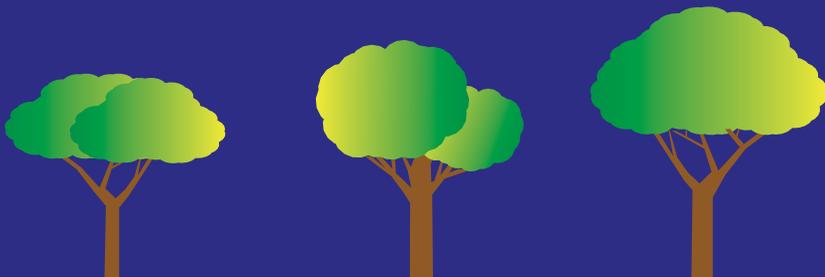


# ***PARENT GUIDE 2013***



FROM **ROOTS** TO **BRANCHES**





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## 2013–2014 Academic Calendar

### Fall Semester

Labor Day	Monday, September 2 (no classes)
First day of classes	Tuesday, September 3
Family & Friends Weekend and Homecoming	Friday, September 27–Sunday, September 29
Fall Break	Monday, October 14–Tuesday, October 15 (no classes)
Tanner Conference	Tuesday, October 29 (no classes)
Thanksgiving recess	Wednesday, November 27–Sunday, December 1
Classes resume	Monday, December 2
Last day of classes	Tuesday, December 10
Reading period	Wednesday, December 11–Sunday, December 15
Exam period*	Monday, December 16–Friday, December 20

### Wintersession

Monday, January 6–Friday, January 24

### Spring Semester

First day of classes	Monday, January 27
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 17 (no classes)
Spring vacation	Thursday, March 20–Sunday, March 30
Classes resume	Monday, March 31
Patriots' Day	Monday, April 21 (no classes)
Ruhlman Conference	Wednesday, April 30 (no classes)
Last day of classes	Friday, May 9
Reading period	Saturday, May 10–Tuesday, May 13
Exam period*	Wednesday, May 14–Tuesday, May 20

### Commencement

Friday, May 30

Although many final exams are self-scheduled, students should plan on being at Wellesley for the entire exam period and make travel arrangements accordingly.

\* Residence halls close for the fall semester 24 hours after the exam period ends and close for the spring semester 72 hours after the exam period ends. All students must vacate their residence halls by these times.

# welcome to WELLESLEY



**From Roots to Branches.** Our Orientation theme and design are a comment on both current and future states of being. We know that each student comes to Wellesley with a strong sense of her own roots, and also that it's time for her to branch out. Now that you're poised to send that child off to college, you'll be experiencing your own process of growth and change, as well. As you prepare for that new stage, you may be worried that when she faces new triumphs or challenges, you won't be there to help celebrate, or to smooth things out. It's a transition not just for her, but also for you.

Wellesley College provides a fertile environment for growth to occur. During college, each student develops along what might be thought of as a personal curve on a graph, the points of which can be plotted by the moments of discord – times at which some experience, small or large, challenges the individual to let something go and grab onto something new. It's in these moments that students are forced to reconsider their prior assumptions, and accept the possibility that other perspectives or choices may be valid or true. Each individual student's graph would show the peaks, valleys, and plateaus carved out by plotting these events along an axis of the college years.

I believe Wellesley is creating the best possible environment in which this growth can happen, where the student feels confident both in the letting go and the grabbing hold, and has a chance to recognize that these things are happening simultaneously. Making meaning out of one's life during college goes hand-in-hand with the encouragement students in the classroom receive to think critically about the world around them.

The values you've instilled in your daughter, and the confidence you have in her ability to thrive and succeed, are the roots she needs. We'll grow together: your new Wellesley student and the entire Wellesley community – which now also includes you, as part of our extended family. This environment will make it possible for maximum growth. The branches will reach and stretch and push beyond what is imaginable now. I look forward to sharing all of this with our new students, and also with you. Welcome.

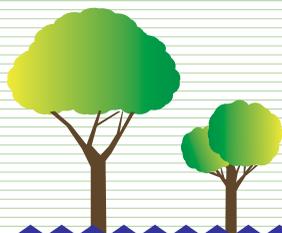
Warm regards,

**Lori I. Tenser**  
Dean of First-Year Students



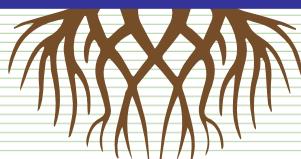


your  
**GUIDE**  
to new  
student  
orientation



## **FROM ROOTS TO BRANCHES**

*As new students begin their experience at Wellesley College, we offer them a wide range of opportunities to learn and grow. The Orientation program will introduce them to the foundational roots of a liberal arts education, provide them with a chance to establish relationships and habits of mind that will support their educational goals, and allow them to branch out as they explore the campus and community they have joined. They are coming to campus from their own roots, of course, and as they meet their new classmates and become part of the Wellesley community, we hope their background and interests will become part of our shared growth and learning. As they grow, so will Wellesley, and we hope to start each student on a fruitful journey as she arrives. We welcome our newest students warmly and with every hope that this will be a time for them to truly thrive.*





# ORIENTATION

New Student Orientation includes events, conversations, and activities that enrich the Wellesley experience and help students feel at home in our diverse community. During Orientation, new students find a sense of belonging at Wellesley College, and from this foundation each will create the balance that is right for her. Our programs will assist your daughter with her personal transition into college by:

- introducing her to the Wellesley College community, our history and shared values, and our rich tradition as a residential women’s college;
- providing opportunities to meet members of the College community, develop friendships, and establish personal connections with faculty and others in the extended Wellesley family;
- familiarizing her with the campus and its resources, including academic advising and support services;
- preparing her to become actively engaged in this community of lifelong learners, as she embarks on her liberal arts education.

