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Dear Freshman:

So the new luggage is unpacked; the sweaters and skirts, each neatly tagged with a name tape, are cached in the closet; you have an overdose of anticipation and are ready to start your college education. College, like all of life, is a choice-making proposition. Iowa State offers you many opportunities and it is for you to choose those you want.

First, you are here for the foundation of knowledge upon which all of your future living will be based. You want a good solid base, one that includes all the principles that you need to know. Much already has been said to you about studying and managing your time and your advisors will have a favorite piece of good advice to pass on to you. It's worth taking too, for if your study time is organized you will have free time for activities and other fun you don't want to miss. You won't have to worry about late assignments or slump in your seat with the hope that the professor won't call on you.

Anyone but a potential hermit will snatch at the opportunity college offers to meet and know many types of people. College is the place to make the acquaintances that will be important to you for the rest of your life. This includes members of the faculty as well as your fellow students.

Opportunities for outdoor social life are too good to pass by. The Iowa State campus is breathtaking in its beauty in all the seasons. Sports such as riding, golfing, hockey, tennis, skating and other winter sports will make you appreciate and love your campus. Even if you think that your tennis or golf is a little on the rusty side, experience with the Women's Department of Physical Education will help you become an all around sportswoman.

Appreciation of the beautiful things of life, music, art and literature, pays rich dividends throughout life. The concert artist and literature in life series give all of us an excellent opportunity for this development. Music lovers will want to participate in the Iowa State Concert Band, the Symphony Orchestra, the Marching Band or the Women's Glee Club.

There are many opportunities for participation in discussion of world problems. The League of Student Opinion Forums are claiming their place beside the popular weekly Coffee Forums, which present a faculty and student panel as experts in discussion of the week's current events.

Another opportunity with unique value to students is acquiring the ability to present one's self as an individual personality. The Iowa State Players, the Iowa State Debaters and the Radio Workshop are the activities that provide real development in self expression.

The campus publications offer wonderful proving grounds for future Dorothy Thompsons and Mary Margaret McBrides. Work on the Daily Student, the Bomb, the Green Gander and the Homemaker gives a behind-the-scenes picture of the newspaper and magazine world. Journalism enthusiasts learn by doing and gain valuable skills for their future professional work.

If your participation in activities is as wholehearted as participation in study, as making friends and as having fun, you cannot help but achieve in college a preparation for living.

Sincerely yours,

A Senior