



Fall 2026 New Student Orientation – Wren

Poplar, Pine, & Monroe

Thursday, August 20

- 8:00 am - 3:00 pm** **Residential New Student Orientation Hall Check-In**
Across Campus
Pick up your Orientation supplies and meet your Orientation Aide (OA). Learn whether any holds exist on your student account and, if so, how to remedy the situation.
- 7:00 am - 4:30 pm** **W&M Student Athlete Clearance**
Kaplan Arena
Medical clearance appointments will be assigned by the Athletics Sports Medicine staff and sent via Teamworks. The appointment will be sent from your team's individual athletic trainer. Clearances will be held Thursday, 8/20 ranging from 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM. There will be overflow time slots available on Friday, 8/21 from 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM if necessary. Please arrive at the main doors of the Mackesy Sports Performance Center at your assigned time.
- 9:00 am - 4:00 pm** **New Student ID Pick-Up**
Sadler Center, Suite 368 Window
Any new student who has requested a physical ID can pick up their card during this time!
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** **Auxiliary Services Fair**
Sadler Center, Terrace
Representatives from Parking and Transportation, W&M Dining, W&M Bookstore, Print Shop, and McCormick-Nagelsen Tennis Center are available to provide information and answer questions. Register your student's bike on campus, sample dining options, load up on spirit wear, and more.
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** **IT Help Desk**
Sadler Center, Atrium
Having trouble connecting to wireless on your phone or your gaming console? W&M Information Technology is here to help! Bring your technology questions to the Sadler Center Atrium between 10am – 2pm on Thursday, August 20th to speak with one of our helpful support technicians.
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm** **Local Area Merchants Fair**
Sadler Center, Atrium

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Held in the Main Atrium of the Sadler Center, this is an opportunity for new students and families to visit local businesses, non-profit groups, banks, and other service providers.

10:00 am - New Student Move-In Art Break

5:00 pm *Muscarelle Museum*

Hot and bothered from moving all those boxes? Stop by the Muscarelle Museum of Art to explore the art on view in our cool, calm galleries! The Muscarelle is the campus art museum and offers exhibitions, events and educational opportunities for both the campus and the wider community! Drop in to learn about all that we offer and enjoy some lemonade and cookies on us. General admission is always free.

11:00 am - Lunch

1:00 pm *Across Campus*

11:00 am - Food Trucks

2:00 pm *Across Campus*

12:00 pm - 1693 Scholar Move-In Day Lunch

1:30 pm *Murray House*

Lunch for new 1693 Scholars and their families.

12:00 pm - New Student & Parent Lunch with Cambridge House

2:00 pm *Cambridge House (930 Jamestown Road)*

An opportunity for Incoming First-Year, Transfer Students and Parents to enjoy lunch at Cambridge House Christian Study Center, meet campus pastors from various Christian campus ministries, and learn about the discussion groups, lectures, and classes that Cambridge House Christian Study Center offers.

5:00 pm - Dinner* (Wren ONLY)

7:15 pm *Various Locations*

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- Poplar: 6:20 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 6:30 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 6:40 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 6:00 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace

5:00 pm - WMSURE Dinner

7:00 pm *Sadler Center, Chesapeake ABC*

Class of 2030 W&M students and their supporters are invited to join the WMSURE faculty and staff for a shared meal. Students and families are welcome to come as you are and are not required to stay the entire time. A brief program will be held at 6:00 PM.

5:00 pm - Home and Host W&M St Andrews Joint Degree Programme Students & Families

7:00 pm **Dinner**

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Home and Host W&M St Andrews Joint Degree Programme Students and their supporters are invited to join JDP administrative and support faculty and staff for dinner! Students and families should come as they are, as your schedule allows.

7:30 pm - Community Meet & Greet

8:30 pm *Residence Halls*

Your Orientation Aides (OAs) will gather your hall community to kick-off the start of New Student Orientation. You will meet the students in your Orientation Group and others across the university community.

