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Dear New Engineering Student,

On behalf of the faculty and staff in The Samueli School of Engineering, I would like to congratulate you on your acceptance to UC Irvine and to The Samueli School of Engineering. You should be extremely proud of your accomplishments. You've already received a message from our Student Life and Leadership office containing important information. There are some things you need to do this summer in order to ensure a smooth transition to college life:

### 1. Complete the Anteater Zot Start tutorial

You must complete this pre-orientation tutorial **BEFORE** you can make a reservation for one of the orientation programs. [Anteater Zot Start](#) provides information about placement testing, general education requirements, majors, class schedule, class registration, and other special programs for freshmen. Anteater Zot Start is available now.

### 2. Make a reservation for an Orientation Program

- Summer orientation is mandatory for all new freshmen (CAMP participants will receive orientation through that program). An email indicating the exact day and time you are to make a reservation for orientation was sent to your UCI email account on Tuesday, May 17, 2016. Click on the program links below for more details about the freshman orientation programs.
- [Student Parent Orientation Program \(SPOP\)](#) will be offered on-campus several times in July and August. SPOP is a comprehensive orientation program designed for all new domestic freshmen and new international freshmen who attended high school in the U.S. SPOP attendees will receive academic advising and sign up for fall quarter classes at orientation.
- **International Student Orientation (ISO)** will be held on-campus from September 12-14. ISO has been specifically designed for new international freshmen who did not attend high school in the U.S. If you are an international student who did attend a U.S. high school, you are highly encouraged to attend SPOP instead of ISO. Since ISO is held in September, international students who attend it will receive academic advising and enroll in classes earlier in the summer via a special webinar presented by their academic advising office. If you make a reservation for ISO, information about the internet advising will be sent to your UCI email account on July 22, 2016.

For more information about orientation and how to make a reservation, click [here](#) for the Freshman Orientation Welcome [website](#).

(International Undergraduate Preparation Program (IUPP) participants – please contact your program advisor for information about your orientation requirements.)

### 3. Read the [New Student Checklist](#)

It covers important information about deadlines for submitting transcripts, exam scores, fee payment information, activating your UCI email account, signing up for placement testing, financial aid, housing, parking and more.

**4. Visit the Message Center at [MyAdmissionsApplication@UCI](mailto:MyAdmissionsApplication@UCI)**

Our Admissions Office will send you a message about any missing documents/transcripts or if they've placed a hold on your record. The **deadline** for official transcripts to be submitted to UC Irvine is July 1, 2016. The deadline for official test scores to be submitted is July 15, 2016.

**5. Register for Placement Tests at [www.testingcenter.uci.edu](http://www.testingcenter.uci.edu)**

Note: Unless course placement has been otherwise satisfied (see Testing Center website), Engineering students are required to take the following placement tests: Math Assessment for Physics Placement (MAPP), Calculus and Analytical Writing. Please check testing dates on the Testing Center website.

Access the following information to determine which placement tests you are required to take:  
<http://www.testingcenter.uci.edu/Freshmen%20Guide%20Academic%20Year.html>

**Information regarding Chemistry placement will be sent in a separate email.**

If you have any questions, please contact us, your academic counseling office, by email at [ugengr@uci.edu](mailto:ugengr@uci.edu). You may also find more information at our website: [www.engineering.uci.edu](http://www.engineering.uci.edu)

Sincerely,

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