunch Roulette for Juniors, and Senior (Dis)Orientation.

TCU Leadership Center
As TCU’s premier resource for leadership development, the TCU Leadership Center acts as a clearinghouse for programs, information, and services related to leadership, including group or individualized training on a variety of topics. Signature programs include the Chancellor’s Leadership Program, the Leadership Scholar Program, Strengths-based training, Connections, Emerging Leaders, Leadership Adventures and LeaderKids. Additionally, domestic and international experiences are offered through trips and conferences. For more information, visit leadership.tcu.edu.

Orientation
The Orientation program is designed to assist new students and families with the transition to university life by providing essential information and helping students meet new and continuing students, faculty and staff. While at Orientation, students meet with an academic advisor and register for the first semester of classes.

Parent & Family Programs
Parent & Family Programs provides a supporting and developmental structure for parents and families as their student transitions from adolescence to adulthood within the TCU community. For more information about opportunities for involvement, visit parents.tcu.edu.
Housing and Residence Life creates vibrant communities in which students live, study and build friendships. TCU is a residential campus by design, with more than 4,000 students living on campus. No matter what residence hall your student calls home, he/she will love the close-knit community and sense of belonging at TCU.

Items to Bring to Campus
All university housing facilities (residence halls and apartments) are furnished: Every resident is provided with a bed, desk, desk chair, dresser and closet space. All residence halls come with a microfridge (a small refrigerator and microwave combination). Some residence halls have shared living rooms and are furnished with appropriate living room furniture. Apartments are also furnished with appropriate living and dining room furniture. Kitchen facilities vary.

Parents can be helpful in assisting with the packing process. As you are aware, this is a fine line to walk. Your student should bring enough “stuff” to make his or her space feel like home. Because space is at a premium, however, things like drum sets and entire magazine or CD collections may not be appreciated by roommates.

Students should bring such items as towels; blankets; a bedspread or comforter; twin-sized, extra-long (36” x 80”) sheets; pillow(s) and pillowcases; an alarm clock; toiletries; hangers; decorations such as posters, pictures, or calendars; a shower caddy; and a cell phone. If they will have a kitchen, remember to bring silverware, pans and kitchen appliances, or wait to coordinate your kitchen needs with roommate(s). For more information about what to bring, visit housing.tcu.edu.

Students interested in signing up for laundry service or renter’s insurance should visit housing.tcu.edu for more information on these services.

Mail and Package Delivery
The TCU Postal Contract Station provides all USPS services, except Foreign Money Orders, insurance claims and Passports. Students who rent a TCU Box receive their mail in postal boxes located in the BLUU.
Lost or Stolen

Card owners are responsible for reporting lost or stolen cards promptly to prevent fraud. Card owners can deactivate a lost or stolen card online by logging onto my.tcu.edu. Cards can also be reported lost or stolen by calling the ID Center or TCU Police. Until the card is reported lost or stolen, the card owner is responsible for any purchases made with the card. There is a replacement charge of $20 for a lost or stolen card, which is added to the student’s account.

Student Identification Card

The TCU ID Card is required for all TCU students and should be carried at all times while on campus. The card identifies your son or daughter as a currently enrolled student and entitles him or her to various on-campus privileges. In addition, it is used as a key and a credit card.

Online Viewing of Transactions

Card owners can access their transaction histories online. To see purchases and how many Frog Bucks they have left to use, card holders can log onto my.tcu.edu.

Roommates

Students who live, work, study and relax together often learn to be mutually supportive and can develop friendships that last a lifetime. The environment within the residential community makes that possible.

Your student will be living within a residential community that reflects TCU’s conscious effort to bring students, faculty and staff together in a setting where friendships and intellectual life can flourish. Encourage your student to participate in the variety of programs that are available. Also, getting involved in the Hall Crew offers a wonderful way to build friendships and participate as active members of the community.
Move-In is an exciting time for students and their families. It marks the start of the college experience and can be both exciting and scary as students are introduced to new people, new things, and new responsibilities. Parents and families can help with this transition by being supportive of their student and helping them navigate the new experiences for which they are preparing.

**Move-In**
Move-In is the day on which students can move into their new home at TCU. For the 2015-2016 academic year, the Move-In schedule is available at the TCU Housing & Residence Life website (housing.tcu.edu).

Students, alumni, faculty and staff will be on-hand to assist and to welcome you and your son or daughter to the Horned Frog Family.