When your daughter arrives at Wellesley on Monday, August 26, a team of student leaders will be ready to assist her—and you, if you join her on campus that day— as she begins to learn her way around. These students will be wearing blue T-shirts emblazoned with the From Roots to Branches logo, and they will be available all week to provide directions, facilitate discussions, help students make connections, and answer questions.

During the first day of Orientation, several programs and events are planned with family members in mind. In the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center, the Resource Fair will bring together folks from various departments, eager to meet you and answer your questions.



## ORIENTATION 2013 OPENING DAY TENTATIVE SCHEDULE MONDAY, AUGUST 26

8am	Campus opens promptly for student move-in
9am-5pm	Student ID processing in the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center  College Bookstore open
11am-1pm	Lunch available for new students and their families
12:30-2pm	Resource Fair in the Wang Campus Center  Meet representatives from many campus departments, who will share information and provide answers to your questions
1:45-2:45pm	President’s Welcome
3-4pm	Parent Workshops
4:15-5pm	Residence Hall meetings for parents  Student Leader receptions for New Students
5:30pm	New Students meet for dinner with Mentor Groups and continue onto evening activities

In the afternoon, President Kim Bottomly will welcome you to Wellesley, and then you may choose to attend some meetings and presentations designed to introduce parents to the campus and the College community. Toward the end of the day, we ask family members to depart, so that our new students may begin their Orientation experience with their classmates.

The schedule above gives a tentative outline of the Orientation events designed specifically for parents and other family members. Please use this to help make your travel plans to and from campus.



# staying **CONNECTED**

**As a Wellesley College student, your daughter will begin to establish her independence and become her own best advocate. The outstanding education she receives at Wellesley will be supported by our efforts to treat her as an adult, and hold her to high standards of behavior and personal accountability.**



## KEEP IN TOUCH

Some students maintain daily contact with their parents as they navigate this new terrain, while others prefer to pull farther away. Your family should develop a communication plan that is mutually satisfying, and is responsive to your daughter's need for independence.

As a Wellesley College parent, you will begin to allow your daughter to find her own balance and create meaningful connections here. This may include hearing about her missteps and frustrations. While the College welcomes parental feedback and contact, our obligation is to communicate directly with our students. Information regarding grades, personal conduct, and other student progress will not be shared with parents except in unusual circumstances, or with the consent of the student. We encourage you to be in touch with your daughter, and therefore the following information should be helpful.



### EMAIL

In May, all entering students were sent their Wellesley e-mail addresses, along with new login information to access *MyWellesley* (see below).

The e-mail address assigned to your daughter for *MyWellesley* will be her permanent Wellesley College e-mail address. Your daughter will receive ample information and assistance regarding her use of Google Apps for Education e-mail and other online services via *MyWellesley* during Orientation and throughout the first semester.

It is vital that students realize the importance of protecting personal information and passwords, so please remind your daughter to keep confidential information to herself and not share it with anyone, including family and friends, as this will help her develop good security habits. Students are encouraged to review the Responsible Use of Information Technology Resources Policy at [www.wellesley.edu/lts/policies](http://www.wellesley.edu/lts/policies)



### TELEPHONE SERVICE

Because individual phone service is not available in student rooms, most Wellesley students use cell phones as their primary phone service. The College does provide courtesy/emergency telephones on each floor of all residence halls, which allow students to place free calls to on-campus extensions, the local calling area, and toll-free numbers. However, these telephones do not accept incoming calls from off-campus locations.

Since cellular service plans vary, please consult your service provider regarding telephone reception on and near the Wellesley campus.

For more details regarding telephone service, including details about the MobilSphere discounted long-distance service, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/lts/techsupport/phones](http://www.wellesley.edu/lts/techsupport/phones)



### MAIL SERVICES AND PACKAGE DELIVERY

While your daughter is at Wellesley, her campus mailing address will remain the same, although her housing assignment will change from year to year. Each student is assigned a Unit # which corresponds to her assigned mailbox in the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center, where she will pick up her mail. The Department of Mail Services will e-mail the Unit # to all entering students in late summer. In addition, instructions about arranging package delivery, along with a set of shipping labels for packages to arrive during the week of August 26, have been included in this packet.

In this era of e-mail and cell phones, a letter from home can really brighten a student's day. To send mail or packages to your daughter, please use the following format:

**[Student's name]**  
**Unit XYY**  
**21 Wellesley College Road**  
**Wellesley, MA 02481-02XX**

*(XX refers to the first two digits of your unit number)*



### MyWellesley

Your daughter has been using the *MyWellesley* website throughout the application process.

In May, all new students received new login information for this site, which guides them through important information and critical tasks, including academic advising, placement tests, and Orientation information. While parents and other family members do not have direct access to this site, we encourage you to check in with your daughter and find out what she has seen there or learned about the College. Further information for parents is available online on the Entering Students website and at: [www.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/](http://www.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/)



# life on **CAMPUS**

**At Wellesley College, life on campus integrates students' college experiences, promotes a sense of well-being, and encourages personal integrity, individual responsibility, and accountability, with a genuine commitment to the growth and development of the whole student.**



## THE WELLESLEY HONOR CODE

*As a Wellesley College student, I will act with honesty, integrity, and respect. In making this commitment, I am accountable to the community and dedicate myself to a life of honor.*

**Honor is the foundation of teaching, learning, and community life at Wellesley. Each student is expected to subscribe to and actively support the Honor Code, which is based on the integrity and maturity of every member of the College and promotes academic honesty and community trust. For detailed information regarding the College's Honor Code and the Honor Code Council, the student-led committee that educates the community about the Honor Code and is also responsible for ruling on violations against the Code, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/aboutus/honor](http://www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/aboutus/honor).**

### RESIDENTIAL LIVING

All first-year students at Wellesley live in campus housing, and a team of residential life staff members works to build a strong community within each residence hall.

