



FIRST-YEAR AND
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
CLASS OF 2019

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First-Year Experience
Division of Student Affairs

✓ 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Check-In for all First-Year and New Students

Early-Fielding Hall

Please pick up your room key outside of Graham-Lees Hall on Washington Street. Turn over your key to your family, and our W&L upper-division students will assist with the move-in process while you proceed across the street to Early-Fielding to receive your registration and orientation material. Within just a few minutes you will catch up with your family in your room to begin unpacking. All students are required to check-in, including Leading Edge participants, pre-season athletes, international students, and transfers. Be prepared—it's a W&L tradition that it rains either on Check-in day or Commencement day.

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

“Meat” and Greet (And Veggie Burgers Too!)

Baker-Davis-Gilliam Quad

Take a break from the heat and enjoy some cool refreshments, hamburgers, hotdogs, veggie burgers and salads with your family in the Quad.

2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

President's Welcome to Parents

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

President Ken Ruscio '76 and Vice-President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Sidney Evans will share their thoughts and unique perspectives about University life with parents of new students. Parent Information Sessions with key staff members will immediately follow.

Parent Information Sessions

2:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater & Wilson Theater

2:30 – 3:15 p.m. and 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Academic Panel for Parents

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

Representatives from the offices of the Provost, Dean of the College, and Dean of the Williams School of Commerce, Economics, and Politics will offer reflections on the intellectual life of the University.

3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Parent Reception

Lenfest Center, Kamen Gallery

Please join us for some refreshments and snacks as you switch rooms to attend the other panel.

2:30 – 3:15 p.m. and 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

Student Affairs Panel for Parents

Lenfest Center, Wilson Theater

Student Affairs professional staff will provide an overview of life beyond the classroom at W&L, including the wide array of activities, organizations, student services, and leadership opportunities available to students.

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.

Q&A and Parent Reception

Lenfest Center, Kamen Gallery

Key personnel will be available to answer individual questions about Public Safety, Dining, Residence & Greek Life, Student Health & Counseling, Career Development and Student Activities while refreshments and snacks remain available.

5:00 – 6:45 p.m.

First-Year Student Dinner

Evans Dining Hall

New students and their families are invited to experience dinner at the old “D-Hall.” Join us for a glimpse of W&L dining cuisine and a taste of what you can expect during the academic year.

✓ **7:00 p.m.**

First-Year Meeting with Resident Advisers

Location posted on your hall

First-year resident advisers meet with their hall residents to review policies, establish certain guidelines, provide basic information, and answer questions about life at W&L. Be sure to change into comfortable clothing for the next event.

✓ **9:00 – 11:00 p.m.**

First-Year Olympics

Wilson Field

Lace up your tennis shoes and join us for an evening of activity unlike anything you’ve experienced. Meet dozens of your classmates through a series of interactive competitions under the lights of the stadium.

9:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Students are encouraged to attend religious services at their chosen place of worship. Local faith-community leaders will be available at Check-in on Saturday to share various religious options with students.

10:00 – 11:45 a.m.

Brunch

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

Your resident adviser will tell you what time your hall is attending brunch. Please plan to attend with your hall if possible.

✓ **Noon – 12:45 p.m.**

President's Welcome to New Students

Lee Chapel

President Ken Ruscio '76, Provost Daniel Wubah, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Sidney Evans, and Dean for First-Year Experience Jason Rodocker will offer their insights about University Life to the Class of 2019. Men are required to wear coat and tie; women are required to wear a skirt, slacks or a dress. Cellular telephones should be turned off in Lee Chapel.

✓ **12:45 – 1:30 p.m.**

Student Governance Orientation

Lee Chapel

Student-run campus governance is integral to student life at W&L. The Executive Committee (EC) gains its authority through the Board of Trustees and manages the University Honor System. The Student Judicial Council (SJC) is charged by the faculty under the University Bylaws to enforce standards of civility and appropriate conduct that fall outside the Honor System. The Student-Faculty Hearing Board (SFHB) hears and determines cases dealing with sexual misconduct, discrimination or harassment involving W&L students. Students will also have an opportunity to hear from Residential Life leadership.

