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ERSKINE COLLEGE

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2013 NEW STUDENT GUIDE
CELEBRATING 175 YEARS
Dear Students and Parents,

It is with much excitement that we welcome you to Erskine College. For 175 years now, Erskine has enriched and transformed students’ lives through pursuing knowledge in a closely connected Christian community that provides a distinct college experience.

Students, as you begin this experience we challenge you to commit yourselves fully – study hard, play hard, build and nurture relationships with faculty, staff, community members, and your classmates, be willing to move beyond your comfort zone, explore your passions, and become active participants in campus life. Remember that you have to give what you hope to get; allow yourselves to become immersed in all that Erskine has to offer, and as a result, you will reap much reward.

Parents, we invite you to partner with us on this amazing journey. Challenge your students to grow and move toward independence. Encourage them to take advantage of the numerous campus opportunities and resources and, most importantly, help them to fully realize the true value of a Christian liberal arts education.

We look forward to sharing the next four years with each of you!

On behalf of the Student Services staff,
Robyn R. Agnew, Ed.D.
Vice President for Student Services

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**Academic Calendar**

**2013 Fall Term**
- Freshmen Arrive: Wednesday, August 28
- Late registration (7:30 a.m.) and classes begin: Monday, September 2
- Drop/add day (class changes): Friday, September 6
- Formal opening of College and Seminary: Thursday, September 12
- Fall break begins after classes: Friday, October 18
- Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.: Wednesday, October 23
- Thanksgiving holiday begins after classes: Tuesday, November 26
- Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.: Monday, December 2
- Classes end: Friday, December 6
- Final examinations begin: Monday, December 9
- Final examinations end: Saturday, December 14

**2014 January Term**
- Late registration and classes begin: Thursday, January 2
- Drop/add day (class changes): Friday, January 3
- Last class session and final examinations: Wednesday, January 22

**2014 Spring Term**
- Late registration (7:30 a.m.) and classes begin: Monday, January 27
- Drop/add day (class changes): Friday, January 11
- Spring break begins after classes: Friday, March 14
- Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.: Monday, March 24
- Easter break after classes: Wednesday, April 16
- Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.: Tuesday, April 22
- Classes end: Wednesday, May 14
- Final examinations begin: Friday, May 16
- Final examinations end: Thursday, May 22
- Baccalaureate: Friday, May 23
- Commencement: Saturday, May 24

**2014 Summer Term (College)**
- Classes begin: Monday, June 9
- Only day for class changes: Tuesday, June 10
- Holiday: Friday, July 4
- Final examinations: Friday, July 18

*This calendar is subject to change.*
There are three non-smoking guest rooms located on the second floor of Watkins Student Center. To reserve a guest room in Watkins, contact Facilities Management at 864-379-8810.

Every student is assigned a campus post office box. The hours for package pickup are posted on the CPO door.

Mail sent via USPS should be addressed as:

Student’s Name
Erskine College CPO
PO Box 1001
Due West, SC 29639-1001

Packages sent via UPS or FedEx should be addressed as:

Student’s Name
Erskine College CPO
2 Washington Street
Due West, SC 29639

Online Catalog. To view an online catalog, visit [www.erskine.edu/students/bookstore](http://www.erskine.edu/students/bookstore).

Book Rental. Certain texts will be available to rent. Additional information about rentals is available at [www.erskine.edu/students/bookstore/booklists/](http://www.erskine.edu/students/bookstore/booklists/).

Book Buy Back. During exam week at the end of each semester, Missouri Book Services sets up outside the Bookstore to conduct book “Buy Back.”

Return Policies. You must have your receipt in order to make returns.

Books. The Bookstore will accept returns on books purchased at the store within one week of the first day of class. Drop/Add day is the last day to return textbooks for a full refund. All new books to be returned must be clean, with the shrink-wrap still on the books.

Clothing. Clothing items may be returned up to two weeks from the day of purchase.

Bookstore Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Erskine students gain invaluable experience from living on campus in one of Erskine’s six residence halls. Meeting new people and building friendships, attending hall activities, having meaningful conversations, participating in group events—all these interactions will ease the college transition while developing a strong community of learners.

Professional staff provide oversight for the residence halls. Student Life Assistants, trained upperclassmen who live on each floor of a residence hall, help ensure a safe and harmonious community for the residents.

There are deadlines associated with meal plan changes. Please contact the Business Office for more information.

For more information on meal plans, menus, nutritional information, catering, purchasing additional declining balance dollars or custom birthday cakes, please visit Erskine College Campus Dish at www.erskine.campusdish.com.