8:30 pm - Movie at Matoaka

10:30 pm *Briggs Amphitheatre at Matoaka*

Wrap up your first day under the stars. Join your classmates for snacks and a good laugh as we watch a movie down at the Briggs Amphitheatre on Lake Matoaka!

Friday, August 21

7:00 am - Breakfast* (Wren ONLY)

9:00 am *Various Locations*

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- Poplar: 7:40 AM at Commons Dining Hall
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7:30 am - New Student Orientation Check-In (Off-Campus Students)

8:45 am *Sadler Center, Atrium*

Pick up your Orientation supplies and meet your Orientation Aide (OA). Learn whether any holds exist on your student account and, if so, how to remedy the situation.

9:00 am - Your New Tribe Home

10:00 am *Residence Halls/Academic Spaces*

Learn about on-campus life, opportunities for engagement, and your rights and responsibilities.

10:00 am - Auxiliary Services 101

10:30 am *Small Groups*

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Take a moment and explore the various offices that support the undergraduate student experience, often going unnoticed or underutilized. From parking and transportation to vending services, from the campus post office to our dining halls, auxiliary services help make our campus your home.

11:00 am - 12:00 pm **Celebrating Your William & Mary**

Kaplan Arena

New students will officially be welcomed to the Tribe family by President Rowe, Vice President for Student Affairs Ambler and others.

12:00 pm - 2:00 pm **Lunch* (Wren ONLY)**

Various Locations

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- Poplar: 1:20 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 1:30 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 1:15 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 1:30 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm **Meaningful Engagement* (Griffin/Wren Rotations)**

OA Groups

William & Mary wants you to become an engaged member of our community! Join your orientation group in starting to think about how you might become involved, navigate the many opportunities the university brings, and where you might find community.

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm **Academic Life: Liberal Arts* (Griffin/Wren Rotations)**

Kaplan Arena

Join W&M faculty to discuss the academic expectations of the university. A faculty panel follows to discuss classroom dynamics & exciting possibilities for undergraduates regarding research, scholarship and collaboration.

4:45 pm - 5:45 pm **Engaging Across Difference Through Better Arguments**

Kaplan Arena

Thriving as a member of the William & Mary community comes with a willingness to embrace conflict as an opportunity for growth and a commitment to engage it constructively. Learn the five principles of a "better argument" and hear from students, faculty, and staff as they share what this looks like in daily life at William & Mary.

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm **Dinner* (Wren ONLY)**

Various Locations

Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:

- Poplar 1 & 2: 6:00 PM at Sadler Retail
- Poplar 3 & 4: 6:15 PM at Sadler Retail
- Pine 1: 6:30 PM at Sadler Retail
- Pine 2.1: 6:45 PM at Sadler Retail
- Pine 2.2: 7:00 PM at Sadler Retail

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- Pine 2.3: 7:15 PM at Sadler Retail
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 7:20 PM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 2.4: 7:30 PM at Sadler Retail
- Monroe 1: 7:30 PM at Commons Dining Hall

6:00 pm - 1693 Scholar Program Discussions & Dinner for First-Year 1693s

7:45 pm *Murray House*

Join your fellow first-year 1693 Scholars for dinner and a robust program discussion.

6:00 pm - W&M St. Andrews Joint Degree Programme Dinner (for Home & Host Students)

7:45 pm *Tidewater Rooms*

For Class of 2027 new/Home and Class of 2026 continuing/Host W&M St Andrews Joint Degree Programme students and their faculty.

6:00 pm - FTIC Off-Campus Life Meeting

7:45 pm *James Room*

Students commuting to campus during their first-year should plan to attend this working dinner to become familiar with the rights and responsibilities of being a member of the W&M and greater Williamsburg communities.

8:00 pm - Late Night at the Rec

10:00 pm *Bee McLeod Recreation Center*

Get free food, play a few new games, and make new friends while rocking out with our house DJ. Explore the Recreation Center.