You, along with your hall, will be assigned to one of the two identical Global and Diverse Society sessions. Please attend with your hall if possible. If you cannot attend at your assigned time, you should attend at the other time.

✓ **2:30 – 3:45 p.m. & 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.**

Global and Diverse Society

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

Washington and Lee University is committed to equality of all persons, regardless of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, ability, religious affiliation, gender, home country, gender identity, gender expression or any other defining characteristic. Each and every one of you has something special to offer this community, so it is our earnest hope that you will teach one another. Facilitator Dr. Steve Perry will address "Taking the Adversity Out of Diversity."

If you have a conflict with a placement test, please notify Dean for First-Year Experience Jason Rodocker (jrodocker@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Math Placement Test

Robinson Hall, Room 105

This test is designed to aid the Mathematics Department in identifying students qualified for placement in courses beyond Calculus I (Math 101). Take this test only if all of the following apply:

- You had at least a half-year of calculus (not necessarily an AP course), AND
- You have not taken either of the Advanced Placement calculus exams (if you took the exams and know your score, then we know what course you should take), AND
- You do not have calculus transfer credit or IB credit (higher level with a 5, 6, or 7 should receive credit), AND
- You wish to take second – or third-term calculus at W&L. (Under advanced standing, if a student is placed in second – or third-term calculus and successfully completes that course with a grade of C or better, full credit will be awarded for any prerequisite course(s) skipped; this option is available only in Fall term.)

You should be present when the test begins at 2:30 p.m. and it lasts approximately an hour. For questions please contact test administrator, Professor Alan McRae (mcraea@wlu.edu).

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Latin and Ancient Greek Placement Examination

Early-Fielding Hall, Room 114

All incoming students with academic experience in Latin who intend to take Latin at the college level, including students with AP credit, must take the Latin placement test. You should be present when the test begins at 4:00 p.m. and it lasts approximately an hour. Students with academic experience in Greek should meet with Classics Department Head, Professor Kevin Crotty (crottyk@wlu.edu) immediately prior to or following the Latin exam to be placed in the appropriate level of Greek study.

Arabic Placement

Students interested in studying Arabic should contact Professor Antoine Edwards (edwardsa@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

Russian Placement

Students interested in studying Russian should contact Professor Anna Brodsky (brodskya@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

Chinese Placement

Students interested in studying Chinese should contact Professor Yanhong Zhu (zhuy@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

Japanese Placement

Students interested in studying Japanese should contact Professor Janet Ikeda (ikedaj@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

Italian Placement

Students interested in studying Italian should contact Professor Patricia Hardin (hardinp@wlu.edu) as soon as possible.

Portuguese Placement

Students interested in studying Portuguese should contact Professor Cristina Pinto-Bailey (*pinto-baileyac@wlu.edu*) as soon as possible.

Spanish and French Placement

Students interested in studying Spanish or French should have already completed the online placement test earlier this summer. For questions please contact Romance Languages Department Head, Professor Matthew Bailey (*baileym@wlu.edu*) as soon as possible.

German Placement

Students interested in studying German should have already completed the online placement test earlier this summer. If you have not and wish to do so, please contact Professor Paul Youngman (*youngmanp@wlu.edu*) as soon as possible.

5:15 – 5:45 p.m.

Pick up your SPEAK T-shirt

Baker–Davis–Gilliam Quad

Stop by the BDG Quad to pick-up your complimentary SPEAK T-shirt. Please wear the shirt to tonight's Alumni Association cook out.

✓ **6:00 p.m.**

Class of 2019 Picture

Liberty Hall Ruins

✓ **6:00 p.m.**

Alumni Association Cook Out

Liberty Hall Ruins (Rain location: Evans Dining Hall)

Wear your new SPEAK T-shirt to this dinner for a prize and enjoy live entertainment while you feast.

✓ **8:00 – 10:00 p.m.**

Voices of W&L & Discussion

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

An entertaining and extremely provocative theatrical presentation, Voices of W&L will challenge you to reflect on social and health issues that you may encounter during your college years. Group discussions with your hall will follow, led by trained Lifestyle Information For Everyone (LIFE) peer health educators, peer counselors and first-year resident advisers.

