



Your DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

SEPTEMBER 2017 PARENTS' E-NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME FROM PATTI KLEIN, DEAN OF STUDENTS

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Friends:

Hello and welcome to the start of an exciting new academic year at Hamline! I'm Patti Klein, Hamline's Dean of Students and the Title IX Coordinator. I'm new in the position of Dean of Students this year, after the retirement of our previous Dean this past June, and I look forward to getting to know you better as the year progresses. I'm excited to announce that Javier Gutierrez, previously Assistant Dean of Students and Director of Residential Life, has recently been promoted to Associate Dean of Students. In addition, Carlos Sneed and the Hedgeman Center will be returning to Student Affairs, with Carlos also serving in the Dean of Students Office as Associate Dean of Students.

In this first issue of the Parent Newsletter, we are providing information on a variety of topics important to your student's success at Hamline, including move-in information for Residential Life, textbook rental pickups, information on our new Hamline Dash Grant, and Financial Aid reminders. We'll also let you know about some upcoming September events, as well as Family Weekend coming up in early November. We hope you'll enjoy reading about what's new at Hamline.

We know that a new school year can bring both excitement and some nervousness for students and their parents. We in the Dean of Students Office want you to know that we are here to serve as a resource for both students and parents. As questions or situations arise throughout the year, please know that you are welcome to reach out to our office. We want your student to succeed, and we know that you play an active role in their successes both as students and as members of the Hamline community.

I look forward to hearing from you as the academic year moves forward. Welcome to Hamline!

Sincerely,
Patti Klein
Dean of Students and Title IX Coordinator

TEXTBOOK RENTAL PICKUP INFORMATION

Hamline Bookstore is pleased to announce that all undergraduate Hamline students are now part of the Included Textbook Rental Program! All of the required text materials for your student's courses will be included as part of their book rental fees billed by Student Accounts. Getting the books your student needs couldn't be simpler—students simply stop by the Hamline Bookstore with their student ID and a backpack to carry their books.

Students may pick up their text rentals during Bookstore business hours any time through 9/15/17. Please be prepared to wait in line if you are picking up between 9/1-9/7. Normal business hours can be found on our website at www.hamlineshop.com.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE MOVE-IN INFORMATION AND HAMLINE DINING CONTACT

Parents and guardians, a reminder that Hamline's residence halls will open for the 2017-2018 academic year on Sunday, September 3rd. For move-in details, please visit our **Fall Move-in Information webpage** at <https://www.hamline.edu/offices/housing/fall-move-in-info/>.

Also, a reminder that all Res. Life students should fill out the **Roommate Self-Assessment Form** by Sept. 3rd at: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOUJQUusADPrhIV0gIcO9RXY2SNFkJTSNU-clTh9DVmtd6Q/viewform>. Students must be logged into their Hamline email account in order to access the form.

If your student has a food sensitivity/allergy, the Dean of Students Office recommends that they schedule an appointment to meet with Ed Kreitzman, the Director of Dining Services, to review dining options so that they can be provided with a safe eating environment. Ed's office can be reached at (651)523-2453.

HAMLINE DASH GRANT: A NEW EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This fall, Hamline University will begin a two-year partnership with Great Lakes Education Philanthropy to provide grants to qualifying* undergraduate students for one-time financial emergencies. These grants are called **Hamline Dash Grants**. Our goal in providing these grants is to assist students who might otherwise have to leave school due to a sudden financial emergency.

***To qualify for a Hamline Dash Grant, students must:**

- Be enrolled either part-time or full-time as an undergraduate, degree-seeking student;
- Show evidence of a qualifying financial emergency (some examples include an unexpected car repair bill or an unanticipated medical bill); *AND*
- Have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$7,000 or less per year, based on their FAFSA information

Please share the information about the Hamline Dash Grant with your student. Please note that Hamline Dash Grant funds may not be used to pay University-based bills such as tuition, housing, textbooks, etc. For more information about the grant, students are welcome to contact the Dean of Students Office at (651)523-2421 or an-studentaffairs@hamline.edu.

HEALTHCARE WAIVER REMINDER

All Hamline University undergraduate students are required to carry health insurance coverage, either their own or the Hamline-sponsored student insurance plan. Undergraduate students are automatically enrolled in and charged for Hamline's health insurance coverage, through UnitedHealthcare Student Resources. The policy coverage dates are August 18th, 2017 to August 17, 2018. If students have their own health insurance coverage, they may waive the Hamline-sponsored student health insurance plan by the deadline by entering their insurance company and policy number into [Piperline](#). **Parents, please note: If your student does not waive the Hamline coverage by September 22nd, 2017, they will automatically be enrolled in (and billed for) the policy sponsored by Hamline University.**

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

We've got an exciting September lined up at Hamline! Just a few of our many upcoming events include the **Federal Work Study Job Fair** on the 6th, an **Outdoor Dance Party** on the 9th, the **Student Activities Fair** on the 12th, and a discussion about creating healthy relationships at **"Love in the Time of Tinder"** on the 13th. With events happening most days of the school year, there's always something for your student to do at Hamline! If you are interested in attending **Hamline athletics events**, be sure to visit our webpage at <http://hamlineathletics.com/calendar.aspx> to view the **2017-2018 schedules for all Hamline sports**. We'll see you at the game!

FAMILY WEEKEND NOVEMBER 3-5, 2017

Mark your calendar now for **Family Weekend**, happening November 3rd-5th, 2017. Family Weekend provides the families and friends of Hamline students an opportunity to experience campus life! It is a great way to spend time with your student, visit with University faculty and staff and explore and enjoy the Hamline community. Activities for the weekend have historically included opportunities to cheer on Piper Athletics, the Annual Fall Concert, the opening of the theater season, a chance to experience the co-curricular community, and more. We hope you'll join us for this great annual event!