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NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
HEADED TO THE HILL? THE NEXT STEP IS NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

We are excited to welcome you to New Student Orientation at the University of Arkansas this summer! Your on-campus orientation is more than just academic advising and class registration. It’s your official introduction to the U of A, your chance to have fun, meet new people, learn about campus, and get acquainted with your new college home in preparation for your first semester on campus.

The New Student Orientation team will be available to answer questions and guide you through every step of this experience.

It is imperative to check both your personal and UARK email often as we draw closer to your orientation.

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WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD EXPECT DURING ORIENTATION

• Learn more about the University of Arkansas
• Meet other new students with similar interests
• Get to know current students who have great tips about campus life and getting involved
• Discover services and resources in a variety of areas, including health, safety, dining, housing, and more
• Meet with academic advisors to create an academic plan and register for fall classes
• Optional overnight accommodations if attending 2-day session

PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS

While not required, we strongly encourage parents and supporters to attend orientation with their student this summer. Information shared at orientation is specifically designed for you to aid in your student’s transition to the University.

By attending orientation, you will have the chance to explore the academic and extracurricular resources available for your student, their areas of interest, and new college home.

ATTENDING ORIENTATION

To register for orientation, simply come to check-in with your student and you will be registered when you arrive. Pre-registration is not necessary. Overnight accommodations are not provided on-campus for guests, so please visit experiencefayetteville.com to view a list of local accommodations.

For every person over the age of 12 who attends orientation with a registered student, a $50 fee will be applied to the student’s tuition statement for the following semester. This fee supports Parent and Family Programs within the Office of New Student and Family Programs. This office serves as the primary liaison between the University and Razorback families. They plan, develop, and implement specific events, resources, and services for families. By attending orientation as a parent or supporter, you are considered a member of the Parent and Family Association. To learn more, please visit orientation.uark.edu/how-to-register/parents-supporters.
FEES ASSOCIATED WITH ORIENTATION & ENROLLMENT

New Student Orientation covers the cost of all meals, on-campus overnight accommodations, and materials for students and guests participating in orientation. There are no payments due at orientation.

NEW STUDENT FEE
A non-refundable fee of $95 will be applied to the account of any student who participates in orientation and/or enrolls in classes, to be paid alongside the tuition for the upcoming semester.

ID CARD FEE
When a student uploads a photo for their ID card or has their photo taken at the Campus Card Office, a non-refundable fee of $24 will be applied to their student account to be paid alongside the tuition for the upcoming semester.

For more information regarding these fees, please visit treasurernet.uark.edu/tuition.

ACADEMIC ADVISING & CLASS REGISTRATION

During orientation, all students will connect with academic advisors to discuss their fall schedule. Depending on your major or area of interest, you may be pre-enrolled in 2-4 classes based on your degree requirements, your ACT/SAT scores, or previous test or college credits earned. As such, please have all final transcripts and test scores sent for evaluation as soon as they are available. Note that regardless of the orientation session you are attending, you are guaranteed classes that meet your degree requirements.

UNDECIDED ON WHAT TO STUDY?
If you are still unsure of what you plan to study, do not worry; academic advisors will be available to help you select general education courses that will benefit you regardless of the degree you end up selecting. If you have decided to change your major, simply arrive at orientation and we will confirm your course of study during check-in.

All students are encouraged to review the MyMajors tool at career.uark.edu/cdc/students/explorecareers/#mymajors to learn more about degrees at the University of Arkansas.
PAYING FOR COLLEGE

To prepare for the start of the school year, it is imperative that you make a plan to pay your tuition and fees statement. During orientation, you will learn more about the services offered by each of these offices; however, should you have questions before attending New Student Orientation, please reach out accordingly:

**Office of Financial Aid**
finaid@uark.edu  
(479)-575-3806
- Final financial aid award notifications
- Work study eligibility and opportunities
- Loan options
- Using military educational benefits

**Office of Scholarships**
scholars@uark.edu  
(479)-575-4464
- Enrollment requirements based on awards received
- Future funding opportunities
- Submitting outside funding to the U of A

**Treasurer’s Office**
treainfo@uark.edu  
(479)-575-5651
- Coverdell and 529 Plans
- Payment plans
- Setting up a parent account in UAConnect
BE PREPARED

In order to be prepared for your orientation session, students are encouraged to complete the following:

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS (REQUIRED TO ENROLL)
Submit your two MMR immunization records to the Pat Walker Health Center in person during orientation, by fax to 479-575-7789, or via email to immu@uark.edu. Records can be obtained from a private physician’s office, high school transcripts, or the Arkansas Department of Health immunization database (Arkansas students only). Failure to submit your records before attempting to enroll in classes can delay registration.

