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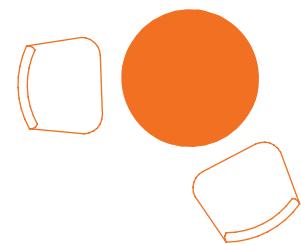
## Letter from the Dean of the Graduate School

On behalf of the Graduate School, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of you as you begin your graduate studies at Clemson University. As a former Clemson University graduate student, I can assure you that the experience will offer you many amazing opportunities. You will have the chance to interact with a diverse array of individuals and your graduate experience will be much richer if you are open to these new opportunities. Take advantage of this and learn from them; the friends and colleagues that you develop in graduate school will be lifelong supporters and friends. Be sure to explore beyond the bounds of your own program and fully capitalize on this wonderful experience. I look forward to welcoming you in person.

Best wishes from Martin Hall!

**Karen J. L. Burg, Ph.D.**

Interim Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School



## Letter from the Graduate Student Government President

Dear Graduate Students,

As the president of Graduate Student Government, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the wonderful city of Clemson and to our University.

As Clemson graduate students, everyone is welcome to the programs and activities that we arrange for students during the year. Our popular Professional Enrichment Grant Program has awarded thousands of dollars to provide funding for graduate students to present scholarly research or network with other professionals. In addition, Graduate Student Government advocates on behalf of graduate students on a wide array of issues such as the student health insurance plan, transportation issues, research funding opportunities and sustainability on campus.

We also provide resources such as legal aid and Graduate Student Organization funding, and we plan activities for graduate students to come together and socialize.

Graduate Student Government is here to serve you, and remember, if you have any problems or difficulties and don't know which University office to talk to, please feel free to contact us at [gsg@clemson.edu](mailto:gsg@clemson.edu).

Thank you and always, Go Tigers!

**Simon (Xingpeng) Li**

Graduate Student Body President

Clemson University Graduate Student Government



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# Welcome

## Welcome to Clemson!

Congratulations and welcome to the Clemson Family! To help you get started, we have created this guide to provide you with information that is relevant to graduate students. If you are a new student, we hope you will attend the various Orientation events that are scheduled, particularly the new Graduate Student Orientation on Sunday, Aug. 18, 2013, from 1–4 p.m. in the auditorium of the Brooks Center for the Performing Arts. New international students are also required to attend International Student Orientation on Friday, Aug. 16, 2013, from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. in Tillman Hall Auditorium.

A list of activities sponsored by the Graduate School can be found at: [grad.clemson.edu/events](http://grad.clemson.edu/events). You will need to sign in using your Clemson Username and password to view the calendar.

## How to Use this Guidebook

This guidebook is for all graduate students at Clemson University and is filled with information that might be useful for a new or continuing graduate student. The links can help guide you to appropriate resources that answer your questions and inform you about the different services Clemson offers graduate students.

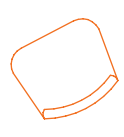




# Getting Started at Clemson

## First Things First

The Clemson Graduate School provides a convenient website that will be useful when getting started at Clemson. Below are the recommended steps with links to the appropriate websites. Many of these topics are also covered throughout this publication.


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1. Accept, Reject or Defer Admission  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=contact](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=contact)
  2. Department Coordinator  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=meetdept](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=meetdept)
  3. Find Housing  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=housing](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=housing)
  4. Complete Medical and Insurance Requirements  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=medical](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=medical)
  5. Register for Courses  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=register](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=register)
  6. Get your TigerOne Card  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=studentid](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=studentid)
  7. Complete Required Paperwork for Assistantship  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=assistantship](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=assistantship)
  8. Read the SC Illegal Immigration Act  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=immigration](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=immigration)
  9. Pay Student Fees and Tuition  
[grad.clemson.edu/newly\\_accepted/index\\_clemson.php?check=tuition](http://grad.clemson.edu/newly_accepted/index_clemson.php?check=tuition)

## XID and Usernames

Your XID is your unique student ID number assigned to you upon your admission and confirmation to attend the University. The XID begins with C followed by eight digits (i.e., C12345678).

Your official decision letter and decision form can be found through the Application Portal, accessed by using your CollegeNet credentials (created when you applied to the University).

As a new graduate student you should have received your XID number in an email from the Graduate School, once you have accepted Clemson University's offer of admission. This email will provide the necessary instructions for accessing your Clemson Username, setting your password and registering for classes. For questions regarding your XID or Admissions to the University please call Graduate Admissions at 864-656-3195.



Your Username is the combination of letters and/or numbers that is used for authenticating several Clemson systems including webmail, iRoar, Library systems and many others. Your Username is also the beginning to your email address for Clemson.

## Email

All incoming students' email is forwarded to Clemson Google Apps for Education Account, usually referred to as your Clemson Gmail.

Your published email address, which is the address that Clemson University will use to send you email is Username@clemson.edu. This address will automatically forward to your Clemson Gmail account, which is Username@g.clemson.edu. **Any email sent to Username@clemson.edu will be automatically delivered to Username@g.clemson.edu.** You do not have to do anything for this to happen.

To access your Clemson Gmail go to g.clemson.edu. Your initial temporary password for your Clemson Gmail is 'cu##xxx': where 'cu' must be in lowercase and the number 'xxx' is the last four digits of your Social Security Number (SSN). For example, if the last four digits of your SSN are 9999, then your temporary password is cu##9999.

