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Welcome to NSU

University Housing would like to congratulate you on your recent acceptance and enrollment with Northeastern State University, Tahlequah. Beginning your academic endeavors by living on campus enhances your chances of both academic and social success according to national statistics. Being involved with campus life and participating in social and recreational activities (as either a player or a spectator) means you are more likely to have a better GPA and also are more likely to graduate in 4-5 years. We are so happy to have you here and look forward to getting to know you. Again, welcome to the Residence Life Community at NSU!

FRESHMAN MOVE-IN DAY **“It’s that easy!”** Wednesday, August 16 9:00 AM—6:00 PM First Year Experience Buildings (Leoser Complex , Wyly Hall)

Let us help take the load off! We know that move-in day can be a bit nerve-racking and definitely exhausting for both freshmen and their families. To serve you better and make your move-in process much more pleasant, Residence Halls Association

has gathered a group of volunteers to help move in! That’s right— we’re going to move boxes, TV’s, lamps, computers, and even fish. Check out the simple process, and you’ll be totally prepared when the big day comes!

- 1) Follow the map to your assigned residence hall.
- 2) Pull up to the front of the building while we help you unload.
- 3) While your family parks the vehicle, you go inside to check-in and get your key.
- 4) Our volunteers will then assist you and your family in taking your belongings to your new room.



Don’t forget to check the back page for Opening Week Activities. You don’t want to miss out on the fun and fellowship!

All Resident

Move-In Days:

*Thursday—Sunday,
August 17-20*

9:00 AM—6:00 PM

Please report to the hall you have been assigned. Resident Assistants will be on hand to check-out keys and help you get settled in your new room.

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From the Desk of the Director...

Let me be one of the first to welcome you to Northeastern State University! More specifically, welcome to the family of University Housing. You will find that the environment in the traditional residence halls and campus apartments is welcoming, supportive, and fun. I encourage you to take advantage of all the opportunities we'll be providing to meet new friends, get involved on campus, and maybe learn a little something about yourself along the way.

Living on campus will be one of the most influential experiences of your college career – statistics demonstrate that students who live on campus are more likely to have higher GPA's, to be more socially involved on campus, and more likely to stay in school longer. The staff in the Housing Department will do whatever we can to make your college experience not only successful but memorable, as well.

Again, welcome to NSU and Housing! We look forward to serving you.

Best regards,

Todd Hefner

Community Living Creed



Northeastern State University residential communities incorporate the following

Education: to ensure that teaching and learning take place beyond the classroom.

Cooperation: to work collaboratively with others who can help us achieve the goals for ourselves and the students we serve.

Openness: so that ideas and thoughts can be discussed freely.

Respect: to ensure that individuality is honored so diversity can be pursued.

Responsibility: so that the individual accepts obligations to the community and held accountable for individual actions.

Caring: to ensure that the individual's well-being is supported, and that the community service is encouraged.

Involvement: so that the individuals have a voice in decisions concerning their community.

Ownership: to ensure that all individuals care for their building facilities and adjacent property.

Celebration: so that NSU history and culture is promoted and residence hall and University traditions are shared.

Vision: to ensure that individuals think ahead and make decisions that will positively impact their future.

Your rights in our community include: to socialize in your room; to sleep and study without disturbance; to live in a supportive and stimulating community; to live in a safe, secure, healthy, and clean environment; to enjoy access to a variety of programs, services and facilities; and to involve yourself and others in promoting an educational, open, respectful, responsible, caring involving and celebrative community.

Your responsibility in your community includes: to consider the needs of other residents and balance them with your own needs; to promote care of the physical facilities, equipment, and services; to communicate with other residents and staff members; to let other residents know when they are disturbing you; to demonstrate a commitment to the community by getting involved; to promote campus and individual safety, and to demonstrate dignity and respect for all individuals.