**Frogs First**
frogfirst.tcu.edu

Beginning on Thursday, August 20, Frogs First helps ease your student’s transition to campus by connecting him or her to other new students and activities on campus. As a part of Frogs First, students will participate in activities such as the Frogs First Kick-Off Celebration, Class of 2019 photo, Common Reading, excursions both on and off campus, Need to Know (N2K), Family Dinner in faculty and staff homes, movie night and the annual Student Activities and Organizations Fair.

**Chancellor’s Assembly**
Your student should plan to attend the annual Chancellor’s Assembly, hosted by Chancellor Victor J. Boschini, Jr. in Amon G. Carter Stadium, on August 20. Students will be seated according to their college/school. Immediately following the Chancellor’s Assembly, students will connect with their Frogs First group for the first time.

**MOVE-IN checklist**

On Move-In Day or before classes start, your student should:

- Pick up his/her Student ID Card during the move-in process.
- Check into university housing.
- Meet his/her Resident Assistant (RA) and plan for the welcome floor meeting. RAs can also provide schedules for events designed to help students acclimate to TCU.
- If ordered, pick up linens from the OCM Linens Program at the TCU Post Office.
The TCU campus offers a wide range of dining options. These include residential dining at Market Square in the Brown-Lupton University Union and a variety of quick-service dining options, coffee and specialty beverages, and convenience items.

All first-year students assigned to residence halls are required to have meal plans. When students complete their housing application, they are prompted to enroll in a Meal Plan. Outlined on this page, these plans allow students to purchase food and beverages in on-campus venues. Students wishing to change their meal plans should contact Housing and Residence Life at (817) 257-7865.

For more information about meal plans or about the dining services at TCU, visit tcu.sodexomyway.com.

### 2015-2016 Meal Plan Info

All plans are priced per semester/per person.

**Platinum - $2,525**
- Unlimited access to Market Square
- Convenience swipe option available
- $350 Campus Cash
- $225 Frog Bucks
- Available to all students (resident and non-resident)

**Gold - $2,365**
- Unlimited access to Market Square
- Convenience swipe option available
- $275 Campus Cash
- $100 Frog Bucks
- Available to all students (resident and non-resident)

**Silver - $2,240**
- Unlimited access to Market Square
- Convenience swipe option available
- $225 Campus Cash
- Available to all students (resident and non-resident)
- Frog Bucks may be purchased separately

**Frog Pass Limited 50 - $815**
- 50 swipes to Market Square
- $225 Campus Cash
- $150 Frog Bucks*
- Convenience swipe option available*
- Available to Apartments and Non-Resident Students only

* Requires acceptance of Off-Campus Advantage to use Frog Bucks at local participating restaurants. Visit frogbucks.com to see a list of local eateries that accept Frog Bucks.

Note: Meal plan information and prices are accurate at the time of publication and may be subject to change.
TRANSPORTATION options

While students are welcome to bring a car to campus, they will find a number of options for getting to and from campus and around the city.

Parking Permits
If your student brings a car to campus and wants to park in a TCU parking lot, he/she must purchase a parking permit. Parking permits may be purchased in the fall, spring, or summer, and are good for the entire academic year. Parking permits are available for purchase by logging onto the myTCU portal (my.tcu.edu) or by visiting the TCU Police office located at 3025 Lubbock. Student permits are assigned according to where the student lives while attending TCU. All first-year students (less than 24 hours) living on the Main Campus will receive a North Stadium permit. Students are responsible for changing their permit at the beginning of the spring semester if living arrangements change.

Shuttles
TCU Frog Shuttle
Operated by the Fort Worth Transportation Authority, the TCU Frog Shuttle runs Monday – Friday during the fall and spring semesters. For specific shuttle times and routes, visit police.tcu.edu.

TCU Shuttle
Operated by Roadrunner Charters, the TCU Shuttle runs three routes, Red, Blue, and Green with pick-up and drop-off every 10 minutes. For specific shuttle times and routes, visit police.tcu.edu.

In addition, a campus wide shuttle is available every day from 5 p.m. – 11 p.m. and Tuesday–Saturday from 11 p.m. – 4 a.m.

There is no set route for this shuttle. For shuttle service, call (817) 257-7777.

