

# For most, college begins in dorms

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College offers freshmen a chance to take that first tentative step — or big leap — into thinking and acting independently. Mom and Dad are usually at least a city and phone call away, which means it's time for students to call the shots on things like dating, parties and classes.

Upperclassmen are the true experts on college life. They've been through that first year themselves (and lived to talk about it) and have plenty of advice for incoming students.

The majority of students will stay in a dorm their first year of school. Living in a dorm can help students test the waters of living away from their parents while meeting plenty of people to smooth the transition.

Senior Eric Monsen said dorm life provides new students with a way to meet other students. Also, the dorms hold social functions, including dances, enabling students to meet people from other dorms.

"It's a good way for someone to meet people, especially if you don't know anyone here," Monsen said. "I met a lot of people."

However, dorm life does have a downside, Monsen said. Freshmen who stay in the dorms should expect that their taste buds may demand they order out for pizza frequently.

"The food sucked," he said.

"Anything pork I'd stay away from, but the desserts were pretty good."

Resident assistants live in the dorms and are there to help the students. But senior Hutch Tibbetts said some students may view their RA as just a replacement parent.

"There's a slight restriction in your mobility," he said. "having someone as your babysitter."

RAs and other upperclassmen, however, are great sources of information about college, Tibbetts said. Freshmen should not take their expertise lightly.

"Asking a lot of questions is one thing (students) shouldn't hold themselves back from," he said. "There are so many people out there who are willing to give them advice."

Students must strike a balance between a social life and academics, said senior Scott Buchanan. Freshman year is a time for experimentation, but students should be cautious, he said.

"I was 21 when I came here," he said. "I did my share of drinking and buying alcohol for freshmen."

"They're going to drink," he said. "But they have to be very careful about where they (drink) and what they do afterward."

Fraternities and sororities, club sports and the dorms all provide ways for incoming students to get their social lives

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rolling, Buchanan said.

Freshmen may focus so much on their social lives that they forget why most of them came to the University — to get an education, Buchanan said.

"Students have to balance the social and the academic parts, or you're wasting your money being here," he said.

With big University classes of 150 or more students, freshmen will find they can no longer interact one-to-one with their teachers, or ask all of their questions in class.

Junior Jennifer Roland said she graduated from high school with a class of 70 students. She said the large classes are a big change from high school and may tempt some students to skip class.

"They don't take attendance and your parents live away from you so you have to wake yourself up in the morning," Roland said.

But Roland said she encourages freshmen to think again if they consider skipping a class.

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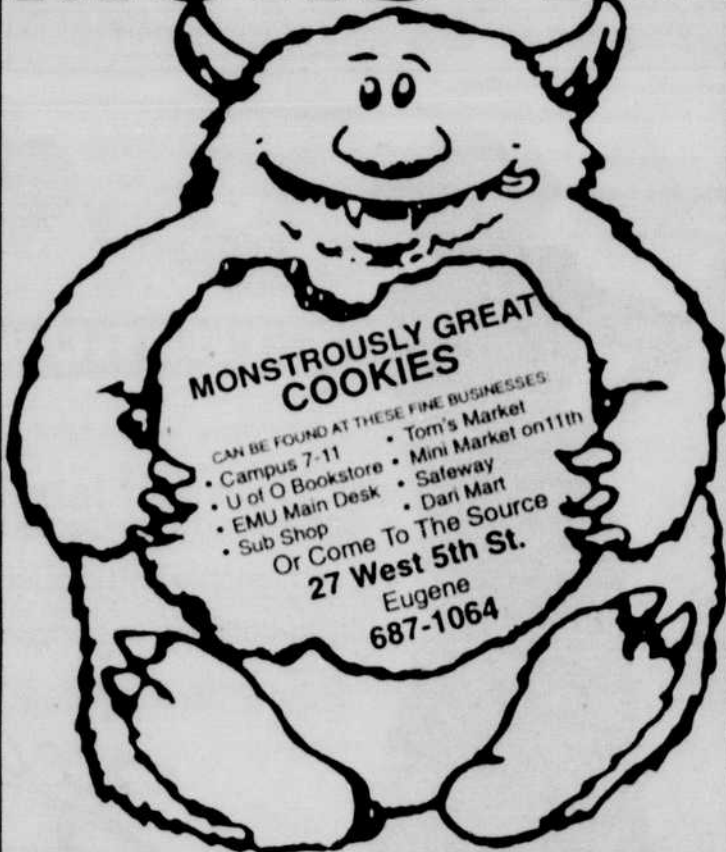
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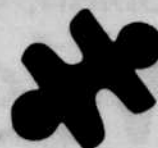
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