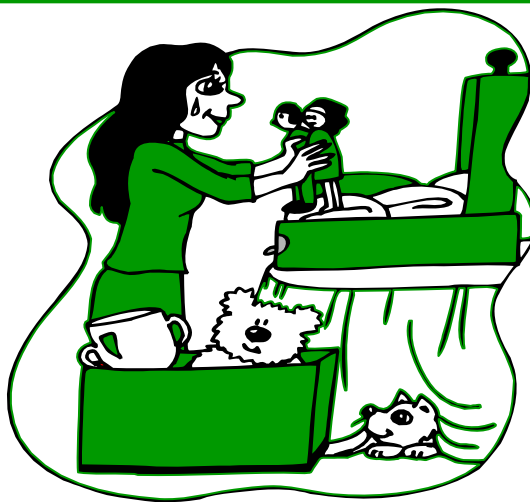
Living on campus at NSU affords you many opportunities to face challenges head on, achieve in a variety of areas and grow as an individual. However, these things only happen when you actively participate and support the community ideals stated here.

Adopted from: "In Search of Community", Ernest Boyer and from the "Housing and Dining Services Contract", Northeastern State University

What to bring and what to leave at home.....

What to bring:

- Telephone
- Microwave (max 600 watts)
- Bedding
- Towels/Linens
- Hangers
- Stereo and TV
- Small Refrigerators
- Computer
- Posters/Pictures/Decorations
- VCR/DVD
- Alarm Clock
- Fan
- Good Attitude
- Enthusiasm
- Bathroom Caddy / flip flops



You can borrow from University Housing:

- Cleaning Supplies
- Vacuum

What to leave at home:

- Hot plates
- Cinder Blocks
- Grills
- Pets
- Halogen Lamps
- Incense
- Candles
- Dart Board
- Open Coiled Appliances (toasters)
- If it GLOWS, it GOES
- Bad Habits
- Holiday Lights

Roommate Connections

Connections. We're all looking for them: a place to belong, people to hang out with, a purpose to serve. So, when you move on to college and move in with a roommate, connecting is probably one of the first things on your mind. A simple often over-looked fact about living with another person is that it's easier to do so if you discover who they are and what they stand for. During one of your first

roommate interactions, whether it's over dinner or just hanging out in the room, get a good conversation going. Don't get too personal right off the bat, though. Just use the following ideas in your questions and get better connected.

"Get a good conversation going"

Roommate Safety Concerns

Sharing a room means sharing the responsibility of making it a safe place. You need to discuss what safety means to you and come to an agreement on how you will keep your room, your stuff and yourselves safe.

Locking the room: When will it be locked? When you are out of the building, down in the restroom, or even in a friends room.

Sharing passwords and phone codes: How does this impact each other's safety?

Carrying keys and ID cards: What happens if one of you loses a key? Losing your ID card can create quite a problem since your meal points are on it. Never loan it out.

Following policies: If one roommate is doing something illegal in the room, how will it affect the other?

Hosting guests overnight: What parameters will you establish? Check the handbook for more policies on the rules governing guests.

Allowing people to enter your room when no one is there: How does this decision by one roommate impact the other?

Note: Safety experts highly recommend that doors remain locked, passwords/phone codes not be shared, policies are followed, and keys –ID's are always with their owners in order to maintain optimum safety.

Tips for Connecting with Your Roommate:

Interests: hobbies, things you're good at, things you feel passionately about, movies you like, music preferences, sports teams or TV shows.

Background: where you're from, sharing a room, the friends and family at home.

College Perspective: career hopes, major, involvement in Clubs/Greek Life, anything you are excited or nervous about.

Personal Characteristics: what annoys you, how can people tell when you are angry or stressed, any touchy subjects, how do jokes about other people make you feel.

Roommate Issues: most important things to work on as roommates, study environment needed, morning or night person, overnight guests, alcohol, other drugs, smoking.

Community Safety

In a true community, people look out for each other. They are concerned with one another's well-being and safety. It's the neighborhood watch approach to living: keeping an eye out for trouble and proactively trying to keep fellow community members safe.