Saturday, August 22

7:00 am - Breakfast* (Wren ONLY)

9:00 am *Commons Dining Hall*

Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:

- Poplar: 8:20 AM
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 8:20 AM
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 8:30 AM
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 8:30 AM

9:00 am - Community Building Time* (Wren ONLY)

10:00 am *OA Groups*

Take time to reconnect and recharge with your orientation group! Spend this time to reflect, share experiences, and continue building connections as you prepare for the next part of the day.

10:15 am - Get Wren Bell Ready with Career Readiness Pathways* (Wren ONLY)

11:15 am *Sadler Center, Chesapeake*

Did you know 93% of employers do not look at your major when hiring? Learn how the Office of Career Development & Professional Engagement in the Cohen Career Center can help you explore and pursue your career possibilities. This interactive session will

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get you thinking about how your values, interests, personality, and skills play a role in making confident, informed career choices

11:30 am - 1:30 pm Lunch* (Wren ONLY)

Campus Center, Marketplace

Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:

- Poplar: 12:00 PM
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 12:15 PM
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 12:30 PM
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 12:45 PM

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Supports to Help You Flourish at W&M* (Wren ONLY)

Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium

What made you the amazing success you already are? Learn about the supports and programs William & Mary has to offer to help you keep that momentum going. These folks will become your guides, confidants, and cheerleaders as you flourish within our community.

2:45 pm - 3:45 pm W&M Honor Code & Community Values Pledge* (Wren ONLY)

Wren Building & Hearth Memorial

Join members of the W&M Honor and Conduct Councils to learn more about our community values, followed by the taking of the W&M Honor Pledge. Then, affirm your commitment to our community with members of W&M Student Assembly.

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Ensuring Community at William & Mary* (Wren ONLY)

Phi Beta Kappa Hall, Glenn Close Theatre

Building community is everyone's responsibility and can often require the help of others. Hear from additional campus partners about how they work to ensure William & Mary is a safe and welcoming campus environment.

5:00 pm - 6:45 pm Dinner* (Wren ONLY)

Commons Dining Hall

Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:

- Poplar: 5:50 PM
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 6:00 PM
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 5:30 PM
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 5:40 PM

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm Colonial Williamsburg Welcome

Duke of Gloucester Street, Campus Shop

On the evening of Saturday, August 22nd, the William & Mary's newest community members will be introduced to the sights and sounds of Colonial Williamsburg through a sampling of musical and staged performances, trade and livestock displays and encounters with a host of 18th-century residents, including Thomas Jefferson, George Wythe and the Washingtons.

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Sunday, August 23

7:00 am - Breakfast* (Wren ONLY)

9:00 am *Various Locations*

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- Poplar: 7:40 AM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 7:50 AM at Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 7:15 AM at Campus Center, Marketplace
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 8:30 AM at Campus Center, Marketplace

9:00 am - New Student Worship in the Wren Chapel

10:00 am *Wren Chapel*

Find some spiritual space during the busy orientation weekend. Join us for worship, prayer, and a biblical message in the Wren Building's historic Chapel. Be encouraged by students how thriving at W&M is hard without God. Sponsored by Baptist Collegiate Ministry (bcm.wm.edu). BCM's Sunday night gatherings begin September 1. Join us weekly at 5pm for a free meal and worship at the BCM House, 244 S. Boundary St.

10:00 am - W&M Choral Ensemble Auditions

1:00 pm *Music Arts Center, Room 154*

The Choral Program, sponsored by the W&M Music Department, offers four vocal ensembles. You need to sign up online for an audition time slot. And please note that auditions occur before the start of fall classes! Contact Dr. Mark Helms (mohelms@wm.edu) or Dr. Jamie C. Bartlett (jcbart@wm.edu) for more info. <https://choir.pages.wm.edu/auditions/>

11:00 am - Student Veteran Brunch & Orientation

12:45 pm *Sadler Center, James Room*

For ALL military and veteran students! Meet incoming and current military and veteran students, connect with the staff and students who work in the Office of Student Veteran Engagement, and learn about resources just for your W&M experience.

