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NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

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### **2025 Fall Orientation Schedule**

*Please refer to the [New Students website](#) for the most up-to-date schedule.*

*New students will also be e-mailed a daily schedule each morning throughout Fall Orientation.*

*A sensory room is available throughout Orientation in the lower level of Hipp Hall, room 010.*

*This room provides a calming environment for guests that may be feeling overwhelmed, overstimulated or just need a break. Ask an Orientation Leader or another staff member for directions.*

*Sponsored by the Student Office for Accessibility Resources.*

#### **Thursday, August 21**

**9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Residence Hall Move In**

*Please check-in during your assigned time on your residence hall floor. A team of housing student staff and orientation leaders will be available to assist you. Once your car is unloaded, we ask you move from the unloading area to a designated parking lot.*

**8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open** (Trone Student Center)

*Stop by the bookstore to stock up on your Furman gear, get your textbooks, and grab those last-minute school supplies.*

**8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)

**8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Enrollment Services Open** (First Floor, Administration Building)

*Questions about tuition, billing, financial aid, student employment, and transfer credit can be answered during this time.*

**11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch** (Dining Hall)

*Meal plans are in effect. Students will need their Furman ID for admittance.*

*Parents and families are welcome to enjoy a meal for purchase in the Dining Hall (please note that we only accept credit cards at this time).*

**1:30-3:00 p.m. Campus Connections Fair** (South Housing Quad)

*Stop by the Campus and Community Connections Fair to learn more about various support services and resources available to you during your time at Furman.*

**1:00-5:00 p.m. IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

*Need help configuring your computer and mobile devices for the FU-Student wifi network (used outside your residence hall)? Please visit the IT Service Center on the lower level of the Library and they will be happy to assist.*

**2:00-3:00 p.m. Student Athlete Orientation Meeting** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)  
*All new student athletes joining one of Furman's NCAA teams and their families should attend.*

**3:00-3:45 p.m. Commuter Student Meeting** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)  
*All new commuting students should attend. Orientation leaders will be available to answer your questions and accompany you to the first orientation group meetings. You are also invited to join us for dinner and all meals throughout Fall Orientation!*

**4:00-5:00 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting** (Furman Mall)  
*All new students have been assigned to an Orientation Group, which will be led by Furman Orientation Leaders. Your group number can be found on your name tag. Orientation groups will meet on the Furman Mall, near the Physical Activities Center – just look for a sign with your group number on it! In the case of inclement weather, groups will meet in assigned classrooms.*

**5:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner** (Dining Hall)  
*Dinner is available for students only.*

**7:00-8:00 p.m. Music Bingo: Summer Hits** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)  
*Prizes for winners, as well as raffles for everyone in attendance! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.*

**7:00-9:00 p.m. S'more Fun!** (Hill Courtyard, Trone Student Center)  
*Looking for something a bit more low-key? Stop by the Hill Courtyard – we'll have Nomadik Few Shaved Ice, s'mores, cornhole, and other games.*

**8:00-9:00 p.m. Music Bingo: The Year You Were Born (Hits from 2006 & 2007)** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

*Please note: The events at the Trone Student Center are intended for new students only. Thank you!*

## **Friday, August 22**

**7:15 a.m. Breakfast** (Dining Hall)

**8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open** (Trone Student Center)

**8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)

**8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Enrollment Services Open** (First Floor, Administration Building)

**9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

**10:15-11:15 a.m. 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!*

**11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch** (Dining Hall)  
*Parents and families are welcome to enjoy a meal for purchase in the Dining Hall (please note that we will only accept credit card at this time).*

**11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. First Generation Family Lunch** (Hartness Pavilion)  
*First-generation students and their families are invited to attend this lunch to celebrate the start of their college career and meet faculty, staff, and administrators who were the first in their families to attend college. A short program will occur at Noon. By invitation only, please.*

**11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Legacy Drop-In Lunch** (Cherrydale Alumni House)  
*An informal lunch-break for Furman Alumni and their new student. By invitation only, please.*

***This concludes programming for parents and family members of new students.  
We look forward to seeing you again at [Family Weekend!](#)***