Don't prop outside doors: This most definitely poses risk to the building's security. It can let people in who have the intent to harm.

Error on the side of caution: If someone looks suspicious, let hall staff or campus police know. There is something to be said for trusting your instincts.

Keep your room and/or suite locked: Even if you are going down the hall or just next door lock your room. Thieves can slip in easily if the door is unlocked. Lock your door while you are sleeping, don't give a person intending to do you harm free access.

Offer to walk with people, especially late at night: Work together to make sure that fellow community members aren't walking alone at night or in isolated areas.

Room and Board Payment Schedule

The entire semester's housing is charged to your student account. This charge includes room, meals, utilities, telephone service, cable television and computer access to the Internet. You have to provide your own computer and other appliances.

Your room and board is due by the first day of classes, August 21, 2006. If you receive financial aid, it will be applied to your housing after tuition and books are paid. You will be responsible for any remaining balance.

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If you need to make payments, please follow the payment schedule listed below:

August 21, 2006	25% of your total room and board is due before the first day classes
September 15, 2006	at least 50% of the total housing charge should be paid by this date
October 15, 2006	at least 75% of the total should be paid
November 15, 2006	Room and Board should be completely paid by this date

Late fees will be assessed at each payment due date for accounts that have a balance over the listed percentages. Make your payments to the Office of Business Affairs and please list your social security number and name on your check to insure that it is that it is properly applied.

Any further questions regarding payment plans and options please refer to the office of Business Affairs. Their website is: <http://www.nsuok.edu/businessaffairs/>

Food Service

NSU offers a variety of meal choices and plans to the on-campus student. NSU's meal plan is based on a point system. We place the entire semester's balance of meal points on your card to be used in food service areas beginning Wednesday, August 16, 2006. Each time you make a purchase the amount of that purchase is deducted from your semester's balance. Your balance is displayed on the cash register. Food service is available seven days a week, no matter what meal plan you're on. It is not limited to the number of meals you purchase per week.

Making changes to your meal plan are easy. Stop by University Housing in Leo-ser Center and we will be happy to help you find the right plan. You may reduce

your meal plan by two levels within the first two weeks of the semester or increase your meal plan at any time. If you do not need to increase by a total level you may add a block of 50 points for a premium charge of \$70.00. **If your University Housing account is current (no late fees) you may charge your meal plan change; otherwise the points must be paid for at the time of purchase.**

At the end of the fall semester, any meal points left will be transferred to the spring semester and a new spring allotment will be placed on your card. If you are not returning to the residence halls for the spring, you will not be able to use left over fall meal points. Use them by Christmas Break or lose them.

Meal points must be used by the last day of the spring semester. There is no refund for unused meal points, nor are they transferable to the next year.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW PLANS:

Upperclass Minimum	500.00
Upperclass Ultra	600.00
Traditional Light	700.00
Traditional	900.00
Traditional Plus	1,000.00
Redman VP	1,100.00
Redman BP	1,250.00
Mega	1,500.00



So you didn't get the hall or room you wanted?

Room changes can be made once a year with no additional cost. Your second move will cost \$25.00 for processing. You can request a room change on our website, just fill out the appropriate form online. If you do not have internet service, please visit our office. A request places you on a waiting list. We will contact you as soon as your request is available. Changes are honored on a first come, first served basis. Just remember that it may take some time before your request is available. Please check into your assigned hall and wait for us to contact you.

Telephones and Computers

Your room is equipped with one live phone jack and one internet connection. In the traditional residence halls you will need to bring your own touch tone telephone and be sure that your computer is equipped with an Ethernet card. There is not a monthly service fee for either service, but any long distance calls will carry a charge. NSU offers students discounted rates for long distance service or you may use your

own calling card. In order to place long distance calls, each student will have to receive an authorization code from the Telecommunications office. You may sign up for a code at the NET building, room 104. The code is issued

free of charge

"You must provide your own touch-tone telephone and be sure your computer is equipped with an Ethernet card"



but each student is given a \$100.00 limit for calls. Voice mail is also provided free of charge, and is already set up in each room at the beginning of the semester. While everyone wants to make their

message creative, please use good taste. Do not use curse words, offensive language or anything of a sexual nature. Remember fellow students, staff, faculty, and your parents will be listening!

