LA Study Away
Next Steps & Pre-departure
**Important dates**

**Saturday, August 27th**
Apts. ready at 3:00pm

*Rooms will not be available to you prior to that date.*

**Monday, August 29th**
Oakwood Orientation
10:00am - 3:00pm

*Mandatory! Do not schedule work or interviews during this time!*

**Sunday, December 11th**
Departure by 12:00 noon
Course registration

- Course registration is handled by the FMA Study Away office. *Students may not register or change classes themselves.*
- All requests should be sent via e-mail to the Study Away office and should include your name, TUid#, and course section.
- You must be registered for at least 2 classes in addition to your internship.
- The last day to add/drop is Monday September 12th.
Whoa! That’s a big number, aren’t you proud?
Getting there

**Flying**
- Arrive at LAX or Burbank
  - LAX has direct flights
- Shop for deals:
  - Southwest
  - Virgin
  - USAir
  - JetBlue
- Super Shuttle from LAX to Oakwood

**Driving**
- Check in with friends
- Caravan
- AAA
**Arriving in LA**

- LAX has direct flights
- Super Shuttle from LAX to Oakwood
  - Use 3600 Barham Blvd. in Toluca Hills
- Burbank is closer to Oakwood (but without direct flights)
  - Cab it for $15-$20

- If you are renting a car, do not rent it from the airport.
  (More on this later).
The Oakwood / Avalon Apartments
Arrival at the Oakwood / Avalon Apartments

Your apartments will be ready for you on Sunday August 27th at 3:00pm and not before.

Main entrance:
- Guard will direct you to the clubhouse to check in.

Clubhouse:
- Room key
- Access card
- Mailbox key
- Internet access information
- Car permit tag
The apartments

Apartments are assigned \textit{at random} by Avalon staff.

- Apartments are fully furnished and include:
  - Linens
  - Kitchen supplies
  - Broom/mop
  - Iron & ironing board
  - Free cable & wi-fi

- Apartments do \textit{not} include:
  - Your favorite stuffed monkey
  - Beach towels
  - DVD player
  - Warm clothes
  - Good cell reception
ROOMMATES

Get to know each other!

Be respectful of others’ property...
Roommates

Cohabitating can be:

- A blast
- Rewarding
- Enlightening
- Life-changing

- Tricky
- Complicated
- Hard work
Roommates

- Changing apartments or roommates is not an option.
- Communication is the key!
- Roommate agreement at orientation.
LA is a driving city.

- LA is not the place to *learn* to drive.
- LA does not have an extensive public transportation system.
- Some students are beginning to use Uber.
- Most students rent a car via Enterprise.
  - Allows drivers under 21
  - Requires credit card to book
  - Find more information on the Enterprise fact sheet under “resources”
This is important!!!
Health care precautions

Get informed.

- Are you insured?
- Do you know your health insurance company?
- Contact them prior to departure to know your out-of-state coverage
- Consult with your parents if you are under their plan
- Have a plan for emergency care that is not covered by insurance.

- Remember eyeglasses
- Prescription medications
- Keep important phone numbers

Mental Health

If you are currently under the care of a therapist or psychiatrist and wish to continue care in LA, please speak with the RA or the Faculty Director for resources.
Financial information

Get informed.

- Charged and billed like a regular semester.
- Tuition
- Program fee
  - Housing = $4,300
  - Activities fee = $250
- University Services fee = $349

Consider a FERPA waiver so that parents can make payments on your behalf!

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Get informed.

- Know your spending habits.
- Track your spending in Philly first.
  - There are budgeting apps for your phone.
- Let the money you have last!
- Cook at your apartment.
- Carpool.
Resources

tfma.temple.edu/study-away/la/la-resources

- Car rental information
- Oakwood specs.
- Survival guides
- THIS PPT!!!
“Living and working in Los Angeles has taught me that I can make it in this industry, and has solidified my passion for music. I’ve been able to network extensively and mold myself into someone who can hold my own, and has allowed me to have more confidence about my abilities in a competitive professional market. I’m more than thankful for everything this program has given me.”