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Dear New Student:

Welcome to the University of Maine at Augusta! We are pleased that you have expressed interest in joining our college community. To ensure your success and to provide a smooth transition to UMA, we have scheduled a **New Student Orientation Program for Wednesday, January 4** (snow date is January 5) at our **Augusta campus**. It is very important that you attend.

The New Student Orientation Program is specifically designed for all students new to UMA, regardless of where they attend classes, or whether they are first-time, transfer, or returning students. Noted on the enclosed brochure, you will have the opportunity to: tour the campus and familiarize yourself with our facilities; meet with your academic college representative; discuss your concerns; and, learn more about what to expect at UMA and what UMA expects of you. Information regarding a full array of support services, campus resources, and opportunities for student involvement will be available. In addition, workshops designed to enhance your college experience will be offered. (See the enclosed "Orientation Program Details" flyer for information on all workshops including those of special interest to transfer students.) Most importantly, you will meet some of your new classmates, faculty and staff.

You are welcome to bring family members and friends as guests. Students' meals are complimentary. There is a \$6 fee for each guest sharing the meal with us. **You must reserve your spot for this event.** Fill out the **online Reservation Form** at www.uma.edu/orientationform.html **by December 23.** **If you are bringing a guest who is ordering a meal, you must respond by returning the hard copy Reservation Form (printed in the brochure)** with payment in the enclosed, self-addressed, postage-paid envelope. Once we receive your Reservation Form, a confirmation letter and map will be e-mailed to you. Please be sure to include your e-mail address. If you do not have an e-mail address, your confirmation and map will be sent via U.S. mail. Please be sure to let us know as soon as possible should you need accommodations or assistance to participate in Orientation.

You may be eligible to participate in multiple orientations. In addition to this New Student Orientation Program on the Augusta campus, UMA provides an orientation at our Bangor campus. University College Learning Services offers an online orientation to distance learning (<http://learn.maine.edu/get-started/orientation>). Center orientations are available through most University College Centers. Dates for those programs are listed in the enclosed brochure.

If you have any questions about the New Student Orientation Program or the reservation process, please contact the Office of the Dean of Students at (207) 621-3176 or 1-877-UMA-1234, Ext. 3176, or by e-mailing crowley@maine.edu.

I look forward to seeing you on January 4!

Warmest personal regards,

Kathleen A. Dexter
Dean of Students

***In the event of poor weather conditions on the date of the orientation, please listen to your local radio stations OR call 621-3176 for a recorded message OR call 621-3185/1-877-UMA-1234, and select the option for cancellation notices, OR check online at www.uma.edu/alerts.html, "UMA Alerts" box. The snow date for orientation is Thursday, January 5, at the same time and the same location.**