



Dear Health and Rehabilitation Student!

Congratulations on your admission to your professional program in the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences (HRS)! I am delighted to welcome you to SHRS. Admitted students to the admission level of their programs need to be aware that they are required to comply with several requirements (program conditions) to be eligible to begin professional coursework in a year.

There are several things that need your attention this academic year:

1. **Advisor Assignment:** You will be assigned a faculty advisor in your division. The relationship with the faculty advisor is important for degree planning and career development. Students are also assigned a college office advisor, Lisa Terek, Director of Student Services, to assist with questions regarding university business. In September, you will be able to view the name of your faculty advisor in your Student Center.

2. **Degree Audit:** The Degree Audit is a resource available to students, faculty, staff, and advisors to monitor student progress toward an undergraduate degree. You should view and print your Degree Audit at www.buckeyelink.osu.edu to check your progress towards completing your GE requirements as well as your remaining prerequisites for your program. You are required to meet all requirements for graduation, which is reflected on the Degree Audit.

3. **New Ohio State Student Information:** Students new to Ohio State in autumn term should plan to meet with Lisa Terek, Director of Student Services, to register for courses, learn about requirements for enrollment including email activation, BuckID, and other necessary tasks. Please call 614-292-1706 to schedule an appointment with Lisa.

4. **Welcome Event:** This event is a celebration that marks the beginning of your academic career in the School. School faculty, staff, Alumni Society and your fellow students will all be in attendance. HRS student group representatives will be in attendance for you to learn more about getting involved in School activities. You will be emailed event specifics closer to the date. Typically a program orientation precedes or follows this celebration. Please check with your program for specific details.

5. **Completion of Prerequisite courses:** As stated in your letter of admission, in most cases, you are required to complete any outstanding prerequisite courses by the program deadlines.

6. **Handbook:** The School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences has a Major Student Handbook with important information and policies each student in the School is required to know. Each division also has a handbook with division policies and rules. Students should familiarize themselves with both handbooks. Handbooks can be found at:


<https://hrs.osu.edu/academics/academic-resources/student-handbooks>.

7. Weekly Email from HRS Student Services: Students are responsible for reading the weekly e-mail sent from the HRS Student Services Office. Important information regarding registration, scholarships, research opportunities are all included in the weekly email.

8. The Student Services Office has a blog. From now on, only HRS news will be sent out in weekly emails. Other news, such as programs from the Multicultural Center, Undergraduate Research Office, and student jobs can be found at our blog: U.OSU.EDU/HRSsso. Students are able to subscribe for weekly updates from the blog on the bottom left of any page. Updates will be sent on Friday of each week.

Again, congratulations on your admission. If I can be of any help to you at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me, or the Student Services Office, at (614) 292-1706. Welcome to the Health and Rehabilitation Sciences family!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Deborah S. Larsen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'D'.

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