

Preparing for CMU

With move-in weekend less than two months away, you will soon be joining us in Pittsburgh to begin your college experience! By now, you've likely completed some tasks on your onboarding checklist. A few more upcoming tasks are listed below, as well as information about submitting a photo for your student ID Card and managing your student identity.

Please note: Moving forward, these onboarding messages will only be sent to your CMU email address, so be sure to check your inbox regularly!

Onboarding Checklist

Don't forget that you'll need to complete a number of tasks before you start your first semester. Review the onboarding checklist for upcoming deadlines. Be sure to complete all required tasks by their due date, and also consider if the recommended tasks would benefit you. Upcoming deadlines include:

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- **June 29** - Complete the Writing Course Placement (non-native English speakers only)
- **July 1** - Submit your ID card photo
- **July 1** - Arrange to Send Pre-College Credit and Exam Scores (AP/IB/Cambridge Scores or Transfer Credit)
- **July 1** - Manage Student Identity

[Onboarding Checklist](#)

Official CMU ID Card & Photo

Please submit a photograph for your official CMU ID Card and Student Information Online (SIO) account by July 1 to ensure that your card is ready prior to the beginning of the fall semester. In addition to being visible on your ID Card, your photo is loaded into your personal SIO portal, which is viewable by your advisors and professors so they can recognize you once your coursework begins. Your ID Card may be used for building access, checking out books from the library, using your dining plan, riding the Pittsburgh Regional Transit system and more. You or a family member can also add Plaid Cash to your ID Card, so you can use it like a debit card for on-campus services and purchases.

[Submit Your Photo](#)

Managing Your Student Identity

Carnegie Mellon values an inclusive university experience for all students. As such, you have the ability to manage your identity in a number of ways, including updating your preferred first name, storing your pronouns, and choosing an @cmu.edu alias.

[Manage Your Identity](#)

AP, IB and Transfer Credits

You should contact the College Board by July 1 to request that your AP scores be sent to Carnegie Mellon. Scores should be submitted to CMU from the College Board by July 31; however, we will continue to receive and process scores throughout the summer. You should also submit any applicable pre-college transfer credits according to the guidelines on The HUB website. International students may submit IB Higher Level exam scores but may only receive credit for scores of six or seven.

[Learn More](#)

We can't wait to welcome you to campus in just a couple months! As always, be sure to check your Andrew email account often and read your emails thoroughly to ensure that you don't miss out on important information and reminders.

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