



# JULY EXPERIENCE

SUMMER 2019

## Participant Handbook & Information

### ARRIVAL

Sunday, June 30

**CHECK-IN:** 1:00pm-3:00pm

Grey House (Office of Admission)  
405 N Main St. Davidson, NC 28036

Participants will receive room keys, Catcards, and verify contact information before moving into dorms.

**ORIENTATION:** 3:30pm-4:15pm

900 Room, Alvarez College Union  
(#69 on campus map)

An orientation session for participants and family members. Student and program expectations will be covered, along with staff introductions. Campus tours will depart from orientation (optional for family members).

### DEPARTURE

Saturday, July 20

**CHECK OUT:** 8:30am-12:00pm

All participants must be moved from the dorm and checked out **by 12:00pm (noon)**. Participants may have conferences with professors on Saturday morning - if you have an early flight you will need to make sure to schedule your conferences prior to Saturday. *The final shuttle for the airport will leave at 11:00am; please schedule flights accordingly.*

#### IMPORTANT DEADLINES

**4/24 (Priority Round applicants)**

**5/8 (Regular/Final Round applicants)**

- Accept or Decline offer to attend 2019 session of July Experience
- Deposit Due (\$500)

**5/22**

- Final Balance Due
- Medical/Immunization Forms due
- Signed Student Expectations due
- Signed Release & Waiver of Liability due

**6/1**

- Travel details submitted
- Notify JE office of any accommodations needed

\*all payments and materials must be postmarked or submitted electronically by the above dates.

### TRAVEL

#### AIRPLANE

If you are traveling to Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) we will provide shuttles from 10:00am-1:00pm on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, and 8:00am-11:00am on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> for \$20 per person each way. Shuttles are provided through a professional transportation service. If you arrive or depart outside that time frame you will be responsible for arranging your own travel from the airport to Davidson. Due to space limitations, we are only able to accommodate participants on the shuttle.

To reserve your spot on the shuttle, you must complete the Shuttle Request Form and provide payment by **June 1st**. *If you neglect to submit or update your flight information, you will be responsible for securing your own transportation.*

#### Alternate Airport Transportation

Uber/Lyft: typically \$35-\$45 and is readily available  
Lake Norman Limo: 704-606-3904

#### CAR

Davidson College is located off Exit 30 on Interstate 77 in North Carolina. We are approximately 20 miles north of Charlotte, NC, and 20 miles south of Statesville, NC. There is significant highway and overpass construction in the area so please allow plenty of time to get to campus.

### ACCOMODATIONS

If your family needs overnight accommodations in conjunction with your arrival or departure, there are a number of options in town and the greater Charlotte area. The closest options are:

- Carnegie Guest House (located on Davidson's campus) 704-894-2127
- Davidson Village Inn (just off of Main St. Davidson) 704-892-8044
- Homewood Suites Davidson (less than a mile from campus) 704-987-1818

### RESTAURANTS

The first meal provided for July Experience participants will be dinner on Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. We encourage participants and families to each lunch before they arrive. There are a number of local options in the town of Davidson and surrounding area that will be open for lunch. *Please note that the campus dining facilities will be closed.*



### HOUSING

Participants will be housed on campus in air-conditioned Residence Halls. July Experience occupies two buildings, Little and Watts Halls, which are divided by gender. Rooms are double-occupancy and roommates are assigned by the July Experience staff. Roommate requests/changes are only honored if a specific need is shown, and must be approved by the Director. Each floor of 10 to 14 participants is supervised by at least one Counselor/Mentor (most halls have two). Both buildings are managed by a Resident Director.

Each room contains a sink, and (for each participant) a twin extra-long bed, desk, chair, and small closet and set of drawers. July Experience will provide each participant with one pillow, one light blanket, and a set of sheets. Many participants will elect to bring supplemental blankets and pillows. Community bathrooms and showers are located on each hall. Participants are responsible for maintaining the cleanliness of their room and any damages to furniture or campus property will be billed to the participant(s) responsible for that room.

We work very hard to support all participants and their needs. If a participant requires any accommodations, advanced notice by **June 1<sup>st</sup>** is necessary for us to have time to make appropriate arrangements. Participants should reach out to the July Experience office to discuss specific needs and requests.

*Davidson College does not assume responsibility for damage or loss of personal property due to fire, theft or other casualties.* Therefore, we suggest NO expensive personal items (including jewelry) be brought to campus. Although Davidson College abides by an Honor Code, it hosts a variety of unaffiliated academic and athletic summer programs. When leaving your room, lock your door and do not allow building access to anyone outside of the July Experience program.

### KEYS/CATCARDS

Participants are assigned a room key and Catcard with photo ID upon arrival to Davidson. Keys provide access to individual dorm rooms, and Catcards are utilized for dorm access, printing services, and for admission to the dining facility for meals. Participants must bring their Catcard with them to EVERY meal and should have it on their person at all times for identification purposes.