Wellesley's 21 residence halls vary in size, and most house students from all four class years in a combination of single, double, and triple rooms, as well as suites.

Residence halls include laundry facilities, and small kitchens for student use.

The College provides each student with an extra-long twin bed and mattress, bookcase, desk and chair, lamp, bureau, and mirror. Please be aware that the College does not provide bed railings for bunked beds. Custodial Services will provide assistance to students wishing to separate their beds. An electrical surge protector is required for appliances. Each residence hall room has a working high-speed Ethernet port for each occupant and all of the halls have wireless connections. Each student provides her own computer and Ethernet cord. For further information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/reslife/](http://www.wellesley.edu/reslife/)

Some Wellesley students choose to order residence hall room-ready sheets and towels at a discounted rate through Residence Hall Linens, a company that offers special rates for Wellesley families. To view their offers or to place an order for linens, please visit [www.rhl.org/wis](http://www.rhl.org/wis)

Some Wellesley students opt for a laundry and dry-cleaning contract during the school year. E & R Campus Laundry is a local company that provides on-campus services for Wellesley College Students. To learn more about their services, please visit [www.EandRCleaners.com](http://www.EandRCleaners.com).

The Housing Office manages the assignment of students to campus housing. First-year students are assigned one or more roommates. Your daughter will receive notification of her residence hall and roommate assignment through *MyWellesley* in July. For more information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/housingtransp/studenthousing](http://www.wellesley.edu/housingtransp/studenthousing).

### DINING SERVICES AND MEAL PLAN

At Wellesley, the dining halls embrace the diverse needs of students and are committed to offering variety, selection and style. This approach answers the need for convenience and comfort, and reflects the ever-changing college lifestyle. WellesleyFresh Culinary Services currently provides five campus dining locations, offering a wide variety of culinary options. Additional "grab-and-go" dining options—including coffee and tea—can be found throughout the day in the Collins Café, the Emporium in the Campus Center, and the Leaky Beaker in the Science Center. Elsewhere on campus, student groups run some popular, cash-only eateries, including El Table, Café Hoop, and the campus pub, known as Punch's Alley.

All resident students at Wellesley are required to be on the full meal plan, which is inclusive of continuous dining for breakfast, lunch and dinner meal periods. This includes meals served in our five main dining halls (Tower, Bates, Stone Davis, Pomeroy and Bae Pao Lu in the Campus Center). In addition, each student's OneCard (Wellesley ID) is credited with \$50.00 worth of flex dollars. Additional points may be purchased and added to the OneCard. For more information on dining facilities, menus, flex dollars, and how to add points, please visit [www.wellesleyfresh.com](http://www.wellesleyfresh.com).



## CAMPUS DIVERSITY

The student body at Wellesley College is among the most diverse on any campus in the nation. This diversity enriches the experience of all our students and provides us with incentives to respond to and support the varied backgrounds and experiences of community members. Wellesley's Office of Intercultural Education works in partnership to examine issues of campus climate, to encourage dialogue around issues of diversity with the goal of creating broader understanding, and to respond to issues and concerns that have an impact on the quality of student life. Each member of the team engages with colleagues and students to create a multiculturally-inclusive environment at Wellesley, and also works to develop a vibrant and inclusive sense of community on campus by affirming social identities through the support of cultural communities.

The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life offers a multi-faith approach to nurturing the spiritual, educational, and worship needs of our students. They are invited to take part in the life of one or more of a rainbow of faith communities, as well as engage in the multifaith dialogue that is so rich on the Wellesley campus. Slater International Center provides support to international students who come from more than 60 countries, and represent an incredible array of cultures and languages.

## STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

In conjunction with College Government, the Office of Student Involvement helps connect students with their interests through support of more than 132 student organizations. The focus of student organizations at Wellesley ranges broadly from the arts, culture, spirituality and literature to pre-professional, volunteer, and athletic endeavors. At the beginning of each academic year, College Government sponsors a Student Organization Fair where students can learn more about and join campus organizations. Committed to students and student

## Family & Friends Weekend and Homecoming Mark your Calendar! September 27–29

Family & Friends Weekend and Homecoming will be held on Friday, September 27, through Sunday, September 29, 2013. The weekend is a special occasion to reconnect with your daughter, explore Wellesley, and discover the beauty of the campus. You will have the opportunity to take campus tours, attend classes, meet faculty at departmental receptions, and experience some of Wellesley's treasured traditions such as the Sophomore Tree Planting. For more information, please contact Parent & Family Programs at 781.283.2808 or visit [www.wellesley.edu/esp/family/familyweekend](http://www.wellesley.edu/esp/family/familyweekend).

learning, the Student Involvement staff promotes a shared commitment to the community, creativity, and ethical leadership.

The Office of Student Involvement guides students through the process of exploring their interests and passions in clubs, organizations, activities and events which will compliment and enhance their educational, social, and relational experience at Wellesley College.

Students will benefit in the following ways:

- Participating in activities creates meaningful interpersonal connections through common experiences and provides a foundation for community development.
- Attending events maximizes the opportunity to explore meaning, purpose and fosters a sense of belonging in college.
- Collaborating with an advisor or mentor in your student organization assists in developing leadership potential.
- Being involved in co-curricular activities provides the balance needed to excel in the classroom.
- Collaborating with other students and organizations will enhance the relational aspects of involvement on campus while maximizing funding resources.

## WELLESLEY COLLEGE TRADITIONS

Campus traditions invite students to participate in the vibrant campus life at Wellesley, and reflect an emphasis on building community and promoting Wellesley College spirit. Some traditions date back to the earliest years of the College, while others have been developed more recently. Each class, for example, is identified by one of the four class colors (green, red, yellow or purple); the color for the incoming Class of 2017 is green.

