# M E M O R A N D U M

**TO:** All First Year Students - Harrisburg Campus

**FROM:** Keith E. Sealing
Dean of Students

**SUBJECT:** **Orientation 2014**

**DATE:** July 7, 2014

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Many of us here at Widener are busy preparing for the upcoming academic year and are looking forward to your arrival on Monday, August 11, 2014. We are delighted to help you as you embark on an exciting new career path to becoming members of the legal profession.

Please note the following:

1. **Open Registration** – Registration for all incoming students will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. on Monday, August 11, 2014, in the Admissions Office located in the Administration Building. Registration should take about 10 minutes, so stop by anytime. The Admissions Office anticipates the heaviest volume to be at the end of the day, so if you are able, register early in the day to avoid long lines.

2. **Welcome to the Profession Program** – A mandatory Welcome to the Profession Ceremony will be held for all incoming students on Monday, August 11. Students should arrive to register between 10:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. with the ceremony beginning at 5:00 p.m. in room A180 in the Administration Building with a reception to follow. Professional attire is required.

3. **Introduction to Legal Process** - Introduction to Legal Process classes will begin on Monday, August 11, following the Welcome to the Profession Ceremony and reception. The days and times are detailed in the information from the Registrar. I remind you that it is mandatory that you attend all sessions of Orientation and Introduction to Legal Process including the final exam on Saturday, August 16.

4. **Campus Bookstore** - Although the Bookstore will be open on Monday, August 11, to avoid congestion and delays on that day, I encourage any of you for whom it is convenient to come in prior to that time to purchase your textbooks or purchase them online.

5. **Career Development Office (CDO)** - Preparing for a job in the legal community has become increasingly more challenging. In order to prepare you for this task, each first year student will be required to meet with our Career Development Director, Karen Durkin, in a mandatory session that is part of Orientation on Thursday, October 16, 2014, at 12:00 in room L204 or 5:00 p.m. in room L203, depending on whether you are a day or evening student. These meetings will give students the opportunity to learn about the resources of the Career Development Office (CDO), discuss future plans and begin to prepare time lines for their job search process. Students may sign up on the CDO TWEN web site.

6. **Tobacco-Free Campus** – Just a reminder that we are proud to be tobacco-free and this policy is strictly enforced. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

7. **Saturday Conclusion** – The final day of Orientation will be Saturday, August 16. Following the Introduction to Law final examination, students will meet with their Faculty Advisors for lunch in The Pit located on the second floor of the Library Building.

I look forward to meeting you on August 11. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call my office or email me at kesealing@widener.edu. If you are on Facebook, please contact me at username: keith.sealing or post on the Incoming Class of 2014 page.

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