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**STUDENT LIFE**

Parent & Family Relations

Parent & Family Relations is a department within Student Life that is just for you. This newsletter and many other special notices are sent periodically throughout the academic year. When you need help navigating the University community, want information about parent weekends, or need to find contact information, Parent & Family Relations is here to help you.

### **Parents Blog**

Be sure to visit our Parents Blog, [1864parents.com](http://1864parents.com), where you will find articles for parents of college students, tips and advice from current DU parents, and information about Parent & Family Relations at DU.

### **Important upcoming dates**

October 16/17 - [Homecoming & Family Weekend](#)

October 21 - [Fall Career & Internship Fair](#)

November 2 - Registration begins for winter quarter

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## **Parents Weekend 2016**

Friday, February 12 - Sunday, February 14

Save the Date for the Parents Association's most popular campus event. Join your student for some fun campus activities, Pioneer hockey, and Denver excursions.

Check our [events page](#) in December (don't worry, I'll remind you) and we will have more details.

## **Presentations from Parent & Family Orientation**

During Parent & Family Orientation, campus administrators discussed resources available to help families learn about academic policies and requirements, and how to support their student's academic, physical, and emotional health. Here are copies of some of the presentations:

[Partnering on Your Student's DU Experience](#)

[Pioneering Your Academic Adventure](#)

[Academic Development, Resources, and Support Services](#)

[Financial Aid and Billing](#)

## **New Payment Portal for Tuition Payments - DU Pay**

The University of Denver has implemented a new payment portal -DUPay-for DU tuition payments. While the old system let your student share their account information with one additional person, DUPay allows for multiple users to set up individual credentials to access the account.

Your student needs to access the system and give you access as an authorized user. Detailed instructions can be found at <http://www.du.edu/bursar/payments/index.html>.

With the new system, authorized users receive an email alert when a new bill is available, and must log onto the payment portal to view the bill.

DUPay offers many additional features, such as storing payment methods and access to real-time account information. It also utilizes a secure platform to store account information and log transactions.

### **Half the Sky Fair**

**Saturday October 17 (11am - 6pm) Colorado Women's College**

Just in time to kick off the gift-giving season, the sixth annual [Half the Sky Fair](#) offers food, entertainment and the opportunity to shop as you learn about and support organizations focused on the empowerment of women around the world. In addition to food and fun, the fair will feature philanthropic exhibitors and fair trade vendors committed to the advancement of women and girls.

### **Let's Talk**

The Health and Counseling Center (HCC) is pleased to announce that the Let's Talk service, an anonymous and confidential drop-in counseling service, will continue this quarter and be held in Driscoll South next to the Pioneer Card office. This is a program for students to access brief counseling consultation away from the HCC. Learn more about [Let's Talk](#) and view the schedule online. Email [anand.desai@du.edu](mailto:anand.desai@du.edu), a staff psychologist and group/outreach coordinator in the HCC, with any questions.

## **Booking Flights for Winter Break**

Fall quarter finals are scheduled to end on Nov 23. Before booking a flight for your student to return home for winter break, ask them to look over the syllabus for each of their classes to find out when they will have their last final exam. Some students may finish exams earlier than others, which could give you some flexibility with scheduling a flight home and choosing the best possible fare. Residence halls are scheduled to close at 9am on Nov 24. For more information on residence hall open/close dates, meal plans, and other housing dates, please visit <http://www.du.edu/housing/resources/importantdates.html>.

## **Registration is open for [Homecoming & Family Weekend](#)**

Return to campus this fall and reconnect with your DU family. Explore the campus. Explore the classroom. Explore DU.

## **Chaplain's Newsletter**

Visit the [Religious & Spiritual Life website](#) to learn about the role of our University Chaplain, available resources, interfaith discussions, book club, events and activities, and to sign up for Chaplain Gary's weekly newsletter.

## **University of Denver ranked among top-tier universities in U.S.**

The University of Denver has maintained its strong ranking as one of the top 100 national universities included on the U.S. News and World Report list of "Best Colleges 2015." The University is ranked 88th on the list of National Universities, up from 91st last year. [More](#)

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## **Lamont School of Music Website**

Take a look at the new Lamont School of Music website. It's brighter and easier to navigate with more photos and social media involvement. [www.du.edu/lamont](http://www.du.edu/lamont)

## **EPIC ski passes**

Love to ski or snowboard? Still need to buy your ski pass for the season? Get the best college deal available through the DU Alpine Club! DUAC will be selling EPIC Ski Passes on Driscoll Green the first few weeks of the year. Passes can also be purchased at the club's weekly meetings or directly from an Alpine Club officer. Follow our tumblr - [dualpineclub.tumblr.com](http://dualpineclub.tumblr.com) - and see the website [www.dualpineclub.com](http://www.dualpineclub.com) for more information!

## **Accessibility**

If you are visiting DU and are in need of a wheelchair, here are some [local companies that rent wheelchairs](#). These companies are not affiliated with DU. Rentals would be an independent arrangement between you and the company of your choice.

## **DU News**

To learn more about the DU community and campus news, please visit the [University of Denver Magazine](#).

## DU Parent Guide

Parent & Family Relations partners with University Parent Media to bring you the [University of Denver Parent Guide](#), providing community information and resources for parents of DU students.

## What's new in Sustainability at DU?

See how DU's Sustainability Council and the Center for Sustainability are working to make our campus [green](#).

To view past issues of this newsletter and to find many other resources for parents and families of DU students, please visit our website [www.du.edu/studentlife/parents/](http://www.du.edu/studentlife/parents/)



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