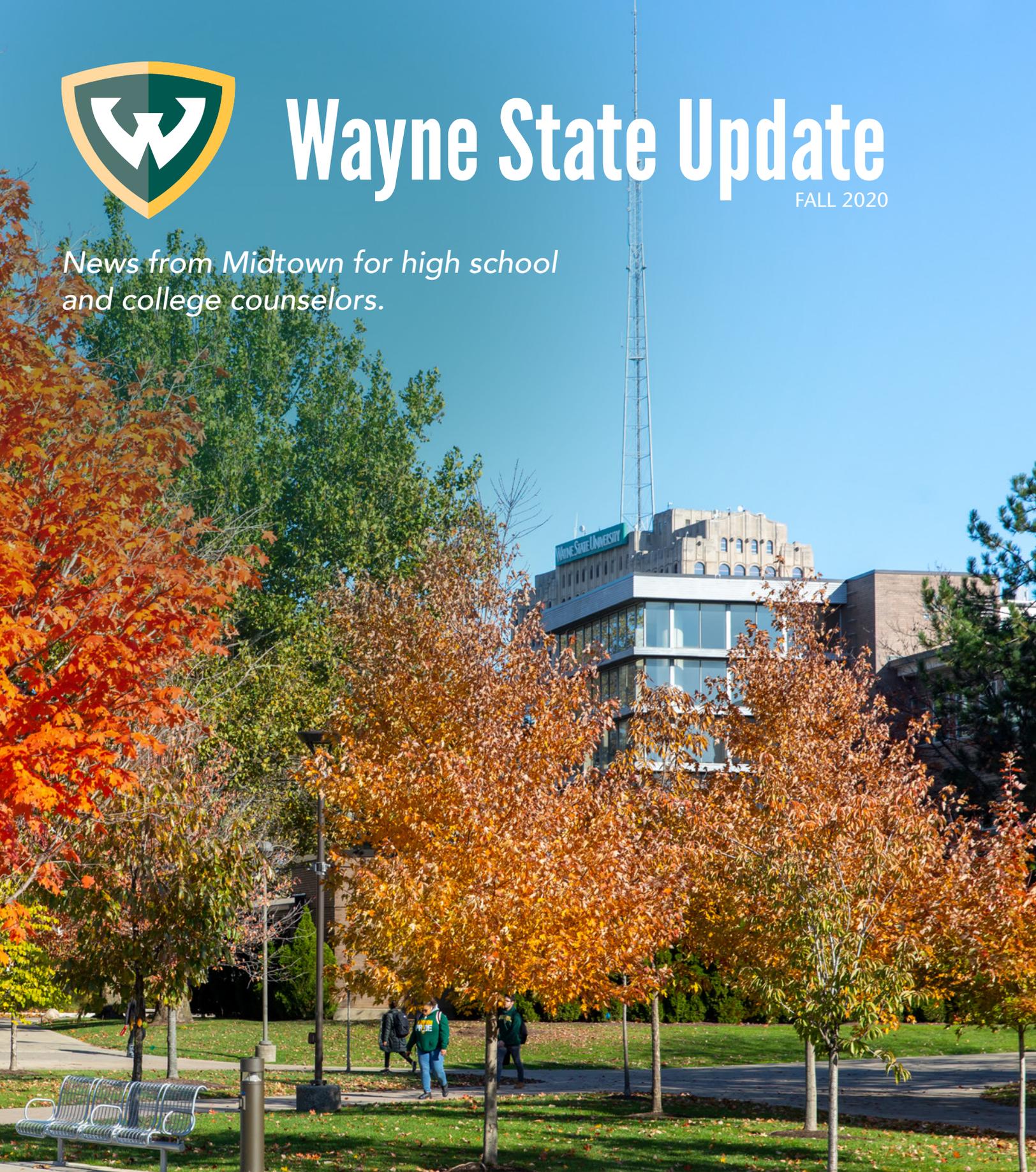




Wayne State Update

FALL 2020

*News from Midtown for high school
and college counselors.*



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New test-optional admission pathway