International Graduate students access Google Apps for Education by using the same default password of 'cu##xxx': where 'cu' must be in lowercase and the number 'xxx' is the last four digits of your International Numbering System (INS) number.

The Google Apps for Education password will not be and is not recommended to be the same password you established for course registration and other University authenticating sites.



If you do not want to utilize the Clemson Gmail, you may also access your Clemson email directly through web mail. Follow [mail.clemson.edu/webmail](mailto:mail.clemson.edu/webmail). Use your Username and password to log in.

Finally, you may update your email forwarding preferences at [clemson.edu/ccit/email\\_forwarding](http://clemson.edu/ccit/email_forwarding). Please note, however, all official University communication will be sent to your Username@clemson.edu account.

### iRoar

iRoar is the online student portal for personal academic information including course registration, grades, financial aid, University account and bills, unofficial transcript, degree progress report, optional fee items and address update.

To access iRoar simply follow [iroar.clemson.edu](http://iroar.clemson.edu). You should have received an 'Activation Code' and link from the Graduate School to log in for the first time to iRoar. Once you log in for the first time you will be prompted to create a password for your Username. Subsequent log-ins follow 'Current Students, Faculty and Staff' using your Clemson Username and password.

### Register for Classes

To register for classes use the 'Registration' module within iRoar.

Online video tutorials have been created to help with the specific steps to add and drop classes from your schedule. Visit [clemson.edu/iroar/students/registrationinformation/trainingvideos.html](http://clemson.edu/iroar/students/registrationinformation/trainingvideos.html)

Your adviser should be suggesting courses for which you should register for. To be considered a full-time graduate student you must register for at least nine credit hours. Additionally, to have an assistantship you must be enrolled for nine credit hours.

### Paying Your Tuition and Fees

Student bills are posted mid-July, or once classes have been registered. If you have an assistantship or are participating in an online program you still may have fees to settle. Using iRoar, follow the 'Student Financial Services' module at the top.

Payment deadlines and tuition rates can be found on the Student Financial Services website: [clemson.edu/cfo/student-financials/index.html](http://clemson.edu/cfo/student-financials/index.html).

### Graduate Assistantships

Many graduate students work as graduate assistants (GAs). These positions can be more specifically subcategorized into teaching assistants (TAs) or research assistants (RAs). Graduate assistantships typically allow students a reduction in their tuition or complete coverage of their tuition. More information about graduate tuition and fees can be found on the Graduate School website ([grad.clemson.edu/programs/tuition.php](http://grad.clemson.edu/programs/tuition.php)).





### TigerOne Card

The TigerOne Card is your official ID card. You will need it to verify your identity and to acquire certain services and benefits provided by the University and its partners. For complete information about the uses and benefits of the TigerOne Card, please visit the website of the TigerOne office.

The TigerOne Card becomes your personal debit card or declining-balance card when you open a TigerStripe account. The TigerStripe account allows you to draw upon predeposited funds for the purchase of products and services throughout campus.

More information about the TigerOne Card can be found at [clemson.edu/tigerone](https://clemson.edu/tigerone)

### Parking Permits


Clemson has a variety of parking passes to serve the diverse needs of graduate students. All parking permits must be applied for online. To ensure the proper delivery of your parking pass please ensure you have the correct mailing address in their application system.

To apply for a parking permit visit: [clemson.edu/parking](https://clemson.edu/parking).

Not attending class on campus but need to come to campus? Metered spaces are available at a variety of locations across campus. Parking meters accept dollar bills, coins and credit/debit card.

#### Holiday Parking Permits

Parking and Transportation Services will offer graduate students conducting research or maintaining a work schedule during University holiday breaks a special holiday parking permit. This permit may allow you to park closer to your worksite when more spaces are typically available during the break. Please contact Parking and Transportation Services to find out more about the permit.



## Getting Oriented to the Area

### Clemson History

Clemson has a tremendous heritage based on the leadership and generosity of Thomas Green Clemson who famously willed the land around his homestead to become an institution of learning ([clemson.edu/about/history/tgc-will.html](https://clemson.edu/about/history/tgc-will.html)).

More Information about Clemson's History  
[clemson.edu/about/history](https://clemson.edu/about/history)

### Exploring Clemson and Surrounding Areas

While most of your academic work will likely take place at Clemson University in the city of Clemson, there are several other towns close by that offer a number of opportunities for student housing, shopping, dining and recreation. Below are a series of web links to each city's website. Several of these include calendars that are kept up-to-date.

City of Clemson Website  
[cityofclemson.org](https://cityofclemson.org)

City of Central Website  
[cityofcentral.org](https://cityofcentral.org)

City of Seneca Website  
[seneca.sc.us](https://seneca.sc.us)

Town of Pendleton Website  
[townofpendleton.org](https://townofpendleton.org)

## Food and Beverage

There are a variety of dining establishments in and around Clemson. In addition to the restaurants on campus, there are a number of other restaurants within walking distance or short driving distance. Below is a list of some of the available restaurants.