11:00 am - Lunch* (Wren ONLY)

12:45 pm *Various Locations*

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- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 12:30 PM in Commons Dining Hall
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 12:15 PM in Campus Center, Marketplace
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 12:00 PM in Campus Center, Marketplace

1:00 pm - Integrative Wellness* (Griffin/Wren Rotations)

2:00 pm *Kaplan Arena*

W&M focuses on promoting health and wellness for all of our students. Learn how you can engage in your own exploration of the eight dimensions of wellness and have some fun doing it!

2:15 pm - Wellness Mindset* (Griffin/Wren Rotations)

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- 3:15 pm** *OA Groups*
Wellness is such a broad term and how we think about wellness is affected by our culture and our life experiences. We believe wellness is conscious, self-directed and evolving; holistic and multidimensional; positive and affirming; and inclusive. All dimensions of wellness need our attention for us to truly flourish. There doesn't have to be a balance among all dimensions. Instead, the goal is to find personal harmony with the dimensions that are most authentic for you. You can't get there passively; it requires active awareness, acceptance, and commitment. It is our hope that the following information about the eight dimensions of wellness will help you get started or refine your wellness plan. All four Health & Wellness departments are committed to optimizing the well-being of our community. We strive to promote flourishing and resilience through education, service, and support.
- 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm** **You Belong at William & Mary**
Kaplan Arena
At William & Mary, belonging is more than a core value—it is an essential part of our community's foundation. At its heart, belonging is a fundamental human need, yet it is also a complex and multidimensional concept. Join us as we will explore what belonging truly means and how it shapes our shared experience.
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm** **Dinner* (Wren ONLY)**
Various Locations
Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:
- Monroe 1 & 4: 5:00 PM at Sadler Retail
 - Monroe 2 & 3: 5:20 PM at Sadler Retail
 - Poplar: 5:45 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace
 - Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 6:00 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace
 - Pine 1 & 2.1: 6:15 PM at Campus Center, Marketplace
- 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm** **Cheers to Your First-Year**
Zable Stadium
A very special Wren Tradition! Activities include updates from W&M Tribe Athletics, cheers by your Orientation Staff, and then we all take to Cary Field at Zable Stadium.

Monday, August 24

- 7:00 am - 9:00 am** **Breakfast* (Wren ONLY)**
Campus Center, Marketplace
Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:
- Poplar: 7:45 AM
 - Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 7:00 AM
 - Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 7:15 AM
 - Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 7:30 AM
- 8:30 am -** **W&M St Andrews Joint Degree Programme Student Breakfast**