Zipcar
zipcode.com/tcu
This car-sharing service offers pay-as-you-go access to low-emission vehicles for TCU students, faculty and staff older than 18. You can rent a Zipcar for a few hours or for a day or more. Insurance, gas and car maintenance are included in the rental price. Register at (zipcar.com/tcu). If you do not have a Texas driver’s license or are licensed outside of the U.S., you must provide a driving record with your application.
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TCU Police
TCU Police
3025 Lubbock Street
(817) 257-7930 (non-emergency)
(817) 257-7777 (emergency)
police.tcu.edu

The role of the TCU Police Department is to provide a safe and secure learning environment through professional service to the university community. All TCU police officers are fully qualified law enforcement officers with full police powers of arrest for offenses committed on property owned or controlled by TCU. All TCU commissioned officers are licensed and certified by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement as meeting the minimum training requirements of the State of Texas for peace officers. TCU Police Officers have the same authority as a municipal officer. TCU Police operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Authority and Jurisdiction
The primary responsibility of TCU Police is the protection of the university community. The patrol section consists of automobile, bicycle, and foot patrol units. Patrol units respond to all calls for police service and the units are available 24 hours a day. The marked patrol cars, bicycles, and foot patrols ensure high visibility while covering all areas of the TCU campus and provide around the clock protection of campus community members and resources on property owned or controlled by Texas Christian University. Visit police.tcu.edu to see the geographical boundaries.

Crime Prevention
TCU Police offers numerous crime prevention outreach services and programs to TCU students. Courses cover topics such as sexual assault and acquaintance rape prevention, personal safety and healthy relationships training, and Campus Crime Watch Meetings. For more information about crime prevention efforts, visit police.tcu.edu.
Safety Resources

Bicycle Registration
The primary function of TCU’s bicycle registration program is to provide identification for bicycles stored on campus. Each bicycle registered with the TCU Police Department is issued a permanent sticker which is valid for the entire period a student, faculty or staff person is at Texas Christian University. While bicycle registration with the TCU Police Department is not mandatory, we strongly encourage your student to consider registering his/her bike. Bicycle registration is free of charge and can be done online at police.tcu.edu.

Campus Security Act
In accordance with the Campus Security Act, also known as the Clery Act, the TCU Police Department, working with other administrative departments and law enforcement agencies, is responsible for preparing and distributing the Annual Security and Fire Safety report. The report is available at police.tcu.edu.

Emergency Phones
Over 110 emergency phones are located throughout the campus and immediately connect students with TCU Police who can respond to the call.

Froggie Five-O
Froggie Five-O provides a safe ride home for all students, staff, faculty and visitors to anywhere throughout the campus, including between academic buildings and residence halls. To use the service, students can call (817) 257-7777 or by using any one of the 110 emergency telephones located on campus.

Rape Aggression Defense (RAD)
Rape Aggression Defense classes are offered to both women and men and teach defensive concepts and techniques that can be used against various types of assault. These techniques utilize easy, effective, and proven self-defense and martial arts tactics.

Sexual Harassment Prevention and Reporting
All TCU administration, faculty, staff and students are responsible for maintaining an environment free of sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is unlawful, violates the dignity of individuals, and impedes the realization of the University’s mission of distinction in education, scholarship and service. The TCU community seeks to eliminate sexual harassment through educational programming and by encouraging faculty, staff and students to report concerns or complaints.

Sexual harassment includes unwelcome sexual advances, request for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, including sexual assault. Sexual harassment, including sexual assault, can involve persons of the same or opposite sex.

In accordance with state and federal law, this policy prohibits two types of sexual harassment. Sexual harassment occurs when (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual’s employment, academics or participation in a TCU program or activity, or (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for a decision affecting such individual’s employment, academic or participation in a TCU program or activity.

Examples of harassment that violate this policy include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Physical assaults of a sexual nature, such as rape, including acquaintance or date rape, or attempts to commit such an assault, and unwelcome physical conduct or conduct of a sexual nature, such as unwanted touching, impeding or blocking another person’s movements, or brushing against, leering at, or making sexual gestures to another person;
- Threatening or engaging in reprisals or retaliation after such an overture is rejected;
- Implying or threatening that submission to sexual advances or conduct prohibited by this policy is a condition of employment, work status, salary increase or decrease, promotion, academic admission, grades, advancement, recommendations or participation in a program or activity;
- Making unwelcome sexual verbal statements, such as suggestive or off-color jokes, innuendo, comments about sexual activity, an individual’s body or appearance, sexual prowess or previous sexual experience;
- Displaying unwelcome sexually suggestive writings, pictures, magazines, cartoons, internet material or objections;
- Issuing unwelcome writings such as suggestive jokes, cartoons, off-color or obscene letters, notes or invitations transmitted by e-mail, text messages, via cell phone or otherwise;
- Display or circulation of material that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual or group based on a legally protected characteristic;
- Other unwelcome conduct which has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual’s work or educational performance or creating an intimidating or hostile work or educational environment. Such conduct may include intimidation, ridicule, or insults.
Campus Safety

Victim Advocate Program
The TCU Victim Advocate Program provides campus and community resources for students, faculty, and staff who are victims. This includes, but is not limited to, assault, relationship violence, sexual harassment, stalking, rape and prior assault. The program is designed to assist individuals in the recovery process by providing timely information and confidential support.