### On-Campus Dining

[campusdish.com/en-US/CSSE/Clemson](http://campusdish.com/en-US/CSSE/Clemson)

### Off-Campus Dining

[urbanspoon.com/n/158/17903/Greenville/Clemson-restaurants](http://urbanspoon.com/n/158/17903/Greenville/Clemson-restaurants)

### Places Around Clemson that accept TigerStripe

[clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-services/tigerone/usingyourcard/usetigerstripe.html](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-services/tigerone/usingyourcard/usetigerstripe.html)



## Things to Do

### Clemson

Clemson University and the surrounding area offer everything a college student needs. Plenty of outdoor and indoor recreation options are within a 30-minute drive. If you're looking for outdoor entertainment, the campus borders the 900 mile shoreline of Lake Hartwell, where swimming, skiing and sailing are favorite pastimes ([southcarolinaparks.com/lakehartwell/introduction.aspx](http://southcarolinaparks.com/lakehartwell/introduction.aspx)). The mountains are less than an hour away and provide areas to canoe, kayak, whitewater raft, hike, camp, snow ski and fish.

Indoor recreation at the Fike Recreation Center is a lot closer to home, and Clemson's downtown provides many dining and shopping opportunities. Plus, downtown is walking distance from campus and features food and shops where students, parents, visitors and fans can buy their Clemson gear.

### Student Festivals

Clemson downtown is transformed at the beginning of the fall semester and football season. The Welcome Back Festival, which takes place the Monday before classes begin, expands along the whole length of College Avenue. Local businesses set up booths and give out wares to students — just another display of how the University and city are interconnected.

The First Friday Parade also takes place in the heart of Clemson's downtown. The parade celebrates the beginning of the football season with the students, faculty and staff getting involved.

### Worship and Ministries

There are many religious or faith-based clubs and organizations both on and off campus. Clemson has numerous campus ministries registered through the University. The organizations offer a spiritual home away from home while serving as a student organization to make new friends and participate in a number of activities. For contact information on specific groups, students can search the list of student organizations and campus ministries here: [stuaff.clemson.edu/organizations](http://stuaff.clemson.edu/organizations).





### City of Clemson Events

[cityofclemson.org/calendar/city/event](http://cityofclemson.org/calendar/city/event)

#### Farmers Market

During the fall semester, the city of Clemson occasionally sponsors a farmers market. More information can be found on their flyer ([cityofclemson.org/our-community/clemson-farmers-market](http://cityofclemson.org/our-community/clemson-farmers-market)).

#### Location:

Patrick Square Town Center 578 Issaqueena Trail, Clemson

### City of Clemson Organizations

[cityofclemson.org/our-community/community-service-guide](http://cityofclemson.org/our-community/community-service-guide)

### Historic Sites

There are a number of interesting historical sites in and around Clemson. The city of Clemson keeps an updated list ([cityofclemson.org/our-community/historical-sites](http://cityofclemson.org/our-community/historical-sites)) on their website.

### Anderson

Conveniently located only 20 minutes away, Anderson ([visitanderson.com](http://visitanderson.com)) has every store you'll need for your graduate experience — from televisions to bed sheets to paper towels — and all are located on Clemson Boulevard. When you are hungry, there are numerous local and chain restaurants in Anderson.

#### Shopping

[visitanderson.com/shopping](http://visitanderson.com/shopping)



### Greenville

Greenville ([greenville.sc.gov](http://greenville.sc.gov)) is about 45 minutes east of Clemson and accessible by either I-85 or U.S. 123. The city has been recognized as one of the fastest up-and-coming cities in the nation and offers infinite possibilities for food, shopping and other activities. Lined with gorgeous crepe myrtles and oak trees, downtown has an old-town charm with a modern flare. From fine dining to wine tasting to minor league baseball, Greenville has so much to offer:

- Cuisines ranging from Thai, Indian, Mediterranean, Japanese, Italian and especially Southern combine to make Greenville a melting pot of culinary adventures.
- Falls Park, ([fallspark.com](http://fallspark.com)) located in the heart of downtown, offers a beautiful, lush setting for an evening walk or a morning jog.
- Not far from the park, Greenville's minor league baseball stadium, Fluor Field, resides in the West End. Little brother to the Boston Red Sox — with the stadium modeled after Fenway Park — the Greenville Drive ([greenvilledrive.com](http://greenvilledrive.com)) is a fun and inexpensive sport activity in the city.
- The BI-LO Center in downtown Greenville is also a popular arena that hosts Greenville's minor league ice hockey team, the Road Warriors. Many concerts and events are also held at the BI-LO Center each year.

### Banking

There are a number of banks in the area, including TD Bank, Wells Fargo, First Citizens, SunTrust, Bank of America and The Palmetto Bank. There are several ATMs on campus that represent a variety of banks.

Search Clemson Area Banks

[usbanklocations.com](http://usbanklocations.com)





## Student Life

Clemson has a tremendous amount of programs designed to enhance your experience. From academics and recreation, to professional development, whatever your interest, there is something for you.

### Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs is a vital part of Clemson University. From health and safety initiatives to social organizations and career services, Student Affairs provides students the opportunity to be involved and develop skills that will help them succeed in both their current and future endeavors. The presence of Student Affairs can be seen in many ways on campus. Through residence halls, recreation centers, study lounges, law enforcement, parking services and much more, Student Affairs strives to provide a network to the student body for assistance in virtually all aspects of student life outside of the classroom. When students graduate from Clemson, it is important for them to know who they are, how they can respectfully relate to others, ways in which they can positively impact the world, and how to live with purpose and integrity. There are many ways in which Student Affairs helps students achieve these by getting connected.