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- 10:00 am** *Chesapeake ABC*
An information breakfast for all St Andrews Joint Degree Programme students! You will have time to meet as a cohort and spend quality informational time with the Academic Director.
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm** **Pre-Major Advising Appointments**
Across Campus
Your faculty advising appointment is today's priority! Enjoy the opportunity to explore your academic prospects and prepare for tomorrow's registration period.
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm** **W&M Choral Ensemble Auditions**
Music Arts Center, Room 154
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- 10:30 am - 11:30 pm** **Exchange Student Virtual Advising Session**
Zoom
All Exchange Students will meet to confirm academic course work and ensure a smooth transition into the university. Zoom: <https://cwm.zoom.us/j/84642000063?from=addon>
- 11:00 am, 12:15 pm, 1:30 pm, 2:45 pm, 4:00 pm** **A Home Without Hazing**
Sadler Center, Commonwealth Auditorium
Are you interested in joining a student organization at W&M (particularly a fraternity, sorority, professional greek-letter organization AND/OR any other organization on this list? If so, W&M and the Commonwealth of Virginia require completion of a hazing prevention training PRIOR to joining (as a prospective member). In-person participation in A Home Without Hazing Training is required for all prospective members of student organizations with new members who meet the following definition: "any organization for which upon invitation to membership, individuals do not automatically become members of such organization and have a period of time between invitation for membership and being initiated into membership". Click here for a list of organizations for which prospective members must complete a Home Without Hazing training PRIOR to joining. Sign up now and be sure to participate in order to be eligible to join. Compliance is REQUIRED by W&M.
- 11:00 am - 1:00 pm** **Monroe Scholars Orientation (Opportunity #1 – Orientation & Lunch)**
Sadler Center, Chesapeake ABC
All freshmen Monroe Scholars are invited to attend our program kick-off! Based on the timing of your advising appointment that day, you may choose to attend orientation from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm or 12:00 pm -2:00 pm. The content will be the same in both sessions. Lunch will be provided at noon. You'll get to know your fellow classmates and learn about how to utilize program benefits and other opportunities at William & Mary. We can't wait to welcome you to the Monroe Scholars community!
- 11:00 am -** **Lunch* (Wren ONLY)**

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- 1:30 pm** *Commons Dining Hall*
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 - Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 11:10 AM
 - Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 11:20 AM
 - Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 11:30 AM
- 11:00 am - 4:00 pm** **International Students Welcome Table**
Sadler Center, Atrium
Stop by to meet the Office of International Students, Scholars & Programs staff! We will be available to answer questions and provide resources.
- 11:00 am - 4:00 pm** **Voter Engagement Information Tabling**
Sadler Center, Atrium
William & Mary values civic engagement and aligns with the University's Democracy initiative, to lead essential efforts to practice and promote democratic ideals in the pursuit of a more perfect union. Stop by the table to learn more about voter registration and poll locations around William & Mary.
- 11:30 am - 1:00 pm** **Conflict Resolution & Education Meet & Eat**
Daily Grind
Looking to move beyond the small talk of orientation and meet new friends? Join Conflict Resolution & Education at the Meet & Eat, an intentional experience designed to foster deeper conversation and practice the skills that build real, meaningful friendships. You'll meet people outside your OA group, get a free meal from a local Williamsburg restaurant, and experience how good conversation can create real connection. RSVP needed - space is limited, so claim your spot today!
- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm** **Monroe Scholars Orientation (Opportunity #2 – Lunch & Orientation)**
Sadler Center, Chesapeake ABC
All freshmen Monroe Scholars are invited to attend our program kick-off! Based on the timing of your advising appointment that day, you may choose to attend orientation from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm or 12:00 pm -2:00 pm. The content will be the same in both sessions. Lunch will be provided at noon. You'll get to know your fellow classmates and learn about how to utilize program benefits and other opportunities at William & Mary. We can't wait to welcome you to the Monroe Scholars community!
- 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm** **Cohen Tours (In Rotations – Every 15 Minutes)**
Cohen Career Center
Having learned what career development resources are available to you, today's your chance to explore the Cohen Career Center in person! Refer to your OA for your community's slated time and meeting location.
- 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm** **Muscarelle Museum Open House**
Muscarelle Museum
Explore YOUR campus art museum! Join us August 24 from 1-4 PM at the Muscarelle Museum of Art to learn about all that the museum offers to students! Explore the art on

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view in the galleries and learn about internship opportunities, art-making workshops and other opportunities for W&M students to get involved! Enjoy Ben & Jerry's ice cream, a Bingo-style scavenger hunt (with prizes to win!), art activities and free swag. Open to all W&M students!

