



Fall 2019

Dear New Student:

Greetings from Bison Hill! I hope this letter finds you eagerly anticipating your arrival on campus at OBU. We are so excited that you will be joining us and we are preparing daily to serve you. The purpose of this letter is provide you with information regarding Welcome Week in order for you to take full advantage of the opportunities each presents as you begin your OBU experience.

Welcome Week exists to help new students transition to OBU. Our hope is for students to soon call this place home! There will be many opportunities to learn about our culture, adjust to the campus and as a result, students will be connected to their classmates, community, and the world through service and fellowship. The schedule of events for Welcome Week can be located on the web at <http://www.okbu.edu/student-life/welcome-week>

When you enroll for classes at OBU, you receive a copy of Rick Ostrander's *Why College Matters to God*. The reading of this book and subsequent discussions during Welcome Week and beyond, will be highly beneficial as you begin your college career at OBU. Let me encourage you to complete reading this book before arriving on campus. It provides valuable insights about the distinctives of OBU as a Christian liberal arts university that highly values the integration of faith in all areas of learning.

I can't wait to meet you and welcome you to our amazing campus. It is my prayer that you will allow God to transform your life through the opportunities that are awaiting you on Bison Hill. We are all here to serve you; to challenge you; and to support you as you begin your journey. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance to you. See you on August 17th!!!

Sincerely,

Melissa Stroud  
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