The Division of Student Affairs ([clemson.edu/student-affairs](http://clemson.edu/student-affairs)) strives to support the University's quest to be a top-20 institution by providing an exemplary, comprehensive and integrated student life curriculum. We believe that each one of us has the potential to positively impact the world.

### Gantt Center for Student Life

The Harvey and Lucinda Gantt Center for Student Life offers a myriad of opportunities to help students make the most of their Clemson Experience. From community service, cultural awareness programming, diversity education, fraternities and sororities, leadership learning, multicultural and international programs, student media and student organizations, there is something for everyone!

Learn more about the Gantt Center programs by visiting [clemson.edu/student-life](http://clemson.edu/student-life).



### International Students

International students bring a wealth of knowledge to Clemson about the world at large. Conversely, being from another country can also pose a few challenges at times; but rest assured, Clemson is dedicated to helping international students with whatever issues may arise. The Office of International Affairs sends out a planning guide and information about immigration to international students. However, if you have any questions at all, please know Clemson will do our very best to help.

There are several things for international students to consider before coming to campus:

- Research housing options before you arrive.
- Familiarize yourself with transportation opportunities (CAT Bus, Enterprise Car Sharing, RidePost, Tiger Transit).
- Many utilities (power, electric, cell phone) require a deposit fee.
- You might consider looking into a pay-as-you-go cell phone so you can avoid the deposit fee.
- Contact culture-specific graduate student organizations: [clemson.edu/campus-life/international-programs](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/international-programs).

### Clemson Traditions

As with any institution over time, the spirit of a place — its buildings, its people and its community — moves traditions to unfold. A simple action evolves into a rite of passage or an annual event, a word into a legendary saying or a rallying call for fans. A place becomes a gathering spot long after their student days have passed.

Clemson has many such traditions. We invite you to participate in and enjoy Clemson traditions and in so doing, to unite with the Clemson Family.

Clemson Traditions  
[clemson.edu/about/traditions.html](http://clemson.edu/about/traditions.html)



## Clemson Lingo

- '55 Exchange: ice cream parlor located in Hendrix Student Center that sells Clemson's homemade ice cream
- Carillon Gardens: the garden that overlooks the Amphitheater, Reflection Pond and Cooper Library and houses the original bell from Tillman Hall tower
- Fort Hill: the original house of John C. Calhoun, father-in-law of Thomas Green Clemson
- McKissick Theatre: movie theater located on the first floor of Hendrix Student Center
- President's Walk: brick path from Sikes Hall to the President's house
- ASC: Clemson's Academic Success Center given by the class of '56
- Blackboard: Clemson's online course-management system
- IPTAY: "I Pay Ten a Year" athletic booster club
- Lever Beach/Baby Bowman: grassy area behind Hendrix Student Center
- Loggia: the lobby of the University Union
- Old Green Tom: statue of Thomas Green Clemson in front of Tillman Hall
- P&A: Poole Agriculture Building
- iROAR: online student information system
- Solid Green: Clemson's anti-litter and environmental stability campaign
- The Bridge: the bridge between the library and the reflection pond
- The Hill: student section at the football stadium that the team runs down before the game begins
- The Pit: any residential parking lot
- TigerStripe: the declining balance account on your TigerOne Card

## Graduate-Friendly Housing

There is a wide variety of housing available to Clemson students. Graduate students can find housing to fit just about any budget and square footage needs. Large homes and residential areas are as plentiful as apartments and residence halls. Some of the property management groups available to students include Burton Properties, Barefoot Properties and Tiger Rental.

The website below will take you to a tool that can help you find a place to live based on the number of bedrooms and the price you want to pay.

[clemsonoffcampus.com](http://clemsonoffcampus.com)

### On-Campus Housing

For those students who enjoy being in the middle of all the action, have you considered living on campus? Graduate students can live on campus at Clemson and are housed (in a limited number of beds) in Thornhill Village (two bedrooms and two people per apartment). Clemson no longer offers housing for married students and families. Space is often limited, so graduate students interested in on-campus housing should contact the University Housing Assignments Coordinator, Darlene Mahaffey, immediately upon acceptance to the University. Specific information can be found at the Central Housing Office, located in 202 Mell Hall, or by calling 864-656-2295.





# Child Care

At this time Clemson University does not offer child care, but there are several child care facilities in the area.

