NEXT STOP: UTM
Pre-Arrival Newsletter

Hello Eagles!

Making friends in university is an important part of your time at UTM. They are your study partners, confidants, support network, and the people that you share the university experience with. UTM is such a diverse campus – your fellow Eagles come from different backgrounds and countries, bringing with them so many unique experiences. One of the things that you all have in common is that you are all in first year! Meeting others and making friends becomes so much easier when you know that everyone else is just as excited, nervous, and new to the experience as you are. There is always somebody looking for friends, so get out there, try new things, and get involved! LAUNCH and Orientation are just a couple of ways to get involved, but there are so many others with the Centre for Student Engagement, UTMSU, and across campus!

Stick with us over the summer and we'll help you get to your NEXT STOP!

- Office of Student Transition Team

Reminder: Have you registered for O-Week yet? Learn more and register at the O-Week webpage!

August 4 - Presale of parking permits begins for UTM students. Permits are sold on a first-come, first-served basis
August 6-7 - AccessAbility Summer Transition Program takes place
August 15, 17, 21 - UTM Varsity Women's Soccer tryouts
August 16 - Deadline to pay or defer course fees
August 16 - UTM Summer Research Celebration takes place in the Instructional Centre at UTM
August 16-18 - UTM Varsity Men's Soccer tryouts
August 18 - UTM Varsity Cross-Country info session from 7-8pm in the RAWC multi-purpose room A

International Education Centre (IEC)

Whether you are an international student or you are interested in international opportunities, the IEC (International Education Centre) is here to help you connect with other students, internationalize your experience and join a cross-cultural community at the University of Toronto Mississauga.

The IEC offers immigration advising to international students at no additional cost. We also offer transition support through advising to get help with transition, acculturation, the University Health Insurance Plan and Study Abroad options to other countries.

We have created a pre-arrival guide for incoming first year international students. Please review the content and ensure you follow all of the steps outlined for a successful arrival and start to your university career.

IEC Mazi

Mazi is the Greek word for together. At the IEC, we use a peer-to-peer approach that brings our campus community together to celebrate culture and diversity through a variety of internationally focused programs and activities. Explore the world around you and join us for a Blue Jays game, a trip to Niagara Falls, and a free ice cream cone.

Learn more about how to participate in IEC Mazi events and programming on the IEC website.
Email Etiquette
When you have questions for your professor but can’t attend their office hours, email can be an effective tool if used properly. This week, Professor Lisa Peden discusses the keys to sending a proper email to your professor.

Click here to watch!

Being an International Student in Canada
Transitioning to university can bring new challenges, but having to adjust to life in a new country at the same time adds another layer of complexity. Ibironke shares some tips from her first year experience that helped her to meet other students and become successful on campus.

Click here to watch!
Introduce yourself!
Greetings friend! The name is Peter! Description of myself? Well, I am six foot, born and raised in Toronto also known as the 6 and Trono (because no one pronounces the second t). I love public speaking and was honored to be my class valedictorian from high school! I am an adventurer, dreamer, and Lostie (big fan of the TV series Lost, on season 5 now)

What are you excited about?
I am excited to join the UTM community because high school gave me the tools and skills to be a leader and I am excited to apply these skills to my new home for the next four years!

Share one thing on your bucket list:
One thing that is on my bucket list is to go backpacking in the amazon forest and the grand canyon!

What's one thing that people wouldn't guess about you?
One thing that you'd never guess about me is that I am the oldest brother to three younger brothers... what a mess they are! Anyhow that's it from me! CHEERS
Bored on campus? Get active at the RAWC!

If you ever find yourself out of things to do while on campus (we doubt you won't have readings to do), we would recommend you try practicing your swing in the golf room, play some table tennis/ping pong or squash with some friends, or attend a yoga/Zumba class. As a registered student, you can access all of these activities with just your T-Card, at no additional cost!

Learn more about athletics on campus at the [RAWC website](http://rawc.utoronto.ca)

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