

Spring 2026 New Student Orientation

Friday, January 16, 2026			
Timing	Event Title	Audience	Location
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Offices Open	All New Students	Across Campus
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Residence Hall Check-In & Move-In	All new Residential Students	Sadler Center, Atrium
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Family Orientation Check-In	All New Families	Sadler Center, Atrium
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	International Student Welcome Table	All New International Students	Sadler Center, Atrium
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	New Student & Families Connection Fair	All New Students + Families	Sadler Center, Chesapeake A
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Ask a Transfer Coordinator	All New Students	Sadler Center, York
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	All New Students	TBD
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Off-Campus Orientation Check-In	All New Off-Campus Students	Sadler Center, Atrium
1:15 PM - 1:45 PM	Celebrating Your William & Mary	All New Students + Families	Sadler Center, Commonwealth
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Foundations & New Beginnings	All New Students	Orientation Group Rooms
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	Meaningful Engagement	All New Students	Orientation Group Rooms
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Academic Success: Planning Your Path	All New Students	Sadler Center, Tidewater
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Academic Curriculum for Exchange Students	All New Exchange Students	Sadler Center, York
4:45 PM - 5:30 PM	Your New Tribe Home for All Residential Students	All new Residential Students	Sadler Center, Tidewater
4:45 PM - 5:30 PM	Your New Tribe Home for New Off-Campus Students	All New Off-Campus Students	Sadler Center, Commonwealth
5:30 PM - 6:45 PM	Dinner	All New Students	TBD
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Community Connection - Women's Basketball	All New Students	Kaplan Arena

Saturday, January 17, 2026				
Timing	Event Title		Audience	Location
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast		All New Students	TBD
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Auxiliary Services 101		All New Students	With Orientation Groups
9:45 AM - 10:45 AM	Supports to Help You Flourish	Ensuring Community	All New Students	Commonwealth + Tidewater AB
10:55 AM - 11:55 AM	Ensuring Community	Supports to Help You Flourish	All New Students	Commonwealth + Tidewater AB
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch		All New Students	TBD
1:45 PM - 2:45 PM	Honor & Community Values Pledges	Get Wren Bell Ready	All New Students	Wren/Hearth + Commonwealth
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Get Wren Bell Ready	Honor & Community Values Pledges	All New Students	Wren/Hearth + Commonwealth
4:15 PM - 5:15 PM	Engaging Across Difference Through Better Arguments		All New Students	Sadler Center, Commonwealth
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner		All New Students	TBD
7:15 PM - until	Community Connection - Ghost Tours		All New Students	Lord Botetourt Statue

Sunday, January 18, 2026			
Timing	Event Title	Audience	Location
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast	All New Students	TBD
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Being a W&M Student Veteran	All New Students	York Room
11:30 AM - 12:45 PM	Lunch	All New Students	TBD
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Integrative Wellness	All New Students	Sadler Center, Commonwealth
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Wellness Mindset	All New Students	Orientation Group Rooms
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	You Belong at William & Mary	All New Students	Sadler Center, Commonwealth
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner	All New Students	TBD
7:00 PM - until	Community Connection - Bowling	All New Students	Bowlero

Monday, January 19, 2026			
<i>William & Mary is closed in observance of MLK Day. All Orientation activities on this day are encouraged, but optional.</i>			
Timing	Event Title	Audience	Location
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast	All New Students	TBD
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Community Connection Hub Space	All New Students	Sadler Center, Tidewater AB
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Campus Tours & More	All New Students	Across Campus
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch		TBD
2:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Campus Tours & More	All New Students	Across Campus
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM	Dinner	All New Students	TBD
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Exploring Merchants Square & DoG St.	All New Students	Lord Botetourt Statue

Tuesday, January 20, 2026			
Timing	Event Title	Audience	Location
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast	All New Students	TBD
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Academic Advising Appointments	All New Students	Across Campus
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Optional Sessions 1	All New Students	Across Sadler
9:30 AM - 10:30 AM	Exchange Student Academic Advising	All New Exch. Students	Reves Center
10:15 AM - 11:15 AM	Optional Sessions 2	All New Students	Across Sadler
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	All New Students	TBD
1:45 PM - 2:45 PM	Optional Sessions 3	All New Students	Across Sadler
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Course Registration Continues	All New Students	Orientation Group Rooms
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Supports. Opportunities. Services. (SOS) Fair	All New Students	Sadler Center, Atrium
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Optional Sessions 4	All New Students	Across Sadler
3:00 PM - ongoing	Add/Drop Opens	All New Students	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Wrapping Up Your Academic Schedule	All New Students	Zoom
5:00 PM - 6:30 PM	FGLI Dinner	All New FGLI Students	Sadler Center, York Room
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner	All New Students	TBD
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Mid-Year Student Organizations & Activities Fair #1	All New Students	Across Sadler

Wednesday, January 21, 2026			
Timing	Event Title	Audience	Location
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Mid-Year Student Organizations & Activities Fair #2	All New Students	Across Sadler