2017 Spring Orientation Schedule
(Orientation is required for all new students)

Friday, January 13

8:00 am – 5:00 pm  Offices Open
Student Health Center*  Behind Sadler Center at 1 Gooch Drive
Bursar’s Office  108 Blow Hall
Financial Aid  208 Blow Hall
Student Accessibility Services  109 Campus Center
University Registrar  124 Blow Hall
*Student Health Center closes at 4:00 PM per regular business hours.

8:00 am - 12:00 pm  Residence Hall Check & Move-In
Residence Life, 212 Campus Center
Residence halls open for new residential students. Check-in at Residence Life to pick-up keys before moving into your assigned residence hall.

8:00 am – 11:00 am  Orientation Check-In
Campus Center, Lobby
Pick up your Orientation packet and meet your Orientation Aide (OA). Learn whether any holds exist on your student account and, if so, how to remedy the situation.

8:00 am – 11:00 am  W&M Tribe Card Processing
Tribe Card Services, 169 Campus Center
Get your William & Mary Tribe Card. Your Tribe Card provides access to Dining Halls, Residence Halls, and events during Orientation. Make a deposit on your W&M Express account at this time as well to have access to over 500 on and off-campus merchants. Manage your Tribe Card through tribecard.wm.edu and make online deposits to your Express account via getfunds.wm.edu.

8:00 am – 11:00 am  W&M Auxiliary Resource Fair
Campus Center, Atrium
Visit with our auxiliary campus partners (i.e. Parking & Transportation, Sodexo Dining Services, W&M Bookstore) to learn more about some of the resources W&M has to offer. Students with parking privileges should register cars and pick up decals here. Learn more about meal plans and speak with the campus dietician. Find out how to order books and discover the new price matching system at the university bookstore.

8:00 am – 4:30 pm  Mailbox Key Pick-up
Sadler Center, Post Office
Pick up your mailbox keys at the Post Office, located on the 1st floor of Sadler Center.

9:00 am – 10:30 am  Exchange Student Meeting
Reves Center
All exchange students who will be studying at W&M for one semester or one year should come to this required meeting to meet your cohort and get important information!
Welcome Lunch for New Students & Family Members
_Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms_
Welcome to the Tribe! Join members of the William & Mary community as we share lunch together over an introduction the College’s academic and co-curricular experience.

**FOR PARENTS & FAMILIES**

1:30 pm – 2:10 pm  Academic Success, An Insider’s Guide
_Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms_
Learn from the Academic Deans about expectations at William & Mary, including the academic philosophy of a liberal arts university, how you can support your student, and the undergraduate research and global education opportunities provided by the College.

2:15 pm – 3:05 pm  Helping Students Get the Help They Need
_Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms_
Many students transitioning into a new college environment eventually experience some challenge to their physical and emotional well-being. This program provides an opportunity for families to hear about services available to support optimal physical and mental health while at William & Mary.

3:15 pm – 4:15 pm  Parent & Family Connections Fair
_Sadler Center, Lobby_
Hear from the experts on the resources that will be available for your student’s success throughout their time with us. Campus partners from across our community will be available to answer your questions and provide more information on questions you didn’t know you had, from credit transfers to student health and everything in between!

- Athletics
- Campus Recreation
- Center for Student Diversity
- Cohen Career Center
- Counseling Center
- Dean of Students Office
- Health Promotion
- Office of Community Engagement
- Student Health Center
- Student Insurance
- Student Leadership Development
- Residence Life
- Reves Center for International Studies
- University Registrar

4:20 pm – 5:00 pm  Authentic Excellence
_Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms_
This program explores the Plateau Effect, the tendency for people to stay “stuck at good” and how the college transition can be a critical time for either breaking that pattern or cementing it further. Families will learn about the Authentic Excellence Initiative, designed to move individuals beyond the Plateau Effect and enhance productivity, fulfillment, and resilience.

5:05 pm – 5:45 pm  A Chat with the Dean of Students
_Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms_
Chat with Marjorie Thomas, Dean of Students, about how the college journey can be an exciting and challenging time for students and families. Find out more about the supports and opportunities available.
5:45 pm  Dinner, Students & Families  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
This meal is provided for all new spring semester students. Parents & Families and guests are invited to eat with their students on a cash/credit basis.

This concludes the Parent & Family Orientation program. Please travel safely.

FOR NEW STUDENTS

1:30 pm – 2:00 pm  Foundations & New Beginnings  
Sadler Center, Lobby  
Meet your Orientation Aides (OAs) and other students in your Orientation Group.

2:00 pm – 3:20 pm  Planning Your Academic Path  
Tucker Hall, Room 127A (if needed, Washington Hall, Room 201)  
Learn about the benefits of a William and Mary Liberal Arts education while considering your future academic plans. The transfer credit process will be covered and students will have the opportunity to work in smaller groups to prepare for the course registration process and meeting with their faculty advisor. Note: Students should bring copies of their transcripts, as well as their laptop computer, if available.
Exchange students may opt to participate in the shopping trip during this time. Meet in Hunt Circle parking lot at 2:00 pm, returning at 4:00 pm.

