

Dear Student,

Congrats on making the best decision of your life. Welcome to Wesleyan!

Wesleyan is a one-of-a-kind community of students who pursue their diverse passions, engage with the community around them, do good for the world... and have fun. You will get your first taste of this community during freshmen orientation, a crash course in Wes success and a great opportunity to meet your classmates and learn about opportunities to get involved. The Wesleyan community is as vibrant as it is supportive, so orientation will provide resources to make your transition to Wesleyan enjoyable and smooth.

Similarly, the Wesleyan Student Assembly (WSA), Wesleyan's student government, is meant to serve as a friendly support system and an advocate for students to make your Wesleyan experience as meaningful and magical as possible. We are Zach Malter '13 and Meherazade Sumariwalla '12, the president and vice president of the WSA for the 2011–2012 academic year. We are available to you starting this summer, so feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. Throughout the year, if you'd like to start a student group, get funding for an event, vocalize a concern about campus life, or ask questions about any school policy, contact the WSA and we'll be sure to address your issue.

Wesleyan is defined by the energy and creativity of the student body. In addition to 12 a cappella groups, the Javanese music ensemble, and a Second Stage theater troupe, Wesleyan boasts more than 200 unique student clubs that will be open for you to join. Discover information about each group at the annual WSA Student Activities Fair in mid-September. If you don't find something that fits, you can get together with friends and create a new student group!

We also encourage you to run for a seat on the WSA, one of the most influential student governments in the country, where faculty, trustees, administrators, and all students—including frosh—work together to improve the community. Over the past year, WSA representatives have founded a student café, protested administrative policy, introduced new academic certificates, organized trips to New York, founded a local cheese co-op, and designed new environmental projects. Additionally, the WSA holds open meetings every Sunday night where we discuss the most pressing student issues, and everybody is invited to attend.

For more information on the WSA, visit our web site [wsa.wesleyan.edu](http://wsa.wesleyan.edu) or come to our orientation session on September 3. To reiterate, please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about Wesleyan; we're eager to talk with you. We look forward to seeing you in the fall and working with many of you to shape our wonderful Wesleyan community.

Cheers,

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