

NEW STUDENT AND TRANSFER ORIENTATION 2023 SCHEDULE



University of
Pittsburgh | Johnstown

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

10 a.m. -2 p.m.

Residential First Year Student Move-In

You will receive email from Housing and Residence Life regarding move-in procedures. Also, please refer often to the website regarding move-in, what to bring, etc. We are so glad to have you here!

10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Polaroids with PJ and Legacy Photos

Join members of our Alumni Board for a quick move-in day pic! And, if you are a Pitt or a Pitt- Johnstown family, we definitely want to take your legacy photo! This is casual and will be the first in your Pitt bookend – we will take one of you again at Commencement! Join us at the gazebo on University Square – come as you are – we can't wait to meet you.

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Lunch

You are welcome to grab a bite on campus while you are getting settled. At check-in, we will give you tickets for lunch for your families. Students without a meal plan will have meals added to their IDs for full participation in orientation.

Please note that your meal plans will begin with this meal. You will need your student ID at all times.

2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Free time

Unpack, visit local vendors or University Bookstore

It is recommended that all loved ones depart campus no later than 3:30 p.m. so that new student programming may begin.

4 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Meet, Greet, and Eat

Your Resident Assistants will host a meeting to talk about what it is like to live in a residential community at Pitt-Johnstown. Your Orientation Leaders will be in your halls as well to show you where you will be spending the next few days with the new student orientation program. You will eat together and have a chance to know the new faces on campus.

7 p.m.

Live Music with John Rush/ Dessert/ Yard Games

We absolutely love great music at Pitt-Johnstown. Join us in the University Square (near the gazebo) and enjoy the music of John Rush. John is a favorite among our students on campus and is the perfect person to welcome you on your first night. He is billed as the Human Spotify because he knows hours upon hours of songs. Come listen to John or even try your hand at a song or two!

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Thursday, August 24, 2023 ORIENTATION BEGINS

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7:30 a.m.- 10 a.m.

****Continental Breakfast at PJ's Student Union***

Your RA's and OL's will be on hand to travel with you to navigate breakfast. Hot coffee and great eats.

9 a.m.- 8 p.m.

****University Bookstore hours***

8:30 a.m. -9:30 a.m.

Commuter Student Check-in

Whalley Chapel

9 a.m.- 10 a.m.

****Morning Yoga Campus Mall (if raining - ZOOM)***

This morning recreation opportunity is provided to get us stretched and ready to tackle the day!

9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

****University Offices Open***

9:30 a.m. -10 a.m.

Commuter Student Welcome Meeting

Whalley Chapel

This session is for students (no guests please) who will be commuting to campus. At this session, we will give you the tips and tricks to campus life both in and out of the classroom. Fellow commuters will offer their success stories and how they overcame challenges within their first year. It is during this session that you will receive your orientation group assignment and meet your group!

We will distribute Student IDs for our commuter students at this time.

10:15 a.m.

Orientation Group Meeting

Classrooms in Biddle

Your Orientation Leaders will "scoop the groups" at 9:45 a.m. so we can all start on time in the classroom. You will meet more people in your official Orientation groups, and your orientation leaders will review the schedule of the day and share how important it is to recognize that everything you do as a college student impacts your academic success.

11:15 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. *Leave No Doubt: David Coleman*

Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center (PPAC)

One of our favorite speakers for new student orientation is back! Join us in welcoming David Coleman as he shares his program "Leave No Doubt: Be the Team Captain of Your Life!" David will share a message of student resilience, setting goals, owning your experience academically and socially, and talk through how to serve as an active bystander on campus. We will laugh, work together, and learn a lot!



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Thursday, August 24, 2023 ORIENTATION CONTINUED

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12:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. **BBQ & A** *Campus Mall*

Join us in the University Mall near the Mountain Cat for a great lunch with your orientation groups.

2 p.m. – 4 p.m. **Academic Success in a College Environment** *Various Locations*

Your Orientation Leader will provide you a student perspective on being successful in the classroom. Bring your class schedules with you (on your phone or a hard copy!) and we will walk your classes, introduce you to campus resources, and prepare you to achieve in your academic discipline. This session will cover all you need to know about finding resources, getting support in and out of the classroom, and learn how our students navigate life at Pitt-Johnstown regarding academic affairs.

This session has a lot of info and really helps you understand how academic life is different in college than in high school- can't wait to help answer your questions!
We will also talk about safety on campus and how to protect yourself and others with campus resources.

4:30p.m. -5:30 p.m. **Respect, Dignity, and Mountain Cat Values Monti Washington** *PPAC*



Help us welcome Monti Washington back to Pitt-Johnstown. Monti is going to share his message entitled "From the Streets to the Stage" and share the story of resilience and envisioning your goals in a diverse world.

Monti has appeared on a number of television stations including CBS and Spike TV, and stars in a recurring role as Terrence in BET's newest drama series titled Games People Play.

5 p.m. – 7 p.m. **Dinner in shifts - PJ's, Student Union**

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7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. *Yard Games, Snacks, Friends and Fire Pits! University Square

This is a chance for you to relax, continue to get to know your groups, and hang out in University Square with us! We will also have board games in the Student Union and The ZONE, our game room in the Student Union, will also be open. Time to relax and recharge. Congratulations on day one done!

Friday, August 25, 2023

**denotes optional*

7:30 a.m.- 9 a.m.

***Continental Breakfast**

PJ's, Student Union

9 a.m.- 8 p.m.

***Bookstore Open**

Student Union

9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

***University Offices Open**

9 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.

***Schedule Adjustments**

Division Offices

Need to ask about your academic schedule or make changes? We have carved out this time for you to address your questions with the academic divisions. No appointment needed, but bring your Pitt ID.

