Arrival details – please read in its entirety

**Lodging:** Unless otherwise instructed, all lodging is in UD dorms. Upon arrival, go to the Christiana Commons building (58 on map) and give the attendant at the Front Desk your name and group (EU US Omics). You will be directed to your room. Rooms will be available by 3PM on the day of arrival and should be vacated by 11AM on the day of departure. The front desk is open from 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM.

**Arriving by car:** You will receive a parking permit to use during the course at check in. Please only park in the lot indicated on the permit. DBI and hotels do not require permits.

**Arriving by train:** The Newark Amtrak line is 1.5 miles away from housing, it’s an easy walk, see campus map. Taxi info is below if needed.

**Arriving by air:** If you have requested a shuttle, you should receive a confirmation email from Delaware Express. When you exit your flight, please go to the Ground Transportation Desk and ask to call Delaware Express, and you will be given pick up instructions. Shuttles will drop you off at Christiana Commons. Please note room availability times. (*if you’ve been contacted by me already, follow those instructions)

**Wireless access:** You will receive a folder at check in, there will be a sheet with a username and password.

**SUNDAY NIGHT, June 16** there is a welcome party from 7:30PM-10PM at the Courtyard Marriott (Building 63 on campus map).

**MONDAY MORNING, June 17:** Breakfast opens at 7:00AM. A bus will depart from Christiana Commons promptly at 8:10AM. Lectures will be held at building 65 on the campus map, the Delaware Biotechnology Institute. This is ~2 miles from the housing and breakfast locations. Please make sure to bring everything you need for the course with you. The bus will leave DBI at 5:10PM each day to return to Christiana Commons.

An updated daily schedule will be provided at check in.

Dining hall meal times: Breakfast 7-8:30AM, Lunch 11-1:30, Dinner 4:30-6:30PM. Weekends: Brunch 11-1:30PM, Dinner 4:30-6:30PM. (Note, no meals are expected Sat. 22nd due to social outing)

Laundry is available in the basement of the housing buildings.

A campus map with building locations is below.
General info: For airport transportation other than our shuttle, call DelawareExpress (800) 648-5466. It will be very expensive to take a taxi from the airport without advance scheduling due to the distance.

Local taxi services in Newark, DE:
Newark DE Taxi: (302) 722-5163
Abe Taxi: (302) 419-8222
Simo Taxi: (302) 345-1198

Computer details

Please be sure to bring a laptop (and for EU participants, a power converter) for the course. We recommend the following are installed:

- current web browser
- R (http://cran.rstudio.com/) with packages: vegan, matR, gplots, RcolorBrewer, fields, ncdf4, proj4, class, maps, stats, matlab, spam. If you are new to using R, you may consider installing R Studio http://www.rstudio.com/
- VirtualBox (https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads) (Please check your version and update if needed)
- If Mac, X11 server: http://support.apple.com/kb/ht5293
- If PC, Xming: http://sourceforge.net/projects/xming/
- A program that does SSH/SFTP. If you use a Mac, this is included in Terminal. If you use a PC, you will need to install something. Most universities offer software, so check if you can access one. If you do not have access, PuTTY and other clients are available for free.

If you are operating a Mac, you may consider installing MacQIIME before the course (http://www.wernerlab.org/software/macqiime). We will also run QIIME on our server. QIIME can be installed via virtualbox on a PC, but since we will run on a server, it is not a required installation.

We will provide additional software during the course, so be sure to have installation privileges on your laptop.

Posters

If you would like to bring a poster of your work, we will display them Monday June 17 and Tuesday June 18. Poster boards are 32”x40”. **If you do not have a poster, DO NOT WORRY!** We will have time to allow oral student introductions and you can describe your work in 1-2 minutes each.