**1:00-4:00 p.m. Academic Advising Appointments**  
*Students will be scheduled to meet one-on-one with their Pathways Advisor on Friday afternoon and throughout the day on Monday. Your Pathways advisors will communicate your meeting time and location to you via e-mail. During these meetings, you will be able to address any concerns and make changes to your fall course schedule.*

*It is extremely important that you attend this one-on-one meeting, regardless of if you need to make any adjustments to your fall schedule.*

**4:00-5:00 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting** (Furman Mall)  
*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 inclement weather, groups will meet in assigned classrooms.*

**5:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner** (Dining Hall)

**6:00 p.m. Volleyball vs. Emmanuel University** (Alley Gymnasium)

**7:00 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Bob Jones University** (Stone Soccer Stadium)

**7:00-10:00 p.m. Dins After Dark** (Trone Student Center)  
*Join us for a night of fun in the Trone Student Center! Every inch of the hub for student life on campus is going to be filled with activities.*

*Room 208 (located on the second floor of the Trone Center, just past Burgiss Theater) will be available as a quieter space for those looking to decompress or connect in a less hectic environment.*

*Sponsored by the Furman University Student Activities Board (FUSAB).*

**7:30 p.m. Movie: Pitch Perfect** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)  
*Free popcorn and candy!*

**8:00 p.m. ThinkFast Gameshow** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)  
*A fast-paced, interactive trivia gameshow – cash prizes will be awarded!*

## **Saturday, August 23**

**9:00 a.m. Breakfast** (Dining Hall)

**9:00-11:00 a.m. Residence Hall Meetings and Activities**  
*Your Residence Hall Staff will provide you with additional information about this meeting.*

**9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open** (Trone Student Center)

**11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Lunch** (Dining Hall)

- 12:00-4:00 p.m.**            **Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)
- 1:00-3:15 p.m.**            **Life at Furman: Orientation Groups 1-9**  
*or*  
**2:15-4:30 p.m.**            **Life at Furman: Orientation Groups 10-19** (Daniel Recital Hall & McAlister Auditorium)  
*Students will rotate through a series of sessions exploring issues related to community expectations, University policies, campus safety, alcohol and drug use, and sexual misconduct. Class t-shirts will be distributed at the end of this program. Please meet your Orientation Group in front of McAlister Auditorium at the indicated time.*
- 1:00-5:00 p.m.**            **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)
- 5:00-8:00 p.m.**            **Dinner** (Dining Hall)
- 6:00 p.m.**                    **Volleyball - Purple vs. White Scrimmage** (Alley Gymnasium)Hyp
- 7:00-9:00 p.m.**            **RecFest** (Physical Activities Center)  
*Come hang with Campus Recreation & Wellness in the Physical Activities Center, or PAC, to see all there is to take advantage of! Learn how to access the Fitness Center, take a tour of the facility, meet the staff, play some games, chat with Club Sports teams, and maybe win a giveaway! This is an event exclusively for our new students, sponsored by the Department of Campus Recreation & Wellness.*
- 8:00 p.m.**                    **Movie: Ferris Bueller's Day Off** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)  
*Free popcorn and candy!*

## **Sunday, August 24**

- 9:00 a.m.**                    **Breakfast** (Dining Hall)
- 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**      **Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open** (Trone Student Center)
- 11:00AM-2:00 p.m.**      **Lunch** (Dining Hall)
- 12:00-4:00 p.m.**            **Print and Post Express (P2X) Open** (Trone Student Center)
- 1:00-5:00 p.m.**            **IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)
- 1:00-2:00 p.m.**            **Paladin Pep Rally** (McAlister Auditorium)  
*Join Furman Athletics, student-athletes, coaches, and the marching band for an exciting event that will have everyone fired up for the year! Some lucky students will walk away with official Furman Paladins gear.*
- 2:00 p.m.**                    **Women's Soccer vs. Charleston Southern University** (Stone Soccer Stadium)
- 2:00-6:00 p.m.**            **Class Tours with your FRAD**  
*Join your FRAD on a tour of campus to find the locations of your classes before the first day of class. Specific times and meeting locations will be communicated to you by your FRAD.*
- 5:00 p.m.**                    **Interfaith Service** (Daniel Chapel)  
*All are welcome to attend this interfaith service of welcome and worship to kick off the new year with joy, thanks, prayer, and centeredness. Hosted by the Office of Spiritual Life.*
- 5:00-9:30 p.m.**            **Dinner** (Dining Hall)

