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Video: President Hynd Welcomes New Students to Campus

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Hello, I'm George Hynd, President of Oakland University. I'm very pleased to welcome you to campus as we start a new academic year.

We are truly an outstanding university committed to our history of the liberal arts, while at the same time offering professional degree programs both at the undergraduate and graduate level.

As a preeminent research and doctoral granting institution, we're very proud of the fact that not only our graduate students but our undergraduate students have an opportunity to participate in research.

We continue to grow the university to meet the needs of our students. We have many aspirations for our students, not the least of which is we would like more of our students here at Oakland University to live in our residence halls. It's a great opportunity to make friends that could become your lifelong friends. But most importantly we have evidence that shows that students that live on campus have an opportunity to take part in a meaningful experience.

Welcome to a new year and a new chapter in your life. We will continue traditions that are 58 years in the making. We are committed to academic excellence. We have faculty and students that are engaged in world-class performances. We're very proud of our student athletes, now in our second year int he Horizon League, they have achieved beyond anyone's wildest imagination.

As an engaged institution, we are very much committed to being stewards of the communities in which we serve.

We look forward to another year of growth and achievement. We also want to make sure that you as a new student have an opportunity to become an alumni of Oakland University, joining our more than 100,000 alumni living in Michigan, throughout the nation, and certainly internationally.

This is Oakland University, where the aspiring can rise.