10:00 p.m. – Midnight

Casino Night

John W. Elrod University Commons

Welcome to Lex Vegas! Roll the dice with your classmates as you risk it all to win big. See if you can read your roommate's poker face at the only place where bluffing is not considered an honor violation! Come join the fun.

7:15 – 8:45 a.m.

Breakfast

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & Noon – 2:00 p.m. & 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.**

Perspectives

Check with your RA

Step out of your comfort zone and into six different locations on campus to learn about International Education, Academic Support Services, Career Development, Athletics & Campus Recreation, Health & Counseling, and Community Service.

10:30 a.m. – Noon

Lunch

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & Noon – 2:00 p.m. & 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.**

Bystander Intervention

Check with your RA

Bystander intervention is a cornerstone of W&L's focus on keeping each other safe. Join your hall mates for an impactful training that looks at real life scenarios and how to help others.

✓ **9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & Noon – 2:00 p.m. & 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.**

Traveller Route Tours

Baker-Davis-Gilliam Quad

Use this daylight opportunity to see where Traveller transports students in the evening. Traveller personnel will be on each bus to inform you of important guidelines and answer any questions.

4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Financial Aid Meeting

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

This meeting is mandatory for any student receiving any form of need-based scholarship, grant, loan or work-study assistance.

4:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Dinner

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **5:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

Yearbook Photos

John W. Elrod University Commons, Room 114

Please stop by for 10 minutes at your convenience so a University photographer can take your official University photo for use in the yearbook, online and in other media recognitions. If you must miss this session, there is a backup session Tuesday from 1–5 p.m.

✓ **7:45 p.m.**

First-Year Meeting with Resident Advisers

Location posted on your hall

First-year resident advisers meet with their hall residents to check-in and preview upcoming orientation events.

✓ 8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

ThinkFast

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

ThinkFast is a multi-award winning, totally interactive, audience-responsive trivia game show. Its special recipe is simple; in addition to an energetic host and elaborate staging, an entertaining mixture of audio and video clips are integrated with trivia relating to current events, popular TV shows, movies, and current pop music. The ThinkFast Challenge will also include trivia that non-intrusively reinforces messages of prevention, responsibility, and awareness. ThinkFast is a high-action, high-speed game and participants are encouraged to contribute their energy to win cool prizes!

9:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Game Night

John W. Elrod University Commons

Challenge upper-division students and your fellow classmates in a variety of games and activities while chilling and enjoying some pizza.

7:15 – 8:45 a.m.

Breakfast

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **9:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.**

Introduction to Registration

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

A brief introduction to Information Technology Services (ITS) from Help Desk Manager John White, followed by University Registrar Scott Dittman sharing instructions on how to prepare for and use the WebAdvisor Registration screens, including how to select your preferred courses in preparation for Registration on Tuesday and Wednesday.

9:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Health Careers Information Session

Lenfest Center, Wilson Room 2018

First-year students interested in preparing for a health career are required to attend this brief information session with members of the Health Professions Advisory Committee. Contact Professor Lisa Alty (altyl@wlu.edu) with questions.

9:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Engineering Interest Session

Lenfest Center, Wilson Room 2017

First-year students interested in an engineering major are encouraged to attend this interest session to find out which courses they should take fall term. Contact Professor Joel Kuehner (kuehnerj@wlu.edu) with questions.

✓ **10:00 – Noon**

Academic Fair

Leyburn Library

Meet faculty members from all academic areas of the University.

✓ **Noon – 1:30 p.m.**

Lunch with Initial Faculty Advisers

Your Adviser's Office

Meet your initial faculty adviser at his/her office at Noon unless otherwise specified. Your adviser may have up to four other first-year advisees that will join you for lunch.

✓ **1:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

Yearbook Photos

John W. Elrod University Commons, Room 114

Please stop by for 10 minutes at your convenience so the University photographer can take your official University photo for use in the yearbook, online and in other media recognitions.

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

University Jazz Ensemble Auditions

Wilson Hall 4031

University Jazz Ensemble – (MUS 115)

ALL students welcome. Please bring your instrument(s) and a few varied selections to play.

No pressure, just an opportunity to meet with and be heard by the Director. To schedule an audition contact Dr. Vosbein at vosbeint@wlu.edu or stop by the Music Department table at the Academic Fair.

