Congratulation on your acceptance to Clemson University!

Enclosed is specific information concerning the admission deposit, housing, financial aid, AP and IB credit, and placement policies for English and math that we hope will ensure your successful transition to Clemson. In addition, there is important information for transfer students regarding transfer credit policies.

Please review this information carefully and keep it for future reference. If you have questions, don’t hesitate to contact the admissions office or the specific office involved.

Again, congratulations on your academic achievements. We look forward to your becoming a part of the Clemson Family.

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Admission Deposit

All accepted students for summer and fall undergraduate admission are required to pay a nonrefundable admission deposit. To submit payment, students may visit clemson.edu/accepted-students/steps.html. You will need your Clemson username and password. The Clemson username will be the identifier at Clemson that enables you to log into the portal as a new Clemson student. You can obtain your Clemson username at myusername.clemson.edu. You will need your Clemson XID (example: C12345678) that is included in your acceptance letter, and the username activation code that will be emailed to you. The deposit will be applied toward the cost of tuition and fees for students who enroll for the fall semester. Please do not include any other University fees with the admission deposit.

Be sure to pay the deposit by the date indicated in your acceptance letter. Your acceptance will be canceled if you fail to remit the deposit by that date. Reacceptance at a later date may be possible but cannot be guaranteed. If you have questions, please call the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at 864-656-2287.

Clemson Home: University Housing & Dining

Beginning Feb. 1 and upon acceptance to the University, students may sign up for housing and dining at clemson.edu/housing-dining. Prior to beginning the sign-up process, please visit the Housing & Dining website for all of the latest information.

Housing

Clemson Home is committed to supporting you in the exciting transition to college life. We offer comprehensive programs for all first-year students who live on campus, including our Residential Education Model (REM), Living-Learning Communities (LLC) and much more.

Housing priority is based upon the date your admissions application was submitted. Roommate requests are processed for assignment according to the earliest of the two admissions application dates.

All freshmen are guaranteed housing and are required to live in University-owned housing their first academic year. Freshman housing contracts will open on Feb. 1 and are due by May 15. Students living in the following counties in South Carolina may request a waiver to commute from home: Oconee, Pickens and Anderson.

If you defer enrollment to the spring, contact University Housing & Dining in October for more information about how to sign up for the spring semester only.

Transfer students are offered on-campus housing as space permits. Visit clemson.edu/housing-dining for more information about the sign-up process and dates.
Special Financial Aid Note for Transfer Students

1. If you have already filed your FAFSA and did not list Clemson, you may add Clemson online by using your FAFSA ID.
2. After you are accepted, cancel any aid at your current school for the term(s) that you will be attending Clemson.
3. If you are a loan borrower, please note that your original loan will be processed at the freshman level. After you are enrolled, your actual classification level will be established, and you may then apply for an additional loan at the higher loan limit.

As a transfer student, you will be eligible for scholarship consideration after completing at least 12 credit hours at Clemson University. Please call 864-656-2280 if you have any questions about your financial aid.

### Dining

Meals plans are convenient, flexible and provide options for a variety of dietary needs. Students may choose from one of the following plans:

- **Unlimited 300**
  - Unlimited dining in residential dining halls
  - $300 in Paw Points (per semester)
  - 15 guest meals (per semester)
- **Unlimited 200**
  - Unlimited dining in residential dining halls
  - $200 in Paw Points (per semester)
  - 10 guest meals (per semester)
- **Unlimited 100**
  - Unlimited dining in residential dining halls
  - $100 in Paw Points (per semester)
  - 5 guest meals (per semester)

For more information, please visit clemson.edu/housing-dining. Connect with us on Facebook (facebook.com/ClemsonHome) and Twitter (twitter.com/ClemsonHome) for all of the latest updates.

### Financial Aid

Financial aid procedures and deadlines are listed on page 3 and at clemson.edu/financial-aid. Financial aid applicants typically are notified of their awards beginning in April. Please contact the Office of Student Financial Aid at 864-656-2280 for additional information.

