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Southern Methodist University

Division of Enrollment Services

Congratulations!

The Division of Enrollment Services at SMU is excited to unlock additional resources for you as you make your final decision to join our community.

With your SMU ID number and the password you set when you received this information in the mail, we want you to explore SMU's student information system called ACCESS.SMU.

ACCESS.SMU is a secure site that requires your SMU ID and password to log on. Your account is set up—begin your exploration by clicking

Access SMU

Things to do NOW on ACCESS.SMU

- Verify your contact information
- Check out the Schedule of Classes
- Start using your SMU e-mail account
- Watch for notices such as Financial Aid Awards
- Release your Education Records to your parents or others
- Authorize a payer for your student account

Sign on

User ID: _____

Password: _____

Learn to Speak SMU - What is the Student Center?

Your Student Center

Once in ACCESS.SMU, click the "Self-Service" link on the menu. Go to "Student Center" where you will find Your Student Center page. Discover all that ACCESS.SMU has available online. Page 2 will translate "SMU speak" into language you can understand.

Fall 2010 Dates to Remember*

Mustang Days	**March 25-26 or April 9-10**
Deposit Deadline - First Yr	**May 1**
Deposit Deadline - Transfer	July 1
Summer Orientation	**First session June 29**
Payment Due Date	August 5
Mustang Corral	**August 19-21**
Opening Convocation	**August 22**
First Day of Classes	**August 23**

Points of Interest in ACCESS.SMU

- View your Financial Aid Award
- Accept or decline Financial Aid offered
- Look at courses offered in your academic area of interest
- Learn all the services offered through student self-service

* For information on other terms smu.edu/enrollment_services/

Like all places and organizations, universities have a language all their own.
Here is a quick tutorial on "SMU speak."

Academic Language

Dallas Hall is the first building at SMU, named for the city that made SMU possible.

Schedule of Classes - produced each academic term, lists all classes to be taught with time, location and instructor. Review the classes offered in your areas of interest.

GEC - stands for the General Education Curriculum. SMU is a liberal arts institution which provides a broad course of study for all undergraduate students. The GEC is the framework for your SMU education.

A-LEC - is the Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center. It is a state-of-the-art academic support facility designed to enhance the education of all students.

Opening Convocation - SMU celebrates the beginning of the academic year with our Opening Convocation. Our unique tradition is Rotunda Passage. New students begin by walking through Dallas Hall to McFarlin Auditorium symbolizing their entry into the academic community of SMU.

Academic Advisor - Each new student is assigned a professional academic advisor to guide you through your first year at SMU and until you declare a major. You will meet your advisor at AARO.

AARO - Academic Advising, Registration and Orientation is our summer program for new entering students. At this two-day, on campus program, you will develop your class schedule with your academic advisor and enroll in your fall classes.

Enrollment Services Language

Online Enrollment - prior to each academic term and after you have met with your academic advisor, you will enroll in classes through ACCESS.SMU. Enrollment Services staff will assist you with your first enrollment at AARO.

FERPA - the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act protects your education records from view by an unauthorized third party.

Release of Education Records - you may release your education records to anyone of your choosing. ACCESS.SMU allows you to release your education records online and will walk you through the process.

My SFeSpace - your personal financial account. On this site you can view your charges, pay your SMU bill and authorize other payers.

Authorized Payer - anyone which you give permission to make payments on your student account. You may set up more than one payer through ACCESS.SMU.

Blanton - the home of the Division of Enrollment Services. When you visited SMU, you came to Blanton for the Admission Information Session. Blanton also houses Financial Aid, the Registrar and the Bursar — all parts of Enrollment Services. The Office of Information Technology is also in Blanton.

Award Package - in March, the Financial Aid office will begin to notify students of the financial aid that is available to them. You will receive notification through your SMU e-mail account and will be directed to ACCESS.SMU to view.

Keep your single sign-in password to ACCESS.SMU and SMU email confidential. Your password is your electronic signature and should not be shared.

SMU Language

Peruna - SMU's mascot

Hilltop - nickname of SMU

Varsity - SMU's alma mater

Dallas Hall - the first building at SMU

Mustang Corral - an orientation activity for new students held prior to the opening of the fall term.

Mustang Corral leaders with nationally known speaker, Dr. Bertice Barry.

Peruna and the Peruna Handlers with Deanie Kepler, Director of Family and Parent Programs.

Laura Lee Blanton Student Services Building, home of Enrollment Services.