A TCU Victim Advocate is part of a trained and experienced team. The Advocate’s goal is to empower and support the victim. A victim is encouraged to report the offense to the Fort Worth Police and utilize the university discipline process described in the Student Handbook. Individuals victimized by crimes are encouraged to use the resources and support provided by the TCU Victim Advocate Program. For more information on this program, visit campuslife.tcu.edu or call (817) 257-7926.

TCU Alert
Email communication will be sent to the student’s TCU-provided email account. Messages sent to the students via email are considered an official form of university communication. Most university offices will use TCU email exclusively to communicate with students.

In the event of an emergency, the University will notify students through TCU Alert. This service sends emergency messages to campus members via texts to cell phones, campus-wide emails and messages to home phones.

TCU also will utilize the media, in addition to TCU Alert, to inform the community about campus closures and delays. In the event of an emergency, updated information can be found on the TCU Home page (www.tcu.edu) and on the recorded information line at (817) 257-INFO or (866) 321-7428.

To receive these emergency text messages, students must add their cell phone number in the “Student Center” in their myTCU portal.

Title IX
TCU is committed to providing a positive learning and working environment free from discrimination. In support of this commitment, TCU prohibits discrimination and harassment on the basis of age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, national origin, ethnic origin, disability, genetic information, covered veteran status and any other basis protected by law.

For more information regarding Title IX, including contact information for the TCU Title IX Coordinator, visit the TCU Student Handbook at studenthandbook.tcu.edu.

Any complaint about alleged sexual harassment should be immediately referred to the University Sexual Harassment Office, Dr. Kathy Cavins-Tull, located in Sadler Hall, 4017, by phone at (817) 257-7820, or via email at k.cavins@tcu.edu.
The Brown Lupton Health Center is a full-service medical clinic accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC) and staffed by dedicated professionals. As an outpatient facility, The Health Center offers a wide range of medical services to the TCU student community.

Eligibility for Services
The Health Center facilities and services are available to all undergraduate and graduate students at TCU. All new students must complete and submit a Student Health History form (available at healthcenter.tcu.edu).

Services
A general office visit to consult with a health care provider is free of charge. Additional services that will incur a charge such as lab work, medications, procedures or supplies can be billed to the TCU student account or paid for at the time of service. For students enrolled in the TCU Student Health Insurance Plan, all services and supplies will be covered at 100%.

Nutrition Counseling
Students can receive free nutrition counseling from a Registered Dietitian at the Health Center. For more information, visit healthcenter.tcu.edu.

Pharmacy
The TCU Health Center Pharmacy is conveniently located in the Health Center and offers competitive pricing along with a strong commitment to patient education and service. The TCU Pharmacy can fill any valid prescription written by a healthcare provider licensed to practice in the U.S. Additionally, the TCU Pharmacy provides individual patient counseling including dosage instructions, potential side effects, and drug interactions. Pharmacy staff can also help students choose the best over-the-counter medications. Details about the pharmacy can be found at tcupharmacy.com.

Specialty Referral
The TCU Health Center can assist students in making referral appointments when a specialist is needed.

Vaccination Requirement
Texas state law requires that all entering students under the age of 22, as well as students re-enrolling following a fall or spring semester break from TCU, submit evidence of having been vaccinated against bacterial meningitis within the last 5 years. Current proof of the meningitis vaccination must be presented to the TCU Health Center before the student will be allowed to enroll in class or apply for TCU Housing. In addition, two immunizations for Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (MMR) are required as well as two immunizations for varicella (chickenpox).

