Welcome to the Dietrich College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and to the Class of 2019!

You have joined a community that is unique in many ways, and you should be very excited about the journey on which you are about to embark.

At Carnegie Mellon, one of the first and most important things you must learn to do is to select courses, create your schedule, and register using the Student Information Online (SIO) system. In order to make the right choices, you must gather and consider information from a variety of sources including academic advisors, university, college, and departmental websites, and written materials such as the University Catalog.

In order to simplify this information gathering process for you, we have put everything that you will need right at your fingertips using a Blackboard on-line course. This is the course management system that many professors at CMU use to store and organize information, and to communicate with students about the course they teach. We discovered that it is also an excellent way to store and organize information, and to communicate with you about registration! We will walk you through the process step by step and help you create your Fall 2015 schedule of classes.

As you proceed, keep these important things in mind:
1. Using Blackboard language, we will refer to the registration instruction as “a course”.
2. Do not skip steps. Complete one step before going on to the next in order to make everything go more smoothly as you create your fall schedule.
3. Make sure you have set up your Andrew account at Now that I’m enrolling… before you login to our Blackboard on-line course.
4. Starting on Wednesday, June 10 (9:00am), login to our Blackboard on-line course and get started.

Keep the following important deadlines in mind:
• June 10 ....... Activate your Andrew account and log in to our Blackboard on-line course named "M15: Dietrich College Freshman Registration"
• June ............ Complete our Freshman Survey in Blackboard
• July 10 ....... Advanced Placement (AP) scores received by CMU (if requested from the College Board by June 15).
• July 15 ......... Proposed schedule planned and saved on SIO “Schedule”
• July 29 ......... If your Academic Advisor approves your proposed schedule, you will register for your Fall 2015 classes in SIO “Registration” according to your “start time”
• August 10 ... Complete registration for Fall 2015 Schedule in SIO “Registration”

Don’t wait until the last minute to begin this Blackboard on-line course! You should allow plenty of time to think carefully and reflectively about the important choices you have to make for your first semester as a college student. Remember that advisors in the Academic Advisory Center are available all summer to assist you.

So go ahead, get started….and again, Welcome!!!