

Spring 2023 *DRAFT*

New Student & Family Orientation



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Friday, January 20

8:00 am - Offices Available

5:00 pm Student Health Center, McLeod-Tyler Wellness Center*

(then closed Bursar's Office, Blow Hall, Room 108*

until Monday, Financial Aid, Blow Hall, Room 124

January 23) University Registrar, Blow Hall, Room 240

Student Accessibility Services, Phone & Zoom Appointments Only

**Student Health Center and Bursar's Office close at 4 pm until Mon, January 23.*

8:15 am - Residential New Student Orientation Check-In

11:30 am *Location TBD*

Residential new students should plan to arrive at the Campus Center Lobby 5-10 minutes prior to your designated residence hall move-in time. You will begin the orientation check-in process and receive your Tribe (Student ID) Card before moving upstairs to Residence Life. Upon that step's completion, students will return to the Lobby before moving their belongings into their residence hall space.

By Appt - Residence Hall Check-In and Move-In

Location TBD

Check-in with a valid picture ID to pick up your residence hall room key.

11:30 am - Lunch

2:00 pm *Location TBD*

Meals during orientation are provided for all new spring semester students. Move-in helpers are welcome to join their new students through the line, as well, for this meal using the wristband provided to them during their student's orientation check-in.

1:30 pm - New Student & Family Connections Fair

3:30 pm *Sadler Center, Atrium*

W&M has numerous resources to help students be successful throughout their university experience. Various campus representatives will be available in one convenient area so you can pursue the information you want to ensure a positive start to your W&M experience.

1:45 pm - Off-Campus/Commuter New Student Orientation Check-In

2:15 pm *Sadler Center, Atrium*

Off-campus and commuter new students should plan to arrive at the Sadler Center Atrium anytime during this timeframe to check-in for orientation and receive your Tribe (Student ID) Card before the program begins.

2:30 pm - Celebrating Your William & Mary

3:00 pm *Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms*

Together new students, parents, families and student supporters will officially be welcomed to the Tribe family!

FOR PARENTS & FAMILIES

- 3:15 pm – 3:55 pm** **Welcome to the Family! Success at William & Mary**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
 A thoughtful and interactive program about your student’s experience, W&M expectations, and parental support during the college transition.
- 4:00 pm – 4:40 pm** **The Liberal Arts Vision: A Look into Academic Success**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
 We will highlight what makes our liberal arts education distinctive and describe the course planning and enrollment process.
- 4:45 pm – 5:25 pm** **A Commitment to Wellness & Flourishing**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
 W&M focuses on promoting health and wellness for all students. Join us to discuss how we strive to accomplish this mission.
- 5:30 pm – 6:10 pm** **A Chat with the Dean of Students**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
 Chat with W&M’s 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.
- 6:15 pm** **Dinner**
Location TBD
 Meals during orientation are provided for all new spring students. Family members are welcome to join their student through the line, as well, for this meal using the wristband provided to them during their student’s orientation check-in.

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

FOR NEW STUDENTS

- 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm** **Foundations & New Beginnings**
Sadler Center, Atrium
 Meet your Orientation Aides (OAs) and other students in your orientation group.
- 4:30 pm - 5:15 pm** **Academic Success: Planning Your Path**
Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms
 Learn about our Liberal Arts curriculum 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 course registration and meeting with their faculty advisor.
- 5:20 pm - 6:10 pm** **Your New Tribe Home for Residential New Students**
Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms
 Learn about on-campus life, opportunities for engagement, and your rights and responsibilities.
- Finding Your New Tribe Home as an Off-Campus Student**
Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms



Learn about life as an off-campus student, your rights and responsibilities, and the various opportunities for engagement.

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7:30 pm -

Community Connection ... S'mores Galore!

9:00 pm

Sadler Center, Terrace (Rain Location: Sadler Center, Lodge 1)

Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Saturday, January 21

7:00 am –

Breakfast

9:00 am

Location TBD

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9:00 am –

Cultivating Authentic Excellence

9:50 am

Sadler Center, Chesapeake 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. Students will learn about the Authentic Excellence Initiative, designed to move us beyond the Plateau Effect and enhance productivity, fulfillment, and resilience.

10:00 am

Student Success in the W&M Community (Group Green)

10:50 am

Location TBD

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.