Women’s Health
A comprehensive range of gynecological services are available by appointment at the Health Center and are provided by a board certified women’s health nurse practitioner. Appointments can be made online or by calling (817) 257-7940.
The professional staff of the Counseling & Mental Health Center comprises an ethnically and educationally diverse group of psychologists, counselors, social workers as well as a consulting psychiatrist. They are highly trained and experienced in helping students successfully cope with a variety of concerns common during the college experience. A crisis counselor is available for students in crisis Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. In addition, the Counseling & Mental Health Center has a counseling hotline that is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Health Promotion (Campus Life)
Sadler Hall 2006
(817) 257-7926
campuslife.tcu.edu

Healthy behaviors can lead to both academic and personal accomplishments that can be used throughout life. The dean of Health Promotion works both as an advocate and collaborator to educate the TCU community about positive health practices that can be utilized for both individual success and to impact the overall TCU environment. Campus Life deans are also available to meet with students facing issues that impede their academic success.

Alcohol & Drug Education
Samuelson Hall, Ground Floor
(817) 247-7100
ade.tcu.edu

Students are responsible for their behavior while at TCU, including being aware of TCU policies and Texas state law, which prohibit the consumption of alcohol by students under the age of 21 and the sale or possession of controlled substances.

Alcohol & Drug Education provides education and resources regarding alcohol and other drugs to the TCU community. Programs and services include individual alcohol and other drug screening assessments, brief counseling, educational presentations, peer trainings, leadership trainings, campus-wide prevention and awareness campaigns and recovery support. Staff members are also available to help students intervene with friends about whom they are concerned.

Campus Recreation
Recreation Center 124
(817) 257-7529
campusrec.tcu.edu

Campus Recreation welcomes all members of the university community to participate in its services, and wellness, sports, and fitness programs. Programs and services include: aquatics, fitness and wellness programs, intramurals, outdoor programs, and sport clubs.

Counseling & Mental Health Center
Samuelson Hall, Ground Floor
(817) 257-7863
(817) 257-SAFE (24-Hour Hotline)
counseling.tcu.edu

Counseling services are provided to enhance students’ skills and attitudes in adapting to college life, handing challenges, relating to new and different people and making their TCU experience satisfying and productive. Eligible students may be seen in a group, as a couple or individually. All personal information discussed in counseling is kept confidential.

After Hours Care & Emergencies
Calling the Health Center during non-business hours will put the student in touch with TEAM Health, a Medical Call Center. Information regarding the call will be sent to the Health Center the following business day for any necessary follow-up. A list of local hospitals and urgent care centers is available at healthcenter.tcu.edu.

In the event of an emergency, 911 will be called and the student will be transported to the nearest hospital by ambulance. The student’s parent and Campus Life will be notified. If a medical condition requires immediate attention when the Health Center is closed, students should call 911 or the TCU Police at (817) 257-7777.

Student Health Insurance
TCU requires all students registered for nine or more hours to carry health insurance through either the TCU Aetna Student Health Insurance Plan or an individual/family plan that provides coverage comparable to the TCU Plan and remains in effect throughout the 2015-2016 academic year. Having access to healthcare can, in large part, depend on having adequate and comprehensive health insurance.

The TCU Aetna Student Health Insurance plan is a major medical policy fully compliant with the Affordable Care Act. Benefits are available both on and off campus in addition to providing benefits to students while they study abroad or travel away from home. Visit healthcenter.tcu.edu to view the 2015-2016 Plan details.

If there is an individual/family policy in effect that meets the requirements and a decision is made to decline/waive participation in the Student Health Insurance, the student must enter detailed information about his/her private insurance online by August 28, 2015 at 5 p.m. Students who have not provided private insurance information by the specified deadline will be automatically enrolled in and billed the fall semester premium of $879.00. Detailed deadline dates are emailed to each student. Please encourage your student to watch for all emails coming from the Health Center.

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MEETING COLLEGE EXPENSES

Please read this section carefully for information both you and your student will need to know about tuition and fees, scholarships and financial aid, Student Financial Services, making online payments, local banking, and more.

2015-2016 Undergraduate Estimate of Costs

The following are the estimated two-semester costs for a full-time TCU undergraduate (taking 12-18 units each semester) living in university housing:

- Tuition: $40,630
- Mandatory Fees: $90
- Residence Hall & Meal Plan: $11,800
- Books & Supplies: $1,050
- Travel: $1,200
- Loan Fees: $96
- Miscellaneous: $3,500*
- Total: $58,366

* Student health insurance fee is detailed on page 23.
Paying Bills: Student Financial Services
(817) 257-7836
vcfa.tcu.edu/student-accounts

Your student will be notified via email sent to his or her official TCU email account when a billing statement (e-Z bill) is available online each month. TCU does not mail billing statements for enrolled students. Students may pay their bill online, by mail or in person at the Cashier. Payments are due on the first of the following month. Your student may grant access to allow parents or other responsible parties to view their bill by the “Grant Access to Others” link in the myTCU portal. Access must be renewed every year and students are responsible for updating or changing the email address for anyone to whom they have granted access.