The start of the academic year is marked by such traditions as Convocation, Stepsinging, and Flower Sunday, and each spring brings such events as our campus celebration of the Boston Marathon, and the annual hoop rolling contest, a senior class rite of passage.



Learn more about  
our Diverse Community

[www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/diverse](http://www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/diverse)



# ACADEMICS

## at Wellesley College

**At Wellesley, your daughter will be presented with many exciting educational opportunities. The Liberal Arts education that Wellesley provides offers each student a strong foundation, along with tremendous flexibility to design a program that allows her to discover and explore her unique interests and goals.**



## THE CURRICULUM

To read about the full range of courses and departments, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/academics](http://www.wellesley.edu/academics)

### FIRST-YEAR SEMINARS

First-year seminars are optional, small, participatory classes in which first-year students work closely with a faculty member and with each other. The topics of these courses are diverse, and each seminar is designed to foster the skills and habits of mind essential for intellectual inquiry at the college level. A respected member of the faculty teaches each seminar; enrollment is limited to 15 or fewer first-year students.

### FIRST-YEAR WRITING COURSES

During the first year, every Wellesley student is required to take a First-Year Writing course during either the fall or spring semester. This course introduces students to the rigors of college-level writing, and each section delves into a different topic conducive to intensive writing instruction. Students are able to hone their writing skills, explore new topics, develop critical thinking, and prepare for further college study.

### QUANTITATIVE REASONING

Each first-year student must satisfy the quantitative reasoning (QR) basic skills requirement in one of two ways: by passing the QR assessment given during Orientation, or by completing the Quantitative Reasoning 140 course. An additional QR overlay course, which applies quantitative reasoning skills to a specific discipline, must be completed prior to graduation.

### DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

During their time at Wellesley, all students are expected to complete a series of distribution requirements that exposes them to the liberal arts across the curriculum. Students have the opportunity to take courses in a variety of disciplines, in such areas as language and literature, social and behavioral analysis, mathematical modeling and problem solving, historical studies, and natural and physical sciences. With so many courses to choose from, this is an exciting educational objective!

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Each Wellesley student will demonstrate proficiency in a foreign language by completing two full years of college-level language study, or by achieving a score of 5 on the AP exam or 690 on the SAT-II. This is especially important for those students hoping to study abroad.

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Wellesley students must choose a major by the end of their sophomore year, at which time they begin to focus more on courses which satisfy the requirements outlined by the applicable department or program. All students must satisfy Wellesley's multicultural requirement by taking a course that focuses on the exploration of different cultures or societies. In addition, students must take courses in physical education, and we encourage each student to complete this requirement by the end of her sophomore year.

For further information about degree requirements, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/academics/theacademicprogram/requirements](http://www.wellesley.edu/academics/theacademicprogram/requirements).



Learn more about  
Academics at Wellesley

[www.wellesley.edu/academics/depts-majorprog](http://www.wellesley.edu/academics/depts-majorprog)



## ACADEMIC ADVISING AND SUPPORT

In addition to providing rich academic opportunities, Wellesley is committed to broadly supporting our students' intellectual growth. All students need guidance and advice as they begin to define their academic goals and start to make choices about how they want to spend their time in college and beyond. Learning how to make these decisions independently is often as important a part of one's education as the substance of what she learns in the classroom, laboratory, and library.

To ensure that our students have early opportunities for these kinds of conversations with our faculty, each incoming student is matched with a faculty advisor. The faculty advisor's role is to be a general guide through the first semesters at Wellesley, until the student has defined her interests specifically enough to choose a major (and a major advisor in her field). The faculty advisor is one person in an important network of advising resources, including first-year mentors, academic peer tutors, the class deans, and other members of the faculty and staff.

### OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Dean of First-Year Students  
Lori Tenser is responsible for coordinating all first-year students' general advising needs. Her office coordinates advising resources for first-year students, including the First-Year Mentor Program and New

Student Orientation. Dean Tenser meets daily with students regarding the academic, social, and personal issues arising from the transition from high school to college. In helping individual students, the dean collaborates regularly with members of student advising networks to put into place the most effective strategies for student success. After the first year at Wellesley, students are guided by one class dean, from the beginning of her sophomore year through graduation. For more information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/advising/fydean](http://www.wellesley.edu/advising/fydean).

### PFORZHEIMER LEARNING AND TEACHING CENTER (PLTC)

Located in the Clapp Library, the PLTC provides many resources to help students take full advantage of Wellesley's educational opportunities and realize their academic potential. At the PLTC students can develop strong study habits and learning strategies and improve their knowledge of specific course material. There are several types of tutors available to students through the PLTC. Among them are academic peer tutors based in residence halls, who are trained to work with peers on specific study skills, and offer group workshops; department tutors, trained to provide individual tutoring in specific subjects; and writing and public speaking tutors to support students as they meet the academic challenges at Wellesley. For more information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/pltc](http://www.wellesley.edu/pltc).

## SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabling conditions are encouraged to participate in the wide range of academics, programs, activities, and events offered at Wellesley College. Staff in the Office of Disability Services work collaboratively with the Health Service, the Counseling Service, and the PLTC to help students develop a plan for obtaining access to programs and services, or to request reasonable accommodations. Students with physical, medical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities should inform the College by completing the Disability Information Form, available through MyWellesley.

For more information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/disability](http://www.wellesley.edu/disability).



# getting a strong **START**

**Wellesley College offers a wide array of support services and campus resources, all working to help our students develop the life skills they will need to be successful in and out of the classroom. Whether it is learning good time management techniques, connecting to campus technology, or exploring potential career paths, our departments and services are available to assist students with their choices and opportunities.**

## STUDENT HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### HEALTH SERVICE

The College Health Service is a licensed outpatient clinic staffed by board-certified physicians, nurse practitioners, and nurses who provide primary medical, gynecological care, nutrition counseling, and physical therapy to all students. The staff is committed to educating students and promoting healthy choices and lifestyles. The Health Service also provides general medicine services, immunizations, medical clearances, confidential HIV testing, laboratory testing, traveler's health services, health and alcohol education, and services relating specifically to women's health. Consultation with specialists is available both locally and in Boston. For more information, including that specifically for incoming students, please visit: [www.wellesley.edu/healthservice](http://www.wellesley.edu/healthservice).