1:15 pm - Dance Placement (Opportunity 1 of 2)

2:30 pm *Phi Beta Kappa Hall 140*

The Dance Program welcomes dancers from all backgrounds and levels of ability. The Dance Placement Evaluation is held each Fall for students with previous dance training in any style who wish to enroll in a W&M technique course above Modern I. It allows Dance faculty to place students at the technical level that most closely matches their current abilities. Please wear dance/workout clothing and be prepared to dance barefoot. Students will learn four short movement phrases and will have demonstrators to follow. We want the experience to be stress-free. Following the evaluation, we will be available to answer questions about Dance at W&M. Each session is approximately one hour. Students may choose the session that best fits their schedule.

3:30 pm - Fraternity & Sorority Life Meet & Greet

5:30 pm *Sunken Garden*

Come meet our Fraternity & Sorority chapters in the Sunken Gardens and learn about who we are and how you can join the community.

4:30 pm - Professional Group Advising Sessions

5:30 pm *Across Campus*

Students interested in pursuing law, medical, or other professional fields might find it useful to chat with the university's pre-professional program advisors to ensure your course selections help you work smarter, and not harder, towards your goals. All of the sessions are held at the same time.

- **Law:** *Integrated Science Center 1127*
- **Pre-Med:** *Integrated Science Center 1221*
- **Education:** *McGlothlin Hall 20*
- **Business:** *Small Hall 110*
- **Pre-Health:** *Washington Hall 201*
- **CDSP:** *ISC 0350 (ISC4 Auditorium)*
- **Marine Science:** *Blow Hall 331*

5:00 pm - Dinner* (Wren ONLY)

7:00 pm *Commons Dining Hall*

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- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 6:10 PM

7:00 pm - Student Organizations and Activities Fair #1

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The Student Organizations and Activities Fair is a great opportunity for you to begin to explore the myriad of opportunities to get involved at William & Mary. There are nearly 500 Recognized Student Organizations on campus, and this is your chance to come meet representatives from many of them. This event will take place over two nights; you can choose to attend one or both nights, depending on what your involvement interests are. We encourage you to check out the “Finding the Right Organization & Involvement Opportunities for YOU” resource in your orientation materials as you plan your participation in the fair(s). On Monday night, you can meet representatives from Academic and Professional Development organizations, Club Sports organizations, and Common Interest organizations.

Tuesday, August 25

7:00 am - Breakfast* (Wren ONLY)

8:15 am *Commons Dining Hall*

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- Poplar: 7:10 AM
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 7:20 AM
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 7:00 AM
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 7:00 AM

8:30 am - Course Registration

9:00 am *Across Campus*

Your OA will be available to assist you with this process. During this time block, incoming students will have two separate opportunities to make adjustments to their course schedule.

9:00 am - School of Computing, Data Science & Physics Open House

11:00 am *Integrated Science Center, Atrium*

Come meet faculty, explore the School of CDSP programs, and see what makes CDSP a hub for innovation.

9:30 am - Campus Tours with OAs

12:30 pm *Across Campus*

10:00 am - The Student Center for Inclusive Excellence Open House

11:30 am *Sadler Center, Suite 261*

Join The Student Center for Inclusive Excellence (The Center) to learn more about the resources, programs, and opportunities that support an inclusive and welcoming campus community. Meet the staff, explore the space, and discover how The Center fosters collaboration and belonging for all students.