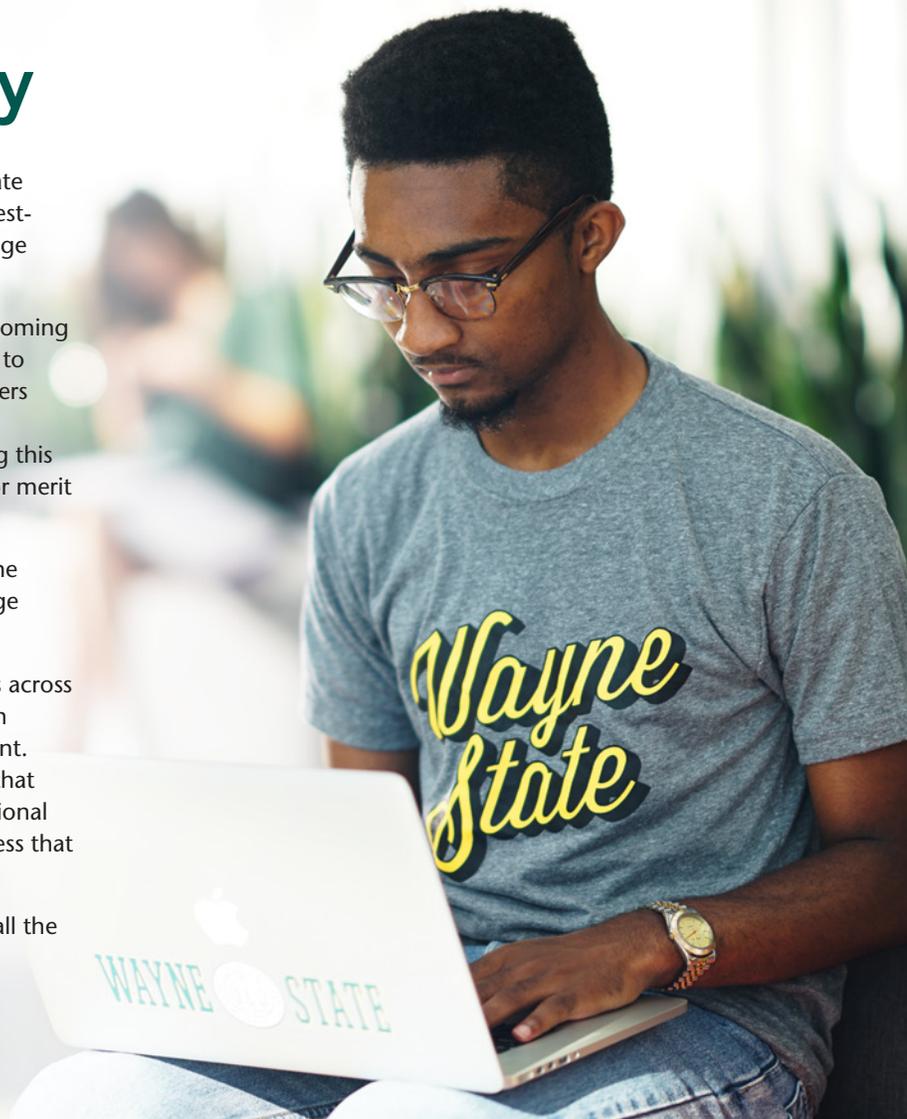
Out of care and concern for our future Warriors, Wayne State University opened the 2021 application on Aug. 1 with a test-optional pathway for students who are unable to take college entrance exams due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In addition to the traditional transcript and GPA review, incoming freshmen who do not take the ACT or SAT will be required to submit a recommendation from an academic source, answers to short essay questions, and a list of leadership activities, extracurricular involvement and work experience. Choosing this route will not impact a student's ability to be considered for merit scholarships.

The test-optional admission pathway is a continuation of the change implemented in April to assist students when college entrance exams were canceled as a result of the pandemic.

"The pandemic has shuttered testing locations for students across the state of Michigan and in many other states," said Dawn Medley, associate vice president for enrollment management. "We must hold students harmless for these circumstances that are out of their control. We feel confident that our test-optional procedures will offer a well-rounded, in-depth review process that looks at the whole student."

For more information, email admissions@wayne.edu or call the Student Service Center at 313-577-2100.



Ericka M. Jackson

Discussing racism's impact on college admission

Wayne State University Senior Director of Undergraduate Admissions Ericka M. Jackson was a featured panelist in a national town hall titled "Navigating the Impact of Racism on College Admission," presented by the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC).

"We reached out to Ericka because she has gained a reputation as a leader in the college admission field — and for good reason," said Executive Director for Educational Content and Policy David Hawkins. "Her approach to admission, much like Wayne State's, is inclusive and forward thinking."

Hawkins noted that Wayne State has proven exemplary in its efforts to create substantial change with equitable admission. "Wayne State University has received national acclaim for its efforts to reach out to underrepresented populations and for achieving real results in opening the doors to higher education for thousands of students. The university is an anchor in a city that has faced difficult times socially and economically, and it remains a beacon for institutions seeking to be an engine of advancement and social responsibility. For these reasons and more, NACAC was grateful that Wayne State lent its voice to our town hall on racism and the college admission profession."

On-campus housing makes adjustments for COVID-19



Life on campus looks a bit different this year, but one thing that remains the same is Wayne State's commitment to providing safe, affordable — and fun — options for students who want or need to live on campus. Even with safety measures in place, Midtown is still a great place to live and explore, and students have the opportunity to engage in virtual programming that has been created to provide a sense of community.

Those opting to live in a university residence hall or apartment this year were tested for COVID-19 and given Wayne State-branded face coverings during the extended move-in process. To allow for greater social distancing, floor occupancies have been reduced. Additionally, high-touch areas are subject to enhanced cleaning procedures and dining halls have introduced to-go options and contactless meal payment.

To learn more about living on campus, visit housing.wayne.edu.

