

New Student Fall Orientation

First-Year Students Schedule

August 17-21, 2024

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Welcome to Goucher College!

We are so excited you chose to attend Goucher for your college experience! Goucher College strives to foster a warm and inclusive environment for all students. Please note that the term **new student** applies to all who are beginning their Goucher career this fall semester. **This schedule is for those who are first-year new students.**

After you've moved onto campus, or checked in at the commuter student lounge, you'll start the New Student Orientation process. You'll meet your Goucher Guide, a peer mentor who will lead you throughout the week as you get to know the campus. Your Goucher Guide and your group will remain together after orientation and comprise your FYE 134 class.

In the meantime, this is the preliminary schedule for new student orientation for **first-year new students**. This may include international and exchange students as well. All new students are required to attend new student orientation sessions, and if you are involved in another program (e.g., athletic team, etc.) your instructor/coach is aware that you are asked to be at orientation.

A detailed schedule will be provided at Move-In and Check-In on **Saturday, August 17**.

Saturday, August 17

Times	Event
9 am – noon	Residential Student Move-In
11 am – 2 pm	Dining Services begins (Brunch)
1 pm – 2 pm	Commuter Student Check-In
2 pm	Meet Your Goucher Guide & Class Photo
3:30 pm	New Student Convocation Line-Up
4 pm	New Student Convocation
5 pm	Provost & Faculty Welcome Reception for Students & Families
5:45 pm	Family Farewell & Students Meet Goucher Guides
6 pm	Dinner
7:15 pm	Welcome Home Res Hall Gatherings & Commuter Student Welcome Meeting
8 pm	Welcome Party in the First Year Village

Sunday, August 18

Times	Event
11 am	Welcome to Goucher!
Noon – 1:30 pm	Brunch with your Goucher Guide Group
1:30 pm – 4:15 pm	Your Next Chapter Educational Sessions
2 pm – 5 pm	Department of Dance Program Placement Evaluations
5 pm – 6:45 pm	Dinner with your Goucher Guide Group
7 pm	Playfair!

Monday, August 19

Times	Event
7:30 – 9 am	Grab & Go Breakfast (on your own)
8:30 am	French Placement Exam
10 am	Meet your Goucher Guide Group
10:15 am – noon	Safe & Accountable Gophers Educational Sessions
Noon – 1:30 pm	Lunch with your Goucher Guide Group
Noon – 1:30 pm	Campus Resources Fair
1:30 pm – 4:15 pm	Healthy Living at Goucher Educational Sessions
5 pm – 6:30 pm	Dinner with your Goucher Guide Group
5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Affinity Spaces Open House
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm	Dessert Truck & Chill

Tuesday, August 20

Times	Event
7:30 – 9 am	Grab & Go Breakfast (on your own)
8:30 am	Spanish Placement Exam
9:30 am	Meet your Goucher Guide Group
10 am – 10:45 am	Who is Goucher with President Devereaux
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Lunch with your Goucher Guide Group
11:30 am – 1:30 pm	Majors, Minors, & Academics Fair
11:30 am – 1 pm	Class Schedule Adjustment
2 pm – 3:15 pm	Summer Reading Selection Book Discussion
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Meet your Goucher Guide Group
3:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Wait? There's help for that? Learning about academic resources
5:30 pm	Dinner with your Goucher Guide Group
7 pm	First Floor Meetings with Residential Life

Wednesday, August 21

Times	Event
7:30 – 9 am	Grab & Go Breakfast (on your own)
10 am	Equestrian Program Riding Placement
10 am – noon	Office of Accessibility (OAS) Orientation
11:30 am – 1 pm	Lunch
12:15 pm – 1 pm	Class Schedule Adjustments
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Meet your Goucher Guide Group
2:15 pm – 3:15 pm	FYE 134 First Class Meeting
3:15 pm – 5 pm	Opening Celebration