



NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Parent & Family Summer Orientation Schedule

Tentative - Participants will receive a detailed schedule upon check-in.

- 8:30-9:00 a.m.** **Check-in** (Hill Atrium, Trone Student Center)
Please park in the South Housing parking lot, located near the baseball and softball stadiums. There will be Orientation Leaders around campus to help direct you to parking and the Trone Student Center. A campus map can be found [here](#).
- 9:00-9:30 a.m.** **Welcome!** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
Parents and family members should remain seated until all students have been dismissed, and we'll begin your next session once students have exited.
- 9:30-10:00 a.m.** **Experiencing the Furman Advantage** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
*Dr. Beth Pontari, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost
Connie L. Carson, Vice President for Student Life*
- 10:10-11:10 a.m.** **Academic Success** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
*Dr. Jason Jones, Associate Academic Dean
Dr. Brad Harmon, Assistant Dean for the First-Year and Second-Year Experience*
- 11:20 a.m.-12:20 p.m.** **Student Health & Wellbeing** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
*Dr. Jason Cassidy, Associate Vice President for Student Life & Dean of Students
Dr. Ann Gilchrist, Medical Director of the Earle Student Health Center
Dr. Allyson Brathwaite-Gardner, Director of the Trone Center for Mental Fitness
Captain Sam Hunter, Furman Police*
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.** **Lunch** (Daniel Dining Hall)
Don't hesitate to ask one of our Orientation Leaders or a member of the Dining Hall staff to assist you in navigating the dining hall, especially if you have any specific dietary needs. And don't forget to grab one of those famous DH cookies!
- 1:30-2:00 p.m.** **Housing & Residence Life** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
Ron Thompson, Associate Dean and Director of Housing and Residence Life

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.

2:00-3:00 p.m.

Academic Pathways Fair (James B. Duke Library)

This is your student's opportunity to explore many of the academic opportunities and course options available to first year students. Whether they have an idea of what they may major in or are still deciding, take advantage of this time to speak with faculty and learn more about the diverse academic options available to students. Please refer to the insert in your folder for a list of participating departments and programs.

2:30-3:15 p.m.

Dining at Furman (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)

Hear from Furman's dining services provider, Bon Appetit, about the various dining options available to students. Learn more about what is included with your meal plan, how to access your meal plan, and how students with specific dietary needs/requests will be accommodated.

2:30-4:00 p.m.

Campus Connections Fair (Hill Atrium, Trone Student Center)

Representatives from various offices and departments will be available to answer questions and inform you about opportunities and services available to Furman students. Please refer to the insert in your folder for a list of participating departments and programs.

3:30-4:15 p.m.

Student Panel (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)

This is your opportunity to ask some of our Orientation Leaders about their Furman experience. Don't leave today with any unanswered questions!

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