

Writing Team

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articles- like that college is going to be easier than high school, that you have to
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Who You Gonna Call?: Where to Go for Answers
list of contacts

2500 WSC Monday-Friday 8am-5pm (closed Tuesday 10:45-12:10 for devotional)

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University Police Department: 2120 JKB

Police: 422-2222

Police Front Desk: 801-422-4051

Parking Front Desk: 801-422-8754

Parking Services: 801-822-3906

Link to the Question/Answer Google doc:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1otJa31iKkUi9mLQhsLsZfrGfZcweX4aVKvPwShov-B8/edit>

What I Wish I Knew Link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Xw-kGThlrgdv-O3lsRXe2_PfcTegBNIHp39vcJLrOUQ/edit

Everyone pick one topic and write 200 words on it by friday at 5.

Also, fill in the google docs with anything you've got

EXAMPLE:

This is a wee bit, ok A LOT, longer than 200 words, but you get the gist. Make it personable!!

Freshman Year. For me, it held the title of that awkward, brace-face, acne-filled year in high school. But once May came and I got my diploma, freshman had a whole new meaning. Freshman year of *college* was going to be totally different. From all the stories I heard, I was going to make so many new girl friends, meet loads of interesting people, go on at LEAST two dates every weekend *and* get straight A's.

I'm here to tell that just isn't true. At least, not right away. Freshman year is an adjusting period. Minus the braces and awkwardness, freshman year in college is actually a lot like your first year in high school. Did you walk into school day one and know where all the classes were? Did you and a big group of guy/girl friends eat lunch together? Did you know exactly where to go when you had a question? Probably not. But because you've braved high school, and mostly because of the stories we've heard, we're conditioned to think all of the things it took you four years to gain will come automatically in a week.

I'm telling you right now that college is hard. There will be nights where you feel lonely. There will be days when you've studied your guts out for a test, only to end up getting a C. There will be times when you can't stand your roommate. And, believe it or not, there will be times when you miss high school. But you know what? That's ok. Just understand this: worthwhile things take time. Don't expect everything to fall into place by the end of the first month. Be patient. You have to take a bad class here, or get lost a little there because college is a learning experience. Learn from your mistakes. Learn from your heartbreaks. But most importantly, learn from your triumphs.

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Topics

Brittany Mearns- Balancing school, friends, and sleeping

Ryan Rex: food. where to find it

David Kastner: What to consider when choosing your classes

Abby Christensen: Freshman Year: Matching Expectations with Reality

Sarah Bartholomew: Learning to live with roommates

Taran Pew: Study away from your dorm

Mariah McKinnon: Best GE classes to take, what they entail, and how to pick 'em or how to get a job or how to pick a major

Madison Dennis: Making your own happiness; adjusting to college life

Myra Lai: Managing your money; where to find Asian food; essentials as a foreigner

Hilary Swainston: Managing time wisely or HOUSING

Elyse Christensen: Don't overload your schedule OR making your own home away from home OR being involved and social

Ben Welker - don't take chem 105 and american heritage in the same semester.

don't take an 8am class every day. you may have woken up at 5am for seminary everyday for 4 years, but its almost impossible to get to an 8am class in college.

(i so completely agree)

Amy Porter: The best way to maneuver campus, and how to tell where you are.

Lincoln Luethe: Choosing classes and good professors that you'll learn from. Using the resources that BYU offers to the students.

Editors

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Question and Answer Column

What I wish I knew- everyone come up with one

Pros and Cons of where you live/ meal plans - P.S. THEY ARE ALREADY GOING TO BE LIVING IN THESE PLACES WHEN THEY READ THIS... SO..... HOUSING FOR SOPHOMORE YEAR? BUT THAT WON'T HELP THE GUYS MUCH. Just sayin' :)
or just pro's and con's of where they are.

Abby- example of a good article

Amy- table of contents organization

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the design part, yes. i'm just coming up with the topics.

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Everyone has their freshman horror stories. We may not be able to prevent them, but we can at least prepare them.

Meals, Money and More: The Basics of Living on your own

Meals

There are two kinds of people that come to BYU. Those with meal plans, and those without. Both have their benefits, and both have their shortcomings. Chances are, you have already signed up (or chosen not to sign up) for a meal plan. But regardless, make sure to be friends with those of the opposite kind! Cannon Food does get old after a while, and cooking your own food for every meal also gets old.

Especially for “meal plan”-ers

If you have dining plus, make sure to take full advantage of your dining plus options: it took me a full semester to learn all the places I could eat out.

- The Cannon (the bread and butter of any meal plan)
- The Creamery at the Cannon Center, Wyview Creamery, and the Creamery Outlet
- The MOA Café (yum!), and the Pendulum Café in the Eyring Science Center (make sure to make a reservation though)
- The Wilkinson Cougar Eat: Subway, Taco Bell, Jamba Juice and more. A full blown food court for you to choose from.
- The Blue Line Café in the Tanner Building
- The Skyroom (on the top floor of the Wilk). Spendy buffet, but worth it.

Money

You never have enough money in college! It is amazing how fast college zaps your wallet, between buying living supplies and paying for fun things on the weekends! To help offset the never-ending drain of your cash flow, here are a few tips for freshmen to make a few extra bucks.

- Sell back your textbooks to buy-back companies. You get a few dollars for books you otherwise wouldn't use. Also, if you buy books cheap off of Amazon or somewhere similar, you can sell them back to the Bookstore at BYU's price and get a bit of a profit.
- Donate plasma! Talecris plasma is a stones throw (1 mile to be exact) from campus. You can get up to 55\$ a week just by donating your plasma.
- Get a job. On campus jobs are competitive to get, but if you look hard you can find one. The office in the Cougar Eat has a listing of job openings in the cougar eat. The Creamery and Cannon Center employ students. The grounds crew has positions that need to be filled, and there are janitorial duties on campus. All on campus jobs have the benefit of being very flexible.

... and MORE

There's a lot that you have to think about when living on your own. But don't worry! Take it one day at a time, and you'll be perfectly fine. Laundry varies based on housing, but usually require quarters. You can get a roll of 10 dollars worth at the Wells Fargo in the Bookstore. Make sure you set aside a few hours for Cleaning Checks each month and do them right the first time. Use a planner- it'll keep you on top of everything. Really, I promise you'll be fine! You know more about being independent than you think.