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Lunch



- 1:20 pm** *Location TBD*
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- 1:30 pm –
2:20 pm** **We Enhance Your Campus Experience**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
Learn more about how Auxiliary Services works with products and services like the W&M Spirit Shop & Bookstore, Tennis Center, Parking & Transportation, Tribe Card Services, Dining, and more to make your campus experience the best it can be!
Visit Auxiliary Services online: www.wm.edu/auxiliary
- 2:30 pm –
3:20 pm** **On Our Honor ... (Classes of 2025 & 2024)**
Wren Building, Great Hall and Hearth: Memorial to the Enslaved
Join members of the W&M Honor and Conduct Councils to learn about our community standards, followed by the taking of our W&M Honor Pledge. Then, affirm your commitment to our community values with members of W&M Student Assembly.
- Building a Liberal Arts Experience for What is Next ... (Class of 2026)**
Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms
All degree-seeking Class of 2026 students will be introduced to two campus resources that support a successful spring semester transition: the Office of Undergraduate Academic Affairs and the Cohen Career Center
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Sadler Center, Atrium
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- 5:00 pm –
6:00 pm** **Engaging Across Difference Through Better Arguments**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
Being a college student requires an open mind and a willingness to respect conflict and its place within the university experience. Learn the five principles of a "better argument" and hear from faculty, staff and administrators as they set in motion a framework for the year ahead.
- 6:00 pm -
7:30 pm** **Dinner**
Location TBD
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- 7:30 pm -** **Community Connection ... Exploring Merchants Square & DOG Street**



10:00 pm *Consult your OAs for Meeting Location*
Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Sunday, January 22

7:00 am – **Breakfast**

10:00 am *Location TBD*

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11:00 am – **Lunch**

2:00 pm *Location TBD*

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11:00 am – **Being a W&M Student Veteran**

1:00 pm *Sadler Center, Tidewater Room*

Non-Traditional Aged and Veteran new students are highly encouraged to join current students for a frank conversation about overcoming first-semester hurdles and how the student veterans group can support you through your university experience.

1:30 pm - **Community Connections ... Academic & Wellness Supports**

2:20 pm Attend the session that feels most applicable to your current transition situation. All will repeat during the 2:30 pm time block.

Global Education

Sadler Center, Chesapeake Rooms

Discuss aspects of studying away including choosing a program, earning transfer credit, setting up finances, and determining the timing in your personal and professional development with staff from the Reves Center.

Visit the Reves Center for International Studies online: www.wm.edu/revescenter

Strategies for Academic Success

Location TBD

Learn about study groups, organization, time management, college-level study skills and effective textbook use.

Visit Academic Wellbeing online: www.wm.edu/academicwellbeing

Writing Resource Center

Location TBD

The Washington Center: Your Campus in the City

Location TBD

Add a semester in Washington, DC to your bucket list. Come learn about all the opportunities your campus in the city has to offer! The Washington Center partners with faculty from departments and schools across William & Mary to offer high-impact learning experiences for students in all majors. Among the diverse topics offered are government, policy, culture, business, and education.

Visit the Washington Center online: www.wm.edu/dccenter



2:30 pm - 3:20 pm **Community Connections ... Academic Support & Explorations**
Attend the session that feels most applicable to your W&M transition. All are repeats of the 1:30 pm time block.

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3:30 pm - 5:00 pm **One Tribe, Many Stories**

Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium

William & Mary students are diverse in talents, interests, backgrounds, and identities. Explore the rewards, obligations, and tensions associated with your commitment to our community.

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm **Dinner**

Location TBD

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7:00 pm **Community Connection ... Ghost Tour of Colonial Williamsburg (CW)**

Meet at Wren Building

Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Monday, January 23

7:00 am – Breakfast

10:00 am *Location TBD*

Meals during orientation are provided for all new spring semester students.



8:00 am - First-Generation & Limited Income (FGLI) College Student Breakfast9:15 am *Location TBD***10:00 am - Academic Advising with your Assigned Faculty Advisor**

2:00 pm

Each new student must meet with their advisor either in-person or via Zoom to review and plan a schedule for spring semester. Your meeting time will have been arranged during Saturday's academic planning session. Students will receive a PIN at the end of their meeting. This PIN is necessary to complete the registration process later today. Meetings typically last for 30 minutes.