Tuition and fees can be paid by check, cash or money order in person at the cashier or online by check or credit/debit card (American Express, China Union Pay, Diners Club, Discover, JCB, Visa, or MasterCard).

Instructions for mailing payments can be found on your student’s monthly billing statement. Payments should be mailed early enough to be received by the university by the stated Due Date. If you are paying by international wire transfer, please allow one week’s processing time. The Minimum Amount Due must be paid by the Due Date. A hold is placed on the account if payment is not received. A late fee (1% of the payment or $7.50 minimum) will be assessed 10 days after the Due Date if the Minimum Amount Due has not been paid. For account balance information or questions regarding your student’s account, call Student Financial Services at (817) 257-7836.

Billing and Statement of Account
Your student’s e-Z Bill will reflect tuition charges, mandatory fees, miscellaneous charges, and if applicable, financial aid credits. Students attending June Orientation will be billed for fall charges in July. A minimum of 20% of basic charges (after any financial aid has been deducted) must be paid by August 1. Students attending August Orientation will be billed for fall charges in August and a minimum of 40% of their basic charges (after any financial aid has been deducted) should be paid at Orientation or by September 1.

The student account balance will include the current semester’s tuition and fees, any prior balances and other miscellaneous charges, less any financial aid, and other credits and or payments. Each statement will show the “Total Amount Due,” the “Minimum Amount Due,” and the date by which the payment must be received. To keep a student’s account current, payment of at least the Minimum Amount Due by the Due Date must be made. Students with accounts that are not current cannot add classes, place additional charges on their accounts, obtain a transcript, or graduate.

Non-receipt of a bill does not relieve the students of this deadline.

Payment Options
There are two options for paying a student’s tuition and fees.

Option A – Full Payment
Payment of a minimum 20% of net basic charges (tuition, fees, room, meal plan, and student health insurance, less approved financial aid) is required by the first day of the month that classes begin (August 1 for the fall semester and January 1 for the spring semester). The remaining net basic charges must be paid in full by the first of the following month (September 1 for the fall semester and February 1 for the spring semester).

Option B – Payment Plan
Payment of a minimum 20% of net basic charges (tuition, fees, room, meal plan, and student health insurance, less approved financial aid) is required by the first day of the month that classes begin (August 1 for the fall semester and January 1 for the spring semester). Minimum payment of an additional 20% of net basic charges is due by the first day of the following month (September 1 for the fall semester and February 1 for the spring semester). Students who do not pay the net basic charges in full by September 1 for the fall semester and February 1 for the spring semester will be automatically enrolled in the payment plan. Students in the payment plan will be billed for the remaining net basic charges in three monthly installments over the remainder of the semester.

A payment plan enrollment fee (1.66% of the remaining balance of net basic charges or a maximum of $100 per semester) will be assessed on the September bill for the fall semester and on the February bill for the spring semester. To avoid automatic enrollment in the payment plan and the resulting enrollment fee, net basic charges must be paid in full by September 1 for the fall semester and by February 1 for the spring semester.

The payment plan is an extension of credit by TCU to you. Each payment plan will not exceed three months. You will receive a disclosure statement as required by the federal Truth-in-Lending Act for each payment plan (September for the fall semester and February for the spring semester). The disclosure statement will show you the amount included in the payment plan and the enrollment fee required for participation in the payment plan, which will be added to the other charges due on your account. You may review the disclosure statement upon receipt and, if you are not satisfied with the proposed terms, you may cancel the payment plan within 10 days of receipt (“Cancellation Period”) by submitting written notice to the TCU Student Financial Services office. If you cancel the payment plan during the cancellation period, your account will be credited for the enrollment fee. Your cancellation of the payment plan will not release you from your financial obligation to TCU. If you cancel the payment plan either within the cancellation period or after the cancellation period, payment in full of the unpaid basic charges for the semester will be due immediately. Do not pay from the Disclosure Statement. The amount that you owe each month will be the amount shown on your e-Z bill.
On the July and August e-Z Bills, fall financial aid will show as “Anticipated Aid,” as financial aid cannot be disbursed to the student’s account until 10 days prior to the start of classes. If your student’s account does not include all of the financial aid that you were expecting, please have your student check for missing information by logging on to his or her my.TCU portal account.