In addition, you may wish to review the Massachusetts immunization requirements at [www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/cdc/immunization/guidelines-ma-school-requirements.pdf](http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/docs/dph/cdc/immunization/guidelines-ma-school-requirements.pdf)

### STONE CENTER COUNSELING SERVICE

The Stone Center Counseling Service provides time-limited personal counseling and a variety of groups and outreach programs. The counseling staff consists of an experienced team of psychologists, social workers, a clinical nurse specialist, psychiatrists, and advanced trainees and interns. Counseling is confidential and there is no fee. The Counseling Service also provides referrals for long-term counseling. For further information about counseling, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/counseling](http://www.wellesley.edu/counseling).

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND ATHLETICS

A healthy lifestyle also includes staying physically fit. The Department of Physical Education, Recreation, and Athletics provides physical education classes and many opportunities for recreation. Students may enroll in physical education courses, and may also choose to participate in varsity athletics, club or intramural sports, and recreational programs, or to pursue their personal fitness goals by utilizing the athletic equipment, courts, field and facilities found in and around the Keohane Sports Center. For more information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/athletics](http://www.wellesley.edu/athletics).

### ALCOHOL AND DRUG EDUCATION

The College encourages students to engage in thoughtful decision-making and responsible behavior with respect to alcohol and drugs. A range of educational programs and services are available to help students negotiate choices around these issues, including eCHECKUP To Go, a personalized, evidence-based, online prevention intervention. The Wellesley College Alcohol and Drug Policies contain information about the College's community standards, and also describe access to on-and off-campus resources for alcohol or substance related concerns. Read the policies at: [www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/aboutus/handbook/campus](http://www.wellesley.edu/studentlife/aboutus/handbook/campus)

## OTHER RESOURCES AND SERVICES

### CENTER FOR WORK AND SERVICE

The Center for Work and Service (CWS) offers comprehensive career preparation and resources for students and alumnae. A staff of experienced professionals provides a wide range of information and services to help Wellesley students explore the world of work, participate in internships, fellowships and community service, or prepare for graduate school. The CWS sponsors career panels and networking opportunities throughout the year that connect alumnae with current students.

The CWS has collaborated with Wellesley's Parent & Family Programs Office to start a parents-only LinkedIn group, Wellesley College Parent Career Network. This is a space where parents of current or graduated students can inform Wellesley of job or internship opportunities, share professional resources and to establish a direct connection with the CWS. For further information, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/cws](http://www.wellesley.edu/cws).

### REGISTRAR

The purpose of the Registrar's Office is to support the academic program of the College and to protect the integrity of the Wellesley degree. The provision of accurate information is essential and the office makes extensive use of the registrar's website at [www.wellesley.edu/Registrar](http://www.wellesley.edu/Registrar) to distribute current information. Information contained in student records is available to students exclusively. Parents who wish to know about grades and other confidential information must speak directly with their student.

### STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

Approximately 52% of Wellesley College students receive some kind of financial assistance from the College through a combination of grants, loans, and non-aid financing programs. Student Financial Services consists of four areas: student accounts, educational financing, student employment, and financial aid. Federal, state, and other outside scholarship aid is processed through the financial aid office. A list of frequently-asked questions, along with additional information about tuition and fee rates, educational financing options, and college insurance is available from Student Financial Services, [www.wellesley.edu/sfs](http://www.wellesley.edu/sfs)

Wellesley uses an electronic billing system known as "e-bill." Fall semester bills are sent in early July; the due date for payment of Fall charges is July 26. Because e-bills are sent directly to our students, parents should work closely to ensure that deadlines are met.

## CAMPUS BOOKSTORE

The Wellesley College Bookstore is more than a bookstore -- it's a support system with everything a student needs to succeed at Wellesley. Conveniently located on the 4th floor of the Lulu Chow Wang Campus Center, students and families can stop in to pick up school supplies, Wellesley spirit gear and of course, textbooks! Students can save big on textbooks each term with the Bookstore's rental program, and also discover new, used and digital books. Guaranteed to have the right book in the correct edition, the staff will be happy to help students find exactly what they need for class, or students can shop online for your books and pick them up in store when they're on campus.

### Bookstore Hours

Monday–Friday, 9am–5pm

Saturday–Sunday, 12–4pm

Shop online: <http://wellesley.bncollege.com>

Contact Us: (781) 283-2136

The Bookstore's on facebook!

[facebook.com/wellesleybookstore](https://www.facebook.com/wellesleybookstore)

## WELLESLEY COLLEGE LIBRARY

The College's library, including the main collections in the Margaret Clapp Library, is an essential resource for academic success in all fields. Students are encouraged to learn how to access the Library's general and special collections, and to make use of the technological resources available in Clapp, the Knapp Media & Technology Center, and the branch libraries. Research librarians and instructional technologists are eager to help all our students learn techniques for successful academic work in their chosen field.

## COMPUTER SUPPORT

Student computers should meet the requirements detailed in the Student's Guide to Purchasing a Computer, which is available online at [web.wellesley.edu/Computing/purchaseguide.pdf](http://web.wellesley.edu/Computing/purchaseguide.pdf). Most students are able to connect their computers to the College's network easily, and additional help will be available during Orientation. There are also several computing labs around campus. Please see [www.wellesley.edu/lts/hours#labs](http://www.wellesley.edu/lts/hours#labs)

## TRANSPORTATION

The Department of Housing and Transportation at Wellesley College is responsible for supporting student transportation from Wellesley to other area locations. In addition to public transit, campus-based buses provide transportation to Boston and Cambridge. The Exchange Bus runs between Wellesley and MIT on weekdays; the Senate Bus runs from Friday evening through Sunday evening between Wellesley, Cambridge and Boston's Back Bay.

