First Year Experience Welcome Letter

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Welcome to WMU!

One of my greatest pleasures as president of this great university is welcoming new Broncos. We're all glad you're here. You made a great decision when you chose Western Michigan University. Your next few years will be exciting and busy ones. If you do your part, you will succeed here.

I encourage you to get it right, right from the start. Attend class, ask questions, do your homework, see your advisor, and study. A solid first semester sets the stage for achievement throughout your college career. Take advantage of everything we offer so you can realize the full WMU experience--what we call The Western Edge. Academics come first, of course, but being a truly successful student means knowing how to balance work and fun. It means trying new things, meeting new people, and learning outside the classroom. Don't miss a chance to do any of that.

As you begin your life as a Bronco, I'd like you to remember three things. Take them to heart and hold them close for the next few years. You're part of WMU now.

- You're a student at one of the nation's top research universities.
- You're surrounded by people ready to help you.
- You're on your way to success.

I'm looking forward to getting to know as many of you as possible. When you see me on campus, don't be shy about introducing yourself and talking. I try to greet as many students as I can, but I'd love it if you would approach me to say hello, tell me who you are and how your student experience is going.

As the years speed by--and believe me they will--I will watch your progress with pride. In due course, I'll be standing on the Miller Auditorium stage, ready to shake your hand and present your diploma. It will be a moment in which we both will feel a great sense of accomplishment.

Warmest regards,

John M. Dunn
President