### Payment of Tuition and Fees

Fall semester bills are available and can be paid online in mid- to late-July at clemson.edu. For information regarding tuition and fees, payment due dates or payment plans, visit clemson.edu/finance/student-financials. Please contact the Office of Student Financial Services at 864-656-5592 for additional information.

### Lawful Presence Verification

In accordance with section 59-101-430 of the S.C. Code of Laws, also known as the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Reform Act, those unlawfully present in the United States are prohibited from attending a public institution of higher education in South Carolina. Those unlawfully present in the United States are prohibited from receiving a public higher education benefit including scholarships, financial aid, grants or resident tuition.

To ensure that you may enroll and attend classes, you must provide documentation described below during your Orientation visit. You will be asked to provide this documentation during check-in on the first day of your Orientation session.

### New Student Orientation

New Student Orientation is an on-campus experience that will introduce you to all that Clemson has to offer. Orientation is a critical element of your success as a college student; therefore, it is mandatory for all new students. The Orientation team is eager to assist you with your academic and personal success. Attending New Student Orientation is necessary in order to ensure a full class schedule.

Shortly after your official acceptance to Clemson, you will receive information on registering for Orientation. The Orientation website, clemson.edu/orientation, features session information, frequently asked questions and resources for students and families. Should you have questions regarding Orientation, please call our office at 864-656-0515.
**Academic Advising**
During summer Orientation or early in your first semester, you will be assigned a faculty adviser in your major. Your adviser will provide information on curriculum requirements, approve each semester’s class schedule, interpret academic regulations and suggest adjustments for making satisfactory progress toward graduation.

**Choice of Major**
As indicated in your acceptance letter, you have been accepted for a major course of study in which you expressed an interest. If you decide that your talents and interests lie in another discipline, changing majors may be a possibility. Clemson has a variety of majors from which to choose. However, all of these majors may not be available to you. The option to change your major will be subject to your qualifications and the availability of space in your new choice of major. Please contact the Office of Admissions at the earliest date possible if you want to request a change in your major course of study.

**Advanced Placement Credit**
If you took Advanced Placement (AP) exams, we encourage you to have your test results sent directly to Clemson. This is the principal method by which you can earn credit by examination. Credit is awarded if you earn a grade of 3, 4 or 5 on an AP examination.

Specific information can be found in the Undergraduate Announcements catalog, which you received in a separate mailing. You will be notified in late July of any course credit that you will receive through the AP program. For more information, you can visit clemson.edu/admissions/undergraduate/documents/apcreditchart.pdf.

**International Baccalaureate Credit**
Clemson recognizes the academic challenge inherent in the IB program. Students scoring a 4 or above on the Higher Level IB examinations are, in most cases, eligible for college credit. Specific credit information can be found in the Undergraduate Announcements, which you received in a separate mailing. You will be notified in August of any course credit that you will receive through the IB program. For more information, visit clemson.edu/admissions/undergraduate/documents/ibcreditchart.pdf.

**Dual Enrollment**
Dual enrollment courses enable high school students to take college-level courses and earn college credit before graduating from high school. Students should have official transcript(s) sent directly to Clemson’s Office of Admissions from the registrar of each college or university where credit was earned. A transcript that states “issued to student” is considered unofficial. Courses that have previously been evaluated are listed on our Transfer Credit Equivalency List (TCEL). If there is a course you have previously taken that is not listed on the TCEL, the course will be evaluated by the Office of Admissions once you have been accepted to Clemson. Students will be notified by letter of the credit they will receive at Clemson before enrolling in the fall.

**English Placement Policy**
Clemson’s only first-year writing requirement is Accelerated English 1030, which is listed as Accelerated Composition in the University catalog. As an incoming first-year student, you must take English 1030 regardless of your intended major. Testing out of English 1030 is possible only upon completion of the Advanced Placement English Language and/or the International Baccalaureate examinations. If you are a transfer student, you have probably already fulfilled your first-year English requirements.

