

0.1 Introduction

Welcome to the **Unofficial First Year Guide To Everything!** If you are an EngSci 2T7+, welcome! If you are not, congratulations on making the right decision! Here, you can see my super-duper subjective guide. This is still a WIP, so don't expect there to be too much (yet). Feel free to contribute by submitting a pull request.

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Chapter 1

Supplies

Before coming into EngSci, you might wanna empty your parent's bank account just a bit more. As someone who is on the frugal side, here is some advice:

- Textbooks
 - Check with your professor to see if the textbook is actually used
 - See if you can download it (legally)
 - You can even print the relevant chapters out using your 900-per-term printing quota (they rarely use the whole book)
 - In most cases, there isn't much difference between a newer and older edition. However, you should always check.
- Laptops/Tablets
 - You might wanna get one if you have neither. You need these for meetings (Praxis, Design Teams), homework, note-taking, etc. A laptop is better than a tablet.
 - You don't need a new laptop just for better specs. Use Linux (I am typing this on a 10-year-old laptop). There are almost always outlets in lecture halls (ranging from one per seat to one per lecture hall), so battery life does not matter as much.
- Pens, pencils, erasers, paper
 - Cheap enough that it doesn't really matter.