Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to register for fall 2008 courses?
Don’t be concerned about registering for courses at this time. I will register you for your first semester core courses. You will be given instructions on registering for your elective course (if you choose to take one) during our Departmental Orientation.

You will be registered in the following courses:

- **Cheg-825-010 Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics**, Monday & Wednesday, 9:00AM - 10:25 a.m. in 102 Colburn Lab with Stan Sandler
- **Cheg-835-010 Applied Chemical Kinetics**, Tuesday & Thursday, 5:00PM - 6:15PM, in 219 Gore Hall with Dion Vlachos
- **Cheg-831-010 Chemical Engineering Principles**, Tuesday & Thursday, 11:00AM - 12:15PM in 046 Colburn Lab with Antony Beris
- *Also, if you choose, you may take an additional elective course that you choose after orientation.

Should I buy my text books early?
In general, the faculty request you wait until your first day of class to buy your books. The reasoning behind this is that some instructors change their book just prior to the start of classes, opt for handouts instead of a text, or some have found the text at a lower price and might point you to a specific source. If you desperately want to purchase your books before the first day of class you will need to contact the instructor directly at the emails given above.

How do I get my University of Delaware Student ID Card?
The UD#1 Card Office is in the Student Services Building on Lovett Avenue. Bring an official form of photo identification with you (driver’s license, passport, US Military ID). The ID Card staff will have you fill out a short form. They will take a digital photo of you and print an ID while you wait. This UD#1 Card can be used to access such services and facilities as fitness centers, student activities (athletic events & other campus events), Library, Student Health Center Services, Dining Services, Vending Machines, Laundry, Copiers.

UD ID, PIN Number and Email Set-up
Your UD ID and PIN are the key to getting access to many services at the University of Delaware such as academic records, grades, student account as well many educational resources from UD's web site. Your UD ID is your student number indicated in your acceptance letter from the Office of Graduate Studies (in most cases, 7xx-xx-xxxx). You should also have received your PIN via email from the Office of Graduate Studies. If you have not received it, please call (302) 831-8697 or send an email to gradoffice@aip.udel.edu.

Once you have your UD ID and PIN, go to www.udel.edu/welcome and under New Students, click on "Complete UDelNet internet and e-mail account activation". Read through the instructions carefully. The **next business day after** you have set up your permanent email (e.g. bobsmit@udel.edu) you will be able to use your Udel Net ID (username) (bobsmit) and password you created to log into various secured university websites.
**Online Parking Registration**
You will be able to get your Parking Permit online **one business day after** you have set up your username and password (see above). Log into [http://www.udel.edu/permits](http://www.udel.edu/permits) and follow the steps. You will need to know, make, model, year of your vehicle and state tag/plate number. If you will be here in June, July or August, you will want to select a “Summer” parking permit. “Fall” permits are valid beginning September 1st. You can pick them up during orientation week at the Public Safety office (400 Academy Street, 1st floor). You will need to bring a picture id (driver’s license, passport) and your car registration slip.

**Are computers provided and/or what type should I bring?**
Once you have selected your research project and are assigned a faculty advisor a computer will be made available to you. The selection process normally takes place during the fall semester. Prior to this we have two computer labs available in the building. There are also computer labs located in many building around the campus, including the library. If you wish to bring your own computer and are trying to decide between a laptop and a PC you will need to consider your study/work habits and how mobile you wish to be. Our current grad students are divided pretty evenly between the two options and say it’s a matter of personal preference.

**Can I contact one of the current graduate students with questions?**
Incoming students who have questions for graduate students can feel free to contact Rachael Lewus (rlewus@udel.edu) or Jason McMullan (mcmullan@udel.edu), both third year students. If you have questions for other graduate students their contact information can be found on the graduate student people page at: [http://www.che.udel.edu/directory/grad.html](http://www.che.udel.edu/directory/grad.html) Their email addresses appear at the bottom of the page when you scroll over their name. Additional information can be found at the Graduate Student Organization webpage (Colburn Club) at: [http://www.che.udel.edu/cc](http://www.che.udel.edu/cc)

**Where do I find information on health insurance?**
The webpage for health insurance information is: [http://universityhealthplans.com](http://universityhealthplans.com). You can download the brochures now, however online sign-up won’t be available until later on in the summer. If you have specific questions should call Susan Lee with the Office of Foreign Students and Scholars (even if you are a domestic student). She is the contact for graduate insurance. Her phone number is (302)831-2115 and her email is susanl@udel.edu. Also Dorothea Lyons of University Health Plans is the University of Delaware representative for her company. Her email is dlyons@univhealthplans.com or you can reach her at 1-800-437-6448.

**Where should I send my official transcripts?**
You should send your official transcripts to the Graduate Office and not our department. They need the official final transcript for admissions purposes. You can find contact information on their website at: [http://www.udel.edu/gradoffice/](http://www.udel.edu/gradoffice/).