GETTING STARTED IN THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE
PHD IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT & FAMILY SCIENCES PROGRAM 2021

- Connect with your faculty advisor. If they haven’t reached out already, they want to hear from you and answer your questions.

- **RSVP** by *Friday, February 19* to attend Delaware Day.

- Participate in **Delaware Day** on *Friday, March 5*.

- Accept admission by *April 15* through your application status page.

- Access the **UDSIS Portal**. With the UDSIS portal, you can enroll in courses, and later on, access your UD grades and transcript and links to many other resources.

- **Register for classes.** Fall course registration begins on April 19 but you can register anytime through the summer though we recommend registering by August 1. The courses planned for your first semester include: (1) HDFS601 Theories of Human Development; (2) HDFS621 Family Studies; (3) HDFS667 Graduate seminar (1cr.); and EDUC812 Regression and Structural Equation Modeling. *(Course options may be updated in the spring.)*

- Watch your UD email in June or July for link to a web form you must to approve to accept your assistantship contract (Graduate Student Contractual Responsibility Form).

- Submit immunization and medical history to the **Student Health Center** and sign up for health insurance.

- Watch for further details about orientation activities that will take place at various times during the week of August 23.
  - **UD Graduate Student Orientation** hosted by the Graduate College is set for August 23.
  - **TA Learning Sessions** (only for students serving as first-time Teaching Assistants) is set for August 24.
  - **HR Onboarding** when you will bring documents and become established in the UD payroll system is set for August 25.
  - **Orientation Program by OISS** for new international graduate students is set for August 27.

- CEHD Graduate Student Orientation and welcome dinner is tentatively scheduled for *Monday, August 30*.

- Fall 2021 classes begin on *Tuesday, August 31*.

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