**Kid's Stuff Academy** (Two Locations)  
[kidsstuffacademy.com](http://kidsstuffacademy.com)

Clemson: 700 College Avenue  
864-653-5437  
[ksofclemson@gmail.com](mailto:ksofclemson@gmail.com)

Anderson: 117 Midtown Square  
864-225-7883  
[ksofanderson@gmail.com](mailto:ksofanderson@gmail.com)

**First Baptist of Clemson Child Enrichment Center**  
[firstbaptistclemson.com/#/child-enrichment-center](http://firstbaptistclemson.com/#/child-enrichment-center)  
864-653-6671  
[fbccecc@gmail.com](mailto:fbccecc@gmail.com)

**Clemson Montessori School**  
[clemsonmontessori.com](http://clemsonmontessori.com)  
207 Pendleton Road  
864-654-4483

**Episcopal Day School**  
[holyltrinityclemson.org/eds\\_](http://holyltrinityclemson.org/eds_)  
193 Old Greenville Hwy  
864-654-0298

**Pendleton Educational Enrichment Program (PEEP)**  
[squidoo.com/pendleton-peeps](http://squidoo.com/pendleton-peeps)  
864-646-3809  
[peepspreschool@bellsouth.net](mailto:peepspreschool@bellsouth.net)

**Eternal Shepard Lutheran Church Little Lambs Pre-School**  
[eternalshepherd.org/lambs.cfm](http://eternalshepherd.org/lambs.cfm)  
864-882-3202  
[preschool@eternalshepherd.org](mailto:preschool@eternalshepherd.org)

# Transportation

**CAT Bus**  
[catbus.com](http://catbus.com)

Clemson Area Transit is a public service provided fare-free by Clemson University, the City of Clemson, the Town of Central, the Town of Pendleton, the City of Seneca, Anderson County, the South Carolina Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration.

There is no bus service on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day and the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

For further information, call: 864-654-2287 or 888-440-2287. All CAT Bus schedules are available at [catbus.com](http://catbus.com).

Clemson Campus Bus Schedule  
[catbus.com/home/tiger.html](http://catbus.com/home/tiger.html)

## Tiger Transit – After-Hours Transportation

Tiger Transit ([clemson.edu/tiger-transit](http://clemson.edu/tiger-transit)) is a free evening shuttle service operated under the direction of the Division of Student Affairs by the Auxiliary Student Patrol, a student organization affiliated with the Clemson University Police Department (CUPD). Tiger Transit serves all Clemson University students, faculty, staff and visitors. For your safety and convenience, Tiger Transit drivers are pleased to provide door-to-door service to and from any location on Clemson's campus. Students should call 864-656-3333, use the m.Clemson app or visit [clemson.edu/tiger-transit](http://clemson.edu/tiger-transit) to request a ride.



### Shuttle Services

Clemson has several partnerships with various shuttle and municipal bus services that allow students to ride for free or reduced rates. If your program requires that you travel to Anderson to work at the Industrial Park, in Greenville at the Clemson University Industrial Campus for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR) campus or another location, shuttles may be available. Contact your program for more information about these opportunities.

CU-ICAR: GreenLink Shuttle  
[greenvillesc.gov/ridegreenlink](http://greenvillesc.gov/ridegreenlink)

### Airport Shuttles

Parking and Transportation Services will be offering a free Tiger Transit airport shuttle during University holidays and breaks. The shuttles will be serving the Greenville (GSP) and Charlotte (CLT) airports. The services are a first-come, first-served offering. Information will be emailed to students as the break or holiday approaches.

### Enterprise Car Sharing

Parking and Transportation Services, in conjunction with Enterprise Rent-A-Car, offers Enterprise Car Sharing. This is a car-sharing program for people who are looking for an alternative method of transportation that lowers the cost and reduces hassles of traditional transportation. The hybrid and low-emission vehicles are great for running local errands and even road trips. To use Enterprise Car Sharing, students must first create an account, then being to search and make a reservation to use a car. Once a reservation is made, students have access to pick up cars located throughout campus. Annual memberships for Enterprise Car Sharing are \$25 and rates vary from \$7.50—\$8.50/hour, \$57/day or an overnight rate of \$35. Enterprise Car Sharing applications and information are available through the Parking and Transportation Services office and website.

### RidePost

The RidePost is a Web-based interface using a private network that empowers students to create a safe and social way to find rides with other verified Clemson members with similar commuting patterns. Users can find friends to share commutes to campus with or even one-time rides. RidePost helps you fill empty seats in your car while saving you money!

## Student Services

### Academic Success Center

The Academic Success Center ([clemson.edu/asc](http://clemson.edu/asc)) (ASC) offers a number of programs that provide academic assistance to students. The ASC's primary goal is to enhance student learning.

In addition to workshops ([clemson.edu/asc/workshops](http://clemson.edu/asc/workshops)), the Class of '56 ASC Building also houses the writing center ([clemson.edu/caah/english/about/resources/writing\\_center](http://clemson.edu/caah/english/about/resources/writing_center)) and additional tutoring services ([clemson.edu/asc/tutoring](http://clemson.edu/asc/tutoring)).

### Academic Calendar

The Clemson Academic Calendar ([registrar.clemson.edu/html/acad\\_cal.htm](http://registrar.clemson.edu/html/acad_cal.htm)) includes academic year start and end dates, holidays and other relevant dates, such as course drop dates.

### Book Store

Clemson's Barnes & Noble Bookstore ([clemson.edu/bookstore](http://clemson.edu/bookstore)) is located in the Hendrix Student Center and is the on-campus location for your course textbooks.

### Career Services

The Center for Career and Professional Development ([clemson.edu/career](http://clemson.edu/career)) seeks to empower students to make effective career choices based on realistic self appraisals and comprehension of the world of work, resulting in self-sufficient graduates who market their education, skills and experiences to achieve lifelong professional success.

