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DURHAM, N.H. – In a move that increases attendance capacity to five times that of past venues, the Admissions Office at the University of New Hampshire will hold its annual fall open house at the Whittemore Center Arena on Main Street in Durham Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The move to the Whittemore Center allows organizers to invite up to 3,000 people. Past events have topped out at about 600.

“This is the largest space we’ve ever used,” says Sherry Alviso, senior assistant director of Admissions. “We wanted to target a larger audience and the Whittemore Center allows us to do that.”

In addition to a change in venue, also new this year is asking faculty and staff to open their offices to prospective students and their families. In the past, visitors have toured the colleges but have not had the opportunity to talk about specific majors.

A volunteer team of 60 students will provide campus tours while 50 resident hall directors will give students a look at the typical dorm room. ROTC students will be positioned around campus to answer questions and give directions.

Visitors will have the opportunity to check out the resource fair where 60 UNH departments will be represented. All of the 200-plus student organizations have been invited to attend as well.

A schedule of events can be found at http://admissions.unh.edu/files/2011/06/Fall-Open-House-Combined-Block-and-Grid-Schedule-.pdf

Read more at http://admissions.unh.edu/fall-open-house/.

Register at https://www.events.unh.edu/RegistrationForm.pm?event_id=9036.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea, and space-grant university, UNH is the state's flagship public institution, enrolling 12,200 undergraduate and 2,300 graduate students.

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