Please be advised that not all freshman-level English courses are equal, and some may not exactly correspond to Clemson English courses. If you have questions, please contact the director of first-year composition in the Department of English at 864-656-3040.

**Modern Language Placement**
If your intended major requires a foreign language, and you plan to take French, German or Spanish to meet that requirement, you must take the Clemson Modern Language Placement Test (MLPT) online before registering for a modern language course during summer Orientation. Even if you have taken an AP or IB exam or the SAT test, you are still required to take the MLPT. You do not have to take the MLPT if you wish to begin a new language in which you have no background. Transfer students who have received college credit for a modern language and who plan to continue with the same modern language at Clemson are not required to take the MLPT.

The MLPT takes approximately one hour to complete. Pre-registration is not required. For more information, please visit clemson.edu/caab/departments/languages/resources/place-test.html or call the Department of Languages at 864-656-3393.

**Math Placement Policy**
All accepted students, both freshmen and transfer, must complete the Clemson Mathematics Placement Test (CMPT) in order to register for the first mathematics course required by their major (refer to the Undergraduate Announcements to identify the course). Prerequisites for initial math courses can be satisfied either with a satisfactory score on the CMPT or with transfer credit for the appropriate math courses. Transfer credit can be obtained by successfully completing college-level courses at Clemson or elsewhere, through College Board Advanced Placement examinations or through the International Baccalaureate program.

Students who do not achieve a satisfactory score on the CMPT, or those who do not take the test, may be required to take a preparatory math course prior to starting the initial math course required for their major.

A low score on the CMPT does not prevent you from using transfer credit to satisfy course prerequisites. However, if your CMPT score is lower than the minimum required for enrollment in these courses, we recommend that you consult with your academic adviser before accepting transfer credit. Your score may suggest that you will have difficulty in subsequent courses.

Information regarding the CMPT will be mailed to you at a later date. You can also visit mathsc.clemson.edu/CMPT for more information.
Important Information for Transfer Students

We hope the following information will help facilitate your transfer to Clemson. The steps outlined below regarding the transfer-credit evaluation process are very important to the development of your permanent Clemson academic record. Please read the following information carefully. If all of your questions are not answered, you may give us a call at 864-656-2287.

What courses will transfer?
Generally, transfer credits are applicable toward degree requirements if the courses taken are
• earned at a school accredited by a regional accreditation association, such as the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools,
• similar in description to the corresponding course at Clemson,
• required or permitted as an elective in a student’s curriculum,
• graded at least a letter grade above minimum passing mark, usually a C or better, and
• not a duplication of credits already earned.

Clemson does not transfer grades, only credits; therefore, you will enter Clemson without a grade point average. To find out how your class standing is determined, see the chart on page 7.

Evaluation of Transfer Credits
The evaluation of academic credits from other institutions rests with the Office of Admissions in each subject area. Clemson equivalencies can be accessed via our web portal. In order to access your transfer credit summary, you will need your Clemson username and password. The Clemson username will be the identifier at Clemson that enables you to log into the portal as a new Clemson student. You may want to print a copy of your transfer credit summary from the portal for your records. Your major adviser will be reviewing this summary at Orientation.

How does Clemson process transfer credit?
Estimated approval for use of transfer credits in your degree program will be determined by your major adviser at Orientation. Your adviser will provide information on curriculum requirements, approve your course evaluation, and interpret academic regulations and suggest adjustments for making satisfactory progress toward graduation.

You will not receive credit for your coursework until all final, official transcripts have been received in the Office of Admissions. If at any time during the advising process your major adviser needs to substitute a course, a substitution form must also be completed and submitted for student academic records purposes. Remember that use of coursework in your original curriculum will change if you change your major.

To complete the transfer process, you must send final transcripts to our office by the deadline listed in your acceptance letter. If final transcripts are not received by the deadline
• you will not have any transfer credits on your academic record,
• you will not have freshman status (and freshman priority for athletic tickets) until all of your official transcripts are received,
• you will not be able to drop a class,
• you will register for the next semester as a freshman, and
• your loan limit may be affected.