The Career Center's programs and services serve everyone from the first-year student exploring career interests to graduating students seeking their first career-related opportunity. The services of the Career Center are available to all full-time and part-time undergraduates and graduate students at Clemson University. The Center for Career and Professional Development also serves alumni up to one year after graduation.





### The Office of Teaching Effectiveness and Innovation (OTEI)

OTEI is, first and foremost, a safe haven for all members of the Clemson University teaching community to come to discuss any issue related to teaching, career development, faculty review preparation and teaching-related scholarships.

As part of a research-extensive University, the OTEI also offers services to facilitate the funding activities, research, scholarly writing, publishing and the overall career success of the faculty and graduate students.

Learn about the latest workshops, panel discussions and online presentations.

OTEI Workshops

[clemson.edu/OTEI/services/workshops.html](http://clemson.edu/OTEI/services/workshops.html)

Register for Events

[clemson.edu/OTEI/eventreg](http://clemson.edu/OTEI/eventreg)

### Computing and Information Technology (CCIT)

CCIT handles most of the technology services at Clemson. They work with fixing computers, helping you get connected to the Internet, helping you access software, recommend a quality computer and many other services.

List of CCIT services

[clemson.edu/ccit/atoz](http://clemson.edu/ccit/atoz)

### Wireless Internet

Clemson is a member of the Eduroam network, which provides secure and fast wireless access while on campus. Clemson students, faculty and staff now have access to free Wi-Fi while visiting participating universities and research institutions around the world. Visit [wireless.clemson.edu](http://wireless.clemson.edu) to set up your device.



### Clemson App

Clemson University has a free downloadable app for smartphones ([clemson.edu/mobile](http://clemson.edu/mobile)) that has a number of features including an interactive campus map, calendar and transit schedule. Use the “places” feature to find dining and other locations on campus as well as find their phone numbers and hours of operation. The “phonebook” feature will allow you to quickly access contact information for students, faculty and services at Clemson.

### Clemson Graduate Programs

Clemson offers a wide variety of graduate programs. For a fall list of graduate programs and contact information visit: [grad.clemson.edu/programs/contacts.php?list=aa](http://grad.clemson.edu/programs/contacts.php?list=aa).

### Advisers

In graduate school, the faculty member you work with, or who serves as your primary mentor, is often called your adviser. The process of acquiring an adviser is different throughout various programs. For some programs, picking your adviser will be a prominent step in achieving an assistantship or beginning studies. In other programs your adviser will be assigned to you after you begin studies, or you will pick your own adviser. You should make sure you understand your department’s policies regarding your adviser.

### Student Disability Services (SDS) and Policies

Clemson University is committed to providing educational opportunities for all students and assisting them in making their college experience successful and positive. In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 ([access-board.gov/the-board/laws](http://access-board.gov/the-board/laws)) and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ([ada.gov](http://ada.gov)), Clemson recognizes a student with a disability as anyone who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity. SDS coordinates the provision of reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities. All reasonable accommodations are individualized, flexible and confidential based on the nature of the disability and the academic environment.

Student Disability Services Website

[clemson.edu/sds](http://clemson.edu/sds)

### Tutoring

All students at Clemson University can take advantage of tutoring by the Academic Success Center (ASC). Brochures are available in Student Disability Services. The tutoring schedule is available online at the ASC website ([clemson.edu/asc](http://clemson.edu/asc)).

### Student Code of Conduct

Clemson University believes students are the product of their own experiences and they should assume certain responsibilities for their own conduct and that of their fellow students. These regulations are not designed to define prohibited conduct in exhaustive terms and should be interpreted broadly. Also, since Clemson University cannot foresee each and every circumstance that may arise, all may not be included herein. As such, a student may be subject to disciplinary action when such behavior is deemed detrimental or disruptive to the mission, purposes and/or goals of the University.

For the purpose of this policy, a “student” is defined as any person who is admitted, enrolled or registered for study at Clemson University for any academic period.

Student Code of Conduct

[clemson.edu/administration/student-affairs/student-handbook/code-of-conduct/student-conduct.html](http://clemson.edu/administration/student-affairs/student-handbook/code-of-conduct/student-conduct.html)

Student Handbook

[clemson.edu/student-affairs/student-handbook](http://clemson.edu/student-affairs/student-handbook)



### Graduate Student Government

Since the creation of Clemson University Graduate Student Government ([clemson.edu/cgsg/about.html](http://clemson.edu/cgsg/about.html)), graduate student representatives have been voicing concerns to University administration. Each week, members of the executive and legislative branches attend meetings to ensure that graduate students are represented at the table.

Graduate Student Government Senate meetings are open to all interested students. You can contact a representative from the Graduate Student Government to find out about meeting times.

Clemson University Graduate Student Government  
702 University Union  
Clemson, SC 29634

Phone: 864-656-2697

[gsg@clemson.edu](mailto:gsg@clemson.edu)

Graduate Student Government Officers  
[clemson.edu/cgsg/executive](http://clemson.edu/cgsg/executive)

### Professional Enrichment Grants

Attending conferences, workshops and field experiences are critical to enriching your educational experiences and scholastic development. Professional Enrichment Grants (PEGs) support travel and student involvement in these activities. To learn more and apply, visit: [grad.clemson.edu/pegas](http://grad.clemson.edu/pegas).