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm  Course Registration Begins  
Tucker Hall, Various Classrooms (if needed, Washington Hall)  
All new students entering in the spring 2017 semester will register for up to 11 credits in a Computer Lab or via their own laptop with their Orientation Group. Professional, Faculty, and Peer Advisors will be available to answer specific questions and help guide the students through the registration process.

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm  Your New Tribe Home  
Begin to explore your new W&M community with your Orientation Group.

5:45 pm  Dinner  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
This meal is provided for all new spring semester students. Parents & Families and guests are invited to eat with their students on a cash/credit basis.

7:00 pm  Tribe Women’s Basketball Game  
Kaplan Arena (formerly William & Mary Hall)  
Show your Tribe Pride as Women’s Basketball takes on the Northeastern Huskies in Kaplan Arena!

Saturday, January 14

8:00 am – 9:00 am  Breakfast  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.
9:00 am - 8:00 pm  Dell Computer Pick-up  
*W&M Bookstore, Duke of Gloucester Street*  
If you placed an order for a laptop, you can pick it up at the W&M Bookstore. Accessories will also be available for purchase.

9:00 am – 12:00 pm  International New Student Orientation  
*McGlothlin-Street Hall, Room 20*  
All international non-degree seeking students will receive information separately from the Reves Center regarding International New Student Orientation.

9:00 am – 10:00 am  Authentic Excellence  
*Sadler Center, Chesapeake A*  
This program explores the Plateau Effect, the tendency for people to stay “stuck at good.” And how the college transition can be a critical time for either breaking that pattern or cementing it further. Students will learn about the Authentic Excellence Initiative, designed to move us beyond the Plateau Effect and enhance productivity, fulfillment, and resilience.

10:05 am – 11:45 am  Learning Your W&M ABC’s: Foundations for Academic Success  
*Sadler Center, Chesapeake A*  
All degree-seeking new students will be introduced to three campus resources that support a successful spring semester transition: the Office of Academic Advising, Assistant Dean Boone of the Dean of Students Office, and the Cohen Career Center. Information will be provided around a variety of topics including academic requirements, exploring & declaring majors, networking with faculty & staff, academic enrichment resources, and career readiness opportunities.

11:50 am – 1:00 pm  Lunch  
*Sadler Center, Center Court*  
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

1:15 pm – 2:15 pm  Student Success in the W&M Community  
*Sadler Center, Chesapeake A*  
Understanding the community you are joining is a key to success. Join members of the Student Success staff and the Honor & Conduct Councils to learn more about how to successfully thrive in your new community.

2:15 pm – 3:15 pm  One Tribe, Many Stories  
*Sadler Center, Chesapeake A*  
William & Mary students are diverse in talents, interests, backgrounds, and identities. Explore the rewards, obligations, and tensions associated with your commitment to the William & Mary Community.

3:20 pm – 4:25 pm  Orientation Group Discussion and Debrief  
*Sadler Center, Various Rooms*  

4:30 pm – 5:20 pm  Honor and Conduct Pledge  
*The Wren Building*  
You will have the privilege of touring one of the oldest academic buildings in the country. Following your tour, there will be a ceremony for all new spring students to take the Honor Pledge conducted by members of the Honor Council and Student Conduct Council.
5:30 pm  Dinner  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

7:00 pm  A Night Out in Williamsburg  
AMF Williamsburg Lanes

Sunday, January 15

9:00 am – 10:30 am  Breakfast  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

11:00 am – 1:00 pm  Lunch  
Sadler Center, Center Court  
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm  Making a Tribe Choice  
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium  
The choices we make at William & Mary can define and influence us as individuals, as members in our small groups and teams, and as participants in the greater Tribe community. This engaging session explores the values and costs of our choices with a particular emphasis on issues of high importance to the Tribe.

2:05 pm – 2:35 pm  Orientation Group Discussion & Debrief  
Sadler Center, Various Rooms

2:45 pm – 3:45 pm  Academic Integrity in Action: Documentation versus Plagiarism  
Sadler Center, Chesapeake A  
Academic integrity is a core value held within the William & Mary Honor and Conduct Codes. Learn about the ethics of documentation and research and writing resources found at Swem Library that can help you avoid the basic pitfalls of plagiarism and encourage intellectual curiosity.

3:50 pm – 4:50 pm  Concurrent Sessions (Attend one of the following sessions)  
Connect With Your Career  
Cohen Career Center, Presentation Room  
Explore professional development objectives such as obtaining internships and externships, and create a powerful professional story with staff from the Cohen Career Center as they unpack tools to help you prepare for life beyond W&M.
Visit the Cohen Career Center online: www.wm.edu/career

A Global Education  
Sadler Center, Tidewater A  
Discuss aspects of studying away including choosing a program, earning transfer credit, finances, and the place of study abroad in your personal and professional development with staff from the Reves Center.
Visit the Reves Center for International Studies online: www.wm.edu/revescenter
More than Pizza & Fries
Sadler Center, Chesapeake A
Join Dining Services to learn how to get the most out of your meal plan, maximize your options across campus, and successfully navigate campus dining options a food allergy or dietary preference.
Visit Dining Services online: www.wm.edu/dining

5:00 pm - 6:15 pm  Dinner
Sadler Center, Center Court
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

6:15 pm  Ghost Tours
Wren Building
Students will meet in front of the Wren Building for a ghost tour of campus and Colonial Williamsburg.