9 a.m.- 10 a.m.

Career Exploration for Undeclared Students Cambria Room

Are you a student still considering a major? This session is for you. You will learn fun stuff about your classes, your schedule, your mentors, and more! If you have decided on a major already, you need not attend.

9 a.m.- 10 a.m.

****Morning Yoga Campus Mall***

10 a.m.-12 p.m.

**** Transfer student orientation session* Blackington Hall 134***

Are you joining us from another college or university? Join us for a session designed just for your specific needs. We know you know how to "do college" but we want to welcome you to Pitt-Johnstown and show you how to make your time here successful.

10 a.m.

**** Foreign Language Testing***

The foreign language placement exam is for either French or Spanish, it takes approximately one hour. Everyone opting in for this test should pre-register with their respective faculty member and bring their Student ID to the exam. The exam lasts approximately one hour.

French – Dr. Barbara Petrosky – Barbara.Petrosky@pitt.edu

Spanish – Dr. Alvaro Bernal – Alvaro.Bernal@pitt.edu

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Friday, August 25, 2023 continued

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11:30 a.m.- 1 p.m.

Lunch

PJ's, Student Union

Your orientation leaders will connect with you about where and when to meet to eat and travel to today's sessions

1 p.m.-2:15 p.m.

Sex Signals

Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center (PPAC)



Sex Signals has become one of the most popular sexual assault prevention programs on college campuses through its unorthodox, humor-facilitated and inclusive approach to examining our culture, sex, and prevention strategies like bystander intervention. A two-person team of highly-trained educators takes the audience on an interactive, relevant, and often-hilarious exploration of the cultural messaging we receive about gender, sexuality, sexual health and intimate relationships. It examines what roles culture and privilege play in justifying unhealthy and dangerous beliefs about what is acceptable social and sexual behavior

2:15 p.m. -3 p.m.

Snack Break and Line up for Convocation Processional

3 p.m.

Academic Convocation

Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center (PPAC)

Join President Jem Spectar and his Cabinet for the official kick off to the academic year! The event is a campus tradition that will offer remarks from various members of Pitt- Johnstown administration as well as Student Government President, Flash Stroop. This is the first part of your academic bookend in college!

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Dinner

PJ's, Student Union

7 p.m.-10 p.m.

Casino Night "Welcome to Fabulous Pitt-Johnstown"

University Square

Join in on this campus tradition where new students, faculty, staff, your RAs and Orientation Leaders gather for a casino night under the stars! While we do not play for money, we do play for prizes, so bring a new friend with you and enjoy! This event is truly social in nature and optional, but we would love to see you there! Snacks provided. If it rains, we will be in the Wellness Center.



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Saturday, August 26, 2023

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10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

****Volunteer Opportunity***

Cambria Room, Student Union

We have a wonderful opportunity for students to assist a community partner with a project right here on campus! Need service hours or just have a passion for helping out? This activity is for you.

10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

****Morning Yoga***

University Square

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Brunch with your orientation group!

PJ's, Student Union

1 p.m.-2 p.m.

HOORAY! w Lonnie Scott!

Lonnie Scott, one of the developers of the Leadership Voyage program, is a dynamic speaker and trainer with an uncanny ability to relate to those he is speaking to. His commitment to leadership development and creating dynamic teams started at his undergraduate institution as a participant in the Hooray program. Now he travels the country speaking about student engagement on campuses and in the community. Get ready to meet more people and have a ton of fun! If possible, please wear closed toed shoes. Rainsite: Wellness Center



2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

FIRST YEAR FESTIVAL & MOUNTAIN CAT CUP

Campus Mall

Inflatable games, music, and the Mountain Cat Cup! We will compete as halls and see which community comes out on top! This is one of our favorite parts of orientation! Be prepared that you could get wet! Bragging rights are on the line folks! Rain site: Wellness Center

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

DINNER

PJ's, Student Union

7 p.m. - 11 p.m.

****Bowling, Shopping, Movies and more!***

We hope that you will join us by participating in various options to hang out with friends, get your last set of supplies, check out local stores, or just chill out and catch a drive-in movie on campus. These options are all available to you - we will help you connect with them throughout the evening!

Transportation is provided to 814 Lanes and Games and The Walmart Plaza on a schedule. Games and a drive-in movie will be provided on the University Square. Full event descriptions and departure times are found on the campus events calendar. Scan the QR!



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Campus Activities and Engagement



Lanes & Games
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT CENTER

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Sunday August 27, 2023

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Please note that the formal new student orientation program is over. Please don't forget to complete your orientation evaluations and let us know how the experience was for you. You can also win yourself and your orientation leaders some Mountain Cat Cash! The link to the evaluation is on this QR code!

Orientation 2023 Evaluation



Today is a day to welcome back our upperclassmen Mountain Cats! Enjoy your rest day and let your Orientation Leaders or the Campus Activities and Engagement Team (G-61 Union) know if we can be of help as you learn your new community!

Welcome home! And remember - when in doubt, look to the events calendar!

10 a.m. - 11 a.m.	<i>Morning Yoga</i>	<i>University Square</i>
11 a.m. - 1 p.m	<i>Brunch</i>	<i>PJ's, Student Union</i>
12 p.m. - 7 p.m.	<i>Book Center Open</i>	<i>Student Union</i>
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.	<i>DINNER</i>	<i>PJ's, Student Union</i>
7 p.m. - 11 p.m.	<i>First Night Fiesta</i>	<i>University Square</i>

Gather on the University Square for games, food, friendship, yard games, music and fireworks to kick off the academic year!