For information on the University’s COVID-19 response, please visit health.uark.edu/coronavirus.

FINAL HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT & ACT/SAT SCORES
Submit your final high school transcript and final ACT/SAT scores to the Office of Admissions at uofa@uark.edu, via electronic filing serving, or by mail to:
232 Silas Hunt Hall
1 University of Arkansas
Fayetteville, AR 72701

The Office of Admissions requires final test scores for course placement by May 1st.

TRANSFER & TEST CREDIT
To submit your final dual/concurrent enrollment and/or AP/IB test credit to the Registrar’s Office, please visit registrar.uark.edu/transfer-and-test-credit/submitting_your_college_transcript.php. Students attempting to transfer credit from another collegiate institution will need to submit an official transcript from that institution in order to have credit evaluated.

GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID
Please bring a government issued photo ID with you to orientation. This is required to pick up your student ID card.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS
We want your orientation experience to be as enjoyable as possible. If you or your guests have dietary restrictions, mobility limitations, or need other accommodations, please reach out to nso@uark.edu prior to your session detailing your needs and we will assist you further.
OPTIONAL ONLINE PLACEMENT EXAMS
Students have the opportunity to take the optional math and/or foreign language placement exam. Completing either exam may allow the student to enroll in higher level courses than their ACT/SAT or previous course experience normally allows. Visit catalog.uark.edu/undergraduatecatalog/enrollmentservices/placementandproficiencytests to learn more.

STUDENT LODGING AT ORIENTATION
Complimentary on-campus housing is available for students attending a 2-day orientation; however, it is not required as we realize that some students may prefer to stay with their families. If you plan to stay on campus during your orientation, you will need to bring: bedding (pillow, sleeping bag, or twin sheets and blanket), towel, and toiletries.

No overnight accommodations are provided for students attending a 1-day session in June or August.

PARENT AND SUPPORTER LODGING
While there are no on-campus overnight accommodations for families or other guests during orientation, you may find local lodging through the Fayetteville Visitor’s Bureau by visiting experiencefayetteville.com or calling 800-766-4626. When making reservations, parents and supporters should mention they are attending New Student Orientation at the University of Arkansas to see if any discounted rates are available.

PARKING AND CHECK-IN
Complimentary parking is provided during orientation at the Garland Avenue Parking Garage. Orientation Leaders will be located at the north entrance of the garage off Cleveland Street to provide you with a parking pass and guide you to check-in. Directions can be found on the back of this booklet.

If you are being dropped off, please arrive at the Garland Avenue Parking Garage.

HOUSING
If you have not completed the housing contract or signed the Live With Parent Exemption form, please visit housing.uark.edu. Students are encouraged to check their UARK Outlook account and the Housing Office website for updates regarding additional contracting phases.
2-DAY HONORS ORIENTATION SCHEDULE (AT A GLANCE)

Students staying overnight on campus should arrive between 2:30–3:00 p.m. in order to allow time to drop their luggage at the residence hall. Those not staying overnight should arrive around 3:00 p.m..

**DAY 1**

2:30–3:30 p.m.  Student & Guest Check-In

2:45–3:45 p.m.  ID Card Photo or Pick Up
                Campus Resource Fair

4:00–5:45 p.m.  Honors College Welcome & Office Presentations

6:00–7:30 p.m.  Dinner & Optional Activities

7:00 & 7:30 p.m. Optional Campus OR University Recreation Tours

8:00–9:30 p.m.  Evening Activities (for those staying overnight)

**DAY 2**

7:00–8:00 a.m.  Housing Check-Out

7:15–9:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

7:30 a.m.       Optional Housing Tours

8:30–9:45 a.m.  Honors College Experience & Office Presentations

10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.  Academic Advising, Lunch, and Registration

1:00–1:45 p.m.  Parent and Supporter Q&A with the NSO Team

Until 5:00 p.m.  Optional University Office Drop-Ins

Schedule is subject to change. Official end times will vary, as each academic college has their own processes and timelines for enrollment. If you are making travel arrangements, add additional time to the end of your orientation experience to ensure that you do not miss flights or experience other delays.
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**DAY 1**

- **2:30–3:30 p.m.** Student & Guest Check-In
- **2:45–3:45 p.m.** ID Card Photo or Pick Up
  - Campus Resource Fair
- **4:00–5:45 p.m.** University Welcome & Office Presentations
- **6:00–7:30 p.m.** Dinner & Optional Activities
- **7:00 & 7:30 p.m.** Optional Campus OR University Recreation Tours
- **8:00–9:30 p.m.** Evening Activities (for those staying overnight)