Dining
Randy Moore – moore-randy@aramark.com

Erskine College Dining Services makes it easy for students to refuel and connect with other students, offering a variety of dining styles and environments. We seek to keep menus fresh and adapt to students’ requests. Menus include traditional American cuisine, international fare, and healthy items focused on good nutrition, as well as vegetarian meal options.

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Meal Plans

21 Meals Per Week + $100 Declining Balance Dollars
15 Meals Per Week + $200 Declining Balance Dollars
10 Meals Per Week + $375 Declining Balance Dollars

(Limited to Juniors and Seniors.)
Declining Balance (For commuters only. Residential students can add extra Declining Balance dollars to their meal plans.)
Campus involvement is essential for student success. Students interested in growing as leaders have multiple opportunities to develop their skills during their time at Erskine. Over 40 clubs and organizations provide opportunities to participate. These opportunities include student government, student publications, service-oriented groups, honorary societies, denominational and religious groups, as well as literary societies with a 150-year legacy. Students can explore these student groups and more during Welcome Week and the fall organizational fair. For more information on student-led organizations, visit the Office of Student Services or go to www.erskine.edu/student.

Campus Involvement & Intramurals

Jon Driggers – driggers@erskine.edu

Erskine competes on the intercollegiate level as a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II and as a member of Conference Carolinas. The College fields 15 intercollegiate teams: men’s and women’s basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, tennis, and volleyball; men’s baseball, women’s softball, and women’s lacrosse.

Athletics
Mark Peeler – mlp@erskine.edu (Intercollegiate teams)

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@followthefleet

The following recreational opportunities are offered on campus:

- 9-hole disc golf course
- Aerobic fitness area
- Auxiliary gym
- Climbing wall
- Intramural leagues and tournaments
- Lighted intramural fields
- Outdoor pool (seasonal)
- Racquetball courts
- Sand-volleyball court
- Tennis courts

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Academic Consulting
Designed to aid students with individual academic difficulties.

Peer Tutoring
An ongoing supplement to classroom learning available for many general education courses.

Supplemental Instruction (SI)
Contact: Jeanne Bell – jbell@erskine.edu
Peer-to-peer academic assistance program to help Erskine students increase academic performance through collaborative learning strategies.

Write Here Center
Contact: Shane Bradley – bradley@erskine.edu
A resource to help students with written class assignments.

EC 101—College Success Skills (1 s.h.)
A course designed to equip new students to flourish by providing them with the tools necessary for success in the Erskine environment. Topics will include time management, critical thinking, campus culture/policies, and effective reading, writing, and note-taking strategies. Students will also complete inventories and participate in discussions geared toward identifying their purpose and vocation.

Student Success Seminars
Workshops designed to help and motivate students to develop skills and approaches to enhance their classroom performance.
Topics include:
- Finals Preparation
- Memory Techniques
- Note-Taking
- Stress and Balance
- Test-Taking Strategies

Jessie Estep – jestep@erskine.edu

Erskine College, in partnership with the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod and in affiliation with Reformed University Ministries, provides a Chaplain who also serves as the RUF Campus Minister at Erskine. Our Chaplain offers Chapel worship services for both the college and seminary communities, which meet in the sanctuary of the Due West ARP Church. These services are approved for Convocation credit for college students.

During the week, Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) provides a weekly large-group Bible study for all interested students as well as numerous small-group Bible studies and fellowship opportunities. Spring Break missions and service opportunities, as well as regional and national RUF conferences, provide further opportunities for students’ spiritual growth and help to foster relationships, personal growth, and preparation for lifelong service and ministry. The Campus Ministry office is located on the ground floor of Watkins Student Center and is available to all students seeking spiritual counsel and pastoral care or who are interested in becoming more involved in campus ministry and service at Erskine.

Other campus ministry opportunities include but are not limited to: ARP Student Union, Student Christian Association, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Baptist Campus Ministries.

www.erskine.edu/students/campus-ministry/
Students interested in working at Erskine need to secure approval from the Office of Financial Aid prior to beginning a job. If a student is hired, the appropriate paperwork must be completed in a timely manner. To facilitate this process, the student must have the following identification:

1. U.S Passport or U.S. Passport Card
or
1. Driver’s License or ID issued by the state, school ID, Voter Registration card, Military dependent’s card (one of these items)
and
2. Social Security card or Birth Certificate (one of these items)

Note: Original documents are required. Copies of identification will not be accepted and the identification cannot be expired.

While we see college as an opportunity for students to learn and develop as whole persons, we also realize that our students need to be prepared for life after classes end. The Office of Student Services seeks to help students identify their callings. Whether they feel led to graduate school or full-time employment after graduation, students should begin to prepare themselves during their freshman year by stopping by the Student Services Office to talk with a staff member about their future.

