

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 familiar with your new college home so you're prepared for your first semester on campus.

The information found here includes important details regarding enrollment, and will prepare you for a great orientation experience.

To confirm or reschedule your orientation date, please log in to your New Student Center portal at <u>appstatus.uark.edu</u> with the personal email you used when you applied for admission.

The New Student Orientation team will be available to answer questions and guide you through every step of this experience. If you have questions regarding the orientation experience, please contact our office at nso@uark.edu or 479-575-4200 for assistance.



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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 getting started.
- 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 on-campus overnight accommodations if attending a 2-day session.

To view a sample agenda for your orientation session, please visit orientation.uark.edu.



ACADEMIC ADVISING & REGISTRATION

During orientation, all students will meet with academic advisors to discuss their fall schedule. Depending on your major, you may be preenrolled in 2-4 classes based on your degree requirements, your ACT/SAT scores, or previous test or college credits earned. Please have all final transcripts and test scores sent for evaluation as soon as available. Regardless of the orientation session you attend, you are guaranteed classes that meet your degree requirements.

UNDECIDED ON WHAT TO STUDY OR NEED TO CHANGE YOUR MAJOR?

Unsure of what you plan to study? Do not worry, as academic advisors will be available to help you select general education courses that will benefit you regardless of the degree you end up selecting later.

If you have decided to change your major, simply arrive at orientation and we will confirm your course of study during check-in.

All interested students are encouraged to review the <u>MyMajors!</u> tool at <u>career.uark.edu/cdc/students/explorecareers/#mymajors</u> to learn more about degrees at the University of Arkansas.

ORIENTATION & ENROLLMENT FEES

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. This fee will be paid alongside their tuition for the following semester.

For more information regarding all student fees, such as the ID Card or First Year Experience fees, please visit **treasurernet.uark.edu/tuition**.

ORIENTATION GUEST FEE

For every person over the age of 12 who attends orientation with a student, a \$50 fee will be applied to the student's tuition statement following term. 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 guest, you are considered a member of the Parent and Family Association.

To learn more, please visit orientation.uark.edu/how-to-register/parents-supporters.

PARENTS & SUPPORTERS ATTENDING ORIENTATION

While not required, we strongly encourage parents and supporters to attend orientation with their student this summer. By attending orientation, you will have the chance to explore the academic and extracurricular opportunities available for your student, along with information specifically designed for parents and supporters to aid in their studen'ts transition to the University of Arkansas.

To register for orientation, simply register at check-in with your student. 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.

PAYING FOR COLLEGE

It is important to have a sound plan when it comes to paying for college. We are here to help. Please don't hesitate to reach out to the following offices, if you have any questions regarding finances before attending New Student Orientation.

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



REQUIREMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR ORIENTATION AND ENROLLMENT

Be sure to review this list of required and suggested items for new students to complete.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS (REQUIRED TO ENROLL)

The University of Arkansas requires all students to have two MMR vaccination records on file in order to enroll. Students are encouraged to submit their records 48 hours in advance of their orientation session. Not doing so can delay registration.

To submit your two MMR immunization records to the Pat Walker Health Center send via fax to 1-866-409-1980. Beginning May 1, 2023, students will also be able to upload their vaccination records in the Health Center's web portal. For instructions regarding uploading records to portal, visit health.uark.edu/medical-health/aitclinic.php.

ACADEMIC RECORDS

Final ACT/SAT Scores (REQUIRED TO ENROLL)

For the purpose of course placement and enrollment, students are required to submit final ACT/SAT scores to the Office of Admissions by May 1st. Scores can be sent via email to uofa@uark.edu or via electronic filing service.

Final High School Transcript

Prior to the start of the fall semester, students must submit their final high school transcript 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

Final high school transcripts are not required to attend orientation or enroll in classes.

Transfer & AP/IB Test Credit

Students who have in-progress or completed AP/IB or dual/concurrent college credit must submit their records to the Registrar's Office as soon as they are available. Please visit registrar.uark.edu/transfer-and-test-credit/ for instructions on how to submit your records.

