



FURMAN
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NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

2024 Fall Orientation Schedule

Please refer to the New Students website frequently for schedule updates.

Students will also be e-mailed a daily orientation schedule each morning throughout Fall Orientation.

Thursday, August 22

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Residence Hall Move In

Please check-in during your assigned time. A team of housing student staff and orientation leaders will be available to assist you. Once your car is unloaded, we ask you move it from the unloading area to a designated parking lot.

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open (Trone Student Center)

Stop by the bookstore to stock up on your Furman gear, get your textbooks, and grab those last-minute school supplies.

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open (Trone Student Center)

8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Enrollment Services Open (First Floor, Administration Building)

Questions about tuition, billing, financial aid, student employment, and transfer credit can be answered during this time.

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch (Dining Hall)

Meal plans are in effect.

Parents and families are welcome to enjoy a meal for purchase in the Dining Hall (please note that we only accept credit cards at this time).

1:00-3:00 p.m. Campus and Community Connections Fair (Hill Courtyard & Front Patio, Trone Student Center)

Stop by the Campus and Community Connections Fair to learn more about all various support services and resources offered by Furman and within the Greenville community.

1:00-5:00 p.m. IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)

Need help configuring your computer and mobile devices for the FU-Student wifi network (used outside your residence hall)? Please visit the IT Service Center on the lower level of the Library and they will be happy to assist.

2:00-3:00 p.m. Student Athlete Orientation (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

All new student athletes joining one of Furman's NCAA teams and their families should attend.

A sensory room is available in the lower level of Hipp Hall, room 010. This room provides a calming environment for guests that may be feeling overwhelmed, overstimulated or just need a break. Ask an Orientation Leader or another staff member for directions. Sponsored by the Student Office for Accessibility Resources.

3:00-4:00 p.m. Commuter Student Meeting (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)
All new commuting students should attend. Orientation leaders will be available to answer your questions and accompany you to the first orientation group meetings. You are also invited to join us for dinner and all meals throughout Fall Orientation!

4:00-5:00 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting (Furman Mall)
All new students have been assigned to an Orientation Group, which will be led by Furman Orientation Leaders. Your group number can be found on your name tag. Orientation groups will meet on the Furman Mall – just look for a sign with your group number on it! In the case of rain, groups will meet in assigned classrooms.

5:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner (Dining Hall)
Dinner is available for students only.

6:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Presbyterian College (Stone Soccer Stadium)

7:00-8:30 p.m. Disney Trivia (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
Play on your own or in teams! Prizes for winners, as well as raffles for everyone in attendance! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.

7:00-9:00 p.m. S'more Fun! (Hill Courtyard, Trone Student Center)
Looking for something a bit more low-key? Stop by the Hill Courtyard – we'll have Nomadik Few Shaved Ice, s'mores, cornhole, and other games.

8:00 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. UNC Wilmington (Stone Soccer Stadium)

8:45-10:00 p.m. Music Bingo (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
Prizes for winners, as well as raffles for everyone in attendance! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.

Friday, August 23

7:15 a.m. Breakfast (Dining Hall)

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open (Trone Student Center)

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open (Trone Student Center)

8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Enrollment Services Open (First Floor, Administration Building)

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)

10:15-11:15 a.m. Welcome to Furman! (McAlister Auditorium)
New students and families should attend as members of the University community welcome you to Furman and we officially start Fall Orientation. The Paladin Regiment marching band will kick things off with a concert, so feel free to head over early!

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch (Dining Hall)
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11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. First Generation Family Lunch (Hartness Pavilion)

First-generation students and their families are invited to attend this lunch to celebrate the start of their college career and meet faculty, staff, and administrators who were the first in their families to attend college. A short program will occur at Noon. By invitation only, please.

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Legacy Drop-In Lunch (Cherrydale Alumni House)

An informal lunch-break for Furman Alumni and their new student. By invitation only, please.

This concludes programming for parents and family members of new students. We look forward to seeing you again at [Family Weekend!](#)

1:00-4:00 p.m. Academic Advising Appointments

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5:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner (Dining Hall)

7:00-10:00 p.m. Dins After Dark (Trone Student Center)

Join us for a night of fun in the Trone Student Center! Every inch of the hub for student life on campus is going to be filled with activities. Sponsored by the Furman University Student Activities Board (FUSAB).

8:00 p.m. ThinkFast Gameshow (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

A fast-paced, interactive trivia gameshow – cash prizes will be awarded!

8:00 p.m. Movie (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)

Saturday, August 24

9:00 a.m. Breakfast (Dining Hall)

9:00-11:00 a.m. Residence Hall Meetings and Activities

Your Residence Hall Staff will provide you with additional information about this meeting.

9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open (Trone Student Center)

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch (Dining Hall)

12:00-4:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open (Trone Student Center)

12:45-5:30 p.m. Life at Furman (Daniel Recital Hall & McAlister Auditorium)

Students will rotate through a series of sessions exploring issues related to community expectations, University policies, campus safety, alcohol and drug use, and sexual misconduct. Class t-shirts will be distributed at the end of this program. Please meet your Orientation Group in front of McAlister Auditorium at the time indicated below:

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1:00-5:00 p.m. **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

5:00-8:00 p.m. **Dinner** (Dining Hall)

7:00-9:00 p.m. **RecFest** (Physical Activities Center)

Come hang with Campus Recreation & Wellness in the Physical Activities Center, or PAC, to see all there is to take advantage of! Learn how to access the Fitness Center, take a tour of the facility, meet the staff, play some games, chat with Club Sports teams, and maybe win a giveaway! This is an event exclusively for our new students! Sponsored by the Department of Campus Recreation & Wellness.