We believe that experiential learning is important in an increasingly competitive market and strive to match students with internships or externships to help them gain valuable experience. Whether you need assistance with a resume, would like to take a practice graduate school exam, or need help polishing your interview skills, the Office of Student Services is happy to help! Visit www.erskine.edu/students/student-services/career-services/

@ErskineCareers

www.erskine.edu/students/financial-aid/student-employment/
McCain Library
John Kennerly – kennerly@erskine.edu

McCain Library is your center for information resources during your time at Erskine.

Resources. The library provides books, ebooks, print and electronic periodicals (journals, magazines and newspapers), DVDs, streaming video, research databases, online research guides, and more. We work to provide the best possible resources for you. (Note: You will need your Erskine ID to check out items from the library. Your ID number will also provide you with off-campus access to most of the libraries electronic resources.)

Services. Need help with your research? No problem. The library provides services such as borrowing privileges (from the Erskine library and other libraries), help with research, course reserves, online library catalog, access to computers and the internet, and printing/copying.

Facilities. Much more than a "warehouse" for books, the library is an important physical space for study, collaboration, social interaction, and intellectual growth. Need a place to study quietly by yourself, work on a group project, check your email, curl up with a good book, or just relax between classes? Come visit with us. And bring your laptop and mobile devices. We have Wi-Fi for you.

Personnel. The Erskine library staff is here for you. You will find us approachable and willing to help with things such as locating materials in the library collections and using the library’s electronic databases. If you need assistance or have a question, find one of us in the library or get in touch with us through one of our many ways of contact (phone, email, Facebook message, Twitter, chat, or text message).

More Information
For additional information on library hours, staff, policies, ways to contact us, and other helpful information, visit www.erskine.edu/library.

Information Technology
information.technology@erskine.edu

Discounts. For discounted pricing on Dell computers and electronics, go to http://www.dell.com/epp and use Member ID: US1969731. If you prefer a Mac or iPad, visit the Erskine Apple Store at http://store.apple.com/us_edu_52796.

ECnet. Wireless network (WiFi) access is available in residence halls and most other campus buildings. You may connect your computer, tablet, iPad, or smartphone to ECnet. For students who prefer faster speeds and greater security, two wired ports are available in each dorm room.

Erskine Email. Your Erskine email account will be one of the primary means by which Erskine faculty and staff will distribute information to you. Please check your Erskine email daily!

Printing. Erskine provides a student printing system called WEPA (pronounced “Wee-Pah”). WEPA will provide you the ability to print a document from any Internet-accessible location (both on or off campus) and later pick up the printed document at any WEPA kiosk. You may also print directly at a kiosk from a USB drive.

Security Software. Anti-virus software is available to all students for free from Erskine. If you wish to have this software installed on your computer, please contact the Erskine IT Helpdesk.

We are here for you!
For assistance with computer problems, contact the Erskine IT Helpdesk:
helpdesk@erskine.edu
864-379-8816 • Belk Hall Room 317
Feeling Better Here

While the student Medical Fee provides students with access to the campus nurse and physician, Erskine expects students to maintain Independent, valid medical insurance coverage, usually secured under their parents' medical insurance policy. Students who do not have medical insurance are encouraged to obtain coverage to address any medical costs in the event of illness, an accident, or other medical situation. Students may visit the Erskine Human Resources Office in Belk Hall for guidelines on companies who write student medical insurance policies.

Before being seen by one of Due West Family Medicine’s health care providers, a student must have an official physical form and immunization record on file.

### Required Immunizations

- **PPD (within the last year)**
- **MMR (two within the last ten years)**
- **Tetanus (within the last ten years)**

### Recommended Immunizations

- **Meningitis**
- **HPV**
- **Hepatitis A & B**
- **Influenza**

Primary care visits with the physician and/or nurse as well as certain medications are provided at no additional charge beyond the annual medical fee. If a student requires an appointment with a specialist, x-rays, hospital care, or other services not provided by Due West Family Medicine, the cost will be incurred by the student.

Due West Family Medicine performs routine lab tests, including urinalysis and tests for strep, mono, or flu. They can also administer allergy injections.

**Due West Family Medicine**

(864) 379-2345

**Physician Hours:**
Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Nurse Hours:**
Monday – Friday
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Emergency:** A staff member is on call 24/7 in case of emergency. Contact information for the on-call provider can be obtained by calling (864) 379-2345.

### Student Personal Property

Erskine is not responsible for students’ personal property, nor does it carry insurance for that purpose. Typically, this is covered under the parents’ homeowner’s policy.