Transfer and test credit that is not yet available prior to your orientation will not hinder the enrollment process. Once your credit has been processed,

any necessary adjustments may be made to your class schedule after orientation.

GOVERNMENT ISSUED ID (REQUIRED TO COLLECT ID)

Please bring a government issued photo ID, such as a driver's license or passport, with you to orientation.

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'll be happy to assist you further.

OPTIONAL ONLINE PLACEMENT EXAMS

While not required, students have the opportunity to take an optional math 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 fulbright.uark.edu/departments/math/undergraduate/placement or fulbright.uark.edu/departments/world-languages/resources to learn more.

If you are unsure about taking a placement exam, please save your questions for an academic advisor during orientation.

UNIVERSITY HOUSING CONTRACT (REQUIRED BY MAY 1, 2023)

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 University Housing Office website regularly for updates regarding additional contracting phases.

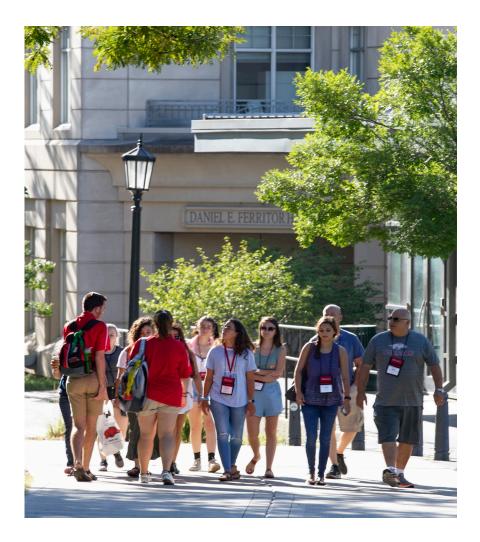


ON-CAMPUS OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS AT ORIENTATION

Attending a 2-day orientation allows incoming students the opportunity to further connect with other new students and spend the night on campus. Complimentary accommodations are available to these students; however, it is not required as we realize that some students may prefer to stay with their families. An email will be sent soon allowing students to opt-in for overnight accommodations. If you plan to stay on campus during your orientation, you will need to bring bedding (pillow, sleeping bag or twin sheets and blanket), a towel, and toiletries.

No overnight accommodations are provided for students attending a 1-day session or any guests attending 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 on the 4th, 5th and 6th floors. 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.

The following address will take you to the north entrance of the garage: 1055 West Cleveland Street Fayetteville, AR 72701

FREQUENTLY ASKED OUESTIONS

For more information, visit orientation.uark.edu/faq.

HOW DO I CONFIRM OR RESCHEDULE MY ORIENTATION SESSION?

Log into your New Student Center at <u>appstatus.uark.edu</u>. Your current orientation date will be listed under *Registered*: New Student Orientation.

To reschedule your session, select <u>Manage Your Registration</u>. On the next screen, select <u>Cancel Registration</u> and after the screen refreshes, follow the <u>Return to your New Student Center</u> link. It will now display a link to <u>Register for New Student Orientation</u> to select a new orientation date based on current availability.

Instructions for confirming or changing your orientation date can be found at orientation.uark.edu.

WHY DO MY FRIENDS SEE DIFFERENT ORIENTATION SESSIONS WHEN THEY LOG IN TO THEIR NEW STUDENT CENTER PORTAL RESCHEDULE THEIR EXPERIENCE?

This is most likely because you are in different academic colleges within the university. Each college 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 I CANNOT ATTEND THE HONORS-SPECIFIC ORIENTATION 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'S CURRENTLY FULL?

Unfortunately, we do not maintain a waitlist. However, you can log into your New Student Center at appstatus.uark.edu and click Miew 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.

For more information, visit orientation.uark.edu/faq.

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 you can be academically advised properly.

WHAT IF I WANT TO DOUBLE MAJOR OR ADD A MINOR?

During academic advising, you can mention that you'd 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 explaining 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



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