**5:45-7:30 p.m. Spiritual Life Fair (Milford Mall)**

*More than 15 campus religious and faith-based organizations will be on hand with lawn games, free swag, a food truck and Kona Ice Snow Cones! Meet students and Campus Ministers from each group and learn more about how to get involved. Hosted by the Student Religious Council and the Office of Spiritual Life.*

**7:00 p.m. Hypnotist David Anthony (McAlister Auditorium)**

*Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.*

**Monday, August 25**

**Group Fitness Launch Week**

*Did you know Campus Recreation & Wellness offers FREE group fitness classes? All classes will be 30 minutes the first week of the semester. Check [rec.furman.edu](http://rec.furman.edu) for a full schedule.*

**7:15 a.m. Breakfast (Dining Hall)**

**8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Print and Post Express (P2X) Open (Trone Student Center)**

**8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Bell Tower Bookstore & Bistro Open (Trone Student Center)**

**8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Enrollment Services Open (First Floor, Administration Building)**

**9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Academic Advising Appointments**

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**9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)**

*Please refer to the ITS website for Service Center hours once the semester begins.*

**9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Poster Sale (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)**

*Still looking for the perfect room decor? Stop by the poster sale and take a look around! Rain location is the Hill Atrium, located in the Trone Student Center.*

**10:00 a.m. Official Class of 2029 Picture (Paladin Stadium)**

*Sponsored by the Student Alumni Council, members of the Class of 2029 gather for your official class picture. Don't forget to wear your class t-shirt!*

**10:30 a.m. Gather at Paladin Stadium**

*All new students should meet at Paladin Stadium to walk as a group to McAlister Auditorium for the Opening Convocation. You'll make this journey once more at the end of your time at Furman, as you march toward the stadium for Commencement. Don't forget to wear your class t-shirt!*

**11:00 a.m. Opening Convocation (McAlister Auditorium)**

**12:00 p.m. Lunch on the Mall (Furman Mall)**

*Please Note: The DH will be closed to allow for Lunch on the Mall.*

**1:30-2:20 p.m.**

*or*

**2:30-3:20 p.m. First Pathways Class Meeting**

*Meet as a Pathways class for the first time! Get to know your Pathways Advisor, Pathways Peer Mentor, and the students who will be a part of your class community over the next two years. This first class will set the foundation for considering the importance of what you value and how that impacts your choices in college. Your Pathways Advisor will be in touch via e-mail to notify you of the class meeting time and location.*

**2:00-5:00 p.m. Start Strong Clinic: Lit on the Lawn** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)

*Bring a towel or blanket, your favorite book, and join the Trone Center for Mental Fitness team in reducing stress, having fun, and starting strong! Look for a new activity each day through September 5.*

**4:00 p.m. Timmons Arena Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

*Join Furman Athletics as we celebrate the re-opening of Timmons Arena!*

**5:00-9:30 p.m. Dinner** (Dining Hall)

**7:00-10:00 p.m. Orientation Carnival** (Furman Mall)

*Rides, inflatables, food, and fun!*

## **Tuesday, August 26**

**Fall Semester Begins!**

**9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Poster Sale** (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)

*Rain location is the Hill Atrium, located in the Trone Student Center.*

**9:30-11:30 a.m. Back to School Bash** (Center for Academic Success, Library, Suite 002)

*Stop by for snacks, swag, and first day of school pictures to start the new academic year!*

**2:00-5:00 p.m. Start Strong Clinic: Sweat out the Stress** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)

*Say hello to Sauna House and learn about the benefits of saunaing.*

**5:00-6:30 p.m. Creating Connections** (Center for Interpersonal Connections, First Floor, Blackwell Residence Hall)

*Join members of the Student Diversity Council (SDC) 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, refreshments will be provided.*

