



2016 SUMMER ORIENTATION

Family Schedule

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SUMMER ORIENTATION FAMILY SCHEDULE

For your convenience, the shaded sections of the schedule indicate the parts of the orientation program where family members and students are together; unshaded sections indicate when family members and students have separate sessions.

ARRIVAL & PRE-ORIENTATION	
10 am – 12 pm	<p>Residence Hall Check-in — <i>Beechwoods Hall, 231 Western Drive, Oxford, OH 45056</i></p> <p>On Day 1 of your session, please arrive between 10am and 12pm to check in for orientation at Beechwoods Hall.</p> <p>Parents/family members can wait in the car while students check in and drop off their overnight bags; once your student has checked in, park in the North Campus Parking Garage (see orientation map or look for on-campus signs) and make your way to the Armstrong Student Center (550 E. Spring Street) to eat lunch before the program begins with the resource fair (11:45am-12:45pm). Families who are staying overnight on campus will check in at Dorsey Hall after Day 1 programs conclude.</p> <p>If you cannot arrive before 12pm, please go directly to the Armstrong Student Center, and check in for orientation at the orientation office, room 2048. Students can check in to their residence hall between 4:15-5:30pm, after the Academic Divisional meeting.</p>
10:30 am – 12 pm	<p>Scholastic Enhancement Program (SEP) Evaluations <i>Rinella Learning Center, Campus Avenue Building (CAB), Room 14</i></p> <p>Students in the Scholastic Enhancement Program (SEP) will have assessment testing after checking in for the orientation program. Family members may wait in a waiting area while students complete their assessments.</p>
10:45 – 11:45 am	<p>Campus Tour (optional) <i>Departs from Armstrong Student Center, Joslin Terrace (west side of building, facing Kreger Hall)</i></p> <p>If you haven't taken a campus tour—or you'd like another one—join us to learn more about our beautiful campus and its facilities.</p>
11 – 11:30 am	<p>Mandatory Session for Varsity Athletes and their Families — <i>Kreger Hall, Room 221</i></p> <p>All varsity athletes and their family members should attend this important session to learn about NCAA eligibility.</p>
11 – 11:30 am	<p>Access Fellows Session — <i>Kreger Hall, Room 227</i></p> <p>Students who are admitted to Miami as Access Fellows are highly encouraged to attend this session with their guests to learn more about the program and opportunities such as undergraduate research, support services, and extracurricular involvement.</p>
11 – 11:30 am	<p>Military-Affiliated Welcome — <i>Kreger Hall, Room 222</i></p> <p>This session, designed for veterans, active military, and military dependents, will inform students of their resources and support at Miami. In addition, it will provide key information about VA education benefits and required next steps. All are welcome, regardless of use of VA benefits. Janet Mallen, a Marine Corps veteran and Miami's advocate and outreach coordinator for military-affiliated students, will lead this Military-Affiliated Welcome.</p>
Before 12:45 pm	<p>Lunch (on your own)</p> <p>Use your orientation meal card to purchase lunch before the program begins. Please allow at least 30 minutes to attend the resource fair between 11:45 am – 12:45 pm.</p>
DAY 1	
11:45 am – 12:45 pm	<p>Resource Fair — <i>Armstrong Student Center, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd floors</i></p> <p>Nearly 40 campus offices will be ready to welcome you to orientation and talk about the support, resources, and opportunities they provide. In addition to learning about resources, students can collect stickers from resource fair tables, affix the stickers to the prize drawing form in the resource fair brochure, and enter to win prizes at the orientation closing session on Day 2.</p>