NOTE: Seminary Suite Residents are provided with a telephone.

Parking Permits

If you are going to have a car on campus, you must have a parking permit. To avoid costly tickets be sure to purchase your parking tag before the first day of classes. On campus students are required to park in Residence Hall parking lots. These lots are designated with brown signs. If you park in an area marked with a blue sign (faculty/staff) or a green sign (commuter) you will surely receive a ticket. Parking and Traffic attendants make their rounds

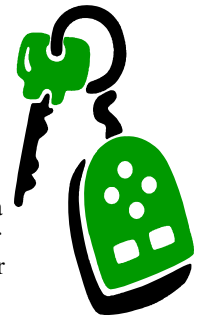
several times a day so don't take any chances. Unpaid parking tickets can result in late fees and their outstanding balances can even interfere with your enrollment for future semesters.

A Resident parking permit will only cost \$14.00 for the entire year, don't forget to pick yours up at the Cashier's window in the Administration Building.

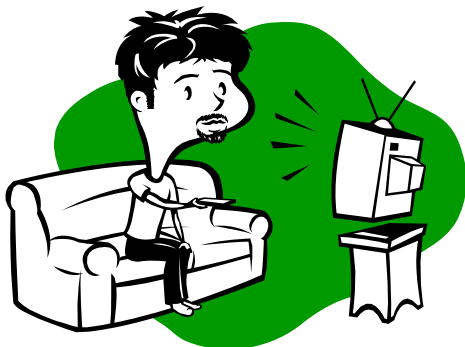
Many of your parking and traffic questions or issues are addressed on their web

site. Simply paste this link into your browser: <http://arapaho.nsuok.edu/%7Eparkingservices/>.

From that site you can find links to apply for a permit, review fines, or communicate with their office to appeal tickets.



Just because you're not at home doesn't mean you have to miss your favorite shows!

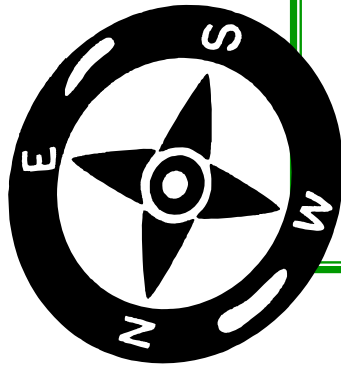


Don't forget to bring your television and the cable connection cord because our residence halls provide free basic cable. Our complimentary service features your favorite entertainment channels; MTV, BET, and even Cartoon Network.




The more serious student shouldn't worry, because more educational programming can be found on the History Channel, Discovery Channel, C-Span 1 &

