

Get into the SU



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The Syracuse University Leadership Outdoor Orientation Program or “L.O.O.P.” is a pre-orientation outdoor adventure program designed to give incoming first-year students a jump-start on their college experience while engaging in outdoor adventure activities such as whitewater rafting, a high and low element ropes course and climbing wall, as well as hiking and kayaking in the Adirondack Mountains with their fellow classmates.

This year, we will begin the L.O.O.P. by gathering Sunday night (8/23/09) in order to meet and get to know one another through introductory-style icebreakers and teambuilding activities. We continue the next morning by traveling to the Black River in Watertown, NY to experience the thrill and beauty of whitewater rafting in Central NY. It’s more than a day of exhilarating whitewater; it’s a full day of fun! It is paddling and teamwork. It’s the cold beverages and hot barbeque at the end of the day.



We continue our adventure by staying at the rustic yet modern Oswegatchie Education Center. There we will begin the following morning with a TEAM Challenge High and Low Element Ropes Course designed to solidify the connections that we have made as a group, and challenge you as an individual to leave your comfort zone and try something new to you – the essence of the college experience. From climbing 30 feet in a tree and traversing a wood plank bridge or taking a ride on a zip line, to helping your group to work together to complete the unique tasks presented by the experienced ropes course facilitators. The next day we will explore the lakes, streams and trails of the surrounding grounds as we take on a variety of activities including hiking, canoeing and kayaking.

We will complete the LOOP by returning to Syracuse Wednesday evening to take part in the Ice Cream Social on the stairs of Hendricks Chapel, as well as the rest of the regularly scheduled Orientation Events. At this point, the group will begin to disperse as you share your experiences with the rest of the incoming freshman class, and prepare for your first semester at Syracuse University, knowing that you are now, so to speak, *in the LOOP at SU!*

No experience required—

Just an adventurous attitude!

What’s included?

- Food, Beverages and Lodging
- Whitewater Rafting on the Black River
- TEAM Challenge High and Low Element Ropes Course
- Transportation to and from program activity locations
- Early Move-in to Fall Assigned Residence Hall
- Hiking / Kayaking / Canoeing
- L.O.O.P. T-shirt

How Much Does the L.O.O.P. Cost?

\$290 per person



How do I get into the L.O.O.P.?

Getting into the L.O.O.P. is easy; register online at

<http://orientation.syr.edu>

Click on the “Pre-Orientation Events” link on the left side of the page then scroll to the bottom of the page, where you will see the LOOP registration.



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