FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CHECK-IN DAY: Sunday June 28th

LIVING ON HOPKINS CAMPUS

How do I get to campus from the airport? We provide free transportation from Thurgood Marshall Baltimore-Washington Airport to campus on check-in day, Sunday June 28th, from noon to 2:00 pm. We will also provide a shuttle for your return to BWI. You will be asked to provide this information when you enroll in the program. Airport pick up location will be Baggage Claim #7.

If I am driving to campus, where should I park? Drivers should drop their student off at Wolman Hall first. Parents should then park their cars and return to Wolman. There are metered parking spaces around campus on University Parkway and N. Charles St. Please use the entrance on the side of the building between N. Charles St. and St. Paul St. on E. 34th St.

What time should I move into my room? You can check in beginning at 12:30 PM and we would like everyone to arrive by 2:30 PM.

Should parents stay for orientation? Parents are encouraged to attend the orientation, which includes Program and Residential Component Information sessions. Student activities will begin between 5:30 and 6:00pm.

What time do I have to move out of my room? Students may start check-out procedures following the luncheon on Friday, July 24th. If you will be leaving on Friday, pack all of your belongings on Thursday evening. For those flying out of Baltimore on Friday, please book your flight for after 5pm. You will want to return to your dorm one hour prior to the departure of your shuttle. We will have airport shuttles scheduled for Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. The last check-out will be at 9AM on Saturday, July 25th.

What’s in my dorm room? Suite-style living comprised of two bedrooms (single, doubles, or triples), that share a bathroom. You will be housed in Woman Hall. Learn more about this residence hall at http://www.jhu.edu/~hds/oncampus/buildings.html by clicking on Wolman Hall.

Are the dorms co-ed? Pre-College men and women are housed in single-sex suites; however, the male/female areas do connect. Residents are not allowed to enter the rooms of students of the opposite gender.

Can I choose my roommate? Roommates are only assigned by the program and residence staff. You will live with another high school student attending our programs. Without exception, no roommate requests will be considered.

Will I have a curfew? Students must be on campus by 11:00 PM and in their rooms by 12:00AM midnight every night. There will be a room check by a residential advisor.

What type of supervision will I have? In the residence halls, students will be supervised by a team consisting of coordinators and residential advisors. Instructors and staff supervise students during class time. Residential Coordinators will supervise students during evening and weekend activities. Students are not escorted to/from the dorm to class or to the dining halls, library or Athletic Center. They are free to walk the campus; however, students are not to leave campus without first signing out with the residence life staff.

Should I bring any athletic gear? The indoor and outdoor tracks, workout facilities, and climbing wall in the Athletic Center are for your use. You should bring your own combination lock and towel. In addition, students should bring sports equipment, such as a Frisbee, tennis/ squash/ racquetball racquet, or baseball glove. Some equipment (such as volleyballs and basketballs) may be provided.
Should I bring such items as: television/ stereo/musical instrument? There are common areas with this equipment. If students bring their own, they must use headphones since others may be studying or sleeping. Students may bring their musical instruments.

Where do I take my meals? Meals are included in your residential package and will begin with the evening dinner on the day you check in and will end with breakfast on the Saturday of your check out date. Meals are provided or purchased by the staff during off-campus sponsored activities.

How much money should I bring with me? All meals and scheduled field trips are included in the program. Students will need pocket money. We recommend bringing $50 plus per week. If you do not have a bank card you may want to consider using a gift card with a credit card logo (VISA, MC, American Express, etc.) to avoid carrying cash.

What’s a J-Card? As the official ID of the University, the J-Card allows students access to everything on campus. With the J-Card students can do everything from checking books out from the MSE library, to working out or swimming at the Athletic Center, to making photocopies and doing their laundry. You will need to stop by the J-Card office in 51 Garland Hall on your first day of classes, if you did not submit your photo in advance.

What if I want to visit family and friends outside of JHU? If students plan personal overnight visits to friends or relatives in the Baltimore area, their parents or guardians must complete the Overnight Permission Form and give this to the residence hall staff.

What if I want to head off campus on a non-JHU sponsored event? When leaving the campus of the Johns Hopkins University during the day or evening, students are required to notify residence hall staff by signing out and in upon departure/ return to campus.

What do we do on evenings and weekends? Summer Discovery will provide evening and weekend programs for Engineering Innovation students. In 2014 these activities included a trip to Washington D.C., a trip to HersheyPark (an amusement park in Pennsylvania), a day exploring Baltimore’s Inner Harbor, shopping trips, movies, a Fourth of July party and much more.

What do you recommend I bring?

- Your medical insurance card.
- Cell phone or calling card to call home.
- Shower shoes and necessary toiletries.
- Sunscreen and an umbrella.
- Closed-toe shoes for lab days
- Pants for lab days
- Bathing suit and beach towel for trips, on-campus activities
- Notebooks, pens, pencils, tape, ruler, scissors, flash drive
- Basic scientific calculator (graphing calculators are not needed)
- Laptop computer if you have one
- Change for the laundry services ($1.25 to wash, $1.25 to $1.50 to dry)
- Laundry bag and laundry detergent.
- Clip-on reading light, for reading in bed.
- Alarm clock.
- Your own pillow and extra towels.
- Your camera!
- Cash for souvenirs

What address should my family use to send me packages?

Student Name
Pre-College Summer University Program – Engineering Innovation
Johns Hopkins University - Wolman Hall
3339 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, MD 21218-2691

Do I bring linens? All bed linens, including blankets, pillows, bath towels, and washcloths are provided.
What should I bring for clothing? A typical Baltimore forecast is “hot, hazy, and humid, with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms.” Bring light, casual, warm-weather clothing and some good walking/hiking shoes (more than “flip-flops” or sandals) for field trips. Also, bring summer rain gear and a light sweater or fleece for well air-conditioned classrooms.

Should I bring my computer? Students can bring their own computers but they will also have access to the computers in the Krieger Computer Lab and in the residence hall Computer Clusters.

On the final day, are parents invited to the Spaghetti Bridge Ceremony? Yes, parents are cordially invited to attend the Bridge Breaking Ceremony on Friday, July 24th at 10:00AM. Following the ceremony, we will have a complimentary lunch gathering for all Engineering Innovation students and their guests.

What if I get sick? Please remember to bring any prescription medication as well as over-the-counter medicine with you. The Residential Staff is unable to dispense medication.

Staffed with highly trained physicians, nurse practitioners, and nurses, the Student Health and Wellness Center, located in Homewood apartments N-200, is available to students should they become sick or injured. The Center is open Monday and Friday 8:30 to 4:45 (but closed from 12 noon -1 PM), and on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 1:00 PM until 4:45 PM. Students are encouraged to make appointments. To make appointments, students may call the SHWC at (410) 516-8270. In the event of an after-hours medical concern, the student may access the Sirona Health line by calling (410) 516-8270. If needed, the advice nurse will consult with the SHWC physician. The on-call doctor is not on the Homewood Campus so s/he will not be available for house visits.

If a student is in need of emergency medical attention when the SHWC is not opened s/he will need to be transported to the emergency room at Union Memorial Hospital (just one block away) with a staff member.

What if there is an emergency and my family cannot get in touch with me? The Summer Discovery Residential Program staff can be reached at 410-516-5988. However, in case of emergencies please contact JHU Security at 410-516-7777 (24 hr.)