1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

W&L Choir Auditions

Wilson Hall 4026

Sign-up for a time at Wilson Hall 4026 or contact Dr. Lynch at (540) 458-8697 or lynchs@wlu.edu.

✓ **1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

Pre-Arranged Meetings with Initial Faculty Advisers

If your initial faculty adviser schedules a time for you to meet with him/her, this is a time to ask questions regarding registration, classes or anything about which you might be uncertain. (Meetings are scheduled by faculty members in advance or during lunch)

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

University Wind Ensemble Auditions

Wilson Hall 4029

ALL students welcome. Audition material is at tinyurl.com/wluwe2015. Please bring your instrument(s) or request one in advance. No pressure, just an opportunity to meet with and be heard by the Director. Contact Mr. Dobbins at (540) 458-8856 or dobbinsc@wlu.edu.

✓ **3:30 p.m.**

Registration: Pick Your First Course

Login to WebAdvisor

Using your placement test results, curricular information from the faculty on the University Registrar's website, and the registration information from Tuesday morning, you will register for a single preferred course for fall term. If you don't register between 3:30–5 p.m. you will be locked out until Wednesday morning. Help is available from your RA and from the University Registrar's staff at registrar@wlu.edu, by phone at (540) 458-8455, and in the University Registrar's office in Early-Fielding. You will complete your schedule (4 courses of at least 3 credits each, 12-14 credits total) with your adviser on Wednesday morning.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Ice Cream at the President's House

Lee House

Join President Ruscio for some midday ice cream and conversation.

✓ **5:00 – 6:45 p.m.**

Dinner with Your Big

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

University Bigs are upper-division mentors matched with a small group of FYs. Your Big should have contacted you in advance to coordinate where you should meet for dinner. If you have questions and cannot reach your Big directly, please contact Lauren Wurthmann '16 (wurthmannl16@mail.wlu.edu) or Batsheva Honig '17 (honigb17@mail.wlu.edu).

✓ **7:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

Community Discussion

Check with Your RA

Intellectual engagement is a community endeavor and a way of life at W&L. Students will participate in small group discussions, guided by a faculty/staff facilitator and University Bigs, of the concepts and implications of the article "What 'Learning How to Think' Really Means" by Barry Schwartz. You will receive a hard copy of the article in your FY packet during Check-In. Read the article in advance and bring it with you to the discussion, prepared to discuss and debate its meanings.

8:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Community Carnival

Cannan Green (Rain Location: Evans Dining Hall)

Join your faculty facilitators and Big Brother/Big Sister to continue your conversations over cotton candy, snow cones, and popcorn. Play some carnival games with new friends and stick around for the fireworks!

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2015

7:15 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

P.E. Orientation and Swim Test

Doremus Gymnasium, 5th Floor Classroom

You will be assigned a time in advance (8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, or 2:30). If your assigned time conflicts with your registration time, then simply attend any of the other times and notify the instructor when you arrive.

✓ **9:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

Meet with Your Initial Faculty Adviser to Complete Registration

Your Adviser's Office

Meet with your initial faculty adviser at your designated time. Come prepared to discuss your academic plans and to register for a full-time load (4 courses of at least 3 credits each, 12-14 credits total).

9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Leyburn Library Tours

Leyburn Library, Northen Auditorium

Visit the library for a brief tour and learn about study carrels, research at W&L and library services. Contact Senior Reference Librarian Dick Greffe (grefed@wlu.edu) for more information.

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch

John W. Elrod University Commons, The Marketplace

✓ **11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Activities Fair

Cannan Green (Rain location: Evans Dining Hall)

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about the various student organizations and other extracurricular activities with which you can become involved. All student clubs and organizations will host information tables. Bring your University Card!

Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Auditions for W&L Choirs

Wilson Hall 4026

Sign-up for a time at Wilson Hall 4026 or contact Dr. Lynch at (540) 458-8697 or lynchs@wlu.edu.

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

First-Year and New Student Registration Clean Up

John W. Elrod University Commons, Room 206

Students who do not have a full-time course load must meet with an academic dean to finalize their fall term schedule. Attendance is required only for those students who have registered for fewer than 12 credits or do not have 4 classes worth at least 3 credits each.

