

# Planning for Your Arrival

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**Directions:** Please read through this information which is provided to help you plan for your arrival in Dayton, Ohio to attend Wright State University.

If you are interested in finding an off-campus apartment with another new international student beginning studies at Wright State University, please send an e-mail to [uciearrivalassistance@wright.edu](mailto:uciearrivalassistance@wright.edu) to indicate that you wish to have your e-mail and/or phone number published on our web page. This will enable other new students to contact you about sharing a room. Also, if there are any current students who are looking for a roommate, they will see your name and contact you also. We ask you to e-mail us your information listed in the following format:

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**WSU ID #:** \_\_\_\_\_ (See admission letter)  
**PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Include country and city codes)  
**E-MAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

In the event that you arrive in Dayton and there is no one to meet you at the airport, it is cheaper than a taxi-cab to use the Airport Limousine Service (About \$40, phone: (937) 898-7171) to get transportation to Wright State University. The limousine service can be found just outside the airport baggage area. The University is approximately 25 miles from the Dayton airport. If you arrive in the late evening when the limousine is not available, you can call the Yellow Cab Company (phone 228-1158) and catch a cab to the University for \$45.

If you arrive for Fall Quarter, you may be able to stay your first couple of nights in Wright State campus "Guest Housing". The Guest Housing room rate on campus is \$25 per night. To stay in Guest Housing, you must notify the University in advance of your arrival either directly to Residence Services at phone 937-775-4172 or to the UCIE office. We encourage you to visit their web-page:

<http://www.wright.edu/ucie/students/housing.html>

If you arrive at any other time of the year please review the information on the Housing and Transportation sheet to plan your accommodations. If you have no place to stay the first few days here you may want to make arrangements to stay in one of the local motels listed below.

### Local Hotel/Motel Accommodations Listed in Order of Proximity to Wright State University

Hotel/Motel	Address	Phone	Daily Rate
Holiday Inn	2800 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 426-7800	\$95 - 130
Homewood Suites	2750 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 429-0600	\$119 - 149
Fairfield Inn	2500 Paramount Place, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 427-0800	\$80
Hampton Inn	2550 Paramount Place, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 429-5505	\$79 - 82
Red Roof Inn	2580 Col. Glenn Hwy., Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 426-6116	\$53-56
Studio Plus	3131 Presidential Drive, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 429-0140	\$75-99
Comfort Inn	616 N. Broad Street, Fairborn, OH 45324	(937) 879-7666	\$59 - 79
Airport Inn – Dayton	Dayton International Airport, Dayton, OH	(937) 898-1000	\$79

- The daily rates reflect a price and/or price range that do not include 12% state tax and may be subject to change.
- With the exception of the Airport Inn, the hotels/motels listed above are relatively close to the campus.
- When you call to make a reservation, tell the manager you are a new Wright State University student and several of the motels may offer a lower student rate.

For many helpful tips about getting settled in Dayton, including finding housing and roommates, we suggest that you thoroughly review the relevant information on the UCIE office web-page: <http://www.wright.edu/ucie>

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### **Financial Matters:**                    **How much money should I bring for the first academic quarter of study?**

The answer to this question could vary according to whether or not your home country has any restrictions on foreign currency exchange. However, here are some tips you may use as a guideline:

- The dollar amount printed on line 7 (where it says total), divide that amount by 3, and that is the **minimum** recommended funds that you should bring your first quarter.

We recommend you bring to the United States the dollar figure that is the result of your calculations.

Further, we recommend that you bring a **minimum of \$300 cash** to take care of miscellaneous expenses in transit.

You may wish to bring the university tuition and fees in the form of a bank draft payable to Wright State University. Finally, for the remaining funds (living expenses) it may be prudent to bring them in a combination of approximately \$1000 in the form of traveler's checks and the remainder in the form of a bank draft in your name to deposit when you open a bank account here.

### **Climate and Clothing:**

The area around Dayton is in a temperate climate zone. Average temperatures range from 21 to 32 degrees Celsius in the summer (June-August) and -10 to 5 degrees Celsius in the winter (December-March). Snow accumulation is rarely more than eight centimeters at any given time. Most students wear casual clothing, primarily jeans, shirts, sweaters, and sport coats. However, students are advised to bring appropriate clothing for special social functions that may arise. International students are urged to bring articles that reflect their country's culture and dress because many students in the United States are interested in learning about people from other countries.

### **Services for International Students:**

International Student & Scholar Services are offered by the University Center for International Education office (UCIE). UCIE provides individual advising and assistance to international students to help them adjust to campus life and the Dayton community, and to ensure that their educational experience is rewarding. The staff also provides guidance to students on immigration matters, locating housing, academic and financial issues. **All international students must report to the UCIE office upon their arrival in Dayton.** *The Office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time (EST) and closed on weekends and holidays.*