

Review these **HELPFUL LINKS AND CONTACTS** before calling admitted students

Financial aid info: [web.wellesley.edu/web/Dept/SFS](http://web.wellesley.edu/web/Dept/SFS)

Admitted student website: [www.wellesley.edu/admission/admit](http://www.wellesley.edu/admission/admit)

Admission Office calendar: [web.wellesley.edu/web/Admission/visit/admissioncalendar.psmi](http://web.wellesley.edu/web/Admission/visit/admissioncalendar.psmi)

Wellesley news: [web.wellesley.edu/web/News](http://web.wellesley.edu/web/News)

Wellesley College Office of Admission: 781-283-2270 or [admission@wellesley.edu](mailto:admission@wellesley.edu)

Wellesley College Student Financial Services (Financial Aid): 781-283-2360 or [finaid@wellesley.edu](mailto:finaid@wellesley.edu)

**If you have any questions, please contact your regional admission counselor. A directory of regional counselors is available on the AAR website:**

[www.wellesley.edu/Admission/AAR](http://www.wellesley.edu/Admission/AAR)

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FROM **ADMITTED** STUDENTS

If admitted students have any questions that you can not answer fully, please encourage them to call the Admission Office at 781-283-2270. We would be delighted to speak with them!

### **How long do I have to consider my admission offer?**

All admitted students have until May 1 (the National Candidates Reply Date Deadline) to decide where to enroll for college. Details for accepting Wellesley's offer of admission are included in the acceptance packet and also listed on the admitted student website.

### **How do I know that Wellesley received my deposit?**

Wellesley sends email confirmation of deposit every Friday. If Wellesley does not acknowledge receipt of deposit within 2 weeks, students should contact the Office of Admission directly.

### **I don't understand my financial aid package/my financial aid offer isn't enough. What can I do?**

Families should contact Student Financial Services at 781-283-2360, Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm EST. Financial aid counselors are available to explain the aid package, or to determine if a student should submit additional documentation that may affect her aid award. Counselors are also available to talk with families who have low (or no) financial need, to explain payment options or to talk about available loan programs.

### **What/when is Spring Open Campus? Why should I attend? How do I sign up?**

Spring Open Campus (SOC) is Wellesley's annual open house for admitted students. The main Spring Open Campus program is April 21-22, and the ALANA (African-American, Latina/Hispanic, Asian-American, and Native American) pre-program begins on Wednesday, April 20. All students will have opportunities to meet faculty, learn more about Wellesley's student organizations, tour our facilities, interact with current students, hear from alumnae, spend a night in our dorms, meet future classmates, and try out being a "Wellesley Woman" for a few days. Registration is through the admitted student website.

### **I can't attend Spring Open Campus. How can I decide if Wellesley is the right fit for me?**

Wellesley offers an array of methods for students to learn more about us:

- Admitted students are invited to visit Wellesley throughout April to tour our campus, sit in on a class, have lunch with a current student, attend an information session with a counselor,

and/or spend the night in our dorms. The complete visitor schedule is posted on the Wellesley admission website. Pre-registration for lunch and overnight visits is required.

- Wellesley will be streaming a live feed of our two most popular Spring Open Campus panels. Admitted students may log in from anywhere in the world and watch our main student/faculty panel and our alumnae panel as they're happening.
- Online chats with current students and admission counselors are available twice for domestic students during April. A third chat is available especially for international students.
- The admitted student website offers lots of information about Wellesley, Boston, and the Class of 2015. All students received the web link in their acceptance packet.
- Four current students are blogging about their year at Wellesley. There are "insider" descriptions of life as a Wellesley student and plenty of pictures. Blogs are linked from the admitted student website.
- Admission counselors are available to answer questions via phone or email.

### **When do I select classes? (Or any other questions related to planning for the upcoming year, including credit transfers, housing, roommate assignments.)**

All enrolling students will receive information from Wellesley throughout the summer, and will be given access to the Enrolling Student Portal in May. Housing is by lottery during the summer, and course selection takes place in September during Orientation. There will be plenty of advising and support during Orientation, so students have no need to worry about course selection right now.

### **What/when is Orientation?**

Wellesley's new student orientation takes place at the end of August, approximately one week before returning students arrive on campus. New students will take placement tests, register for courses, meet faculty and student advisors, and learn about our campus and community. There are plenty of events planned, including parties with other area colleges, trips, and some fun surprises.

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FROM STUDENTS ON THE WAIT LIST**

(Note: all applicants offered a space on Wellesley's wait list received a copy of these FAQs)

### **Why does Wellesley have a wait list?**

Wellesley receives many more applications from qualified candidates than it has space for in the entering class and can only estimate how many admitted students will choose to accept our offers of admission. This is why some applicants are placed on a wait list. When a candidate receives a wait-list decision, the Board of Admission regards her to be just below the very top group of candidates and is confident that she will be competitive for admission should space become available.

### **How large is the wait list? How do I confirm my interest in remaining on the wait list?**

Last year, approximately 500 students chose to remain on the wait list. In order to be considered for admission, wait-listed candidates must notify us through the MyWellesley Portal no later than May 1, the National Candidates Reply Date Deadline. The wait list opens for registration on March 30.

### **Is the wait list ranked in any way?**

Wellesley does not rank its wait list. If we have room to admit students, the Board of Admission will again review all candidates who express an interest in receiving consideration for admission from the wait list. This review occurs in separate committee meetings held after the first week of May.

### **In past years, how many students have been admitted from Wellesley's wait list?**

Over the past four years, we have admitted from 10 to 40 students annually. We do expect to consider students from the wait list this year.

**Should I send an enrollment deposit to another institution?**

It is important to reserve a place at another college that meets the student's interests, as we cannot guarantee that we will admit candidates from the wait list in any given year. While the college to which she sends her deposit looks forward to welcoming her in the fall, all colleges understand that students may remain on the wait list elsewhere. This is common practice.

**Should I schedule an interview?**

We do not offer interviews to wait-listed candidates. Should she wish to send an additional letter to update the Board of Admission on her current activities, it will be added to her application folder.

**When will you notify me if I am admitted from the wait list?**

We typically make our first wait-list offers after the third week of May. We will do our very best to conclude all wait-list activity by June 30. If places do become available and we decide to accept students from the wait list, we will telephone the student before sending a letter. She need not call us.

**Is there anything that I can do to increase my chances of being admitted from the wait list?**

As noted above, if she has additional information that was not a part of her original application (information about any new awards or achievements, or a recent grade report), she should feel free to forward that information to the Office of Admission. Any new information will be added to her application for further consideration.