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Dear New Social Sciences Student,

On behalf of the faculty and staff in the School of Social Sciences, I would like to congratulate you on your acceptance to UC Irvine and to the School of Social Sciences. You should be extremely proud of your accomplishments. You've already received a message from our New Student Programs office containing important information. (If you haven't read that message yet, please look for an email from <u>orientation@uci.edu</u> in your inbox or junk mail folder.) There are some things you need to do this summer in order to ensure a smooth transition to college life:

1. Complete the Anteater Zot Start tutorial

You must complete this tutorial <u>BEFORE</u> you can make a reservation for one of the orientation programs, either the **Student Parent Orientation Program (SPOP)** or the **International Student Orientation (ISO).** <u>Anteater Zot Start</u> provides information about placement testing, general education requirements, majors, class schedule, class registration, and other special programs for freshmen.

2. Make a reservation for an Orientation Program

- Summer orientation is MANDATORY for all NEW freshmen (except Summer Bridge and CAMP participants who receive orientation through those programs). An email indicating the exact day and time you are to make a reservation for orientation will be sent to your UCI email account on May 23rd. Click on the program links below for more details about the freshman orientation programs:
- <u>Student Parent Orientation Program (SPOP)</u> will be offered on-campus several times in July and August. SPOP is a comprehensive orientation program designed for all <u>new domestic</u> freshmen and new international freshmen <u>who attended high school in the U.S.</u> SPOP attendees will receive academic advising and sign up for fall quarter classes at orientation.
- International Student Orientation (ISO) will be held on-campus from September 18th-20th. ISO has been specifically designed for new international freshmen who did <u>not</u> attend high school in the U.S. Since ISO is held in September, international students who attend it will receive academic advising and enroll in classes earlier in the summer. You will receive advising over the internet from your academic advising office. If you make a reservation for ISO, information about the internet advising will be sent to your UCI email account in the middle of July.

For more information about orientation and how to make a reservation, click <u>here</u> for the Freshman Orientation Welcome <u>website</u>.

International Undergraduate Preparation Program (IUPP) participants – please contact your program advisor for information about your orientation requirements.)

3. Read the New Student Checklist

It covers important information about deadlines for submitting transcripts, exam scores, fee payment information, setting up your UCI email account, signing up for placement testing, financial aid, housing, parking and more.

4. Visit the Message Center at MyAdmissionsApplication@UCI

Our Admissions Office will send you a message about any missing documents/transcripts or if they've placed a hold on your record. The **DEADLINE** for all documents to be submitted to UC Irvine is <u>July 15,</u> <u>2013</u>.

5. FACEBOOK: Become a Fan of the School of Social Sciences by going to: http://www.facebook.com/ucisocialsciences

If you have questions about any of the above information, please visit the Social Sciences Undergraduate Student Affairs website at http://undergraduatestudies.ss.uci.edu/ugs_usa for more up-to-date information or contact Helen Morgan, Director of the Social Sciences Undergraduate Student Affairs Office at (949) 824-7027 or by email at helen.morgan@uci.edu. We look forward to seeing you this summer and wish you success in your academic career at UCI!

Sincerely,

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