**DAY 2**

- **7:00–8:00 a.m.** Housing Check-Out
- **7:15–9:00 a.m.** Continental Breakfast
- **7:30 & 8:00 a.m.** Optional Housing Tours
- **8:15–8:30 a.m.** Optional Honors College Presentation
- **9:00–9:45 a.m.** Day 2 Welcome & Office Presentations
- **10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.** Academic Advising, Lunch, and Registration
- **1:00–1:45 p.m.** Parent and Supporter Q&A with the NSO Team
- **Until 5:00 p.m.** Optional University Office Drop-Ins

Schedule is subject to change. Official end times will vary, as each academic college has their own processes and timelines for enrollment. If you are making travel arrangements, add additional time to the end of your orientation experience to ensure that you do not miss flights or experience other delays.
1-DAY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE (AT A GLANCE)

7:30–8:15 a.m. Arriving on campus
    Student and Guest Check-In

7:45–8:30 a.m. ID Card Photo or Pick Up
    Continental Breakfast

8:45–11:00 a.m. University Welcome & Office Presentations

10:00–10:30 a.m. Parent and Supporter Q&A with the NSO Team

11:00–11:15 a.m. Optional Honors College Presentation

11:00am–12:15 p.m. Lunch

12:30–4:00 p.m. Academic Advising and Registration

1:30–4:00 p.m. Campus Resource Fair

3:00 & 4:00 p.m. Optional Campus & Housing Tours

Until 5:00 p.m. Optional University Office Drop-Ins

Schedule is subject to change. Official end times will vary, as each academic college has their own processes and timelines for enrollment. If you are making travel arrangements, add additional time to the end of your orientation experience to ensure that you do not miss flights or experience other delays.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I reschedule my orientation session?
Log into your New Student Center at appstatus.uark.edu and click “Manage Your Registration.” On the next screen, click “Cancel Registration” and after that screen refreshes, follow the “Return to your New Student Center” link. It will now display a link to “Register for New Student Orientation” to select a new orientation date based on current availability.

Why do my friends see different orientation sessions when they log in to their New Student Center portal to schedule their experience?
This is most likely because you are in different academic colleges within the university. Each college (Walton, Fulbright, etc) can only accommodate a certain number of students at each session. Your college may be at capacity for that session, while your friend’s may still have openings.

I am an honors student but cannot attend the honors-specific session or the sessions are closed. What do I do?
Register for any open session that fits your schedule. You will have an opportunity to connect with the Honors College to get the support you need to be successful in the Honors program regardless of the orientation you attend.

Can I get on a waitlist for a different orientation session that is currently full?
Unfortunately, we do not maintain a waitlist. However, you can log into your New Student Center at appstatus.uark.edu and click “View List of Available Dates” under “Registered: New Student Orientation.” Should a date be available that works for you, return to your New Student Center and click “Manage Your Registration” to reschedule.

I am considering changing my major. What do I do?
When you arrive at check-in, we will ask you what you plan to major in. If you would like to change it from what we have currently listed, then please inform us so that you can be properly academically advised.

What if I want to double major or add a minor?
During academic advising, you can mention that you would like to add an additional major/minor to your degree plan. Depending on the program and your academic college, they may help you amend your class schedule at that time or instruct you to wait until you register for spring classes.

Do I have to stay overnight during my 2-day orientation session?
Complimentary overnight accommodations are provided to students attending a 2-day session, but it is not required that the student stay on campus. In early May instructions will be emailed for how to request overnight accommodations. You can always change your mind when you arrive at orientation. Students will not be able to request a particular room or roommate for orientation.
DIRECTIONS TO ORIENTATION
Complimentary parking is provided during orientation at the Garland Avenue Parking Garage. Orientation Leaders will be located at the north entrance to guide you through the check-in process. If you are being dropped off, please arrive at the Garland Avenue Parking Garage.

From the South:
• Take I-40 to I-49 North (exit 12)
• From I-49, take the Wedington Drive exit (exit 64)
• Turn right (east) onto Wedington; drive east for 1.5 miles then turn right (south) onto Garland Avenue
• Turn left (east) onto Cleveland Street, and the entrance to the Garland Avenue Parking Garage will be on your right

From the North:
• Take I-49 South to Fayetteville
• From I-49, take the Hwy 112 exit (exit 67A)
• Turn right on Hwy 112, and travel south for 2 miles until you reach the northern entrance of campus
• Turn left (east) onto Cleveland Street, and the entrance to the parking garage will be on your right

From the East:
• Take Hwy 412 West to I-49, and then see directions from the north

From the West:
• Take Hwy 412 East via Cherokee Turnpike from Tulsa, OK, to I-49 South, and then see directions from the north

Want to map the directions yourself?
The following address will take you directly to the north entrance of the Garland Parking Garage:
1055 West Cleveland Street
Fayetteville, AR 72701