



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

## Welcome Week 2022

### Friday, August 19, 2022 – Welcome Week Kickoff / All Student Arrival Day

#### **8:00am – 2:00pm: New Student Check-In, *Brubaker Auditorium***

All new first-year and transfer students at Messiah University should check in on campus when they arrive for the fall semester. New students and their guests should arrive within their arrival timeslot (please see email from your Admissions Counselor for arrival sign-up details). When you check in, you will receive any student materials you need (such as your student ID, room key, and parking permit), your orientation materials, your Welcome Week t-shirt, and your orientation group number.

#### **8:00am – 2:00pm: Student Services (Student Financial Services, Financial Aid, Student Employment, Technology Support), *Brubaker Auditorium***

To complete your check-in, you will visit the other half of Brubaker Gymnasium. Student service offices will be available there throughout the day to meet with you and your guests. Any questions you have regarding your bill, financial aid package, student employment, banking options, or technology support can be answered at this time.

#### **8:00am – 3:00pm: Move into your residence hall, *Naugle, Bittner, & Witmer***

After checking in at Eisenhower, residential students will move into their residence halls. Traffic officers will direct you to the appropriate building. Our team of move-in volunteers will be ready to assist you with your personal items!

#### **11:00am – 12:00pm: Martin & Flowers Scholars Information Session, *Boyer 131 & Alexander Auditorium (Frey 110)***

New students who are receiving the Martin Scholarship or the R.H. Flowers Scholarship are invited to attend this session hosted by the Office of Multicultural and International Student Programs.

#### **11:00am – 11:45am: Campus Nutritionist Seminar, *Parmer Cinema***

Students with dietary concerns will have the opportunity to talk with our campus dietician before your first meal on campus.

#### **1:00pm – 2:00pm: Honors Program Welcome Reception, *Parmer Hall***

New Honors students and their family members are invited to attend the Honors Program Welcome Reception. Please plan to arrive to campus before noon so you have time to check-in and settle on campus before the reception.

**3:00pm – 4:30pm: Families Reception, *Parmer Hall***

All families/parents/guests/supporters are invited to join The Division of Student Success and Engagement and the Office of Parent and Alumni Relations for an overview of some important information. You will hear from several campus administrators regarding key resources for you and your student. There will also be an opportunity to speak with administrators over refreshments after the session.

**3:00pm – 4:00pm: Making the Transition – An Orientation for Students with Disabilities, *Parmer Cinema, Boyer Hall***

This session is open to students seeking resources from The Office of Academic Accessibility.

**4:00pm – 5:00pm: Living in Commuter Community (commuting students only), *Frey 110***

This mandatory session will provide commuter students with an overview of the Community Covenant and an explanation of commuter policies.

**7:00pm – 8:30pm: Candlelight Service of Worship, *Hitchcock Arena, Sollenberger Sports Center***

All new students and their guests will join together in Hitchcock for our annual Candlelight Service - a Messiah University tradition that marks the beginning of your journey at Messiah.

**8:30pm – 9:45pm: Meet with your orientation group, *Larsen Lawn***

New students will be greeted by their orientation groups outside for icebreakers, games, and conversation.

**10:00pm – 11:00pm: First floor meetings (residential students only), *Floor Lounges***

Meet your Resident Assistants and introduce yourself to your floormates!

**Saturday, August 20, 2022 – Orientation Day 1**

**8:00am – 9:30am: Language Placement Exams, *Frey 110, Frey 150, Frey 241, Frey 243***

Communication regarding Language Placement exams will be communicated over the summer. Please watch for those emails to determine whether you should take one of these exams.

**9:45am – 11:15am: “Spilling the Tea:” Sexual Assault & Harassment Prevention Training, *Parmer Hall***

This mandatory session will share with all students important details regarding your safety, respect for the rights of others, and campus resources available.

**12:30pm – 2:00pm: All-Hall Meetings for Residential Students (residential students only), *Parmer Hall, Hostetter Chapel, and Hitchcock Arena***

At this mandatory session you will review details regarding on-campus living and hall policies.

**2:00pm – 4:00pm: Orientation Leader-Led Activity, *Larsen Student Union***

Join your orientation groups and leaders for an afternoon of orientation, fun, and games.

**2:15pm – 5:00pm: New Student Coffeehouse Auditions, *Hitchcock Arena***

Students interested in performing in our annual New Student Coffeehouse will audition with the Student Activities Board.

**2:30pm – 4:00pm: Dining Student Employee Training, *Martin Commons***

Campus Dining will hold training for all new students beginning employment in our dining facilities.

**3:30pm – 4:30pm: Transfer Student Library Orientation, *Murray Library Learning Commons***

Campus librarians will be available to meet with transfer students and provide you with an overview of the resources offered by the Murray Library. *New first-time students will receive this information in their First Year Seminar courses.*

**4:30pm – 6:30pm: Picnic with the President, *Orchard Hill***

Meet President Phipps at her home! Enjoy some good food and yard games while you mingle with your new classmates, and perhaps catch a sighting of the Presidential First Dog, Larry.

