

A SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Here is a sample schedule of one day at the A.C.T. pre-O program:

- 9:30am-10am Breakfast**
- 10am-1pm Explore Tufts**
- 1pm-2pm Lunch/Afternoon Break**
- 2pm-6pm Trip to Boston State House**
- 6pm-7pm Dinner in Boston**
- 7pm-9pm Technology Activities**
- 9pm-11pm Evening Outings**
(concert, bowling, movies)

ACCOMMODATIONS

All students will stay in their assigned dormitories for the year. Meals will be provided by the dining halls and at restaurants in Downtown Boston and Somerville during our explorations of the areas surrounding Tufts.

BEING A PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER....

A.C.T. is a unique experience for incoming students who care about campus and community issues. It is part of a long-term research project sponsored by Tufts University College of Citizenship and Public Service and the DevTech Research Group at Tufts Eliot-Pearson Department of Child Development, in collaboration with Tufts Academic Technologies. Our goal is to evaluate the extent to which the A.C.T. program and new technologies can affect and improve students' community life at Tufts. Over the next few years at Tufts, you may be invited to participate in future discussions and focus groups to help the University understand the impact of this pre-orientation program.

From your first day at Tufts, you can take part in a project that will enhance the lives of students in our community. Your participation will be a first step to creating a proactive student body that hopes to improve Tufts' campus. A.C.T. will be a memorable pre-orientation experience...Join us as we leave an impact in the first days of your Tufts life and create a change in the way students approach the college experience.

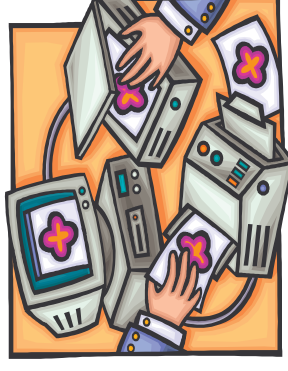


EDUCATION FOR ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP

Active Citizenship through Technology
A.C.T.

A PRE-ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Class of 2009



August 28-August 31

A technology-rich experience to explore the Tufts community while designing the campus of the future.

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WHAT IS THE A.C.T. PROGRAM?

Do you spend hours on end instant messaging, surfing the internet, and sharing digital pictures with friends? Or do you simply use word processing to write papers, but otherwise have no interest in new technology. Despite your technological fluency, A.C.T. pre-orientation program is an opportunity to begin your Tufts career with exposure to some of the latest and most exciting technologies available. You will have the unique opportunity to bridge the connection between technology and community life. Meeting other first-years, interviewing administrators and faculty, and speaking with current students to gain a sense of what Tufts has to offer will be a first step to making yourself connected and involved with the rest of the campus.

- Participate in group activities to learn about your new surroundings.
- Learn how to use Internet-based technologies to create a virtual campus of the future.
- Engage in exciting dialogues and debates over community life at Tufts and civic issues affecting society at large.
- Discuss ways to promote positive student life on campus.

Some hot topics we may discuss:

- “Is the application process to colleges a fair way to gauge one’s abilities?”
- “Should all floors in dorms be single-sex? Should all buildings be single-sex?”
- “Should those with the highest GPA’s get the best housing, or should it remain a lottery system as it is now?”

You will join other first-years in an engaging and supportive environment as you explore Tufts and its communities. You will have an opportunity to travel around Boston and the local neighborhoods of Medford and Somerville before many other first-year students. In a sense, you will become an “expert” on all that Tufts has to offer and what life will be like here. Through intriguing debates, discussions, and group encounters, you will be able to present your opinions and propose what an “ideal” campus should have.

After all your experiences and discussions over the three days of pre-orientation, you will be able to use your newly acquired skills with technology to create an ideal virtual campus of the future that will be presented to a panel of students, faculty and administrators at Tufts. We hope to help you gain the skills to become future leaders and active participants in the Tufts community and beyond.

...through technology you can become an active citizen of the Tufts community.

HOW TO APPLY

June 18: Pre-application is due.

July 6: You will be informed of acceptance into the program. (Acceptance is first-come, first-serve)

July 15: You must fill-out final application online and send-in program fees.

COST

\$200 per student (includes housing, meals, and trips)

Please do not send money until you receive acceptance letter.

Financial aid is available as needed.

QUESTIONS?

Call (617) 627-5533 from 9:30am-4pm Monday-Friday.

Email program coordinator, Ashima Mathur at ashima.mathur@tufts.edu

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