



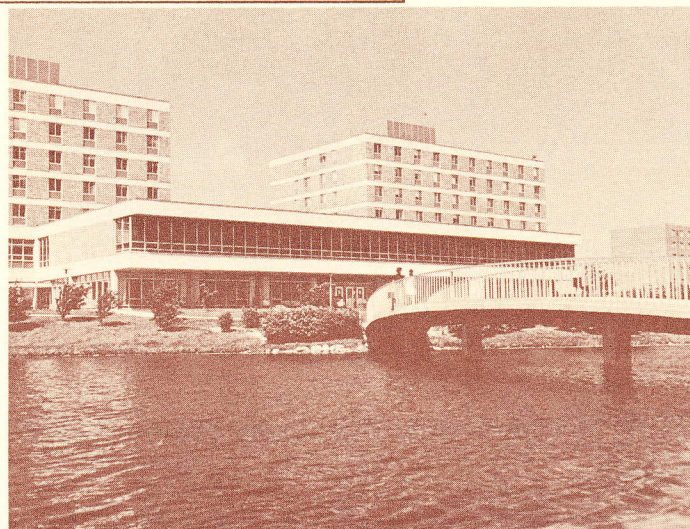
# OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

FRESHMAN NEWSLETTER — #1 JUNE, 1974

Dear New Student:

Most of you are coming to Oakland with the intention of graduating from here, some are coming for a year or two before transferring to another school and a few of you are planning to take just a course or two for your own enrichment. Whatever the reason you have for attending this school, there are certain policies, practices, services and terminologies that you will need to know.

Some of the necessary information will be given to you at the orientation/registration session you will attend. A large portion of the needed information, however, will be sent to you in a series of newsletters like this one so that you can read it at your leisure and then keep the information on file for further reference. If a question that you have is not answered through this media, we encourage you to contact the appropriate office during the summer to get the information you want.



You will find that we have a staff and faculty here which is dedicated to helping you make your learning experiences within the University complex successful ones. Your success, however, throughout your university life will depend upon the enthusiasm, curiosity and the energy that you bring to the experiences. We look forward to sharing your goals and aspirations.

Sincerely,

*Judith E. Keegan*

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Dean of Freshmen

## A SCENARIO FOR GETTING STARTED

### ORIENTATION

All new students are required to attend an orientation session. Some of you will attend a session according to your planned major; however, since about 43 percent of the new students will not have selected a major (and that is perfectly legitimate) there will be a special orientation program for students who are "undecided." There will also be a special general orientation session for students who will be attending evening classes only. During the appropriate orientation sessions, you will talk with both faculty and student advisers who will help you sort out what the appropriate courses are for you to take. You will also register for your classes, get your picture

taken for your I.D. card and pay all tuition and fees at that time.

The schedule is as follows:

August 13—14	Pre-Nursing*
August 15—16	Economics Engineering Computer Science Management and Economics
August 20—21	Biology Chemistry Health Behavioral Science Mathematics Med Technology Medical Physics Physics Pre-Dent/Pre-Medical



August 22-23 Undecided

August 26-27 Anthropology  
Early Childhood  
Human Resources  
Political Science  
Pre-Law  
Psychology  
Public Management  
Social Studies  
Sociology  
Speech Communication

\*This session is reserved for persons who have been accepted to the Pre-Nursing program only.

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Area Studies  
Art History  
Chinese  
Classical Languages  
Elementary Education  
English  
History  
Linguistics  
Modern Languages  
Music  
Philosophy  
Religious Studies  
Studio Art

August 30

Late Admits

### BEFORE YOU COME TO ORIENTATION, HOWEVER . . . .

YOU SHOULD Plan To Come To A Testing Session.

At the testing session you will take the one test which is **required** of all new students, the English Diagnostic Test. This test is an essay test which is used to examine your writing abilities. You are given a choice of four or five topics from which you must pick one to write on for an hour.

Your essay will then be read by at least two members of the Learning Skills Department who will determine if:

- (1) you are exempt from taking any required Learning Skills Courses (called English Composition at many schools).
- (2) you should take Learning Skills 050, 100, or 101\*.

\*It is the satisfactory completion of Learning Skills 101 or an exemption that will mean that you have completed Oakland's writing requirement. You should note that this is the only university requirement for all Oakland Students.