Students must purchase a ticket, token or punch pass in order to ride the Senate Bus. On Saturdays, the College also offers a bus to the nearby Natick Mall and Framingham movie theatre complex. Students pay for one

way on this bus. The Wellesley/Olin/Babson Shuttle runs between Wellesley College, Olin College of Engineering and Babson College. Students may ride free of charge with a college ID card.

On campus, the Wellesley College escort program provides all members of the College community and visitors a safe, reliable way to travel about the campus in a combination of walking escorts and shuttle vans. For schedules, rates, and fares, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/Housing/mainpage](http://www.wellesley.edu/Housing/mainpage)

## PARKING ON CAMPUS

First-year resident students are not authorized to bring cars to campus. All other students must register their vehicles with the campus police department and will receive parking permits for designated parking areas. Visitors to campus and guests of students must park in the Davis parking facility. Commuter students who reside off-campus must park their vehicles in the appropriate commuter student parking areas during normal business hours. Commuting students may park in the Founders lot and the library area spaces after business hours and on weekends provided they park within lined parking spaces and do not park in reserved spaces.

## ZIPCARS

For students who are 18 or older, Wellesley College maintains a relationship with Zipcar, which has automobiles available for short-term rental. There are six Zipcars parked on campus; two are located at campus police at the Davis Parking Facility, and four are parked in the Gray Lot. For further information, please visit [www.zipcar.com/wellesley](http://www.zipcar.com/wellesley).

## CAMPUS POLICE

The Wellesley College Police Department is a full-service public safety agency serving the Wellesley College community. The police department, located in the Davis Parking Facility, is open 24 hours per day, every day.

The department provides leadership in the Wellesley College community by serving as role models, educators, community partners, and problem solvers. All members of the department are highly trained, dedicated, and committed to creating a campus environment where community members can live, learn, and work relatively free from the fear of crime. The department is guided by the values of integrity, respect, and service.

All Wellesley College police officers have the same authority as other police officers in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, when they are operating on property owned or controlled by Wellesley College. Additionally, officers are also granted police authority from the Town of Wellesley.

The Wellesley College Police Department offers a full range of public safety services to the community. More information about these services can be found at [www.wellesley.edu/police/](http://www.wellesley.edu/police/).



# especially for **PARENTS**

**Parent & Family Programs Office** serves as your point of contact for questions about resources available to your student and offers ways for families to engage with Wellesley. We invite families to share in the vibrant life of the College through events and activities. To stay informed of campus events and news, families receive a monthly email, WellesleyNOW as well as the quarterly Wellesley Magazine. The Parents Office e-mails a monthly newsletter to all families. It highlights information about campus events and important deadlines and reminders from various departments across campus.

We encourage families to get involved in the Wellesley community in one or more of the following ways:

- Attend a Wellesley club event in your area. Many clubs reach out to invite families to attend faculty speaker lectures in their local clubs.
- Share your career connections and expertise with students by joining the Wellesley College Parent Career Network on LinkedIn. Help extend the Wellesley Network by serving as a career resource for students as they explore opportunities in your field.
- Serve as a parent representative on the Friends of Wellesley Athletics National Committee or show support by cheering on the Blue at local competitions.

- Fundraise for the College. Tuition revenue covers only 43% of a Wellesley education and parent fundraising volunteers are a critical resource to the College as we seek to provide an extraordinary educational experience to each student. Parent volunteers make select calls to parents in their student's class or home area. In preparation for this work, parent volunteers are invited to conference calls with College leaders.
- Families are invited to share in the intellectual life of the College. Starting this fall, Wellesley will offer four online courses through WellesleyX, part of the online learning collaborative with MIT and Harvard. Download free audio and video presentations of campus lectures through iTunes U.

In addition to concerts and lectures during the year, families are invited to campus for three main events: Family & Friends Weekend and Homecoming in late September, the Tanner Conference in October and Ruhlman Conference in April.



**Learn more about  
Parent & Family Programs**

[www.wellesley.edu/esp/family](http://www.wellesley.edu/esp/family)



## GETTING HERE

### ARRIVING BY CAR

Wellesley College is conveniently located close to the Massachusetts Turnpike and I-95/Route 128.

For driving directions to the College, please visit [www.wellesley.edu/Admin/travel](http://www.wellesley.edu/Admin/travel)

### ARRIVING BY BUS

Take the Greyhound or Peter Pan bus to the Riverside Terminal (one stop prior to Boston). From there take a taxi to Wellesley College.

### ARRIVING BY TRAIN

Take Amtrak to South Station. From there, take the Commuter Rail (Framingham line) to Wellesley Square. From there take a taxi to Wellesley College.

### ARRIVING BY PLANE

If you arrive at Logan Airport in Boston on Monday, August 26, there are several ways to get to campus:

- The Logan Express offers bus service between Logan Airport and Shoppers' World in Framingham. The fare is \$12 one-way and \$22 round trip. Information is available 24-hours a day. Call 800.23.logan (tty: 800.262.3335). Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Diners Club are accepted. If you will be using a wheelchair, please call Logan Express 24 hours in advance at: [Framingham LEX Service](#)  
Fox Bus Company  
508.865.6000
- On August 26, the College will run a shuttle from the Logan Express at Shoppers' World to your Daughter's residence hall at the College between the hours of 9am and 7pm. The charge will be \$10 per person. Prior reservations will be required. For more information please visit [new.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/orientation/shuttles](http://new.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/orientation/shuttles).
- The Airporter shuttle service will pick you up at Logan Airport and bring you directly to the College. The cost per person is \$41 each, plus gratuity. You can reach them at 877.899.6161 to schedule pick-up times.

