



November 2024

Warm Greetings from New Ulm!

It's a pleasure for me to write to you and welcome you to our campus--or back to our campus, as the case may be! We are pleased to have you here with us at Martin Luther College and grateful for the opportunity to train and prepare you as a candidate for the Lord's Gospel ministry. I look forward to meeting you in January.

I want to direct your attention to our [online Student Handbook](#). The policies are broken down into easy-to-navigate categories. I encourage you to read through the policies before your arrival on campus.

In addition to the information in the *Student Handbook*, please keep in mind the following:

- Minnesota State statute requires the college to maintain medical and immunization records for all students. The necessary medical forms are on your Portal page with the New Student Checklist. Please be sure to complete these forms – **THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT!!**
- Please note the college housing policies in the online Student Handbook. Unless you have received permission from me to live off-campus, you will be living in the dormitory and the housing directors will make arrangements for you. The Men's and Women's Housing Directors will be working on 2nd-semester housing arrangements in the weeks to come. We will get more specific housing information to you before your arrival on campus.
- Parking on campus is available! **Students who have permission to live off-campus need to purchase a parking sticker as well!** Before arriving on campus, please complete the vehicle registration form on the MLC Portal, under the Information tab, choose "Student Parking". If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Olson at studentlife@mlc-wels.edu.
- The **dormitories** will open on January 4th, 2025. When you need to arrive will be based on your status and program**...see below:
 - **Sunday, January 5th:** Early Childhood Student Teacher Orientation begins
 - **Monday, January 6th:** Education Majors Complete Clinical Courses
 - **Monday, January 13th:** Elementary and Middle/Secondary Student Teachers Begin Seminars
 - **Friday, January 17th:** Education & Staff Ministry Student Early Field Experience I (EFE I)
 - **2nd Semester Classes** begin for all students on Thursday, January 23rd, 2025.

**Education program students, please watch for communication from the Education Office for any additional information regarding required J-term commitments.

- **Upon arrival on campus, please proceed to your dormitory.** Once you have checked in with your dorm supervisor and received your key, etc., you can move into the dorm. *If you have no J-term responsibilities, make sure that you arrive on Tuesday/Wednesday, January 21-22. The dorms will be open and the cafeteria open and serving meals.*

What if I have no responsibilities during the J-term?

Even if you are not required to be on campus during the Jay term, you may still arrive on campus during the J-Term if you want to work at your on- or off-campus job. Please contact your dorm supervisor if this will be your plan.



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Arrival and Short “Orientation” Meeting

As I mentioned above, please plan your travel in such a way that you arrive on campus in time for our brief orientation meeting, scheduled for **Wednesday, January 22nd, from 6 pm-8 pm in the classroom area of the main floor of the MLC Library.**



At that meeting, we will go through government-mandated information for all students, both new students and readmitted students.

*For Re-admitted or Returning students...*we understand that life at MLC is not going to be a brand-new experience for you. Nevertheless, we urge you to come to the orientation meeting at the time indicated so that you can “hit the ground running” on 1st day of classes. Your cooperation is appreciated!

If I can help you with anything, or answer any kind of question, please don't hesitate to contact me.

You may write to me.... Student Life Office c/o VP Jeff Schone,
1995 Luther Court, New Ulm, MN 56073

You may call my office at ... 1-507-354-8221, ext. 289

You may call or text my cell phone at ... 507-217-9764

You may email me at ... schonejl@mlc-wels.edu

We are looking forward to welcoming you to school...and to the task of preparing yourself as a candidate for the LORD's Gospel Ministry. See you soon!

Your servant in Christ Jesus,

Pastor Jeff Schone
Vice President for Student Life