DAY 1 (Continued)	
11:45 am - 12:45 pm	Food Drive Drop-off — <i>Armstrong Student Center, 2nd floor</i> If you brought canned goods for the orientation food drive, please drop them off before the program begins. Forgot your donation, but still want to participate? You can purchase items for the food drive at the Emporium on the 2nd floor of the Armstrong Student Center.
12:45 – 1:15 pm	Welcome to Orientation — <i>Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd floor</i> The Director of Orientation and Transition Programs will discuss the purpose of orientation, give an overview of the program schedule, and introduce you to our Student Orientation Undergraduate Leaders (SOULs).
1:15 – 1:25 pm	Introduction to Family Orientation — <i>Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd Floor</i> Meet the Director of Parent and Family Programs, and learn about Miami's resources and support for parents and families.
1:25 – 1:55 pm	Housing, Dining, Recreation, and Business Services (HDRBS) — <i>Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd Floor</i> Meet representatives from Miami's HDRBS team to learn more about student housing, meal plan and dining services, recreational services, the Miami Bookstore, student employment, and much more. Also, learn helpful information for navigating move-in day!
1:55 – 2:25 pm	Liberal Education, Summer Reading, and Academic Advising <i>Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd floor</i> A faculty member will discuss Miami's value for and approach to Liberal Education, introduce the Summer Reading Book, and describe Miami's approach to academic advising. <i>How will your student's academic experience at Miami differ from high school?</i> <hr/> <hr/> <i>How does Miami's approach to Liberal Education differ from your impression of college learning or (if applicable) from your own college experience?</i> <hr/> <hr/> <i>How much influence did you have over your student's academic plan in high school? Do you anticipate this level of influence changing as your student makes academic plans at Miami? If so, how?</i> <hr/> <hr/>
2:25 – 2:35 pm	Travel to Academic Divisional Meetings
2:35 – 4:15 pm	Academic Divisional Meetings This session describes in detail the degree requirements for the university, including the Global Miami Plan for Liberal Education, divisional, and major requirements. Students and families will attend the Academic Divisional Meeting for the student's major. Students interested in business or creative arts who were not admitted directly to those colleges should attend the Academic Divisional Meeting for the major listed on their nametag, and attend the Academic Exploration session (at 4:25 pm) for business or creative arts. <i>Arts and Science/University Studies..... Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion</i> <i>Business..... Farmer School of Business, Room 1000</i> <i>Education, Health and Society McGuffey Hall, Room 322</i> <i>Engineering and Computing Benton Hall, Room 102</i> <i>Creative Arts..... Alumni Hall, Room 001</i>
4:15 – 4:25 pm	Travel Time

DAY 1 (Continued)

4:25 – 5:05 pm	<p>Academic Exploration (optional) Staff and faculty will be available to talk with students who would like to find out about an academic area other than the one you learned about at your Academic Divisional Meeting. If your student is considering changing majors, interested in a double major, or would like more information about another academic area, this session may be helpful. Though students must wait until the fall to declare a second major, they can learn about a second academic area and discuss any intentions to double major at their orientation advising appointment.</p> <p><i>Arts and Science/University Studies..... Shideler Hall, Room 001</i> <i>Business..... Farmer School of Business, Room 1000</i> <i>Education, Health and Society..... McGuffey Hall, Room 322</i> <i>Engineering and Computing..... Benton Hall, Room 102</i> <i>Creative Arts..... Alumni Hall, Room 001</i> <i>Premedical Studies..... Kreger Hall, Room 319</i></p>
4:25 – 5:25 pm	<p>Math Placement Advising (attend only if needed) – Kreger Hall, Room 224 Faculty advisors will be available to talk with students who have questions about placement for math and statistics. A limited number of computers will also be available for students who did not take the math placement test prior to orientation.</p> <p>Foreign Language Placement Advising (attend only if needed) – Kreger Hall, Room 222 Faculty advisors will be available to talk with students who have questions about foreign language courses. A limited number of computers will also be available for students who did not take a foreign language placement test prior to orientation.</p>
4:25 – 4:55 pm 4:55 – 5:25 pm (choose one session)	<p>University Honors Program 101 (for parents/family of admitted honors students only) – <i>Shideler Hall, Room 053</i> Join Honors advisors in an overview of University Honors Program requirements, as well as benefits, resources, and opportunities available to your student, and learn how you can support your student in having a successful journey through the Honors Program. Honors staff will be present for a Q&A session after the presentation.</p>
4:25 – 4:55 pm 4:55 – 5:25 pm (choose one session)	<p>Study Abroad Programs – Shideler Hall, Room 152 Miami University recognizes that the world is more interconnected than ever before and that your student's future success depends on global competence. Come find out how study abroad enhances the Miami experience.</p>
5:30 – 5:35 pm	<p>Introduction to Student Life – Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd floor Senior student affairs administrators will welcome you to the evening program.</p>
5:35 – 6 pm	<p>SOUL Vignettes – Armstrong Student Center, Pavilion, 3rd floor SOULs will present two brief vignettes for students and families, focused on transitioning to Miami.</p> <p><i>What part(s) of your student's transition to Miami do you think will be most exciting for you? For your student?</i></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>What part(s) of your student's transition to Miami do you think will be most challenging for you? For your student?</i></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
6 – 7:15 pm	<p>Dinner – Western Dining Commons Students and families will eat dinner together; this is an ideal time to discuss the material from the afternoon Divisional Meeting and to prepare for advising and registration on Day 2. Students and families will spend the rest of the evening in separate sessions.</p>
7:15 – 7:30 pm	<p>Travel time (Please note that students depart from dinner at 7:05 pm; students and families will reunite at the orientation closing session on Day 2)</p>

DAY 1 (Continued)

7:30 - 8:15 pm

Building Family Partnerships — *Farmer School of Business, Room 1000*

Miami understands the role of parents and families as partners in supporting students' educational journeys. This session will address key aspects of student transitions to college, engaging you in anticipating the support that your student may need, and equipping you with specific resources that will help you become an effective partner in your student's Miami experience.