Another option is to take the Silver Line to South Station and follow the directions for arriving by train.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

If you plan to stay overnight in the area, please contact the following local hotels and inquire if they offer a special college rate. Please note that family members may not stay overnight in the residence halls during Orientation.

### CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL

Five miles from campus, on Route 9  
1360 Worcester Street Natick, MA 01760  
508.653.8800 | 800.2crowne  
[www.crowneplaza.com](http://www.crowneplaza.com)  
[free shuttle from Logan Express in Framingham for guests of the Crowne Plaza Hotel.]

### BOSTON MARRIOTT NEWTON

Five miles from campus, off of I-95  
2345 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02466  
617.969.1000 | 800.228.9290  
[www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

### MARRIOTT COURTYARD

Five miles from campus  
342 Speen Street, Natick, MA 01760  
508.655.6100 | 800.235.6426  
[www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

### HAMPTON INN

Five miles from campus, off of Route 9  
319 Speen Street, Natick, MA 01760  
508.653.5000 | 800.hampton  
[www.hamptoninn.com](http://www.hamptoninn.com)

### RED ROOF INN

Five miles from campus  
650 Cochituate Road, Framingham, MA  
01701 | 508.872.4499 | 800.733.7663  
[www.redroof.com](http://www.redroof.com)

### Wellesley College Club at Wellesley College\*

On campus, on the corner of College Road and Route 16  
727 Washington Street Wellesley, MA  
02482 | 781.283.2700  
[www.wellesleycollegeclub.com](http://www.wellesleycollegeclub.com)  
\*Has only a few rooms, most with two twin beds.

### TAXI SERVICE

You may choose to take a taxi to Wellesley from the airport, bus terminal or train station. To facilitate travel, you may contact a taxi service in advance to arrange for pick-up. Prices may vary.

#### Bay State Taxi Service

617.566.5000  
[www.baystatetaxi.com](http://www.baystatetaxi.com)

#### Newton Yellow Cab

617.332.7700  
[www.newtonyellowcab.com](http://www.newtonyellowcab.com)

#### Veteran's Taxi

617.527.0300  
[www.veteranstaxi.com](http://www.veteranstaxi.com)

#### Wellesley Town Taxi

781.237.2201  
[www.wellesleytowntaxi.com](http://www.wellesleytowntaxi.com)



## SHOPPING IN THE AREA

You may want to help your daughter shop for some items she needs for her residence hall once you arrive in the Wellesley area. Here is some information about what's nearby:

### WELLESLEY CENTER

Within a short walking distance from campus along Route 135, you will find small specialty shops, banks, and eateries. Wellesley students frequent CVS, the Gap, Starbucks, and some of the boutique clothing stores. Wellesley Center is a place where our students mingle with town residents and other locals who come to Wellesley to shop and eat. When parents are in town for a visit, some students and their families head for a nicer dinner at Alta Strata, Blue Ginger, or Café Mangal.

### LINDEN STREET SHOPPING AREA

Also within walking distance of the campus is the Linden Street shopping area. There you will find a supermarket, several banks, and a few retail clothing shops. Students often take time to enjoy the food at Qdoba, California Pizza Kitchen, Dunkin Donuts, Five Bites Cupcakes, Pinkberry, and Starbucks.

### THE NATICK COLLECTION

Located in nearby Natick, this shopping mall has 270 retail stores, featuring Nordstrom, Neiman-Marcus, Macy's, Sears, J.C. Penney, and Lord & Taylor and many smaller retail shops.

The Cheesecake Factory, P.F. Chang's, Sel de la Terre, and Metropolitan Bar & Grill are just a few of the new restaurants located in the Natick Collection.

Adjacent to the Natick Collection is the Container Store, which sells many storage and organizational accessories that work well in college residence hall rooms.

#### Mall Hours:

Monday–Saturday, 10am–9pm  
 Sunday, 11am–6pm

### SHOPPERS' WORLD

Located in Framingham, this outdoor shopping plaza includes a number of retail stores, including Old Navy, TJ Maxx, Marshall's, Best Buy, Barnes and Noble, and an A. C. Moore Craft Store.

#### Store Hours:

Monday–Saturday, 9:30am–9:30pm  
 Sunday, 11am–6pm

### TARGET/HOME GOODS

Target, located in Framingham on Route 30 near Shoppers' World, is a well-known discount retailer, offering a wide array of linens, clothing, and electronics. Home Goods, found in the same plaza, offers linens, towels, and a variety of home decorating options.

#### Store Hours:

Monday–Saturday, 8am–10pm  
 Sunday, 8am–9pm

### LOCAL BANKING

Many national and regional banks have branches in the town of Wellesley, including Bank of America, Sovereign Bank, Citizens' Bank, Rockland Trust and Citibank. In the Wang Campus Center, there is a full-service Bank of America ATM. During Orientation, representatives from some of the banks in the area will be on campus to provide information regarding their services. Please note that opening a local personal checking account may take a week or more and local businesses may prefer in-state checks.



## SUGGESTED READING FOR PARENTS

You may find some of the following books and websites useful as you think about your own transition as a parent of a Wellesley College student.

