

Family Orientation

Session 1: June 9; Session 2: June 15; Session 3: June 18

DROP OFF AND CHECK IN

7 - 9:15 a.m. | Thomson Hall then Richardson Ballroom

Drop off student with luggage at Thomson Hall (for students staying on campus overnight). Park in Founders Lot. Meet in the DiGiorgio Campus Center, Richardson Ballroom for Orientation check-in and materials pickup.

Students not staying overnight on campus for Orientation but who have been invited and plan to attend one of the program meetings listed below will arrive to campus 30 minutes before your program meeting is scheduled to begin. Check in for Orientation in the DiGiorgio Campus Center Ballroom to pick up your materials before going to your program meeting.

If you have time in the morning and need to get your student ID, please go over to the ID Office located at 1 McBryde Hall. Getting your ID early will help avoid long lines at the end of day two.

PROGRAM MEETINGS

Specific times and locations below

8 – 9 a.m. | LEAP IDina's Place, DiGiorgio Campus Center

8 – 9:30 a.m. | Legacy Drop-In | Bookstore Commons, DiGiorgio Campus Center

8 – 9 a.m. | Eagle STEM (session 2 only) | Owens G02

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. | Signed Student Athletes | West Center 219

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. | TRiO Open House (invite only) | West Center Commuter Lounge

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. | Honors College | Owens G01

ORIENTATION CHECK IN FOR COMMUTERS

8:45-9:15 a.m. | Richardson Ballroom, DiGiorgio Campus Center

Students who do not stay overnight on campus for Orientation and are not attending earlier program specific meetings may check in at this time. If you have not pre-ordered your Winthrop ID, please come early and visit the ID Office to get your student ID before the opening session to avoid long lines after Orientation.

(Commuter Students – visit Dining Services table to talk with staff about commuter meal plans at check in).

ORIENTATION OPENING SESSION

9:30 – 10:15 a.m. | West Center

Meet our Orientation staff, Orientation Faculty Mentors, and university leadership in this high energy introduction and welcome to Winthrop! Get ready to learn a new cheer!

ACADEMIC COLLEGE MEETING

10:30 – 11 a.m. | Follow assigned OL

Meet your student academic director and learn about your student's college and major!

GOLD BREAKOUT SESSIONS

11:15 – 12:40 p.m.

Family members will have the opportunity to attend three, 25-minute breakout sessions offered by campus departments. Session descriptions and locations are at the back of your schedule.

LUNCH

12:45 – 1:45 p.m. | Eagle Eatery

Explore our dining hall and experience lunch like a Winthrop student. Present your lunch ticket as you enter.

BIG STUFF'S TOUR

2 – 2:50 p.m. | West Center

Follow Big Stuff virtually around campus to hear from and learn important office locations: Financial Aid, Student Financial Services, Records and Registration, Residence Life, Center for Student Wellness, Office of Accessibility, and Dining Services.

EAGLE RESOURCE FAIR

3 – 3:45 p.m. | Peabody Gymnasium, West Center

This is your time to speak with office representatives, learn about Winthrop and our services, meet faculty and staff, and get your questions answered!

LETTING GO...EAGLE FAMILY CLOSING

4 – 4:45 p.m. | Richardson Ballroom, DiGiorgio Campus Center

Letting go of your students as they go off to college may be difficult for families. Come hear from Dr. Gloria Jones, retired Dean of University College, and mom to 4 kids who went away to college, as she shares her experience in learning how to let go. She will tell her story and offer tips and recommendations for you as you prepare to let go of your Winthrop Eagle this fall.

A sweet treat will be served, and there will be another special surprise!

If you have additional questions, use this time at the end of the day to visit offices to get your questions answered before leaving campus. Need directions? Just ask!



New Student and Family Programs



CAMPUS MAP



FAMILY RESOURCES

Gold Breakout Sessions

Offices presenting in both the Garnet Showcase and Gold Breakout Sessions are marked with *. Please note Gold Breakout Sessions will provide more detail on the programs and services while the Garnet Showcase will be a general overview of the office.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS CENTER | SESSION 1 & 2

The ASC is dedicated to students' academic achievement at Winthrop. Come learn about our services and programs such as peer tutoring, academic coaching, and workshops that support students' learning.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT & INTERNSHIPS (CAREER CENTER) | ALL SESSIONS

Learn about an array of programs, resources, and tools that help students explore, pursue, and achieve their academic and career goals. The Career Center orchestrates opportunities for students through career readiness programs, career fairs, and special events that engage hundreds of employers and alumni annually.

CENTER FOR STUDENT WELLNESS | SESSIONS 1 & 2

Learn more about immunization compliance, available medical, counseling, and advocacy services to support your student's holistic wellbeing, and how you can help to prepare your student for success.

DEAN OF STUDENTS | ALL SESSIONS

The Dean of Students office will provide families with insights into the developmental challenges during the transition to college and the ways in which the Dean of Students Office partners with families to help your student to be successful.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT | SESSION 3 ONLY

Learn more about fraternity/sorority life, student organizations, and recreational services. We will discuss how your student can get involved on campus, discover opportunities for leadership development, and personal growth!

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE | ALL SESSIONS

Join us for an essential briefing on a student's first-year journey! We will offer a detailed roadmap of what lies ahead, including navigating the mandatory ACAD 101 course, embracing traditions like First Night Winthrop and Fall Fest. Don't miss this opportunity to help your student prepare for a memorable journey at Winthrop!

INTERNATIONAL CENTER | SESSION 2 & 3

Winthrop University provides a variety of enriching opportunities for students to study abroad on all four corners of the globe and everywhere in between. During this session, we will discuss information about the Study Abroad programs available and support services of the International Center, as well as examples of cultural programs and events on campus.

OFFICE OF ACCESSIBILITY | SESSIONS 3

This session will give information on how students with disabilities might request disability-related accommodations and support. We will review eligibility requirements, information on what type of documentation is required when requesting accommodations, and the process students need to follow to submit an accommodation request.

RESIDENCE LIFE | ALL SESSIONS

This session will provide a comprehensive overview of Winthrop University's on-campus housing options and the specifics of each residence hall. We will also explore the various ways your student can integrate into the Residence Life community and participate in engaging activities within their hall. Finally, we will address the logistics of move-in day and relevant communication you can expect to receive as the fall semester approaches.

VA BENEFITS SESSION | ALL SESSIONS

Learn about federal and state VA education benefits for dependents, how to get benefit payments started, and how to prepare financially to use VA benefits at Winthrop.

SESSION LOCATIONS AND TIMES

Session 1: 11:15 – 11:40 a.m.

Academic Success Center | Owens 204
Career Center | Owens 108
Dean of Students | Owens 109
First Year Experience (FYE) | Owens 203
Residence Life | Owens 202
Student Wellness | Owens G01
Veterans Benefits | Owens 110

Session 2: 11:45 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Academic Success Center | Owens 204
Career Center | Owens 108
Dean of Students | Owens 109
First Year Experience (FYE) | Owens 203
International Center | Owens 107
Residence Life | Owens 202
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Session 3: 12:15 – 12:40 p.m.

Accessibility | Owens 201
Career Center | Owens 108
Dean of Students | Owens 109
Diversity and Student Engagement | Owens G01
First Year Experience (FYE) | Owens 203
International Center | Owens 107
Residence Life | Owens 202
Veterans Benefits | Owens 110