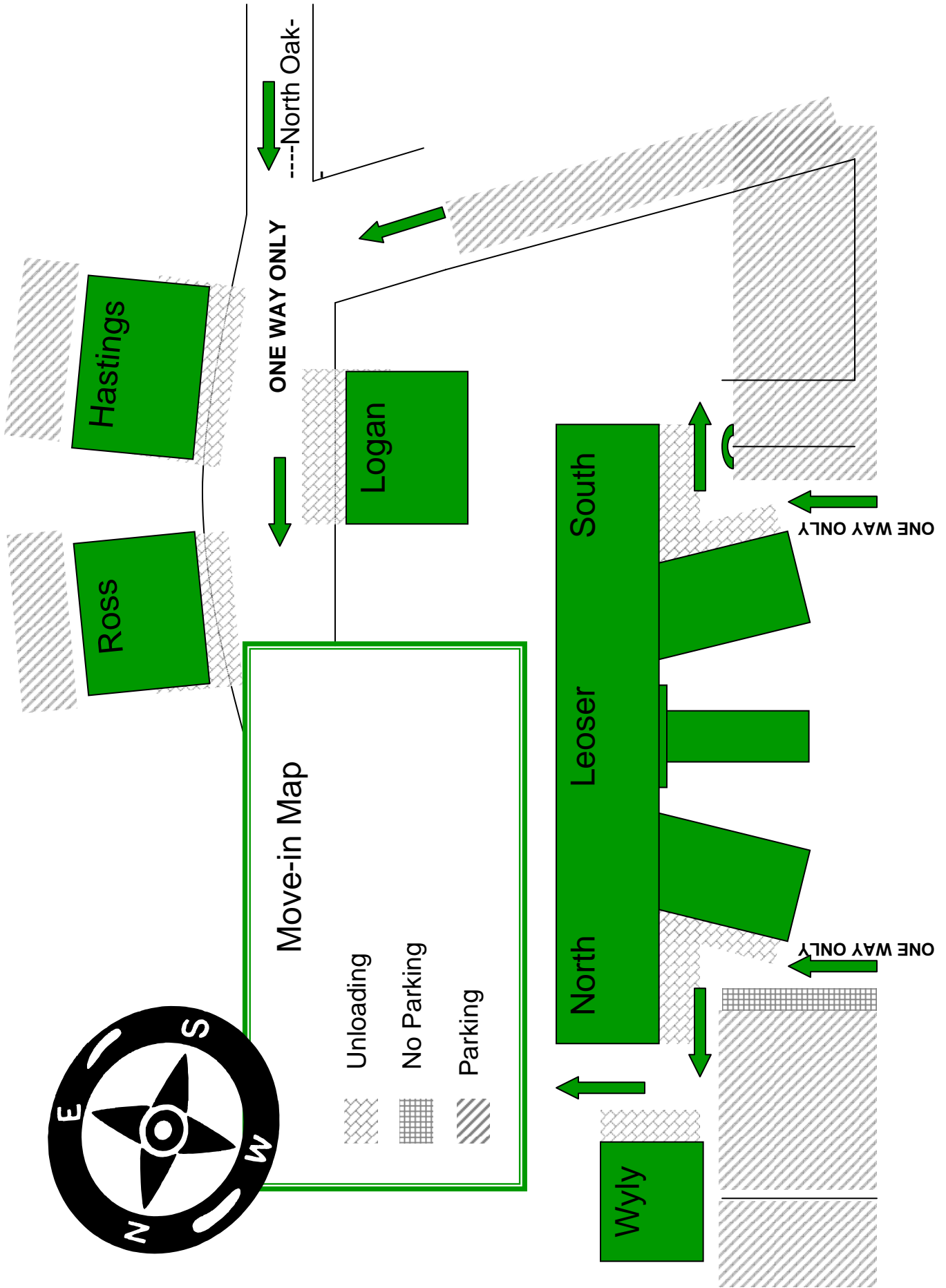
2, and you even keep up with the weather with major local stations. You can also keep track of current events by watching the Campus Community Billboard on cable channel 99, it features public service announcements and occasional programming for the University and Community.

So bring your books and pencils but don't forget the essentials for entertainment!



Move-in Map

- Unloading 
- No Parking 
- Parking 



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Friday, December 8, 2006

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Residence Hall Association (RHA), "Your Voice on Campus"

Welcome to NSU for the Fall 2006 semester!!

The Residence Hall Association is a student based program that sponsors a wealth of activities for the student population.

First, we want to make our incoming freshman feel at home! We are hosting three move in days this year. Two days are for the Rookie Bridge Camp attendees:

"We can be found on Facebook or emailed at RHA@nsuok.edu.

Our web site is coming soon, check Housing page for details."

August 9 and 13th from 4-6 PM.

And then we have our traditional move in day for freshman on August 16th, 9am-6pm.

