2017 Fall Orientation Schedule

Please note: Events and locations are subject to change. For the most up-to-date Fall Orientation schedule, please download the “Guidebook” app on your smartphone and search for the “Furman University Fall Orientation” guide.

Friday, August 18

9:00am-1:00pm Residence Hall Move In

9:00am-5:00pm Enrollment Services Open (First Floor, Administration Building)
Students who did not submit a picture for their Furman ID over the summer can have IDs made at this time. Questions about tuition, billing, and financial aid can also be answered during this time.

9:00am-7:00pm IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)
Need help configuring your computer to Furman’s network? Stop by the IT Service Center for assistance.

11:00am-1:00pm Legacy Drop-In Lunch (Cherrydale Alumni House)
An informal lunch-break for Furman Alumni and their new student. By invitation only, please.

11:00am-12:00pm Transfer Student Meeting (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)
All new transfer students should attend.

11:00am-3:00pm Paladin Laundry Bag Distribution (Lower Lobby, Trone Student Center)

12:30-1:00pm Commuter Student Meeting (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)
All new commuting students should attend.

1:30-2:15pm Welcome to Furman! (McAlister Auditorium)
New students and families should attend as members of the University community welcome you to Furman and we officially start Fall Orientation. The Paladin Regiment marching band will kick things off with a concert, so feel free to head over early!

2:45-3:30pm Group A: Academic Advising (Various Locations)
Group B: Family Farewell (Library Patio)

3:45-4:30pm Group A: Family Farewell (Library Patio)
Group B: Academic Advising (Various Locations)
Meet your academic advisor and get any lingering questions about the start of your academic experience answered. Parents and family should attend this meeting, as well. When you aren’t in your academic advising meeting, join us for some light refreshments at our Family Farewell.

This concludes programming for parents and family members of new students. We look forward to seeing you again at Family Weekend!
4:30-5:30pm  **Orientation Group Meeting**
All new students have been assigned to an Orientation Group, which will be led by two Orientation Leaders. Your group number can be found on your name tag. Orientation groups will meet on the Furman Mall – just look for a sign with your group number on it! In the case of rain, groups will meet in assigned classrooms. Please see the listing that was included in the envelope you received upon check in.

5:00-7:00pm  **Dinner** (Dining Hall)
Meal plans are in effect, Furman ID required for admittance.

7:00pm  **Women’s Soccer Game vs. USC Upstate** (Stone Soccer Stadium)
Let’s cheer the Paladins onto a victory! There will be fun giveaways, contests, and prizes throughout the game. Participate in a t-shirt exchange by bringing a shirt from another college or university, and exchange it for a brand new Furman t-shirt!

**Saturday, August 19**

7:30-8:30am  **Breakfast** (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00-10:00am  **Residence Hall Meetings**
Your Residence Hall Staff will provide you with additional information about this meeting.

10:30am-12:30pm  **First Cultural Life Program / CIRP Survey** (McAlister Auditorium)
The Cultural Life Program (CLP) introduces students to various aspects of academic and cultural life to which they might not normally be exposed. Students are required to attend 32 CLPs to graduate, and we are getting you started on the right foot during Fall O – only 31 more to go!

12:00-1:30pm  **Lunch** (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

1:00-6:00pm  **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

1:30-2:30pm  **O-Group Meeting**

2:30-4:30pm  **You. Me. We.** (McAlister Auditorium)
This interactive program will expose the often-unintentional ugliness of prejudice, setting the stage for a lively discussion on issues of race, sex, sexual orientation, and gender.

5:00-7:00pm  **Dinner** (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

7:00-9:00pm  **PACfest!** (Physical Activities Center)
This is your opportunity to familiarize yourself with the Physical Activities Center – or PAC – before the start of the semester. Take a sample fitness class, try out the cardio machines, or team up with some of your hall-mates for a game of basketball. The PAC will only be open to members of the Class of 2021 during this time! Furman ID required for admittance.
9:00pm 
Outdoor Movie: Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 (Hill Courtyard, Trone Student Center)
Rain location: Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center

Sunday, August 20
7:30-8:30am 
Breakfast (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00am 
Class of 2021 Picture (Blackwell Field)
The official Class of 2021 picture, sponsored by the Student Alumni Council (SAC).

9:30-11:30am 
“O”lympics (Blackwell Field)

10:00am 
Transfer Student Brunch (Watkins Room)

11:30am-1:30pm 
Lunch (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

1:45-5:15pm 
Life at Furman (Various Locations)
Students will rotate through a series of sessions exploring issues related to campus safety, alcohol and drug use, and sexual misconduct. Please attend as assigned with your Orientation Group.

4:00-7:00pm 
Barnes & Noble VIP Shopping Night (Bookstore, Trone Student Center)
An evening of shopping for our new students only! Stop by the bookstore to stock up on your Furman gear, get your textbooks, and grab those last minute school supplies. There will be some exclusive sales and contests just for you!

5:00-7:00pm 
Dinner (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

5:00pm 
University Worship (Daniel Chapel)

6:00pm 
Religious Life Fair (Daniel Chapel)
Representatives from the Religious Council and various religious/faith-based organizations will be available to answer your questions. Stop by to learn more about these organizations and their activities.

