

# Your DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

November 2019 Parent e-Newsletter

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## THANKSGIVING BREAK

Happy Thanksgiving! Students who plan to remain on campus during the upcoming Thanksgiving Break on November 28th and 29th should be aware of changes in dining services hours, and make plans for their meals starting Wednesday, November 27th after 5:00 p.m. through Sunday, December 1st. For students who will remain on campus in the residence halls, there will be an RA on duty 24/7 starting at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday in case any assistance is needed.

## RESIDENTIAL LIFE INFORMATION

### Winter Break Closing Information: Dormitories

During this busy time of year, Residential Life needs the cooperation of all residents to successfully close their rooms for the break.

- **Parents, if your student is not returning for spring semester, please make sure that their contract release request has been submitted to the office of Residential Life on or before November 29th.** The contract release request form is online and can be found by clicking on this [link](#). Residents who will not return as students must move out on or before December 20th to avoid spring term charges. Spring term housing charges begin accruing on January 5th. Students who are not checked out by December 20th will be charged a daily rate from January 5th until the date they officially check out of their rooms.
- **Residence Halls close for winter break on December 20th at 5:00 p.m. and reopen on January 5th.** A check list will be attached to each student's door outlining exactly what each resident needs to do prior to leaving campus. Students will not have access to their halls and rooms during this time period and should take all items they will need at home with them.

### Winter Break Housing

**The Residential Life Office will provide housing over winter break for students who apply by December 13th.**

A \$100 fee will be charged to their student account for any or all portion of winter break. To apply for winter break housing, students should log into [hamline.erezlife.com](http://hamline.erezlife.com) using their Hamline username and password and complete the winter break housing form. December 13th is the last day to apply.

### Winter Break Information - Apartments/Hamline Houses

The apartment building and Hamline houses will remain open over winter break. **If your student will not be returning for spring semester, please ensure that they have submitted their contract release request to the Office of Residential Life on or before December 29th.** The contract release request form is online and can be found by clicking on this [link](#). Students will need to make an appointment with an RA to check out at least 48 hours in advance of their desired check-out date. Apartment residents who are released from their housing contract must move out on or before January 15th to avoid late charges.

### J-Term Housing Information for Residence Hall Students

Spring semester's housing contract dates are January 5th through May 22nd, 2020. J-term classes begin on January 6th. Students may live on campus during J-term even if they are not taking a J-term class. Students who are released from their

contract and move off-campus any time during spring semester will be charged for housing from January 5th until the day they officially check out with an RA. If your student is withdrawing or graduating at the end of fall semester, please note that they must check out prior to 5:00 p.m. on December 20th to avoid spring term housing and meal plan charges. Housing credits are not issued to students who choose not to live on campus during J-term.

### **J-Term Meal Plan Information**

If your student has any declining balance left on their meal plan after fall semester, it will carry over into their spring semester meal plan. Fall term meal plans will be in effect until January 10th. Spring term meal plans will begin on January 11th. Students have the option to change their meal plan for spring semester during the first two weeks of the semester by submitting a change form to the Dining Services office.

## **FAMILY WEEKEND RECAP**

During the weekend of November 8th-10th, Hamline parents, siblings, and friends spent time on campus visiting their students for the 2019 Family Weekend. This year's Family Weekend included a mocktail happy hour reception with the Dean of Students Office, a performance by local improv team Comedy Sportz, enrichment workshops for parents to learn more about study abroad and about CASA, Hamline's Center for Academic Success and Achievement, the Hamline vs. St. John's football game, BINGO, a movie night, and much more! If you attended Family Weekend this year, we hope you had a great time experiencing the campus and visiting your student! If you missed this year's Family Weekend, we hope to see you for Family Weekend 2020!

## **J-TERM CLASSES**

The Dean of Students Office encourages all students to consider taking a J-term course. It's a great way for students to satisfy one or even two of their Hamline Plan requirements with just one class, to get ahead by taking a four credit course, or to try an entirely new topic of study. Taking a J-term class also helps students stay connected to campus during the long break between fall and spring semesters. Best of all, J-term tuition is discounted to 50% for undergraduate students! If you or your student would like more information about the J-term courses available at Hamline this January, please visit <https://www.hamline.edu/j-term/>.

## **FINANCIAL AID NOTES**

It's never too early to think spring! Spring billing statements will be emailed to students in mid-December and are due on January 15, 2020. Spring semester classes will begin Wednesday, February 5, 2020. Please contact Student Administrative Services with any questions or concerns at 651-523-3000 or 1-800-888-2182.

## **MUSIC EVENTS AT HAMLINE**

Parents, friends, and community members are always welcome to attend Hamline for our annual holiday concerts. Check out the list below for a quick look at the on-campus musical events taking place in the coming weeks between Thanksgiving and the holidays. All events are at Sundin Music Hall except where noted.

Friday, December 6, **University Chorale Concert**, 7 p.m.

Saturday, December 7, **Hamline Wind Ensemble Concert**, 2 p.m.

Sunday, December 8, **Hamline A Cappella Choir Concert**, 4 p.m., Hamline Church

Tuesday, December 10, **Music Department Recital**, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 12, **Music Department Recital**, 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 14, **Hamline Orchestra Concert**, 2 p.m.

Sunday, December 15, **Hamline Jazz Ensemble Concert**, 4 p.m., Anne Simley Theatre

## WINTER PARKING AT HAMLINE

Parents, does your student have a car on campus? Please note that Hamline Public Safety requests that all students who plan to leave their cars on campus over winter break move their cars to the outer edge of the parking lots in case the lots need to be plowed. If your student has any questions about parking at Hamline over winter break, please let them know to contact Public Safety at 651-523-2100. If your student is a commuter, they can visit this [link](#) to find out whether there is a Snow Emergency in Saint Paul and if Snow Emergency parking rules are in effect.

## PIPER ATHLETICS INFORMATION

Go, Pipers! Are you looking for more information about athletics events at Hamline? Hamlineathletics.com is your one-stop shop for all Piper sports information. The website is chock-full of information about all Hamline sports, including game times, results, news articles, staff contacts, and even telecast information, so you can watch your student play when they're away. You can also visit the online Piper apparel store and find great deals on all Hamline athleticwear. Be sure to check it out at Hamlineathletics.com!

## HAMLINE BOOKSTORE SALE

Hamline's bookstore is having an online sale from Nov 27th through Dec. 4th! Visit [hamlineshop.com](http://hamlineshop.com) for more details, and use the promo code SAVEMORE at checkout.

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