9:15 am – Community Connections ... Engagement & Tribe Pride (Block 1 of 3)

10:15 am

Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Hazing Prevention Education (Opportunity 1 of 3)*Location TBD***Student Assembly (Opportunity 1 of 2)***Location TBD***Center for Student Diversity (Opportunity 1 of 2)***Location TBD***Campus Recreation (Opportunity 1 of 2)***Location TBD***10:20 am – Community Connections ... Engagement & Tribe Pride (Block 2 of 3)**

11:20 am

Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Hazing Prevention Education (Opportunity 2 of 3)*Location TBD***Student Assembly (Opportunity 2 of 2)***Location TBD***Office of Community Engagement (Opportunity 1 of 2)***Location TBD***Campus Recreation (Opportunity 2 of 2)***Location TBD***Fraternity & Sorority Life (Opportunity 1 of 1)***Location TBD***11:30 am - Lunch**

2:00 pm

Location TBD

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1:15 pm – 2:15 am **Community Connections ... Engagement & Tribe Pride (Block 3 of 3)**
Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Hazing Prevention Education (Opportunity 3 of 3)
Location TBD

Office of Community Engagement (Opportunity 2 of 2)
Location TBD

Center for Student Diversity (Opportunity 2 of 2)
Location TBD

W&M Athletics (Opportunity 1 of 1)
Location TBD

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm **Advising Zoom Drop-In Hours**
Zoom: <https://cwm.zoom.us/j/94578776361?from=addon>
All new students are welcome to discuss course planning and registration.

2:45 pm – 3:45 pm **Ensuring Community at W&M**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
Building community is everyone's responsibility, and often requires the help of others. Hear from key campus partners about how W&M works to ensure a safe and welcoming campus environment.

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm **Integrative Wellness Dialogue**
Consult OA

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm **Dinner**
Location TBD
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7:30 pm - 9:30 pm **Community Connection ... Sampling the Sadler Center**
Across the Sadler Center
Use this time to get to know other students who are new to W&M -- or spend it focusing on your own well-being.

Tuesday, January 24

7:00 am – 9:00 am **Breakfast**
Location TBD
Meals during orientation are provided for all new spring semester students.

9:00 am – 9:30 am **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.

9:45 am - 11:45 am **Explore Williamsburg Challenge**

Across Campus & the City

Get to know your local community, connect with other students, learn how to get the most out of being a Williamsburg resident, and receive W&M swag. Sign up for the Explore Williamsburg Challenge, a civic scavenger hunt of Williamsburg, all within easy walking distance to campus.

11:30 am - 2:00 pm **Lunch**

Location TBD

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1:00 pm **Ongoing Add/Drop Spring Semester Course Registration**

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm **W&M Spirit Shop & Bookstore Trips (Opportunity 1 of 3)**

OAs will meet students at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to W&M's Spirit Shop & Bookstore and explain the process for choosing and buying books.

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm **Swem Library Tour (Opportunity 1 of 3)**

OAs will meet students at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to the Swem Library for a tour with library faculty.

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm **Wrapping Up Your Academic Schedule Advising Zoom Drop-In Hours**

Zoom Link TBD

Students who have not registered for at least 12 credits can meet with an Academic Advisor via Zoom to discuss wrapping up their schedule.

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm **W&M Spirit Shop & Bookstore Trips (Opportunity 2 of 3)**

OAs will meet students at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to W&M's Spirit Shop & Bookstore and explain the process for choosing and buying books.

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm **Swem Library Tour (Opportunity 2 of 3)**

OAs will meet students at the couches in the Sadler Center Lobby to walk to the Swem Library for a tour with library faculty.

3:45 pm - 4:45 pm **W&M Spirit Shop & Bookstore Trips (Opportunity 3 of 3)**

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4:15 pm - 5:15 pm **Swem Library Tour (Opportunity 3 of 3)**

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5:00 pm - 8:00 pm **Dinner**

Location TBD

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6:30 pm - 8:00 pm **Mid-Year Student Organizations & Activities Fair**
Sadler Center, Various Rooms

The Office of Student Leadership Development (SLD) is pleased to offer the Mid-Year Student Organizations & Activities Fair. This event is intended to meet the needs of incoming students AND provide a mid-year opportunity to current students and organizations. SLD works to help students engage, elevate, and explore opportunities for leadership and involvement on campus. We hope you'll check it out!

Wednesday, January 25

All Day! **First Day of Classes**

7:00 pm **Winter Warm-up at the Wren**
Wren Building, Courtyard

Thursday, January 26

9:00 am - 11:00 am **Spring 2023 On-Campus Student Employment Fair**
Sadler Center, Tidewater Rooms

Attend this in-person event to meet campus employers, explore opportunities, and learn how to apply! Hourly and Federal Work-Study positions available. Open to all current undergraduate and graduate students.

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