8:00pm 
Hypnotist Joshua Seth (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

9:00pm 
Catholic Mass (Daniel Chapel)

Monday, August 21
7:00-9:00am 
Breakfast (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.
9:00am-12:00pm  Individual Advising Appointments
The appointment card you received upon checking into your residence hall contains the time and location of this meeting. It is extremely important that you attend this one-on-one meeting with your academic advisor, regardless of if you are needing to make any adjustments to your fall schedule.

10:00am-12:00pm  David E. Shi Center Open House
Take a break with some lemonade and cookies while you visit the Shi Center staff and students in our LEED-certified Southern Living Showcase Home, see the Furman Farm, and learn about sustainability opportunities on campus.

11:00am-1:00pm  Lunch (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

12:30-3:30pm  Eclipse at Furman (Paladin Stadium)

4:00-6:00pm  Creating Connections with SDC (Trone Student Center Patio)
Join members of the Student Diversity Council as we kick off the school year. Learn more about the student organizations that comprise SDC, and how you can get involved. Everyone is welcome!

5:00-7:00pm  Dinner (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

7:00pm  Women’s Soccer vs. North Greenville University (Stone Soccer Stadium)

7:00-11:00pm  Orientation Carnival (Blackwell Field)

Tuesday, August 22
Fall Semester Begins!

Wednesday, August 23
4:00-6:00pm  Student Involvement Fair (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Representatives from many of Furman’s student organizations will be at the fair, a great opportunity to meet other students and learn more about how to get involved!

7:00pm  CLP: Before the Flood (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)
Travel around the world with Leonardo DiCaprio in this documentary and see the impact climate change is already having on our beautiful planet. Sponsored by the Shi Center for Sustainability.

Thursday, August 24
6:30-8:30pm  CLP: The Rise of Fake News: How and Why and What’s at Stake (Younts Conference Center)
Sponsored by the Riley Institute. For additional information, visit riley.furman.edu.
7:00pm  Women’s Soccer vs. Presbyterian College (Stone Soccer Stadium)

Friday, August 25
11:00am-2:00pm  Furman Friday! (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Join us every Friday at the Trone Student Center for a Friday treat! Show us your Paladin pride by wearing purple and you might get something extra! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion.

6:00-10:00pm  Swing Back to School! (Trailblazer Park, downtown Travelers Rest)
Swing back to School with FUSAB! There will be live music, delicious food, and lots of fun! Sponsored by the Furman University Student Activities Board.

Sunday, August 27
11:00am  Women’s Soccer vs. University of Maryland (Stone Soccer Stadium)

1:00-5:00pm  President’s Picnic
Celebrate completing your first week of classes with an annual fall orientation favorite, hosted by the University President. You are invited to White Oaks, the President’s residence, to enjoy light hors d’oeuvres and tour the historic house. Bus transportation provided, please attend as assigned.

Wednesday, August 30
2:00-5:00pm  Heller Service Corps Agency Fair (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

5:00-7:00pm  Meet the Greeks (Blackwell Field)
Meet members of Furman’s fraternity and sorority community during this informal meet n’ greet.

8:00-10:00pm  Trivia at the Paddock (The Paddock, Trone Student Center)
Grab your friends and play team trivia every other Wednesday evening in The Paddock! Compete for weekly prizes or play all semester for a chance to win the grand prize! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion.

Thursday, August 31
6:30-8:30pm  CLP: News, Propaganda, and Partisan Politics (Younts Conference Center)
Sponsored by the Riley Institute. For additional information, visit riley.furman.edu.

Friday, September 1
7:00pm  Women’s Soccer vs. University of Alabama-Birmingham (Stone Soccer Stadium)

Monday, September 4
Labor Day – University Closed
Wednesday, September 6

5:00-7:00pm  Interfraternity Council Barbecue (Blackwell Field)
Meet members of the fraternity community at Furman and learn more about the recruitment process from the Interfraternity Council. Rain location: Hill Atrium, Trone Student Center

6:00-8:00pm  Sorority Information Session (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
Interested in learning more about the sorority community? Attend this session for information about the recruitment process and to meet members of the Panhellenic Council. Please note: A second Sorority Information Session will be held at the same time and location on September 12.

Thursday, September 7

10:00am  University Convocation (McAlister Auditorium)

6:30-8:30pm  CLP: Winning the Information War: Where do we go from here? (Younts Conference Center)
Sponsored by the Riley Institute. For additional information, visit riley.furman.edu.

7:00pm  Comedian Mike Birbiglia (McAlister Auditorium)
500 student tickets will be given out for free! Tickets will be $5 after all free tickets are claimed. Tickets can be purchased in the FUSAB office, located on the 2nd floor of the Trone Student Center in the Student Org Commons. Sponsored by the Furman University Student Activities Board

Friday, September 8

Freshmen Class Officer Petitions due!
Interested in running for the Student Government Association (SGA)? Petitions for Class Officer – President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer – are due by 5:00pm today. Petitions can be found on the SGA syncDIN page, along with additional information about the election timeline and campaign guidelines. Questions about SGA? Email AskSGA@furman.edu for additional information!

7:00pm  Women’s Soccer vs. University of North Florida (Stone Soccer Stadium)

Saturday, September 9

1:00pm  Football vs. Elon (Paladin Stadium)
Cheer on the Paladin football team in their home opener! Don’t forget to wear your Furman purple – go ‘Dins!

September 15-30

Academic Integrity at Furman
All first-year students will be required to attend a one-hour session on academic integrity during the period September 15-30. In early September, you will receive an email from the Associate Academic Dean with the date and time of your assigned session. No session will conflict with standard classroom instruction times.