What goals does your student have for the first year of college? What hopes do you have for your student?

What aspects of transitioning to college will come naturally to your student? What aspects of the transition might be challenging?

Considering your answers to the previous questions, what resources, support services, or opportunities might be most useful to your student?

overnight desk
opens at 8 pm

Parent and Family Residence Hall Check In — *Dorsey Hall Lobby*

Parents, family members and guests with on-campus overnight accommodations may check in at the lobby of Dorsey Hall (next door to Farmer School of Business) anytime after 8 pm. Parents and family may be assigned to rooms in Dorsey or McBride Halls, but all family check-in is at Dorsey Hall.

8:15 - 9:15 pm

Marcum Center Family Social — *Marcum Hotel and Conference Center, 951 E. Withrow St. (behind Dorsey Hall)*

All parents and family members are welcome to visit the Marcum Center to connect with other new families and learn about the benefits of staying at the Marcum Center whenever you're in town - including the Marcum Center's Parents Club.

DAY 2

6:45 - 7:15 am

Residence Hall Check-out/Return Key Card — *Your Residence Hall*

Check out of your residence hall in the lobby of your building, and be sure to return your key card to a staff member.

7 - 7:50 am

Breakfast — *Western Dining Commons or Armstrong Student Center*

Enjoy breakfast at Western Dining Commons, or grab morning food and drink at the Armstrong Student Center—your orientation meal card will work at both places. Miami staff will be on hand in the Armstrong Student Center to answer questions as the day begins.

7:50 - 8 am

Travel Time

8 - 8:30 am

Supporting a Student Who Commutes to Miami — *Armstrong Student Center, near Miami ICE*

Families of commuter students will meet with the Director of Off-Campus Outreach to see the Commuter Resource Center, learn about commuter resources, and connect with other families of commuters.

8 - 8:30 am

Creating Community: On-Campus Living at Miami — *Shriver Center, Dolibois Room*

On-campus living is an important part of the college experience for many of our students. Staff members from the Office of Residence Life will discuss four goals for residential students, five ways families can support these goals, and six common mistakes made by family members.

8:30 - 9 am

SOUL Panel — *Shriver Center, Dolibois Room*

The Student Orientation Undergraduate Leaders (SOULs) will offer answers and share their experiences and insight on FAQs and questions from the audience.

DAY 2 (Continued)

9 - 9:30 am

Community Expectations, Personal Responsibility, and Student Safety

Shriver Center, Dolibois Room

A representative from the Dean of Students Office will discuss the expectations for students as members of the Miami community, and address the risks and resources around important topics such as alcohol, sexual assault and interpersonal violence, personal responsibility, and general campus safety.

What information from this session is new or unexpected?

What aspects of this topic might you want to discuss with your student?

9:30 - 9:50 am

One Stop for Student Success Services: Tuition, Billing, Payments, and Financial Aid

Shriver Center, Dolibois Room

Staff from the One Stop will present information about accessing student records, billing, payments and payment plans, refunds, checking students' financial aid status, and other important topics.

9:50 - 10 am

Student Health Insurance and Immunization Requirements — *Shriver Center, Dolibois Room*

Miami University requires that all full-time Oxford students be covered by health insurance. This brief session will review the Miami health insurance coverage requirements and the process to accept or decline the automatic enrollment for the Aetna student health insurance coverage. Students are automatically enrolled and charged \$1,375 for the Aetna student insurance unless the waiver process is completed by August 1, 2016. This session will also review the updated university immunization requirements.

10 - 10:15 am

Travel to Shideler Hall for Family Breakout Sessions

10:15 - 10:45 am

Family Breakout Sessions — *Shideler Hall (see table on next page for room locations)*

10:55 - 11:25 am
(two 30 minute blocks)

Attend these brief presentations or drop-in sessions focused on student services, involvement, and support. Each session will last 30 minutes. (See breakout session schedule and descriptions on the next page.)

11:25 - 11:40 am

Travel to Orientation Closing Session

11:40 am - 12 pm

Orientation Closing Session — *Shriver Center, Dolibois Room*

Reunite with your student at this closing session where you'll learn about Miami traditions, our fight song, and get details about move-in day and Welcome Week. We'll also give away prizes, and staff will be on hand to answer any final questions before you leave campus. Students must attend this session in order to receive their Miami Student ID before leaving orientation.