We ask you to come to a special testing session for this examination because it takes about two weeks to get it scored. If you come to the testing session, you would have your results back in time to use the information at orientation and registration. If, however, distance makes it impossible for you to make two trips to Oakland, there will be time set aside at the orientation sessions for the testing to be done.

Also during the testing sessions, you will be able to take a Chemistry Placement test which is required of all students planning to take a chemistry course and a Language Placement Test which is required of students planning to take French, German, or Spanish.

You will also have the opportunity to take the Strong-Campbell Vocational Interest Test.

The Testing Dates Are:

DATE		PLACE
Sat.	June 8	201 Dodge Hall
Wed.	June 12	Gold Room, Oakland Center
Sat.	June 22	201 Dodge Hall
Mon.	July 8	Sunset Room, Oakland Center
Sat.	July 20	201 Dodge Hall
Thurs.	July 25	363 South Foundation Hall
Sat.	Aug. 3	201 Dodge Hall

If you have not received a special brochure on placement testing already, one will be mailed to you soon.

#### HOT LINE!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to stop by, call or write. We will be happy to help you.

Phone: 377-3260  
Address: Dean of Freshmen's Office  
129 North Foundation Hall  
Rochester, Michigan 48063



## Some Information for Deciding How Many Courses To Take and How Much Money Will be Required

**A Full Time Student** — This is a student who takes 10 or more credit hours a term in the fall and winter semesters and who takes 5 or more credits in the spring or summer sessions. To be eligible for financial aid, you must take 12 or more credits. For veterans to be considered full time, they must also take at least 12 credits.

**Credit Hours** — For each class you take you sign up for a certain number of credit hours. Essentially a credit hour means that you spend one hour in class per week for every credit hour you earn. Most of O.U.'s courses are 4 credits each. Some laboratory type classes are one or two credit hours.



**Credits Needed for Graduation** — Depending upon the major you pick, you will need between 124 — 128 credits to be eligible for graduation. (This is 31 or 32 courses.)

**Average Course Load** — If you want to take four years to graduate and want to go to school only during the fall and winter semesters, the average course load would be four courses or 16 credit hours per semester.

If, however, you wanted to graduate in three years, you could do so by taking 16 credit hours during each of the fall and winter semesters and 8 credit hours each during the spring and summer sessions.

Likewise, you can take one course a semester and be considered a regular Oakland Student.

The maximum number of credits you can take without obtaining special permission is 20 credits in the fall and winter semesters and 10 credits in the spring and summer.

**Class Standing** (based on semester hours earned):

FRESHMAN . . . . .	less than 28 credits
SOPHOMORE . . . . .	less than 59 credits
JUNIOR . . . . .	less than 91 credits
SENIOR . . . . .	91 or more credits

## Catalogs and Class Schedules

If you are interested in seeing what classes will be taught for fall semester before you come to orientation, call or write the Dean of Freshmen's Office and a schedule of classes will be sent to you.

In sorting out for yourself which courses out of the approximately 1,200 courses offered you could (or should) take, consult an O.U. catalog to see what is required for general education courses (page 54—56 in 1973-74 catalog) and what is required for individual majors (listed in alphabetical order).

Note specifically if a prerequisite is required before taking the course in which you are interested. Prerequisite means you should have another required course(s) before taking the one in question.

## Tuition Cost Per Credit Hour

Tuition is assessed each semester on the basis of the credit value of the courses carried as follows:

Resident	Undergraduate	\$19.00/credit hour — On Campus
Resident	Undergraduate	\$25.00/credit hour — Extension Centers
Resident	Graduate	\$24.00/credit hour
Non-resident	Graduate and Undergraduate	\$51.00/credit hour

## Fees

Undergraduates registering for ten (10) or more credits are charged an additional \$16.00 miscellaneous fees. (\$10 Oakland Center fee, \$5 activity fee, \$1 Wilson Memorial Library fee.)

Part-time undergraduates, nine (9) or less credits, are assessed an additional \$6 miscellaneous fee. (\$5 Oakland Center fee, \$1 Wilson Memorial Library fee.)

## SPECIAL FEES

### \$10/course

Biology	112	Education	585
	114	Engineering	172
Chemistry	107	Physics	158
	117	Studio Art	100
	118		101
Computer Science	180		
	182		

### \$15/course

Applied music courses, group instruction

### \$25/course

Education 597

### \$60/semester

All private music lessons

+The University reserves the right to change tuition and fee schedules without advance notice.

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