Tips for PEGs

- make sure you read the instruction manual carefully: [grad.clemson.edu/pegas/applicants/download\\_manual.php](http://grad.clemson.edu/pegas/applicants/download_manual.php),
- proofread your application for grammar and spelling,
- don't repeat information in different sections of the application.

## Cooper Library

[clermson.edu/library](http://clermson.edu/library)

In addition to checking out books, the Cooper Library has many online and interactive services. If you need a camcorder or digital camera, the library provides a borrowing service. There are several study areas in the library, from group study areas to a silent study floor. CCIT and campus plotter services are also housed in the library as well as a small convenience store and the Java City coffee shop. Also on campus, Campus Banner + Design provides students with creative communications solutions including large-format printing, production and design options, among other things. Visit them online at [clermsondesign.com](http://clermsondesign.com).

Where can I find things at the library?

[clermson.edu/library/wherecanifind.html](http://clermson.edu/library/wherecanifind.html)

## Redfern Health Center

Redfern Health Center (RHC) ([clermson.edu/redfern](http://clermson.edu/redfern)) has more than 60 health care professionals who provide medical, psychological and wellness services to a diverse student population. RHC's goal is to help students stay healthy so they can focus on and succeed in their academic endeavors. They emphasize maintaining good health through education and prevention, in addition to offering treatment of illness, injury or psychological concerns. RHC's services are available to all students.

Make an appointment at Redfern

[clermson.edu/redfern/appointments.html](http://clermson.edu/redfern/appointments.html)



## Student Insurance

A Student Health Insurance Plan is available at competitive premiums. Visit the website at [studentinsurance.com](http://studentinsurance.com) for information on plan benefits and enrollment procedures. To contact the Student Insurance office, call 864-656-3561.

For information about insurance and billing, graduate student insurance requirements and other FAQs, visit the Refern website: [clermson.edu/redfern/insurance](http://clermson.edu/redfern/insurance).

## Questions

There are a number of offices that can help you work through various questions, concerns or issues that may arise.

Graduate Admissions — 864-656-3195

TigerOne Card — 864-656-0763

International Services — 864-656-3614

IT Help Desk — 864-656-3494

Ombudsman — 864-656-1750

Registrar — 864-656-2171

Student Disability Services — 864-656-6848

## Clemson Graduate Student Organizations

Getting involved on campus is a great way to make friends and to feel a part of the Clemson Family. Graduate students are eligible to join both graduate and undergraduate student organizations. There are more than 400 student organizations on campus from which to choose, including sports, faith-based clubs for several religions and many ethnic and cultural social opportunities. Everyone at Clemson can find something to join.

List of Clubs

[stuaff.clemson.edu/organizations](http://stuaff.clemson.edu/organizations)





## Ombudsman

If you have work-related issues while at Clemson, you can schedule a meeting with the Ombudsman. The Ombuds office strives to foster equitable treatment of all faculty, graduate students, postdocs, undergraduate students and staff within the University system. Ombuds provide an independent, neutral point of view in an informal and confidential environment. They are not part of any administrative structure at Clemson and refrain from making policy or administrative decisions or conducting formal investigations.

Office of the Ombudsman  
[clemson.edu/ombudsman](http://clemson.edu/ombudsman)

101 Clemson House  
248 N. Palmetto Blvd.  
Clemson University  
Clemson, SC 29631-5107


Phone: 864-656-1750  
Fax: 864-656-4373

## CU-ICAR

The 250-acre Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR) campus in Greenville, S.C., is midway between Charlotte, N.C., and Atlanta, Ga., on the Interstate 85 corridor. The development represents a strategically focused automotive and motorsports research campus. CU-ICAR is composed of five technology neighborhoods, each designed uniquely for optimizing an innovative and collaborative environment.

Contact the CU-ICAR graduate coordinator, Jennie Davis, at [jennied@clemson.edu](mailto:jennied@clemson.edu) with any questions.

CU-ICAR has an agreement with Waterside Greene ([watersidegreene.com](http://watersidegreene.com)), where many CU-ICAR students live. CU-ICAR also provides a shuttle service for all students to help with transportation if they need a car while in a local city. Students who are interested in these shuttle services should familiarize themselves with the relevant information.



GreenLink Shuttle  
[greenvillesc.gov/ridegreenlink](http://greenvillesc.gov/ridegreenlink)

CU-ICAR Graduate Student Manual  
[clemson.edu/ces/automotive-engineering/documents/gradmanual.pdf](http://clemson.edu/ces/automotive-engineering/documents/gradmanual.pdf)

## Clemson at the Falls

Advanced education and business development is tantamount to economic progress, and the Clemson at the Falls campus brings those opportunities together to the Upstate in a way that's never been done before. Located in downtown Greenville, Clemson at the Falls consists of four main entities located in the building: Clemson's MBA program, the Spiro Institute for Entrepreneurial Leadership, the Small Business Development Center and the Clemson University Center for Professional Development. Though in many ways their missions overlap, each entity addresses slightly different facets of business and/or business education. Bringing these entities together under one roof enables them to combine resources and impact the business community in meaningful ways.

