LA STUDY AWAY

Next Steps
Arrival Date:
- Thursday, May 12th
  - Rooms ready by 3pm
  - If you arrive in LA earlier, you are responsible for your own housing.

Oakwood Orientation
- Friday, May 13th – 10:00am – 3:00pm
  - Do not schedule interviews or begin interning on that day.

Welcome Dinner
- Saturday May 14th 7:00pm – 10:00pm
IMPORTANT DATES

- “Welcome to LA” hike:
  - Sunday, May 15th – 10:00am

- First Entertainment Industry Perspectives class
  - Tuesday, May 17th – 7:00pm – 9:00pm

- First LA Culture class
  - Saturday, May 21st – 11:00am

- Departure
  - Sunday, July 24th.
Course registration is handled by the FMA Away office. Students may not register themselves.

You must be registered for at least 2 classes (including internship)

The last day to add/drop is Monday, May 23rd.
GETTING THERE

- Depart from place of your convenience

- Flying
  - Arrive either LAX (Los Angeles) or BUR (Burbank)
  - Shop around for flights:
    - Southwest
    - Virgin
    - JetBlue
    - USAir
GETTING THERE

- Driving
  - Check in with friends
  - Caravan
  - Get AAA
TRANSPORTATION

- LA is a driving city
- Not an extensive public trans. system
- Most students rent a car (or drive their own)
TRANSPORTATION

- Car rental
  - Enterprise gives students 10% discount
  - Allows drivers under 25 years ($5-$10/day extra)
  - Must be booked using a credit card
  - Requires that you show proof/purchase insurance
The Oakwood provides:

- Linens (Sheets, towels etc...)
- Kitchen supplies (Dishes, silverware)
- Oven, fridge, microwave, toaster
- Iron & ironing board
- Broom, mop, vacuum cleaner

This woman not included.
The Oakwood does not provide:

- Your favorite stuffed monkey
- Beach towels
- A blender
- A DVD player
- Warm clothes
GETTING TO OAKWOOD

- LAX
  - There is a SUPER SHUTTLE that runs from LAX directly to the Oakwood.

- Burbank
  - Much closer to Oakwood. $15 cab ride.

- Address: 3600 Barham Blvd.
- Always be sure to specify Toluca Hills as there are multiple Oakwood locations.
ARRIVAL AT OAKWOOD

- Main Entrance
  - Security booth
  - Guard will direct you to clubhouse
- Clubhouse
  - Room key
  - Access Card
  - Mail box key
  - Internet access code
  - Car permit tag
ARRIVAL AT OAKWOOD

- Rooms will be ready for you by 3pm
- If you arrive earlier, you may have to wait
- Amenities:
  - Convenience Store / Deli
  - Connected to South clubhouse
  - Laundry
  - Located in each building
  - Mail Area
  - Located in each building
YOUR HEALTH

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

- Be proactive in maintaining your *mental health* as well:
  - If you currently see and/or want to see a therapist during your time in LA, consult the list of referrals in your handbook
  - Do not wait until circumstances feel critical
  - *Intake and scheduling can take up to 3 weeks*

- Remember to bring:
  - Prescriptions
  - Extra glasses/contacts

- *If you need support, contact your RA or the Faculty Director*
YOUR HEALTH

- Additional safety precautions:
  - Important phone numbers
  - Notify friends of where you are headed
  - Be cautious as you would in Philly
Some students venture outside of the country while in LA. To do so you must have a passport.

- Getting a new passport takes time. If you plan on applying for one before departure, begin the process now.
FINANCIAL - TEMPLE

- Charged and billed like a regular Temple semester (Due May 4th)
  - Tuition
  - Program fee:
    - Housing - $3,000
    - Activities fee - $250
    - University Services fee - $155

- Consider a FERPA waiver so parents can act on your account in your absence.
  - Under TU Portal – Click on SSB
FINANCIAL - BUDGETING

- Know your spending habits!
FINANCIAL - BUDGETING

- Track them here in Philly first
  - Budgeting apps for your phone
- Let the money you have last
- Cook at your apartment
- Carpool
ROOMMATES

- Cohabitating can be:
  - A Blast
  - Rewarding
  - Enlightening
  - Life-changing
Cohabitating can be:
- Tricky
- Complicated
- Hard Work
Changing apartments or roommates is not an option

Communication is key!!!
You should have all received Amy Olk’s “Temple Los Angeles” handbook.
Read it, keep it on your computer, print it out.
It was made for your benefit!
Info. on everything from
  ▪ Culture
  ▪ Internships
  ▪ Expectations
  ▪ Health & Wellness resources
You will find two additional “handbooks” on the pre-departure page.

- **A Pre-Departure Manual**
  - Contains specific information about what to bring, what to budget, car/flight arrangements, car rental/insurance etc.
  - This guide would also be informative for parents.

- **A Survival Guide**
  - This guide includes info. and suggestions from past students in the program. They know best!
ON YOUR WAY!

- Please read all e-mails thoroughly!
- Forward any important information to parents/guardians
- Refer to the “Resources” tab on our website
- Talk with each other!