ONLY IN LA

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3oBNxbBgg_8&feature=youtube_gdata_player
EXPECTATIONS

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Reality

EXPERIENCE
What are your expectations?

- Academic?
- Internship?
- Cultural?
REALITY CHECK

What of these expectations may be:

• Assumptions?
• Challenges?
• Wake-up calls?
STAGES OF EXPERIENCE

- Honeymoon
  - Excited, euphoric, optimistic

- Negotiation
  - Learning new culture and environment

- Adjustment
  - Gaining a more solid sense of belonging
The OAKWOOD
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
- After hours (6pm or 8pm)
  - A security guard will give you your room key

The cleanest your apt. will ever be?
PARKING AT OAKWOOD

('NOUGH SAID)

BAD!

GOOD!
AMENITIES AT OAKWOOD

- Convenience Store / Deli
  - Connected to South clubhouse
- Laundry
  - Located in each building
- Mail Area
  - Located in each building
• **Roommate Agreement**
  
  • During the orientation meeting at the Oakwood, Dorit Cypis, leader of a community engagement seminar, will walk you through a roommate agreement form.
  
  • You will discuss the form with your roommates over the course of the first week, and complete as a group.
  
  • Please **review** this agreement prior to departure in order to be prepared for conversation.
MANDATORY
L.A. Oakwood Orientation Session

Monday August 24th 10:00am-4:00pm
NO interviews or working during this session!
CAR RENTAL

- Make your car rental in advance

- Investigate insurance possibilities *before* arrival.

- Enterprise is open until 12noon on Saturday, closed on Sunday.
  - Enterprise will be available after the orientation session on Monday to shuttle you to pick up your car.
BILLS

- Bills are sent electronically by the bursar
- Tuition (in or out of state) + University fees due as normal and can be found on the Bursar website.

- Study Away Program Fee = $4,550
  - Your housing charge - $4,300 +
  - Activities fee - $250
COURSE TIMES

- **Internship** (Amy Olk)
  - Workday schedule + occasional mtg in EIP.

- **Entertainment Industry Perspectives** (Lou Pepe)
  - Mondays 6:00-9:00pm

- **Topics in Film – LA Plays Itself** (Lou Pepe)
  - Thursdays 6:00-9:30pm

- **Directing for Camera** (Tanya Hamilton & Lou Pepe)
  - Tuesdays 6:00-9:00

- **LA Screenwriting** (Tanya Hamilton)
  - Wednesdays 6:00-9:00pm

- **Los Angeles Culture** (Brian Mann)
  - Every other Saturday 11:00am – 2:00pm
No PNC or TD banks in Los Angeles

Consider:

- Wells Fargo
- Bank of America
MISC INFORMATION

- Health Insurance
  - Remember to check your coverage when in LA
    - Are you insured?
    - Are you covered out of state?
    - Do you have a back-up plan?
    - Do you need a therapist/psychiatrist?

- Prescriptions:
  - Do you have enough of your meds?
  - Do you have a prescription from your doctor?
MISC INFORMATION

- Clothing
  - Bring layers (gets chilly at night and on beaches)
  - LA is deceptively casual
  - Bring shoes to walk/hike in

- Other:
  - Phone with GPS/texting capabilities
  - Travel guides (Lonely Planet, Thomas, Moon)
  - Passport, driver’s license
INTERNERSHIP PREPARATION

- Continue your resume work
  - 1 page
  - Bold to highlight
  - Tailor/customize
  - Proof-read

- Continue to apply for internship positions
- Follow-up and follow through
- Check in with your internship coordinator
RESOURCES

- The Trades
  - Backstage - [www.backstage.com/](http://www.backstage.com/)
Password protected pre-departure section

- [http://smc.temple.edu/fma/la/l-a-pre-departure/](http://smc.temple.edu/fma/la/l-a-pre-departure/)
  - LAaway2015
- Important information
  - Roommate agreement
  - Internship handbook
  - Pre-departure handbook
  - “Survival guide”
  - Student Code of Conduct
- Download essentials to your laptops/phones