Think you might be interested in helping with these move in functions? Call the Housing Office with your name and date that you will assist. Returning resident volunteers will be able to move in on

August 15th at no extra charge!!

RHA Hall Government Elections will take place at the onset of the semester. All students interested should consider running. Our Freshman Halls will need representatives for the 2006-2007 year.

Any Questions? Want to get involved in the planning of these activities? Call the RHA office at 918-456-5511 ext. 4707.

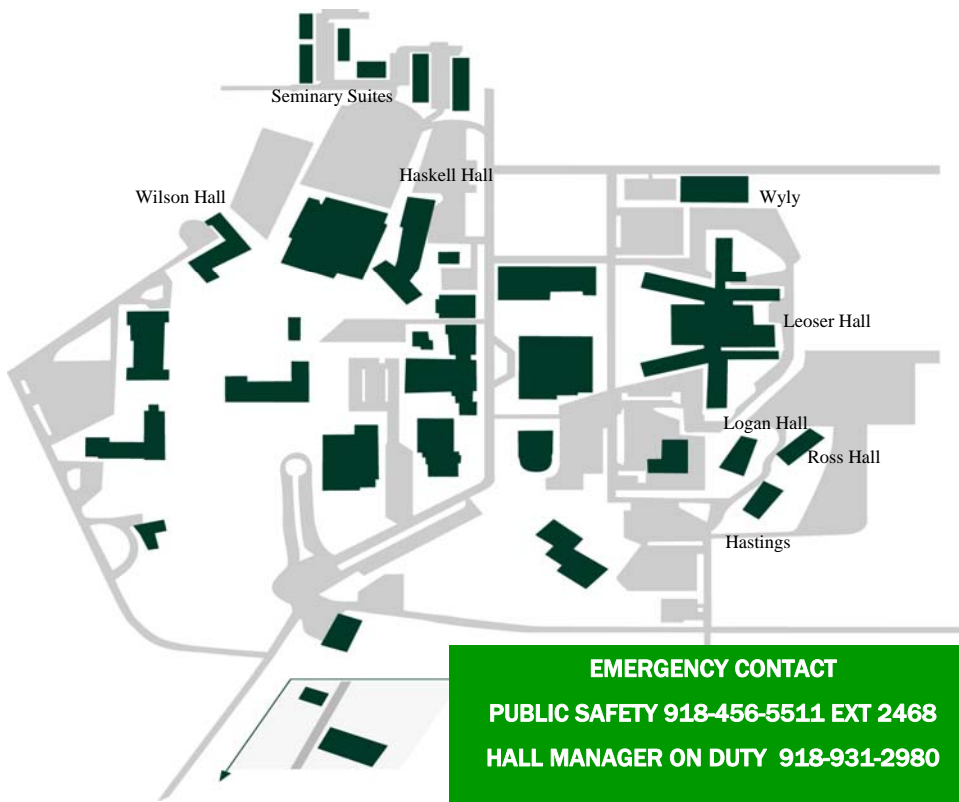
See you on campus!!!

Welcome Week 2006

Schedule of Events *(all events are free)*

We're on the Web!
www.housing.nsuok.edu

Wednesday August 16	9am-6pm	Freshman Move-in Day, North/South Leoser & Wyly Hall “We’ll be there to help you move in!”
Sunday August 20	10pm	Mandatory All Hall Meeting (refer to your hall staff @ move-in)
Monday August 21	11am-1pm	Karaoke in the Cafe
	6pm	Local Merchant Mall @ Beta Field
Tuesday August 22	6pm	Fitness Fun in the Fitness Center
	6pm	RHA Luau
Wednesday August 23-25		Poster Sale, lower level of University Center
Thursday August 24	7pm	Comedian Kyle Dunnigan from Reno 911 NET Auditorium
Friday August 25	12pm-1pm	Rookie Bridge Camp Reunion (free refreshments) Café Patio
Tuesday August 28	7pm	Café Divan @ Jazz Lab singer Kyle England (free refreshments)



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