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- 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm** **Supports. Opportunities. Services. (SOS) Fair**
Sadler Center, Atrium
All students can be successful at William & Mary – provided you recognize the support structures in place, take advantage of the opportunities in front of you, and utilize the services that can uplift you during times of challenge.
- 1:00 pm - ONGOING** **Add/Drop**
PATH Course Registration
- 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm** **ROTC Information Session**
Sadler Center, York Room
All interested students are welcome to attend and join us. The curriculum in Military Science offers credits that can be applied toward an undergraduate degree from William & Mary. Courses in Military Science also serve as the cornerstone of the United States Army's Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), the fundamental training program for the nation's future military officers.
- 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** **Meet the Greens**
Crim Dell Meadow (Rain Location: Chesapeake ABC)
Join Student Assembly and the Office of Sustainability at Meet the Greens, a New Student Orientation event open to all class years! This showcase features both on and off campus opportunities from the environmental, social, and academic groups that compose the W&M Sustainability family. You'll find student organizations, community partners, and university offices, all ready to help you get informed and involved. Professors and academic departments will be present to discuss research, internship, and project opportunities. Discover how you can contribute to sustainability at W&M!
- 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm** **Dance Placement (Opportunity 2 of 2)**
Phi Beta Kappa Hall 140
The Dance Program welcomes dancers from all backgrounds and levels of ability. The Dance Placement Evaluation is held each Fall for students with previous dance training in any style who wish to enroll in a W&M technique course above Modern I. It allows Dance faculty to place students at the technical level that most closely matches their current abilities. Please wear dance/workout clothing and be prepared to dance barefoot. Students will learn four short movement phrases and will have demonstrators to follow. We want the experience to be stress-free. Following the evaluation, we will be

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available to answer questions about Dance at W&M. Each session is approximately one hour. Students may choose the session that best fits their schedule.

2:00 pm - Exchange Student Meeting

3:00 pm *Reves Center, Second Floor*

All new exchange students are required to join the global education office in the Reves Center Conference Room. You will have an opportunity to complete essential paperwork, meet other exchange students, and tour the Reves Center.

2:00 pm - Wrapping Up Your Academic Schedule with the Advising Center

3:00 pm *Zoom Drop-In Hours*

A time to consult with the Advising Center if you have not yet achieved a full-time course schedule of at least 12 credits. Zoom Link:

<https://cwm.zoom.us/j/82293934148>

2:00 pm - JDP All Participant Ice Cream Social

3:00 pm *Ewell Hall, Side Yard*

All Home and Host W&M St Andrews Joint Degree Programme Students are invited to join JDP Faculty & Staff for an informal gathering to celebrate the start of a new year.

4:00 pm - Theatre & Dance Open House

5:30 pm *Phi Beta Kappa Hall*

Join us to meet faculty and staff, new students, and catch up with familiar faces! We welcome any questions about our upcoming season, changes to the format of classes, and how you can get involved!

5:00 pm - Dinner* (Wren ONLY)

7:00 pm *Commons Dining Hall*

Please consult your OAs for your group's exact mealtime based on the information below:

- Poplar: 5:00 PM
- Pine 2.2, 2.3, & 2.4: 5:10 PM
- Pine 1, 2.1, & Monroe 1: 5:20 PM
- Monroe 2, 3, & 4: 5:30 PM

5:30 pm - Conflict Resolution & Education Meet & Eat

7:00 pm *Daily Grind*

Looking to move beyond the small talk of orientation and meet new friends? Join Conflict Resolution & Education at the Meet & Eat, an intentional experience designed to foster deeper conversation and practice the skills that build real, meaningful friendships. You'll meet people outside your OA group, get a free meal from a local Williamsburg restaurant, and experience how good conversation can create real connection. RSVP needed - space is limited, so claim your spot today!

7:00 pm - Student Organizations and Activities Fair #2

9:00 pm *Sadler Center*

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The Student Organizations and Activities Fair is a great opportunity for you to begin to explore the myriad of opportunities to get involved at William & Mary. There are nearly 500 recognized student organizations on campus, and this is your chance to come meet representatives from many of them. This event will take place over two nights; you can choose to attend one or both nights, depending on what your involvement interests are. We encourage you to check out the “Finding the Right Organization & Involvement Opportunities for YOU” resource in your orientation materials as you plan your participation in the fair(s). Tuesday night you can meet representatives from Civic Engagement and Community Service organizations, Culture and Identity organizations, Fraternity and Sorority Life organizations, Media and Publications organizations, Performance and Arts organizations, and Spirituality, Faith, and Religion organizations.

**7:00 pm -
9:00 pm**

Residential Hall Community Agreement Meetings

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Consult your RA for specific timings and locations of these meetings.