*The room key must be returned at the end of the program. There is a charge of \$10 for a lost Catcard and \$55 for a lost room key, due before you leave Davidson.*

### MEALS

The program provides three meals daily. Meals are served at Vail Commons which is buffet style and includes several food stations that rotate daily and a large salad bar. Breakfast is optional after the first week, and attendance at lunch and dinner is mandatory. Participants are expected to remain in the dining hall for the duration of the meal and wait to be released by a Director.

Participants will have opportunities during the week to walk to the local convenience store, as well as local grocery stores to purchase snacks and personal food items. Refrigerators are not permitted in dorm rooms and are not available for general use. If a participant needs items to be refrigerated for medical or special circumstances, arrangements must be made prior to arrival.

### SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS/RESTRICTIONS

If you require a special diet (vegetarian, food allergies, etc.) please let us know by **June 1<sup>st</sup>**. Vail Commons staff will meet with participants with special dietary needs if necessary. Most diets can be accommodated in the dining hall but we will need this information when supplying special meals and snacks.

### DAILY SCHEDULE

(Monday through Friday)

7:30am -8:30am	Breakfast at Vail Commons
8:30am-10:00am	Morning Class
10:00am-11:00am	Break/Free Time
11:00am-12:30pm	Study Hall/Office Hours
12:30pm-1:15pm	Lunch at Vail Commons
1:30pm-3:00pm	Afternoon Class
3:30pm-5:00pm	Workshops & Recreation
5:00pm-6:00pm	Break/Free Time
6:00pm-7:00pm	Dinner at Vail Commons
7:00pm-8:30pm	Evening Activity/Games
8:30pm-10:00pm	Study Hall (excluding Fridays)
10:00pm	Hall Meeting
11:00pm	Curfew

### WEEKENDS

Weekends follow a more relaxed schedule with time for recreation, studying, and a chance to catch up on some much-needed sleep. Weekend activities include: day trip to Carowinds (amusement park), trips to the Lake Campus, local movie theater, Davidson Farmer's market, opportunities to attend worship services, and additional activities planned by July Experience counselors.

## LAUNDRY

There are free laundry facilities in each of the residence halls for participant use. Participants are responsible for doing their own personal laundry throughout the three weeks. Free laundry detergent pods will be provided for the students.

## FACILITIES

Participants will have scheduled access to the campus fitness center, outdoor tennis courts, outdoor basketball courts, and campus pool as available. July Experience staff must be present while students are participating in activities. Davidson's cross county trails may be used during free time and with the supervision of a July Experience staff member. Participants are not permitted to utilize the trails or leave campus to go running on their own.

## PHONES

We encourage you to bring a personal cell phone. Telephones are **not** available in individual dorm rooms. There is a telephone available in the residence hall lounge for outgoing calls (local or with a phone card). If you need to reach your participant who does not own a cell phone, you can contact the July Experience office at 704-894-5859 and we will relay any necessary messages.

## COMPUTERS

You will have access to campus computers during morning and evening study hours. We strongly encourage you to bring your own laptop if you are able to do so. You will receive a login name and password that will allow you to access the Davison College printing system and online portal (Moodle) used for courses.

## BANKS/ATMs

Wells Fargo, Bank of America, Fifth Third, and BB&T have ATMs either in the College Union or one block from campus. There are physical Wells Fargo and Fifth Third branches in Davidson. These banks will **not** cash personal checks, money orders, or bank drafts unless you have an account with them. Post Office money orders (not from a convenience store) can be cashed in the Davidson Post Office one block from campus. International participants can exchange cash at Charlotte Douglas International airport. It is good practice to notify your bank you will be traveling and using your ATM or credit card to prevent an account freeze.

## VISITORS

Visitors at any time during the program are strongly discouraged and must be approved by the July Experience Director **prior to the program**. At no time are visitors permitted in the July Experience dorms.

## PACKING LIST

### WHAT TO BRING:

#### REQUIRED

- Casual everyday clothing (jeans, shorts, t-shirts). *The average high/low temperatures in Davidson in July are 91°/69° Fahrenheit but classrooms can be cold – bring a fleece or sweatshirt*
- Swimwear and beach towel (for Lake Campus, Carowinds, and Summer Frolics)
- Athletic sneakers and clothing (for Flickerball, outdoor activities, fitness center, etc.)
- Dress attire for one or two events (skirts, dresses, nice pants and collared/button-down shirts are appropriate)
- Personal care and hygiene items
- Bath towel, wash cloths, and shower shoes
- Personal spending money (for ice cream/coffee, bookstore purchases, snacks, etc.)
- School supplies (notebook, planner, backpack).  
*\*July Experience provides all required books.*

Note: CVS pharmacy is located one block from campus, where you may purchase toiletries, snacks, school supplies, etc. if needed.