POST-ORIENTATION (Optional but helpful things to do)

12:15 pm

Get Your Miami Student ID Card

(If your student didn't get it at the Orientation Closing Session)

Housing Options, Meals and Events (HOME) Office, Campus Avenue Building (CAB), Room 129

If your student didn't submit a photo in advance, your student will receive an ID card voucher from their SOUL. Take the voucher to the HOME Office, where staff will take your student's picture and print an ID card while you wait. Students should bring proof of identification in order to receive the Miami ID. NOTE: The Campus Avenue Building is a significant walk from the North Campus Garage. If you are parked in the North Campus Garage, you may wish to return to your vehicle, and drive to the Campus Avenue Building as you leave orientation.

Open a Bank Account: First Miami Student Credit Union (FMSCU) OR PNC Bank

FMSCU: Armstrong Student Center, Room 2011; PNC: Shriver Center, across from MU Bookstore

Two possible banking options for Miami students include PNC Bank and First Miami Student Credit Union. Their staff members will be available to answer questions and open student accounts. (Students must be present to open accounts.)

POST-ORIENTATION (Optional but helpful things to do) (Continued)

12:15 pm	<p>Shop for Miami Gear or Purchase a Miami Notebook <i>Miami University Bookstore, Shriver Center</i></p> <p>The Miami Bookstore is the perfect place to pick up some new Miami gear. Be sure to check out the computer sales department, where you can learn about the Miami Notebook Program and purchase a laptop that comes with four years of on-campus support and much more!</p> <p>Enjoy Lunch and Shopping at Oxford's Uptown Destinations</p> <p>Oxford is a unique town with lots of fun restaurants and shops. Enjoy lunch before you leave town, or shop in one of the many uptown stores and boutiques. Look for coupons from many uptown destinations in the Chamber of Commerce bag you received at the resource fair.</p>
12:30 – 1:30 pm	<p>Equestrian Center Tour — <i>Equestrian Center, 4950 Oxford Trenton Road, meet in the office building, located in the parking area</i></p> <p>Visit the Miami Stables for an opportunity to meet the coaching staff and tour the facility. Also learn about the equestrian team and riding for credit.</p>

Breakout Sessions

	Shideler Hall, Room 001	Shideler Hall, Room 005	Shideler Hall, Room 052	Shideler Hall, Room 032	Shideler Hall, Room 053	Shideler Hall, Room 009	Shriver Center Miami Bookstore	Shriver Center, First Floor, PNC Bank Branch	Armstrong Center, Room 2011
10:15 – 10:45 am	#GetInvolved	One Stop For Student Success	Academic Support/ Tutoring	Tech Talk: IT Services	Student Medical Services & Health Insurance	Student Disability Services	Textbooks and the MU Bookstore	PNC Bank (drop-in)	First Miami Student Credit Union (drop-in)
10:55 – 11:25 am	Fraternity & Sorority Life	One Stop For Student Success	Academic Support/ Tutoring	Career Development in the First Year	Student Mental Health & Counseling	Student Success Center	Textbooks and the MU Bookstore	PNC Bank (drop-in)	First Miami Student Credit Union (drop-in)

Academic Support/Tutoring – Rinella Learning Center

Learn more about academic counseling, coaching, tutoring, and other student support offered by the Rinella Learning Center.

Career Development in the First Year

Career Services can help first-year students discover their strengths, skills, and abilities. By combining this information with research on majors and job possibilities, career advisors can assist your student in selecting a career path that matches a major and help set a course for the next four years and beyond. Career Services also offers robust programming to help students explore a variety of career paths and introduce them to networking with employers and alumni early on. Learn about career resources available to students and how visiting Career Services in the first year can benefit students' internship and job searches.

First Miami Student Credit Union

Visit with the student staff from the First Miami Student Credit Union, one of only three student run credit unions in the nation. Learn about First Miami's services, the importance of building financial credit, and student internships for first-year students in their first semester.

Fraternity and Sorority Life

Want to know more about fraternities and sororities at Miami? While first-year students join chapters starting in their second semester, we know they'll have questions before then. This session gives an overview of the fraternity and sorority community, how they're involved, and the impact they have on the university community.

#GetInvolved: Finding Your Place at Miami

You've heard it 100 times so far at Orientation: "get involved!" Regardless of students' high school experience—from student body president to not involved in any co-curricular activities—getting involved at Miami is a great way to meet people, build leadership skills, and have fun! Attend this session to learn more about involvement and leadership development opportunities available to students—student clubs, organizations, rec sports, volunteering, and more!

