FALL 2014 NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
AUGUST 24-27, 2014

New Student Orientation FAQ’s

When are the New Student Orientation sessions?

- New Student Parent Orientation is Sunday, August 24, 2014 at 3 p.m. in the Alma C. Hanson Student Center
- New Student Orientation is August 25-27, 2014 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. in the Alma C. Hanson Student Center

What happens if I do not register and complete New Student Orientation?

You will hinder your ability to successfully transition into college life at LeMoyne-Owen.

How do I register for New Student Orientation?

We highly recommend that you register here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YCR6TRJ. You will receive an electronic confirmation of your registration.

Why is the New Student Orientation mandatory?

The overarching goal of New Student Orientation is to ensure that you complete a successful academic and social transition into the LeMoyne-Owen College family. Students completing the sessions will be provided with critical information necessary to complete all processes involved in registration and residential living.
When does residential housing open?

- New student housing opens **Saturday, August 23**\(^{rd}\) at 9 a.m.
- Returning student housing opens **Monday, August 25**\(^{th}\) at 8 a.m.

For additional residential housing information, call (901) 435-1755.

Are there available hotels and should we prepare to spend the night in Memphis?

Generally speaking, students and families from within the immediate proximity of Memphis will not need to stay overnight. On the other hand, depending on the distance that you will travel, we have found that most families prefer to take advantage of the weekend sessions to become better acclimated to the College and surrounding community. Families desiring to do so will find the website [www.memphistravel.com](http://www.memphistravel.com) extremely helpful in locating hotels, dining, entertainment, and other Memphis attractions.

What steps should I take to ensure I complete the *New Student Orientation*?

The first and primary step you must take is to be present for the *entire* new student orientation session. Additionally, it is critical to remember that the sessions will afford you an opportunity to finalize all of the necessary processes for completing your enrollment at LeMoyne-Owen College. Another critical step is to utilize our New Student Orientation Checklist to ensure that your full transition into college life at LeMoyne-Owen is smooth and rewarding.

What is the Placement Test?

The placement test is an exam that will allow you and LOC to determine the courses you will take to best meet your academic goals. The placement tests are not pass-fail. Newly enrolled students must take the placement test before being allowed to register in any **math**, **English** or **reading** course. An advisor will review your scores and determine the courses that are appropriate for you. A student who places into a developmental course must successfully complete that course prior to attempting the corresponding college level courses. The Teaching and Learning Center offers the following opportunities for students planning to take courses in the Summer and/or Fall to take the mandatory Placement Exam on the following dates:

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What are the Developmental Courses and why are they required?

Developmental Courses are a valuable and important part of the college experience for those students who require them. Studies indicate that students who are required to take classes tend to succeed in passing college entry level coursework. Contact the Teaching and Learning Center (901) 435-1542 for additional information.

How do I know that I will be placed in a Developmental Course?

The criteria for developmental courses are based on your placement test scores. LeMoyne-Owen College adheres carefully to the placement test scores and strongly believes these courses will help students succeed. Often, newly enrolled students need to take at least one developmental course.

What about a developmental course that I have already completed at another institution?

Developmental courses taken at another accredited institution will not be considered in the College’s placement decision.

Test Location

Placement tests are administered in Gibson-Orgill Hall (G.O.H.) Room 111. The test begins promptly at the time indicated. Late arrivals will not be allowed admittance into the testing room after the test has started.

How do I prepare for the Placement Exam?

Math

To prepare for the math exam, we strongly recommend that you use Khan Academy, an online resource that will help refresh and develop your math skills. Go to www.khanacademy.com. Once there, click LEARN, scroll down to MATH and then click ALGEBRA. Use the search bar to view tutorials on the following:

- Order of Operations
- Linear Equations
- Factoring Quadratic Expressions
- Polynomials
- Area
- Fractions (adding, subtract, multiply and divide)
- Percentages
- Decimals

Calculators are not permitted.
ENGLISH
The Writing Placement test is given to assess your ability to write at a college level by measuring your readiness for introductory college courses. Faculty members review your essay and assess what course level you should begin based on your writing ability. You will be asked to respond to a writing prompt that should include the following:

- Well-organized essay on a specific topic
- Clear thesis statement
- Multiple paragraphs
- Paragraphs with supporting details
- Introduction
- Conclusion

READING
The Reading Placement test is a two part multiple-choice exam that is designed to assess the following skills:

- Comprehension skills
- Interpretation
- Understanding what you read
- Vocabulary skills
- Meaning of Words

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:
If you are a Transfer student, please bring a copy of your unofficial transcript to determine if the Placement Exam is necessary for enrollment in coursework.