If you are still enrolled in classes, your current coursework will be added upon receipt of an official transcript. You will also need to have this additional coursework reviewed by your academic adviser. Grade reports or faxed copies of transcripts may be used for advising purposes only. No coursework may be evaluated using grade reports or faxed copies of transcripts. The Office of Admissions must receive final transcripts from each college previously attended before you can enroll in classes.

If you have received a “Satisfactory” or “Passing” grade for prior coursework, you will need to have an official statement from the registrar’s office of the institution you attended stating that the S or P grade is equivalent to a grade of C or better to receive Clemson credit. Clemson University accepts courses for transfer only if earned with a grade of C or better.

Transfer Course Equivalency List
The TCEL (Transfer Course Equivalency List) is a database containing the Clemson University course equivalencies for approximately 1,200 accredited colleges and universities nationwide. Course equivalencies are evaluated through the Office of Admissions. Please be advised the TCEL is only a history of how courses have transferred to Clemson, and does not represent a comprehensive list of transferable course work for any school. If there is a course you have previously taken that is not showing up on the TCEL, the course will have to be evaluated once you are accepted to Clemson. The listing for each college shows course equivalencies only and does not reflect any differences in credit hours between institutions.

The TCEL is a living document to which changes are continuously being made. Evaluations for transfer credit by the Office of Admissions are based upon the best available information at the time. Revisions to a course evaluation may be made based on receipt of new information. clemson.edu/tcel

Curriculum Year
Students transferring may select the curriculum that was outlined in the Clemson Undergraduate Announcements at the time they entered the sending institution, provided they have been in continuous enrollment. Transfer students may also select any curriculum adopted subsequent to that initial curriculum. After enrolling at Clemson, if transfer students change from one major to another, they must complete all requirements included in the new curriculum that are in effect at the time of the change. If all coursework toward a degree is not completed within six years after the initial enrollment at the sending institution, the student may be required to take additional courses.

Credit by Examination
Learning experiences including, but not limited to, military service schools, noncollegiate sponsored instruction, work-related experiences, etc. will not be evaluated for transfer; however, enrolled students may request credit by examination from the appropriate department for any nontransferable learning experience.

Clemson University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the bachelor’s, master’s, education specialist and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Clemson University.
New Student Checklist

This checklist was created to identify tasks that should be completed prior to starting full time at Clemson. The following are 16 major steps to help you through the process.

☐ 1. Activate your Clemson Username.
   myusername.clemson.edu

☐ 2. Pay your deposit.
   iroar.clemson.edu

   clemson.edu/financial-aid

☐ 4. Apply for Housing & Dining.
   clemson.edu/housing-dining

☐ 5. Schedule your mandatory Orientation session.
   clemson.edu/orientation

☐ 6. Submit all required health forms by July 1.
   clemson.edu/campus-life/student-health/index.html

☐ 7. Take any necessary placement tests prior to attending Orientation.

☐ 8. View any applicable transfer credits.
   clemson.edu/accepted-students/next-steps.html

☐ 9. Confirm your current lawful presence (as required by S.C. law).
   www.registrar.clemson.edu/html/lawfulPresence.htm

☐ 10. Research laptop computers.
    clemson.edu/laptop

☐ 11. Pay your bill (your tuition bill is generated after the student attends orientation).
    clemson.edu/finance/student-financials/index.html

☐ 12. Kick-Off Clemson events, activities and online CU 1000 course.
    clemson.edu/accepted-students/kick-off-clemson
    clemson.edu/asc/CU1000.html

☐ 13. Learn more about our wide array of clubs and organizations.
    clemson.edu/campus-life/student-orgs

☐ 14. Learn how to get ahead with summer school classes.
    clemson.edu/summersession

☐ 15. Prepare to move to Clemson.
    clemson.edu/housing-dining

☐ 16. Get ready to have the experience of a lifetime.

Check out our Accepted Students web page for a step-by-step guide on starting at Clemson, including important links to placement tests, laptop purchasing and more!

clemson.edu/accepted-students/orientation/checklist.html