One Stop for Student Success Services

Have questions about how your student can share access to their student records? Need to discuss alternative financing options or how to make payments on your student's account? Then stop by and visit with the One Stop staff for answers. The One Stop is Miami's primary resource for information and resolution regarding enrollment, financial aid, billing, payment, registration, and student records.

PNC Bank

PNC representatives will be on hand to provide information about their student account or other financial service needs. Learn more about student banking services with PNC, including Virtual Wallet Student®. In addition, PNC offers on-campus ATMs, a VISA debit card designed just for Miami students, and a full service branch right in the Shriver Center (across from the bookstore). Staff will be available after the Orientation Closing Celebration to help students open accounts.

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Continued)

Student Disability Services

Student Disability Services (SDS) provides accommodations and resources for students with physical, psychiatric, medical, neurological, Autism spectrum disorders, AD(H)D and learning disabilities, including dyslexia. This session will provide an overview of SDS staff, documentation guidelines, available accommodations and the process for requesting accommodations (including accessible technology), campus resources and grievance procedures. Students and parents can schedule confidential meetings with an SDS staff member by calling 513-529-1541.

Student Medical Services & Health Insurance

Learn about medical services offered within the student health clinic and additional community resources available to provide a comprehensive scope of care for your student. The student health clinic offers care for urgent/episodic needs as well as an adjunct for primary care needs. This session will also cover how the student can access his/her electronic medical record "MYCHART", instructions for waiving the preassigned insurance coverage, and how to complete the online required medical and vaccination history forms.

Student Mental Health & Counseling

The transition to college and college experience can be stressful. Many students utilize the Student Counseling Service, which provides a range of clinical, consultative, and psycho-educational services for students who may find themselves struggling with mental health concerns during their time at Miami. These services are typically brief and remedial in focus. Attend this session to learn more about the mental health services and resources available to students.

Student Success Center

The Student Success Center focuses on advocacy, problem-solving, and retention. With the goal of increasing student persistence to graduation, the staff helps students untangle and resolve complex problems and provides assistance with navigating University policies and procedures. Learn more about how we can support your student during their time at Miami.

Tech Talk: IT Services

This breakout session is intended to give you a basic understanding of the kinds of technology that are available to students. Items to be discussed include:

- IT Services support for first-year students
- Miami Notebook program
- On-campus wireless
- Communications – email, telephones and emergency alerts

Stop by for our presentation on these and other topics, or simply to ask questions about technology at Miami.

Textbooks and the MU Bookstore

The MU Bookstore is Miami's only on-campus bookstore, offering the largest selection of used textbooks in Oxford as well as a textbook rental program in which thousands of students participate each semester. Learn how to use our online ordering system so your student's textbooks will be ready for pickup upon returning to campus in August. Get out of line and go online for textbooks at your Miami University Bookstore!

THE FOUR Cs

The mission of Orientation and Transition Programs at Miami is couched in developing four areas of competence in new students. We call these The Four Cs, and each of our programs is designed to contribute to student growth in one or more of these areas.

Confident

New students should feel secure in their decision to attend Miami, and should leave orientation feeling optimistic about their potential to learn and ability to succeed as a new member of the Miami community. At orientation, students begin to assume more control over their own experience, and family members begin to shift into support roles rather than directing their students' lives at college. Students develop autonomy by setting goals for their college experience, participating as a partner in their own academic advising and registration, and stepping outside their comfort zone to initiate connections with other new students.

Comfortable

New students of all backgrounds and identities should feel at ease on campus, both with the physical space and tasks of navigation; and with the campus climate. Students should be familiar with resources and support networks, services, or communities that will help them feel at home and give them the best opportunity to succeed as a Miami student. New students should also contribute to making Miami a welcoming place by treating all Miami students, faculty, and staff with courtesy, care and respect.

Connected

Students should gain a sense of belonging at Miami. This belonging may be developed through links with other new students, with faculty and staff, with the community of Oxford, and/or with the history and traditions of Miami. This belonging can also be realized as students learn about opportunities for involvement and leadership development through residence hall communities, student clubs and organizations, academic divisions or majors, athletics and recreation, fraternity and sorority life, or by attending events on campus.

Curious

By helping students understand and utilize the Global Miami Plan for their undergraduate education, students should demonstrate a commitment to learning, exploring new ideas, pursuing intellectual depth, and contributing to the creation of new knowledge. Students should also engage in introspective reflection and community dialogue about values, character, and integrity. In addition to self-discovery, students should develop a global awareness and perspective on their place in, relationship with, and impact on the world and its people.