Clemson at the Falls invites you to join them and see what they're all about. Please attend one of their First Friday Lecture Series events; take advantage of their diverse selection of continuing education courses and summits ([think.clemson.edu](http://think.clemson.edu)) or learn more about Clemson's MBA program ([clemsonatthefalls.com/mba](http://clemsonatthefalls.com/mba)), featuring the innovative new MBA in Entrepreneurship and Innovation ([clemson.edu/cbbs/departments/mba/entrepreneurship](http://clemson.edu/cbbs/departments/mba/entrepreneurship)).



# Recreation

There are a number of recreational activities available to students and their family members offered by Clemson and other organizations in the area.

## Clemson University Recreation Opportunities

The Department of Campus Recreation strives to provide quality recreation experiences to the students, faculty and staff of Clemson University through its programs and facilities. These experiences afford the diverse campus community opportunities to interact while participating in a wide variety of instructional and competitive activities that promote the development of the mind and body.

Clemson Recreation Website  
[clemson.edu/campusrec](http://clemson.edu/campusrec)

Membership  
[clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/memberships.html](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/memberships.html)

## Fike Recreation Center

Fike Recreation Center ([clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike)) houses state-of-the-art facilities, including an indoor walk/jog/run track, the Swann Fitness Center, a natatorium featuring a 25-yard pool, a climbing wall and many other opportunities for students, employees and the Clemson community. Family memberships can include dependents who are under the age of 18 and residing in the home. Students who are taking fewer hours and those not enrolled during each session may purchase a membership at the TigerOne Card Services Office in 111 Hendrix Student Center.

Fike Hours  
[clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike/hours.html](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike/hours.html)

Fike Facilities  
[clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-recreation/fike)

## Outdoor Recreation

The Clemson University Outdoor Recreation and Education (CORE) Program ([clemson.edu/core](http://clemson.edu/core)) provides the opportunity to participate in a variety of outdoor adventure activities. Trips and instructional programs are scheduled throughout the year and include backpacking, hiking, river running, canoeing, sea kayaking and rock climbing. In addition to these programs, CORE also provides an equipment rental service, a bike program and staff who can serve as resource personnel to help groups plan their own adventure trips.

## Underground Recreation Center

The Union Recreation Center is your on-campus recreation facility, located on the ground floor of the Edgar A. Brown University Union across from Harcombe Dining hall. The Underground offers many different gaming options:

- 10 Brunswick Bowling Lanes
- 12 Brunswick Gold Crown II Billiard tables
- Six table tennis tables
- Three foosball tables
- Two air hockey tables
- Two dart boards
- An arcade featuring
  - Dance Dance Revolution Supernova
  - Need For Speed Underground
  - Golden Tee Live
  - Silver Strike Bowling
  - Big Buck Hunter Pro
  - Global Arcade Classics
  - Merit Megatouch Evo.
  - Lounge with wireless Internet access



## Athletics

Clemson University is a member of the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) and competes in 10 intercollegiate sports for men and nine for women. These contests provide exciting opportunities for students to support Clemson through cheering on the athletes.

Athletic tickets are available at various rates to different individuals based on their student and employment status. Guidelines for purchasing football, baseball, basketball and general information about purchasing tickets can be found at the Clemson Athletics website, [clemson.tigers.com](http://clemson.tigers.com).

## IPTAY

Formed in 1934, IPTAY ([clemson.tigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB\\_OEM\\_ID=28500&ATCLID=205504877](http://clemson.tigers.com/ViewArticle.dbml?&DB_OEM_ID=28500&ATCLID=205504877)) is Clemson's athletic fundraising group that supports student athletes and was one of the first college fundraising groups in the country. Originally standing for "I pay ten a year," IPTAY's goal is to support student athletes. Graduate students are eligible to be members of IPTAY.



# Appendices

## Phone Numbers

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, DIAL 911  
Police 864-656-2222  
Fire and EMS 864-656-2242  
Redfern Health Center 864-656-2233

Clemson Phonebook  
[clemson.edu/phonebook](http://clemson.edu/phonebook)

Redfern Phone Numbers  
[clemson.edu/redfern/book](http://clemson.edu/redfern/book)

Clemson Off-Campus Resource Phone Numbers  
[clemson.edu/administration/student-affairs/dean/offcampusservices/offcampusresources.html](http://clemson.edu/administration/student-affairs/dean/offcampusservices/offcampusresources.html)

Library Phone Numbers  
[clemson.edu/library/phonenumbers.html](http://clemson.edu/library/phonenumbers.html)

Advisement Phone Numbers  
[clemson.edu/academics/advising/phones.html](http://clemson.edu/academics/advising/phones.html)

Clemson Admissions  
[clemson.edu/accepted-students/contact.html](http://clemson.edu/accepted-students/contact.html)

## Maps

On Campus  
[clemson.edu/campus-map](http://clemson.edu/campus-map)

On-Campus Parking Map  
[clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-services/parking/multimedia/pdf/ParkingMap.pdf](http://clemson.edu/campus-life/campus-services/parking/multimedia/pdf/ParkingMap.pdf)

Greenville  
[greenvillesc.gov/GIS/maps/pdfs/DowntownMap.pdf](http://greenvillesc.gov/GIS/maps/pdfs/DowntownMap.pdf)