**Student Health**

Kimberly Penny – 1-888-271-6443 ext. 204

Erskine expects students to maintain independent, valid medical insurance coverage while enrolled.

**Insurance**

1-888-271-6443 ext. 203

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Erskine College Campus Police provides a comprehensive security network and dedicated Campus Police force to prevent crime, provide emergency response, promote safety and awareness, and protect our students, staff, faculty, and visitors.

Safety is also a personal responsibility. You should know how to protect yourself and your property, what to do in an emergency, and what resources are available on campus to help you. For more information, visit www.erskine.edu/info/safety.shtml

Notification system
The Erskine College emergency notification system is a way for the College to send voice, email, or text messages to you during an emergency or to provide you with other time-sensitive and critical information. This facility is provided using a service called Blackboard Connect. The benefits of the Blackboard Connect service are its immediacy and its direct access to members of the college community through multiple points of contact.

Blackboard Connect provides an encrypted, online process to securely import Erskine’s existing data into the school’s account in a secure and reliable manner.

The phone information you provided during the application process or during registration is used to populate the Blackboard Connect database.

You may update your phone information by going to the Registrar’s office.

College life is a time of great change and personal growth. It is exciting, satisfying, and sometimes challenging. For many students, there are times when all the demands and excitement may feel overwhelming. Erskine College understands that students need many kinds of support to help them succeed.

Erskine College Counseling Services promotes and fosters the academic, personal, and interpersonal development of students by providing short-term counseling, crisis intervention, consultation, and educational programs to the campus community.

Our counselors help create a healthy college community through their commitment to responsiveness and individual attention to student needs. Our counselors provide a safe place for students to explore difficult issues, advocate for a healthy environment in which to live and work, and nurture the development of the whole person.

In addition to these services, our professionals can provide outreach, prevention, and education services through programs specialized for particular campus groups or classes.

Erskine College Campus Police
Randy Estep – estep@erskine.edu

Erskine Police Cell: 864-378-1650
Erskine Police Department: 864-379-8869
Due West Police: 864-379-2150
Emergencies: 911
Non-Emergencies: 864-366-8451
Crime Stoppers Tip Line: 864-379-2140

Campus Police

Counseling Services
Dr. Robyn Agnew – ragnew@erskine.edu

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Parents are invited to become members of the Erskine College Parent Association. Your membership supports the Parent Association in its activities to enhance campus life for your Erskine student. In addition, you will receive quarterly newsletters (via e-mail), as well as have the opportunity to be more involved with the activities of the Parent Association by serving on the Parent Advisory Council.

The operations of the Parent Association, along with the events and services offered to parents, are made possible through a one-time membership fee of $50 per family. This fee entitles you to membership as long as your student is enrolled at Erskine. The fee also supports the Parent Advisory Council’s annual activities for all students.

Each year the Parent Advisory Council of Erskine College organizes its fund-raising event, a Silent Auction.

This year’s Silent Auction will be held in conjunction with Family Day on Saturday, October 26, 2013. We are working to collect a number of Silent Auction items in order to make this fund-raising event a success for our students.

If you, a family member, friend, or business would be willing to donate a new item to be included in our Silent Auction, please deliver the item to or contact the office of Student Services any time before October 15th. For your information, Erskine College’s Tax Exempt I.D. Number is 57-0314390. If you have any questions, feel free to call Student Services at (864) 379-8701.

Welcome to Erskine!

Class of 2017, welcome to your home for the next four years! I hope you have enjoyed your summer, because you are about to begin one of the most exciting times of your life. As a new member of the Erskine family, you are joining a community that will challenge you to grow in ways you cannot begin to imagine. You are now a part of an institution which is rooted in nearly two centuries of academic excellence in an environment which encourages holistic growth of the mind, body, and soul. Enjoy your time at Erskine because you will not find another place on earth like it, and you will find yourself graduating sooner than you think!

Parents, I know you are flooded with emotions at this exciting time in your family’s life. Rest assured that you will find no better place to see your son or daughter grow over the next four years than Erskine College. My family is stronger today than it was four years ago because of my time at Erskine, and I know yours will be too.

While you are here, please let me know what I can do for you as your Student Body President. My job is to serve you, the students and members of the Erskine community. I look forward to getting to know each of you in the weeks and months ahead. Take advantage of your time at Erskine and get involved! Join our Student Government and help create lasting change at Erskine, or find another organization to be a part of while you are here. Good luck to all of you. Have a great week of Orientation and a wonderful year at Erskine!

In Christ,
Daniel Prohaska
Student Body President

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