

2026 Family Orientation Schedule-at-a-Glance

8:15AM	Check-In, Move-in, and Get Ready!	West Campus Residence Complex
Arrive, check in, receive materials, and connect with Orientation staff and families.		
9:00AM-9:40AM	Shabooya! Welcome and Introductions	Lyman Center
Kick off the day with a high-energy welcome from campus leadership and Orientation Ambassadors.		
9:40AM- 9:45AM	Group Up!	Lyman Center Front Lawn
Meet your Orientation group and connect with your assigned OAs. <i>Families will join the Family Orientation program at this time.</i>		
9:40AM- 9:45AM	The Send-Off	Lyman Center Front Lawn
Students transition to their groups as families begin their Orientation program.		
9:45AM- 10:15AM	Becoming a College Parent	EN C112
Learn how to support your student's growth, independence, and success.		
10:15AM- 10:45AM	Inquiring Owls: Supporting Students in their First Year	EN C112
Explore what to expect academically and how to support your student's transition.		
10:45AM- 11:00AM	Family Showdown: TRIVIA	EN C112
Connect with other families through a fun and interactive activity.		
11:00AM- 11:30AM	Money Matters: What Families Need to Know	EN C112
Learn key information about financial aid, billing, and payment options.		
11:30AM-12:15PM	Owl Talk: Student Voices on the College Experience	EN C112
Hear directly from current students about their college experience.		
12:30PM- 1:20PM	Lunch Time Vibes	Conn Hall
Relax, recharge, and connect with other families and staff.		
1:30PM- 3:30PM	Family Connection Sessions: Explore, Connect, & Learn	Varies
Families are invited to explore campus resources and connect directly with key support offices during these flexible sessions. This is your opportunity to visit multiple areas, ask questions, and get personalized guidance tailored to your needs.		
1:30PM- 2:15PM ONLY		
Home Sweet Home (<i>Families of students living on campus</i>)		
Learn about housing, residence life, and the on-campus experience.		
	Open from 1:30PM to 3:00PM	
Finances: Access, Aid & Payment		
Connect with staff for personalized support on billing, aid, and payment options.		
Driving to Success (<i>Families of students commuting to campus</i>)		
Learn about the commuter experience and strategies for staying connected.		
Campus Safety: Partnering to Protect Our Community		
Explore how the university supports a safe and secure campus.		
Navigating Mental Health in College		
Learn about student wellbeing and available mental health resources.		
Families of NCAA Athletes		
Connect with Athletics staff about the student-athlete experience.		
University Access Programs		
Learn about support for first-generation and program-connected students.		
Academic and Accessibility Support with the Center for Academic Success and Accessibility Services		
Discover academic resources, support services, and accessibility options.		
Family Final Stop		
Wrap up the day, connect one last time, and celebrate completing Orientation.		



Language Accessibility / Acceso en Español

Some Orientation programs will be offered in Spanish to support families and guests who prefer to engage in Spanish.

Algunos programas de Orientación estarán disponibles en español para apoyar a las familias e invitados que prefieran participar en este idioma.