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

University Wind Ensemble Auditions

Wilson Hall 4029

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1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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audition contact Dr. Vosbein at vosbeint@wlu.edu or stop by the Music Department table at the Academic Fair.

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

W&L Dance Auditions (New Students Only)

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

Contact Professor Jenny Davies at daviesj@wlu.edu for more information.

✓ **5:30 p.m.**

Fall Convocation *Lee Chapel Lawn (Rain Location: VMI Center for Leadership & Ethics)*

Men are required to wear coat and tie; women are required to wear skirt, slacks, or a dress.

Cellular telephones are inappropriate. Please make sure you are seated by 5:20 p.m. for the beginning of the faculty procession.

6:30 p.m.

Dinner

Cannan Green (Rain Location: Evans Dining Room & The Marketplace)

✓ **8:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

Honor System Orientation

Lee Chapel

Members of the Executive Committee will provide an introduction to the University's most

revered tradition: The Honor System. Men are required to wear coat and tie; women are required to wear skirt, slacks or a dress. Cellular telephones should be turned off in Lee Chapel.

✓ **8:30 – 9:00 p.m.**

Group Discussions on the Honor System

Sponsored by the Executive Committee

Consult your resident adviser for the time and place of your small group discussion about the Honor System with representatives from the Executive Committee.

9:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Campfire

Baker-Davis-Gilliam Quad

Join your fellow classmates for a night of fun and relaxation around a campfire, perfect for roasting s'mores and starting conversations.

8:00 a.m.

Classes begin.

Noon – 4:00 p.m.

Auditions for W&L Choirs

Wilson Hall 4026

Sign-up for a time at Wilson Hall 4026 or contact Dr. Lynch at (540) 458-8697 or lynchs@wlu.edu.

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

University Orchestra

Wilson Hall 4029

“Play for Me” (10 minute time slots: up to five minutes of a prepared piece, optional sight reading)

Register for Mus 114 (1 credit, Wed.) University Orchestra

Sign-up for a playing time at Wilson Hall 4029 or contact Professor Taylor at (540) 458-8852 or taylormd@wlu.edu.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

University Wind Ensemble Auditions

Wilson Hall 4029

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✓ **5:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

Get Downtown

Downtown Lexington

Downtown Lexington is throwing a welcome party just for new students! All new students are expected to get downtown for dinner (instead of eating on campus). EIGHT local restaurants are providing free food to new W&L students and shops are staying open late to welcome you. Visit enough locations downtown and you'll be eligible for prizes or just get down to the music of street performers. Have a progressive dinner and learn some of the many things your new home has to offer.

✓ **8:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

Law Enforcement Panel

Lenfest Center, Keller Theater

Lexington Police Lieutenant Mark Riley and Rockbridge County Sheriff Lieutenant Steve Funkhouser will join SJC Chair Pacqui Toscano '16, Campus Community Coalition (CCC) Representatives Pinkney Beal '17 and Caroline Sanders '17, and Director of Public Safety Ethan Kipnes to discuss community issues.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2015

By Appointment Only

Auditions for W&L Choirs

Wilson Hall, Room 4026

Contact Dr. Lynch at (540) 458-8697 or lynchs@wlu.edu.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

LGBTQ Resource Center Kick-Off Concert

19 University Place

Live jazz/funk band, FREE food and a chance to tour the new LGBTQ Resource Center.

Located near Financial Aid and International Education on front campus, look for the colorful Adirondack chairs!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2015

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Tailgate and Taco Fiesta

W&L Law School Lawn

Everyone is invited to the area between the football field and the law school to tailgate before the home football game. Enjoy FREE tacos courtesy of the Multicultural Student Association (MSA) beginning at Noon. Please contact MSA president Kristin Sharman '17 (sharmank17@mail.wlu.edu) with questions.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Mock Convention (Mock Con) Information Session and Open House

John W. Elrod University Commons, Stackhouse Theater

Over 95% of the student body gets involved in Mock Con (that includes you!), so follow on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, check out the website (www.mockconvention.com), and join a state delegation in the fall! Any questions can be sent to mockcon@mail.wlu.edu.

You may also find the schedule at



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