Warrior Road app promotes student success

This fall, Wayne State University launched a free digital application to drive student success. The Warrior Road app is an engaging tool that will help students thrive at Wayne State and beyond.

Available for download on the App Store or Google Play, Warrior Road helps students stay on track as they earn their degree. Students will be able to readily access unique details including their upcoming tasks, academic advisor's contact information and degree progress. Similar to a to-do list, the Warrior Road app is designed to also guide students

as they complete different tasks such as registering for New Student Orientation, meeting with an advisor, paying tuition, signing up for classes, and applying for graduation.

Warrior Road is another way Wayne State brands itself as a progressive, 21st-century university. It represents an incredible way to empower students, facilitate our advisors' engagement and make the campus community more connected.



Welding program among four new engineering degree options

Beginning this fall, Wayne State University students have the option of earning a bachelor of science in welding and metallurgical engineering technology from the College of Engineering. This is one of four new degrees recently added to the 13 existing programs within the college.

According to the American Welding Society, more than half of all man-made products in the United States require the work of welders, which offers great job prospects for those in the field.

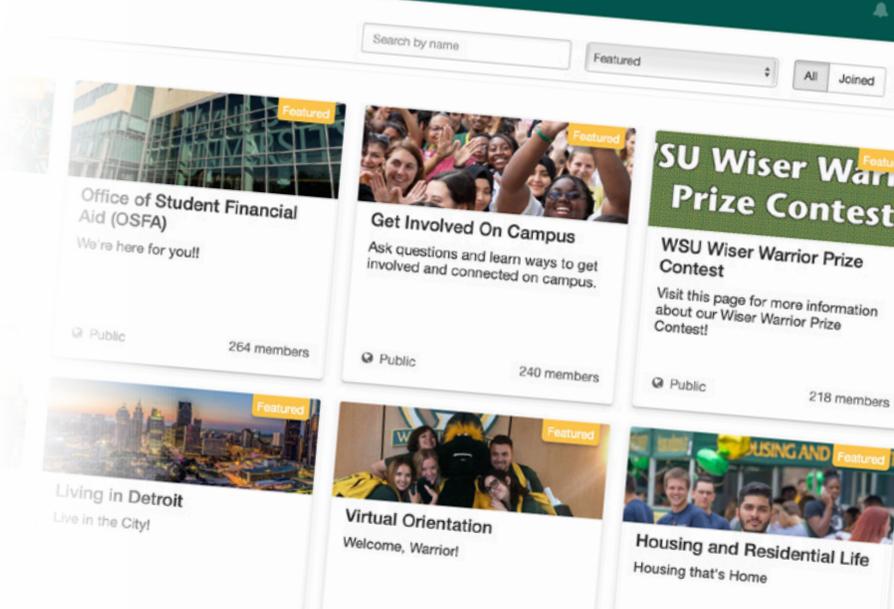
Wayne State's welding and metallurgical engineering technology program is an upper two-year curriculum for students who have completed their first two years in welding or a comparable program at another institution. Wayne State is just the second university in the state of Michigan to offer a bachelor's in welding.

Within the division of engineering technology at Wayne State, welding and metallurgy students will take courses on such topics as thermodynamics, design, automation and robotics, and structural analysis, which will supplement the classes transfer students will have taken at their previous institutions.



Wiser Warriors

Our new social platform helps newly admitted students explore their interests and build relationships with their fellow Warriors before classes begin. By joining communities centered around different topics and resources — including housing, study abroad, getting involved and campus activities — students can ask questions and connect with peer mentors and campus staff who know the ropes.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Select the event link for more information.

NACAC VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS

[Oct. 12, 2020](#)

[Oct. 18, 2020](#)

[Nov. 8, 2020](#)

OPEN HOUSE

[Oct. 3, 2020 – virtual](#)

[Mar. 13, 2021](#)

DETROIT VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIR

[Oct. 8-9, 2020](#)

ADMITTED STUDENT DAYS

[Feb. 13, 2021](#)

[Apr. 10, 2021](#)

COLLEGE BOARD COUNSELOR VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

[Illinois — Sept. 21, 2020](#)

[Michigan — Sept. 18, 2020](#)

ACT VIRTUAL COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS WORKSHOP

[Illinois Workshops — Oct. 7, 8](#)

[Michigan Workshops — Sept. 22, 23](#)

[Ohio Workshops — Sept. 29,](#)

[Oct. 2, 8, 21, 23](#)

Students will hear from faculty and current Warriors, learn about the many programs we offer, and experience campus during our virtual Fall Open House on Saturday, Oct. 3, 2020.

[Get more details and RSVP here.](#)



Explore campus

While we aren't currently offering walking tours of campus, there are plenty of ways for prospective Warriors to learn about and explore Wayne State virtually:

- See campus at your own pace through a virtual tour
- Set up a one-on-one virtual appointment with an admissions counselor
- Join a virtual campus visit for a tour led by a Warrior guide
- Learn about scholarships and more through webinars with our admissions experts

Get started at wayne.edu/tour.



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