For more information about scholarships, loans, grants, or work study, please visit financialaid.tcu.edu.

Scholarships and Financial Aid
(817) 257-7858 or (800) TCU-FROG
financialaid.tcu.edu

Sending your student to a private university is one of the most enduring investments a family can make. An education from TCU opens doors, unleashes potential, produces a lifetime of intellectual and financial rewards and places your student in a family of confident, capable people determined to accomplish great things.

We encourage you to take advantage of the financial resources TCU has to offer. TCU is committed to enrolling talented, motivated students from diverse backgrounds. The University offers a full range of scholarships, financial aid and financing options to families of all income levels.

Financial Aid, with the exception of work study, is credited to the student’s account.
Acclimating to student life at TCU can, at times, lead to frustration and stress - whether it’s getting used to new living arrangements, balancing studies and social activities, or dealing with day-to-day responsibilities such as laundry and meals. Homesickness and loneliness can creep up on a student, even if he or she is very busy.

As your student faces these challenges and learns to manage this new environment, you can take pride in his or her success. However, increased freedom and responsibility may bring some changes in your student’s attitude and approach to communication. Newly acquire self-confidence may manifest itself as aloofness, insconsiderateness or restlessness. An awkward period of adjustment may take place as the patterns of family communication and relationships change.

Talking in advance about issues such as family finances, communication, values, and academic expectations can help minimize conflicts regarding these and other issues once your son or daughter is in college.

You may be concerned or even somewhat apprehensive about how your son or daughter will respond and relate to this new environment and become an active member of the campus community. We believe that being aware of the inevitable changes that are part of the college experience will help you provide valuable support for your student during his or her career at TCU.

Your student needs to understand and accept that success in college is attainable for those who commit themselves to this goal. You can assist by providing support, understanding and encouragement.

This coming year will be one of transition for your son or daughter and your family. While your student is adjusting to a new environment, you will be adjusting to your new role as a parent of a college student. The following suggestions - based on the expertise and personal experiences of professional staff, TCU parents and current students - can help.

SUPPORTING YOUR students

Connections & Support
Be sufficiently well-informed about the university to understand your son’s or daughter’s concerns, but allow him or her to rise and meet the many challenges and opportunities for growing intellectually and personally here at TCU.

Before Your Student Arrives on Campus
The months before Move-In Day can be a hectic time. Students and parents often forget to clearly discuss expectations for the coming year.

Current students found it helpful to discuss the following with their parents prior to arriving at TCU:

- Budget (spending money, job, bill payment, checking accounts, credit cards)
- Communication (how often; via phone, text messages, mail, Skype, email or instant message)
- Health coverage (insurance coverage, prescription plans)
- Car/no car (insurance coverage information, loaning/borrowing a car, parking)
- Involvement on campus
- Computer, tablet, phone
- Grade expectations

Supporting Your Student 101
As students prepare to enter their college years at TCU, parents and family members often have their own lists of questions and concerns about how to best support their new Horned Frog. Below are tips we have compiled that we hope will help you and your student.

Keep the lines of communication open
Stay in touch through scheduled phone conversations, email, old-fashioned snail-mail and/or care packages. Show an interest in your student’s classes, new friends and activities, but attempt to avoid pressuring for information if your student is reluctant to talk.

Be understanding and a good listener
Support your son or daughter by understanding the stress that new students feel as they try to adjust to an environment, friends, and a schedule that differ from those they have previously known. Parents often serve as a home base, and students need to be able to turn to them for comfort and support.

Be trusting
Respect and trust your student’s ability to make decisions. Your trust and respect builds self-esteem and self-confidence. Show your student that you believe he or she is capable, and your student will develop the confidence to handle challenging situations.

Keep an open mind to their new ideas, experiences and opinions
College is a young adult’s opportunity to grow and establish an identity through the exploration of ideas, values, interests, majors, professions and the many faces of diversity. Have faith that you have raised
your student well and try to be supportive of your student’s exploration by providing the freedom to discover different interests. Statistics show that that parents remain the number one influence on adolescents and emerging adults.

**Be positive and patient**
Adjusting to college life can take time and your patience is reassuring to your student. Both students and parents may experience difficulties during the transition, but a positive attitude can go a long way.

**Adjust your expectations**
Life at TCU is distinctly different from life in high school. As such, your expectations should change as your student transitions to a new adult life.