**7:00pm – 8:00pm: Commuter Social (commuting students only), *Charles Frey Commuter Lounge***

After the picnic with President Phipps, kick back in the Commuter Lounge with your fellow new commuters.

**7:30pm – 9:30pm: Floor Gatherings (residential students only), *Floor Lounges***

Meet your floormates for an evening of introductions and team building. Your resident assistant will communicate your floor's meeting location.

**Sunday, August 21, 2022 – Orientation Day 2**

**9:30am – 10:30am: First Year Campus Worship, *Hitchcock Arena***

All new students are invited to attend a worship service hosted by Campus Ministries on their first Sunday as Messiah University students.

**1:00pm – 2:00pm: Living in Community for Residential Students (residential students only), *Floor Lounges***

This mandatory session will provide walk you through our Community Covenant and Code of Conduct. Your resident assistant will be leading this session and will be available to answer any questions you have.

**2:30pm – 4:00pm: New Student Games, *Starry Field***

This annual tradition will have our new students participating in relay-style competitions to claim the Golden Torch!

**5:00pm – 6:00pm: Transfer Student Social, *Martin Commons***

Transfer students are invited to dine together in Martin Commons to meet one another and be welcomed to the next portion of their college journey.

**5:30pm – 7:00pm: Sound Check for Coffeehouse, Hitchcock Arena**

Any student performing at Sunday evening's New Student Coffeehouse should plan to meet with members of the Student Activities Board to perform a sound check prior to the show.

**6:00pm – 7:30pm: Campus Events Student Worker Training, Frey 110**

Campus Events will hold training for all new students beginning employment in their area.

**8:00pm – 10:00pm: New Student Coffeehouse, Hitchcock Arena**

Students interested in sharing their talents and passions with other students are encouraged to visit SAB to audition for Coffeehouse! Many different acts are accepted, such as music, poetry, and dancing.

**Monday, August 22, 2022 – Orientation Day 3**

**9:15am – 10:45am: Calculus Placement Exam, Frey 110 & Frey 245**

Students planning to take a calculus course in their first semester should plan to participate in this placement exam.

**9:15am – 10:45am: Nursing Kaplan Exam (nursing students only), Kline 120 & Kline 113**

New students in the nursing department will take an assessment to gauge their initial aptitudes.

**11:00am – 12:00pm: New Student Assessment, Hitchcock Arena (first-time students) & Parmer Cinema (transfers)**

This internal survey will provide important data to our Institutional Research Office regarding student demographics and populations.

**11:00am – 12:00pm: Pre-Health Professions Advising, Kline 120**

Students interested in pre-health professions should plan to attend this additional advising session, regardless of their declared major.

**2:00pm – 4:00pm: Advising Meetings, Various Locations (one room per department)**

Monday afternoon is dedicated to the life of the mind in academics at Messiah. You will meet with the faculty in your department to hear about what lies in store during your academic ventures at Messiah. Undeclared/Explore U students will gather as a group as well. After these group meetings, you will receive individual assistance from your academic advisor. These sessions are mandatory for all students.

**3:30pm – 4:30pm: Schedule Adjustments with the Registrar, Boyer 337 Computer Lab**

Staff from the Registrar's Office will be available to meet with any students who need to adjust their course schedule after meeting with their advisor.

**4:00pm – 5:00pm: Informational Session for Students In Accelerated Health Degree Programs**

This special advising session will provide additional counsel to students who have been accepted into the 5-Year Accelerated BS/MOT program or the Early Assurance Program for Pre-PT.

**7:00pm – 9:00pm: “New Student Social” Campus Social hosted by the Student Activities Board, Campus Commons**

Our Student Activities Board leaders host an evening of icebreakers and social games to provide you with some relaxed fun on the eve of your first full day of undergraduate courses at Messiah.

**Tuesday, August 23, 2022 – First Day of Fall Classes**

**9:00am –4:00pm: Geek the Library Scavenger Hunt, Murray Library Learning Commons**

Take a break from your first day of classes to explore Murray Library. This is a drop-in event that you can attend anytime.

**9:30am – 10:30am: Convocation, Hitchcock Arena**

All Messiah educators and students are encouraged to attend this chapel service to open the academic year.

**Wednesday, August 24, 2022**

-- No Welcome Week Events --

**Thursday, August 25, 2022**

**4:30pm –6:30pm: Engagement Fair, Larsen Student Union**

This gathering of student organizations and service opportunities will provide you with a chance to see what activities take place at Messiah. You will also have the opportunity to sign up for communication from any clubs you are interested in joining.

**Friday, August 26, 2022**

**7:00pm –9:00pm: First Friday, Larsen Student Union**

Each of our seven Executive Student Organizations will host a different element of this annual new student tradition. Kick back with your incoming class to celebrate the conclusion of your first week of classes.