#### RECOMMENDED

- Laptop computer or tablet (many courses will be using online content and resources)
- Additional bedding/linens/pillows. Dorms are air-conditioned, so you may want an additional blanket
- Umbrella and/or rain coat/boots
- Water bottle – it is hot in NC in the summer and you will need to drink plenty of water!
- Hangers (you will have a closet and a dresser)
- Musical instruments or props (for Talent Show)
- One plain white t-shirt or clothing item (for tie-dye)
- Athletic equipment (tennis racquets, etc.). JE will supply balls for basketball, tennis, volleyball, football, and soccer.

### WHAT NOT TO BRING:

- Tobacco products, alcohol, firearms, or illegal substances (**will result in immediate dismissal, at participant's expense, with no refund**)
- Expensive jewelry or items of significant value
- Candles, incense, or anything flammable for your dorm room
- Pets
- Personal vehicles (**you will not be permitted to leave campus on your own during July Experience**)

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

### ILLNESS

If a participant falls ill during the program, an appointment and transportation to the local health clinic or doctor can be arranged through the July Experience staff, using the participant's personal insurance. It will be the participant's responsibility to communicate with their family with updates on his or her progress. July Experience staff will do our best to accommodate an ill participant, but reserve the right to ask a participant to leave the program (permanently or temporarily) to complete his or her recovery, or if we are unable to give sufficient care.

### INSURANCE

Davidson College provides accident insurance coverage to participants in the July Experience Program. This coverage will pay a maximum of \$5,000 per participant per accident. The participant's health insurance policy is excess (secondary layer) to cover any accident costs over the \$5,000 maximum. Maximum Dental limit is \$250. If a participant requires medical care for non-accidental situation, the participant/parent/guardian or his/her insurance is responsible for payment of the medical attention and any prescribed medications.

Participants will not be allowed to attend the program unless we receive a completed Medical and Immunization History Form and a copy of the participant's current health insurance card. *International students are required to have health insurance that is valid in the United States.* The July Experience Office is required to have on record a copy of the participant's health insurance card (front and back) and a completed Medical and Immunization History Form.

### EMERGENCIES

In the case of medical emergency, the participant will be accompanied by a July Experience Counselor/Mentor and/or a Director to the local medical center that best fits the immediate needs of the participant and the situation. The Parent/Guardian listed as the emergency contact will be notified as soon as the participant has arrived at the medical center and will be updated by a Director as new information becomes available.

### CAMPUS SAFETY

Davidson is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for students to learn, work, and enjoy all that campus has to offer. Campus police officers are on duty 24 hours a day. The office is open from 8:00am-4:30pm daily and an on-duty officer is available at all times. Participants will be oriented to campus resources and equipped with all appropriate contact and emergency phone numbers at the beginning of the program.

Emergencies: 911  
On Duty Officer: 704-609-0344  
Campus Police: 704-894-2178

## STAFF

July Experience is part of the Office of Admission and Financial Aid and utilizes both full-time, year-round staff members as well as student and professional staff members. All staff participate in rigorous training and must pass a background check prior to the program.

### JULY EXPERIENCE YEAR-ROUND STAFF

Leah Hoffman, Director/Assistant Dean  
Maygan Olsen-Malone, Assistant Director/Admission Counselor  
Marlene Arellano, Admission Liaison/Admission Counselor

### PROFESSORS

July Experience faculty are all current professors at Davidson College. Professors are available to participants each weekday during drop-in office hours during the library study hall, and as needed for additional appointments.

### RESIDENT DIRECTOR (RD)

The Resident Director is a graduate-level student with experience in student and residential life. The RD lives on campus, oversees student dorms, assists in planning and implementing activities, and serves as a resource for Counselor/Mentors.

### COUNSELOR/MENTORS (C/M)

C/M's are current Davidson students who go through a competitive application process and training prior to the program. Many of the C/M's are July Experience alumni themselves. C/M's live in the dorms and are responsible for the participants on their assigned residence hall floor, organize and oversee activities on and around campus, and serve as mentors to all participants.

## JULY EXPERIENCE CONTACT INFORMATION

### PHONE NUMBERS

704-894-5859 July Experience Office

### MAIL

Participants can receive mail at the following address. Please make sure to indicate "July Experience" on the envelope or package.

### US MAIL/POSTAL SERVICE

Student Name  
c/o July Experience  
Davidson College  
Box 7151  
Davidson, NC 28035

### UPS/FEDEX

Student Name  
c/o July Experience  
Davidson College  
209 Ridge Rd.  
Davidson, NC 28035