*Letting Go: A Parents' Guide to Understanding the College Years* by Karen Levin Coburn and Madge Lawrence Treeger (Harper, 2009)

*Don't Tell Me What to Do, Just Send Money: The Essential Parenting Guide to the College Years* by Helen E. Johnson & Christine Schelhas-Miller (St. Martin's Press, 2000)

*The Launching Years: Strategies for Parenting from Senior Year to College Life* by Laura Kastner and Jennifer Wyatt (Three Rivers Press, 2002)

*She's Leaving Home: Letting Go as Daughter Goes to College* by Connie Jones (Andrews McMeel Publishing, 2002)

*You're On Your Own (But I'm Here if You Need Me): Mentoring Your Child During the College Years* by Marjorie Savage (Fireside, 2003)

*Happiest Kid on Campus: A Parent's Guide to the Very Best College Experience (for You and Your Child)* by Harlan Cohen (Sourcebooks, 2010)

## ONLINE RESOURCES

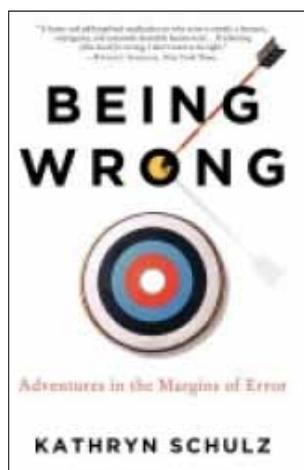
College Parents of America  
[www.collegeparents.org](http://www.collegeparents.org)

The Healthy Student: Preparing for the College Years  
[www.adolescenthealth.org/Health\\_Info\\_for\\_Teens/4707.htm](http://www.adolescenthealth.org/Health_Info_for_Teens/4707.htm)

## WHAT WILL STUDENTS BE READING THIS SUMMER?

In early July, each incoming Wellesley student will receive a copy of the book

*Being Wrong*



by Kathryn Schulz

The Offices of the Provost and the Dean of Students are providing this book as a common reading experience for all new Wellesley students. Kathryn Schulz will be on campus to discuss the book with students and the Wellesley community on Wednesday, October 2, 2013.

You are welcome to read the book, as well, and to view Ms. Schulz's TED Talk at [www.ted.com/talks/kathryn\\_schulz\\_on\\_being\\_wrong.html](http://www.ted.com/talks/kathryn_schulz_on_being_wrong.html).



## CONTACT INFORMATION

Please visit [www.wellesley.edu](http://www.wellesley.edu) for additional information.

### ADVISING AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES

John O'Keefe, Director and Dean  
340B Green Hall  
781.283.2326

### CAMPUS POLICE

Lisa Barbin, Chief of Police  
EMERGENCY: 781.283.5555  
Nonhearing: 781.283.2303  
Non-emergency: 781.283.2121

### COUNSELING SERVICE

Robin Cook-Nobles, Director  
216 Stone Center  
781.283.2839

### DEAN OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

Lori Tenser, Dean  
342A Green Hall  
781.283.2327

### DEAN OF STUDENTS' OFFICE

Debra K. DeMeis, Dean of Students  
Michelle Lepore, Associate Dean of Students  
344 Green Hall  
781.283.2322

### DINING SERVICES

Julie Jordan, Resident Director  
781.283.2113

### DISABILITY SERVICES

James J. Wice, Director  
316 Clapp Library  
781.283.2434

### HEALTH SERVICE

Vanessa M. Britto, M.D., MSC, Director  
Simpson Infirmary  
781.283.2810

### HOUSING OFFICE

Diane O'Leary, Assistant Director  
Physical Plant  
781.283.2681  
StudentHousing@wellesley.edu  
[www.wellesley.edu/housingtransp/studenthousing](http://www.wellesley.edu/housingtransp/studenthousing)

### OFFICE OF INTERCULTURAL EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

Victor Kazanjian, Dean  
210 Billings Hall  
781.283.2685

### PARENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

Laura Adamczyk '87, Manager  
252 Green Hall  
781-283-2808

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND ATHLETICS

Bridget Belgiovine, Chair  
Keohane Sports Center  
781.283.2001  
Athletics hotline: 781.283.2900

### RESIDENTIAL AND CAMPUS LIFE

Kristine Niendorf, Assistant Dean and Director  
108 Billings Hall  
781.283.2679

### SLATER INTERNATIONAL CENTER

Karen Zuffante Pabon, Director  
Slater Center  
781.283.2082

### STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

Scott Juedes, Director  
781.283.2360



Find helpful  
Contact Information

[www.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/contacts](http://www.wellesley.edu/esp/entering/contacts)



## EMERGENCY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Wellesley College's emergency management group, led by the Chief of Campus Police, meets regularly to plan responses to possible emergency situations. Communication with the on-campus community and with parents is an important part of the College's emergency planning.

An automated notification system enables campus police or other college administrators to contact students, faculty, and staff in case of an urgent and serious emergency. Members of the campus community can be contacted by text message, voicemail, and e-mail with public safety information.

It is important to note that the College would use the system only in cases of extreme emergency, not for routine announcements.

For emergency situations that do not present a threat to public safety, information will be communicated via the e-mail system and Wellesley's website, [www.wellesley.edu](http://www.wellesley.edu).

Wellesley's emergency information line is a listen-only mailbox that provides parents with updated information via phone in the case of campus emergency. This dedicated mailbox can be accessed by calling 781.283.2450 and listening to the automated message.

## A NOTE ABOUT CONFIDENTIALITY

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) governs how all colleges protect and release information about students. The principle behind FERPA is that college students have access to the educational records schools maintain about them. According to these guidelines, certain directory information may be released to the public by the College without the student's explicit consent.

At Wellesley, directory information includes identifiers such as name, class year, and College e-mail address. Participation in officially recognized sports and activities, as well as height and weight of student athletes may also be made public in certain circumstances. In addition, Wellesley College maintains a photo directory of students, staff, and faculty available only within the College community. Other information is released to parents or others only at a student's request or with prior notice to the student.

College policies discourage the indiscriminate release of any information about individual students. FERPA allows individual students to place limitations on the release of specific information. A student who wishes to do so must inform the Registrar in writing each year by July 1, for the following academic year. For details about how Wellesley maintains educational records and complies with FERPA, please consult a class dean or the Registrar's office.



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