**Encourage a healthy and balanced lifestyle**
Encourage students to make choices conducive to maintaining a healthy and balanced lifestyle. In planning their schedules, students should make decisions that allow time for healthy eating, study and other pursuits, adequate sleep, and exercise.

**Encourage out-of-class academic pursuits**
Encourage students to develop relationships with faculty, pursue research interests, study abroad, join student organizations, and take advantage of the many academic opportunities at TCU. Support your student and make suggestions, but don’t pressure your son or daughter to choose a major or career right away. Rather, encourage your student to find interesting subjects to pursue.

**Encourage students to explore Fort Worth**
TCU is situated in the vibrant city of Fort Worth and has developed a dynamic relationship with the surrounding community. Encourage your student to take advantage of the wealth of events, activities and offerings that Fort Worth has to offer, including volunteer opportunities, museums, theatre, music, sports and restaurants.

**Let your student make mistakes**
While certainly a difficult guideline to follow, this is an important one. Some of your student’s most valuable learning experiences are a result of learning from mistakes. Be supportive of your student when mistakes occur encourage him or her to find appropriate solutions.

**But know where to look for help**
There are many campus and community resources available to help your student adjust to college life and become successful at TCU. Orientation leaders, resident assistants, academic advisors, upper-class students, professors and Student Affairs staff members are just some of the many individuals and resources students can seek out for advice and guidance. However, we understand there may be times you would like some guidance in assisting your student and knowing when it’s appropriate to refer to campus resources for help or advice. This handbook and Parent and Family Programs (parents.tcu.edu) serve as great first steps in learning more about how to partner with the university in making your student’s college years successful.

**Encourage your student to get involved**
There is a wealth of opportunities for involvement, so encourage your student to experience all that TCU has to offer. This will help your student feel connected to TCU as a campus, university and community. Some suggestions include residence hall activities, community service programs (such as LEAPS), intramural sports, Greek life, and student organizations that support personal interests. Remind your student to take the initiative. Statistics show that students who are involved on campus, including working on campus, are more satisfied with their college experience and do better academically.

**Staying Connected to TCU**
At TCU, it is easy to get involved. Attending campus events, participating in Family Weekend, and supporting your student through involvement in the TCU Parents Association are just a few of the opportunities that await you at TCU.

You will find many opportunities to become involved as the parent of a TCU student. Every parent of a TCU student is a member of the TCU Parents Association. There are numerous ways to become active in the Association regardless of where you live. The TCU Parent Council, a representative body of approximately 50 families that means twice during the academic year, seeks to be educated ambassadors for the university as well as to give constructive feedback to college, departmental, and program staff.

We hope that these tips will assist you in helping your student to have an educational and enriching experience as a TCU Horned Frog!

**Parent and Family Programs**
Parent and Family Programs, an office within Student Development Services, looks forward to meeting you! Parent and Family Programs offer a one-stop resource for information about TCU. The TCU Parents website at parents.tcu.edu is updated regularly and includes links to newsletters and the Parent and Family Magazine.

**2015 Family Weekend**
TCU invites all families to Family Weekend September 18-19, 2015. Join us in celebrating the TCU experience through a weekend of special programs. The goal is to provide an enjoyable and informative experience where families discover the rich opportunities for intellectual, social, and personal growth available to your student. For more information, including dates, registration, football ticket information, and hotel options, visit familyweekend.tcu.edu.
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2015 TCU FOOTBALL HOME SCHEDULE

SFA 09.12
*FAMILY WEEKEND

09.19

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*HOMECOMING

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CALENDAR
2015-2016

FALL 2015

Move In
Chancellor’s Assembly
Frogs First
Registration Ends
Classes Begin
Student Health Insurance Deadline
Labor Day Holiday
Convocation
Family Weekend
Homecoming
Fall Break
Thanksgiving
Last Day of Class
Study Days
Finals Week

August 12, 15, 19*
August 20
August 20-23
August 21
August 24
August 28
September 7
September 8
September 18-20
October 2-4
October 9-14
November 24-30
December 9
December 10-11
December 14-18

*Move-in differs based on group.
More information is available at housing.tcu.edu.

SPRING 2016

Registration Ends
Classes Begin
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Spring Break
Good Friday Holiday
Last Day of Class
Study Days
Finals Week
Commencement/Graduation

January 8
January 11
January 18
March 11-March 21
March 25
April 27
April 28-29
May 2-May 6
May 7