Overview: A student considering withdrawal from Oberlin College and Conservatory has a number of options. In many cases, students are ambivalent about leaving the college and, after taking a personal leave of absence, decide to return to Oberlin. If a student takes a personal leave and decides not to return to the college, there is no financial penalty. Please take a few minutes to talk over your decision with a class dean (ph. 440-775-8462) or one of the deans in the Office of the Dean of Studies (ph. 440-775-8540).

Procedures:
If you decide that withdrawal is the best option, please complete the following steps:

1) fill out the top portion of the Notification of Departure from Campus form (p. 2).
2) schedule an exit interview with Bo Arbogast, Assistant Dean of Studies by calling 440-775-8540 or visiting Peters 205 to make an appointment.
3) fill out the short series of questions on the withdrawal survey in this packet.
4) send an e-mail to stumail@oberlin.edu, with your name, OCMR#, and new mailing address, in order to ensure that your mail is forwarded to your new address.

The forms listed above must be completed, signed, and returned to the Office of the Dean of Studies in order for your application to be processed. International students are advised that withdrawing will affect their visa status and should consult with an international student advisor.

Deadlines: The due date for this application is the last day of classes in your final semester at the college. For example, if you would like to withdraw from Oberlin after the spring semester, submit your materials by the last day of classes in May. Even if you are currently on leave, the same deadline applies. If you submit this application by the end of the last day of class, you are eligible to receive the balance of your matriculation deposit. Please note that any outstanding student accounts charges will be subtracted from the matriculation deposit.

Students who withdraw from the college after the deadline are not eligible to receive the matriculation deposit and should consult with the Office of Student Accounts and the Office of Financial Aid regarding other financial implications.

Reinstatement: Withdrawn students who wish to return to Oberlin must submit a reinstatement form to the Office of the Registrar. Under some circumstances, students may be asked to submit additional materials prior to action on their applications. The preferred deadline is July 1 for fall semester and by December 1 for the spring semester. Students must be cleared for readmission/reinstatement by August 15 for fall semester or January 15 for spring semester in order to enroll for that semester. No exceptions.

Please Address All Documents and Questions to:

COORDINATOR OF LEAVES & WITHDRAWALS
50 NORTH PROFESSOR ST., PETERS 205
OBERLIN COLLEGE
OBERLIN, OH 44074-1091

PHONE: 440/775-8540
FAX: 440/775-6369
lwithdra@oberlin.edu
# Notification of Departure from Campus (Withdrawal)

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**Current Status (Please check)**

- [ ] Enrolled at Oberlin
- [ ] Personal Leave
- [ ] Medical Leave
- [ ] Academic Leave
- [ ] Enrolled, Not in Residence
- [ ] Suspended

**Approval Signatures**

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**Student**

**Advisor**

**Second Advisor (If applicable)**

**Dean Arbo gast, Peters 205**

**Student Accounts: Hold / Clear**

**If you are receiving financial aid, please obtain signature from the Office of Financial Aid**

**Dean Doane**

(for international students)

**Associate dean, conservatory**

(for conservatory and double-degree students)

## Office Use Only

**Effective Date**

**Process Date**

**Matriculation Deposit – Return: Full / Half / $50**

**Leaves and Withdrawals Coordinator**

**Date**
WITHDRAWAL SURVEY

Please take a few minutes to help us understand why you have decided to withdraw from the College. Your responses are a key resource for helping us improve the experience of future Oberlin students. We record information from this survey separately from your application, and the information is kept confidential and is not part of your academic record.

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Please indicate the primary reason for your withdrawal (e.g., physical health, emotional health, interest in field of study not available at Oberlin, etc.).

Please describe how closely your expectations of life at Oberlin College matched your experience at Oberlin College.

Were there one or more members of the faculty or staff you got to know well? If so, who?
WITHDRAWAL SURVEY (CONT’D)

This survey includes a set of questions about your experience at Oberlin College and academic, social, personal, and financial matters. Please take a few minutes to indicate what you found satisfactory and unsatisfactory during your time here at Oberlin. We have limited ways to learn more about your decision to leave the College, and appreciate your taking the time to fill out this survey.

**PLEASE PUT AN “X” IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX TO INDICATE YOUR LEVEL OF AGREEMENT WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS:**

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## ACADEMICS

- I am satisfied with the overall quality of instruction.
- I was able to take courses I desired/needed.
- I found faculty members to be available outside of class.
- I felt comfortable approaching faculty members outside of class.
- I found the resources available for academic support to be helpful.
- I am satisfied with the academic advising I received.
- I wish to pursue an area(s) of study not offered by Oberlin.
  
  Please Specify:

## TO WHAT EXTENT DO YOU AGREE WITH THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS?

### SOCIAL

- I wish to live in a larger, more urban environment.
- I wish to live closer to home.
- I want to attend a college/university larger than Oberlin.
- I had difficulty making friends.
- I am satisfied with the social environment in the residence halls.
- The social climate of the College was a good fit for me.
- I am satisfied with housing/dining policies.

### PERSONAL

- I need time away from college to review my academic / career goals.
- I am withdrawing for reasons of physical health.
- I am withdrawing for reasons of emotional health.
- I wish to pursue personal relationship(s) with person(s) elsewhere.
- The use of drugs and/or alcohol by fellow students disrupted my sense of “fit” at Oberlin.
- My own use of drugs and/or alcohol played a key role in my withdrawal.
- In social circles, I felt safe expressing my political beliefs.
- In social circles, I felt safe expressing my religious beliefs.
- My parents do not support my continuing at Oberlin.

### FINANCIAL

- I wish to continue at Oberlin, however, I cannot afford it.
- I have decided that the benefits are not worth the financial costs.
WITHDRAWAL SURVEY (CONT’D)

What is your best estimate of your parents’ total income last year? Consider income from all sources before taxes. Please circle one.

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SERVICES AT OBERLIN
In the event that you sought service or support from a particular office as you were making your decision, please let us know. Did you have a satisfactory experience at this office? Is there a service or part of life at the College that, if changed, might have enriched your experience at Oberlin? How do you believe it might be improved?

FUTURE PLANS
I am leaving Oberlin at present (check one),

- and I intend to continue my undergraduate studies within 12 months.
- and I may obtain a bachelor’s degree, but at present I am unsure about my future education.
- and I do not plan to pursue an undergraduate degree.

Do you plan to transfer permanently to, or attend temporarily, another college or university?

- Yes or probably. Where? ____________________________________________
  (If you are uncertain or not yet admitted, please indicate first choice at present.)

- No.