First and foremost, congratulations on getting into University of Virginia! I really hope that the next four years here at UVA become some of the best years of your life. UVA has so much to offer- and there is so much to take advantage of. I can't imagine how disappointing and frustrating it must've been to start off your college career in the midst of a pandemic, but I have hope you'll make the best out of the situation! There will always be upperclassmen who will be more than willing to offer as much help and advice as they can to you (Pro tip: upperclassmen will shower you with lots of love if you let them). UVA has so many opportunities to be involved in, ranging from Greek Life to clubs to intramural sports! I personally give much credit to my sorority, alpha Kappa Delta Phi, for shaping me into the confident and happy person I am today.

College is truly the best time to really shape yourself into who you want to become. Everything is in your hands and you control what you want to do. As cliché as it sounds, you really do only live once, so experience all the things you want to experience and live your best life! Just don't forget that the primary reason you came to UVA was for education (don't slack off on class work!). If I could give just one personal advice though, I would say to not take classes in the morning if you're not a morning person- your future self will thank you.

Don't forget that you were chosen to be here for a reason; you belong here, and you are a part of a bigger family now. © Wahoowa!

Sincerely, Your new friend

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