8:00 p.m. **Movie** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)

Sunday, August 25

9:00 a.m. **Breakfast** (Dining Hall)

9:00AM-4:00 p.m. **Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open** (Trone Student Center)

11:00AM-2:00 p.m. **Lunch** (Dining Hall)

12:00-4:00 p.m. **Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)

1:00-5:00 p.m. **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

1:00-2:00 p.m. **Paladin Pep Rally and Class of 2028 Picture** (McAlister Auditorium)

Join Furman Athletics, student-athletes, coaches, and the marching band for an exciting event that will have everyone fired up for the year! Some lucky students will walk away with official Furman Paladins gear. Following the pep rally, we will move to the football practice field (by the soccer stadium) for the Class of 2028 official class picture.

2:00-6:00 p.m. **Class Tours with your FRAD**

Join your FRAD on a tour of campus to find the locations of your classes before the first day of class. Specific times and meeting locations will be communicated to you by your FRAD.

2:30 p.m. **Women's Soccer vs. Davidson** (Stone Soccer Stadium)

Free admission with your Furman ID.

5:00 p.m. **Interfaith Service** (Daniel Chapel)

All are welcome to attend this interfaith service of welcome and worship to kick off the new year with joy, thanks, prayer, and centeredness. Hosted by the Office of Spiritual Life.

5:00-9:30 p.m. **Dinner** (Dining Hall)

5:45-7:30 p.m. **Spiritual Life Fair** (Milford Mall)

More than 15 campus religious and faith-based organizations will be on hand with lawn games, free swag, a food truck and Kona Ice Snow Cones! Meet students and Campus Ministers from each group and learn more about how to get involved. Hosted by the Student Religious Council and the Office of Spiritual Life.

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6:00 p.m. **Men's Soccer vs. Winthrop University** (Stone Soccer Stadium)

7:00 p.m. **Magician Matt the Knife** (McAlister Auditorium)

Prepare to be amazed by magician and mentalist Matt the Knife! *Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.*

Monday, August 26

Group Fitness Launch Week

Did you know Campus Recreation & Wellness offers FREE group fitness classes? All classes will be 30 minutes the first week of the semester. Check rec.furman.edu for a full schedule.

7:15 a.m. **Breakfast** (Dining Hall)

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. **Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)

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9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

Please refer to the ITS website for Service Center hours once the semester begins.

10:15 a.m. **Gather at Paladin Stadium**

All new students should meet at Paladin Stadium to walk as a group to McAlister Auditorium for the Opening Convocation. You'll make this journey once more at the end of your time at Furman, as you march toward the stadium for Commencement. Don't forget to wear your class t-shirt!

11:00 a.m. **Opening Convocation** (McAlister Auditorium)

12:00 p.m. **Lunch on the Mall** (Furman Mall)

Please Note: The DH will be closed to allow for Lunch on the Mall.

1:30-2:20 p.m.

or

2:30-3:20 p.m. **First Pathways Class Meeting**

Meet as a Pathways class for the first time! Get to know your Pathways Advisor, Pathways Peer Mentor, and the students who will be a part of your class community over the next two years. This first class will set the foundation for considering the importance of what you value and how that impacts your choices in college. Your Pathways Advisor will be in touch via e-mail to notify you of the class meeting time and location.

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3:30-5:00 p.m. **Creating Connections with SDC** (Center for Inclusive Communities, First Floor, Lakeview Residence Hall)

Join members of the Student Diversity Council as we kick off the school year. Learn more about the student organizations that comprise SDC, and how you can get involved. Everyone is welcome!

5:00-9:30 p.m. **Dinner** (Dining Hall)

7:00-10:00 p.m. **Orientation Carnival** (South Chapel Parking Lot)
Rides, inflatables, food, and fun!

Tuesday, August 27

Fall Semester Begins!

Good luck on your first day of classes!

Thursday, August 29

4:00-5:00 p.m.

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6:00-7:00 p.m.

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8:00-9:00 p.m. **I Said – You Said** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

Join the jury for “I Said – You Said,” an interactive program that clarifies consent, empowers students to be active bystanders, shares cases of sexual misconduct, lets you decide who crossed the line, and shows how situations would be handled at Furman.

Monday, September 2

Labor Day, University Closed – no classes!

Wednesday, September 4

4:00-6:00 p.m. **Student Involvement Fair** (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)

Representatives from many of Furman’s student organizations will be at the fair, a great opportunity to meet other students and learn more about how to get involved! Rain date will be Thursday, September 5.

Friday, September 6

2:00-4:30 p.m. **Student Employment Fair** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

Interested in learning more about working on campus? Stop by the Watkins Room to speak with numerous departments looking to hire students for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Saturday, September 7

6:00 p.m. **Furman Football vs. Charleston Southern** (Paladin Stadium)

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Friday, September 13

Shucker Fellows Program application due!

An initiative of the Shucker Center for Leadership Development, the Shucker Fellows Program is a 3-semester (optional 4th semester) engaged learning experience designed to help students grow the leadership skills and attitudes in demand by today's employers, feel confident in their ability to be change-makers at Furman, and cultivate relationships necessary for growth and development as emerging leaders. Applications will close today at 11:30 p.m. [Click here for more information!](#)

Tuesday, September 24

5:00-7:00 p.m. Meet the Greeks (Behind the Dining Hall)

Meet members of the fraternity and sorority community, learn about our organizations, and learn more about Greek Life at Furman. Everyone is welcome!