## **Wednesday, August 27**

**2:00-5:00 p.m. Start Strong Clinic: Paint and Plant** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)

*Meet NAMI while painting a pot for your new succulent. Don't miss our custom Etsy sticker swag!*

**4:00-5:00 p.m. I Said – You Said: Orientation Groups 1-6**

*or*

**6:00-7:00 p.m. I Said – You Said: Orientation Groups 7-12**

*or*

**8:00-9:00 p.m. I Said – You Said: Orientation Groups 13-19** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

*Join the jury for "I Said – You Said," an interactive program that clarifies consent, empowers students to be active bystanders, shares cases of sexual misconduct, lets you decide who crossed the line, and shows how situations would be*

handled at Furman. All first-year students will attend one of three sessions with their Orientation Group. If you are unable to attend at your assigned time, please let your OL know and they will connect you with a group attending at a different time.

## **Thursday, August 28**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**            **Start Strong Clinic: Good Vibrations** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)  
*Join a sonic energy drum circle led by a local Greenville artist.*

**7:00 p.m.**                    **Men's Soccer vs. North Greenville University** (Stone Soccer Stadium)

## **Friday, August 29**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**            **Start Strong Clinic: Brains, Grains, and Greens** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)  
*Join FitRX for some healthy lifestyle coaching to start strong and stay strong!*

**6:00-8:00 p.m.**            **Welcome Back Jarty!** (Furman Mall)  
*FUSAB is kicking off the semester with a fun, denim-themed party on the Furman Mall! There will be live music, games, and more!*

## **Saturday, August 30**

**2:00 p.m.**                    **Furman Football vs. College of William and Mary** (Paladin Stadium)

## **Sunday, August 31**

**6:00 p.m.**                    **Men's Soccer vs. Duke University** (Stone Soccer Stadium)

## **Monday, September 1**

*Labor Day, University Closed – no classes!*

## **Tuesday, September 2**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**            **Start Strong Clinic: Sweat and Sanity** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)  
*Come for Dr. Karoub's teachings on holistic wellness, but stay for the pickup games with Campus Recreation!*

## **Wednesday, September 3**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**            **Start Strong Clinic: Smells like Self-care** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)  
*Create your own mixture of essential oils to take home for lasting calm.*

**4:00-6:00 p.m.**            **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! Rain date will be Thursday, September 5.*

## **Thursday, September 4**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**      **Start Strong Clinic: Paw to Unwind** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)

*Miss your pup? Say hi to Upstate Therapy Dogs!*

**5:00-7:00 p.m.**      **Pita and Paws** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

*Join the Heller Service Corps for this annual event to make dog toys for the Greenville Humane Society. Free food from Tropical Grille for all volunteers!*

**7:00-8:30 p.m.**      **Music Bingo: Furman Rocks!**

*Drop-in for one round or stay the whole time – great prizes for each round of bingo! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement.*

## **Friday, September 5**

**2:00-5:00 p.m.**      **Start Strong Clinic: Wander and Wonder** (Trone Center for Mental Fitness)

*Enjoy a round table on counseling versus coaching and stick around for some nature therapy.*

**7:00-10:00 p.m.**      **FUSAB's Annual Fall Ball** (The 405, Downtown Greenville)

*Celebrate the new semester at FUSAB's annual fall ball with music, dancing, and great food!*

## **Saturday, September 6**

**2:00 p.m.**      **Furman Football vs. Presbyterian College** (Paladin Stadium)

## **Wednesday, September 10**

**1:30-3:30 p.m.**      **Student Employment Fair** (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

*Interested in learning more about working on campus? Stop by the Watkins Room to speak with numerous departments looking to hire students for the 2025-2026 academic year.*

## **Friday, September 12**

**7:00 p.m.**      **Movie: Wicked** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)

*Free popcorn and candy!*

## **Tuesday, September 16**

**National Voter Registration Day**

*For information on how you can register to vote, [visit Furman's Voting Resources website](#).*