Monday, January 16
William & Mary will be observing the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. on this day. University offices will be closed. Orientation Aides may plan optional events for Orientation groups.

7:30 am - 9:00 am  Breakfast
Sadler Center, Center Court
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

10:30 am – 12:00 pm  Exploring Your New Community: The Campus Tour with More!
Join your OAs and fellow new students for an adventure throughout the W&M campus and Colonial Williamsburg.

11:30 am – 12:00 pm  Dining Hall Tours
Center Court at Sadler Center
This optional tour will take you behind the scenes of Sadler’s dining hall, where you can learn more about each station, food selection, and the ins and outs of dining at W&M.

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm  Lunch
Sadler Center, Center Court
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Fun & Games
Sadler Center, Chesapeake AB
Hang out with your OAs and new friends during this interactive afternoon activity.

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm  Dining Hall Tours
Center Court at Sadler Center
This optional tour will take you behind the scenes of Sadler’s dining hall, where you can learn more about each station, food selection, and the ins and outs of dining at W&M.

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  Dinner
Sadler Center, Center Court
Meals are provided for all new spring semester students.
Tuesday, January 17

7:00 am - 9:00 am  Breakfast  
*All Dining Centers Open*

8:00 am - 12:00 pm  Academic Advising with your assigned Faculty Advisor  
Each student must meet with their advisor to review and plan a schedule for spring semester. Meet during the time you arranged during Friday’s registration period. Students will receive a PIN at the end of the meeting. This PIN is necessary to complete the registration process later in Tuesday afternoon.

8:45 am – 10:30 am  Swem Library Tours  
OAs will meet students on the :45 (8:45 and/or 9:45) at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to the Swem Library for a tour with library professional faculty.

9:00 am – 11:00 am  Pursuing Your Resources: The Information You Want in a One-Stop Environment  
*Sadler Center, Various Rooms & Cohen Career Center, Fireside Lounge*  
W&M has numerous resources to help students be successful throughout their university experience. Representatives from offices across campus (from the Dean of Students Office to the Counseling Center, from the Neurodiversity Initiative to the Writing Resource Center, and more!) will be available in one convenient area this morning so you can pursue the information you want to ensure a positive start to the semester. Your OA has the full list of participating offices and their location.

9:00 am – 11:00 am  Bookstore Trips  
OAs will meet students on the hour (9:00, 10:00, and/or 11:00) in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to the bookstore and explain the process for choosing and buying books.

10:30 am – 11:00 pm  Dining Hall Tours  
*Marketplace*  
This optional your will take you behind the scenes of Marketplace’s dining center, where you can learn how to navigate each station using your meal plan.

11:00 am - 12:15 pm  Lunch  
*All Dining Centers Open*

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm  Course Registration Continues  
*Computer Labs or Personal Laptops*  
Your OA will let you know where to meet. This timeframe has been reserved for new spring semester students only.

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm  Ensuring Community at William & Mary  
*Sadler Center, Chesapeake A*  
Building community is everyone’s responsibility, and can often require the help of others. Heart from additional campus partners about how they work to ensure William & Mary is a safe and welcoming campus environment.

3:00 pm  Registration Continues  
Add/Drop continues through 11:59 p.m. on Friday, January 27.
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm  **Swem Library Tours (as needed)**
OAs will meet students on the :15 (3:15 and/or 4:15) at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to the Swem Library for a tour with library professional faculty.

3:30 pm – 6:00 pm  **Bookstore Trips (as needed)**
OAs will meet students on the half-hour (3:30, 4:30, and/or 5:30) to walk to the bookstore and explain the process for choosing and buying books.

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  **Wrapping Up Your Academic Schedule**
*Swem Library, Learning Center*
All students who have not yet registered for 12 – 16 credits are required to attend this session.

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm  **Dining Hall Tours**
*Marketplace*
This optional your will take you behind the scenes of Marketplace’s dining center, where you can learn how to navigate each station using your meal plan.

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm  **Dinner**
*All Dining Centers Open*

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm  **Mid-Year Student Organizations and Activities Fair (mySOAF)**
*Sadler Center, Various Rooms*
The Office of Student Leadership Development is pleased to offer the Mid-Year Student Organizations and Activities Fair. This Activities Fair is intended to meet the needs of incoming William & Mary students AND provide a mid-year opportunity to current students and organizations. The Office of Student Leadership Development works to help students engage, elevate, and explore opportunities for leadership and involvement on campus. We hope you’ll check out the Mid-Year Activities Fair!