

New Student CHECK IN

AUGUST 21, 2025
ARRIVE THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 • 9 AM - 1 PM

WELCOME TO UVF!

We are excited to meet you and to see how God will use the university community to prepare you for a life of service and leadership in the church and in the world! Every aspect of New Student Orientation has been carefully planned to assist you in your transition. For this reason, your participation in orientation activities is required.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

Family members are encouraged to join us for this special day. University offices are open from 9 AM to 4:30 PM to facilitate your needs. Although travel plans may prohibit families from staying the entire day, they are welcome to remain on campus until 8:30 PM.

NEW STUDENTS ARRIVE & CHECK IN **9 AM - 1 PM START AT THE TENT BY THE HARRUP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

The big day is finally here! Arriving during this time will allow you to check in and then move into your room (resident students) before the evening's events. Check-in begins at the tent by the Harrup Administration Building. Please schedule your arrival time based on the first letter of your last name:

A - I = 9AM - 10AM

J - R = 10AM - 11AM

S - Z = 11AM - 12PM

When you check in, you will receive a lanyard with a schedule of events. The lanyard will serve as your student ID until you receive your ID card. Be prepared to take your student ID photo when you check in!

Please note that important paperwork (such as your Health Form) and documentation (such as your Financial Plan) must be complete before you can move into your room. Check your enrollment portal or contact your Admissions Counselor to get all paperwork done before you arrive.

LUNCH **11 AM - 2 PM DINING COMMONS**

Lunch is available free of charge for new students. New students will also receive two meal tickets to use for guests or family members at either lunch or dinner. More meals may be purchased for \$12.50 per person.

NEW COMMUTER CONNECTION **2 - 3 PM THE ANVIL**

An intentional time for commuters to get to know one another and learn about how to get connected on campus.

PARENT/GUEST INFORMATION SESSION **2 - 3 PM FLOWER CHAPEL**

Parents and guests have a session to orient them to the University and key staff, and to discuss ways to help their student transition well to the University environment (for guests who did not attend an Admitted Student Day).

DINNER **4:30 - 6:30 PM DINING COMMONS**

Dinner is available free of charge for new students. New students will receive two meal tickets to use for guests or family members at either lunch or dinner. More meals may be purchased for \$12.50 per person.

WELCOME CONVOCATION **6:30 - 8 PM FLOWER CHAPEL**

From the very beginning, we want you to experience abiding in the presence of Jesus in our Spirit-filled, loving community. President David Kim will share a special message for new students and guests.

SAY GOODBYE! **8 - 8:30 PM**

The time has come to say goodbye! Families and guests are invited to join us for Family Day on Friday, September 19.

NEW STUDENT RECEPTION **9 - 10 PM RESIDENCE FLOORS**

Resident students return to their residence halls for a time of getting to know their Resident Assistant and floor-mates.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22

BREAKFAST **8 - 9 AM DINING COMMONS**

ORIENTATION KICKOFF **9 - 10:30 AM FLOWER CHAPEL**

Students are welcomed to their START Teams. START stands for "Striving Toward A Real Togetherness." START Teams are small groups of new students led by returning students who want to welcome you to our Spirit-filled, loving community that makes disciples.

START SCAVENGER HUNT & CAMPUS-WIDE TOURS **10:30 AM - 12 PM FLOWER CHAPEL**

LUNCH **12 - 1:30 PM DINING COMMONS**

MATH PLACEMENT EXAMS (BY APPT.) **1 - 2:15 PM TUCKER HALL/STAR CENTER**

ENGLISH PLACEMENT EXAMS (BY APPT.) **2:15 - 3:30 PM TUCKER HALL/STAR CENTER**

If you have already taken or do not need to take the Math or English Placement Exams, take a moment to relax, hang outside, or visit with your new friends!

NEW STUDENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS *(BRING COMPUTER)* **3:30 - 5:30 PM CARDONE HALL**

We have a line-up of several great sessions that will help prepare you academically, spiritually, and emotionally so that you are ready to start classes and chapel!

DINNER **5:30 - 7 PM OUTSIDE ON QUAD**

SPECIAL EVENT **7 - 9 PM LOCATION TBA**

Join us for a surprise event Friday night!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

BREAKFAST **8 - 9 AM DINING COMMONS**

START TEAM CONNECTION **9 - 10:30 AM FLOWER CHAPEL** Connect with your team for a time of prayer, worship, and small group discussion.

CLASS PHOTO **10:30 - 10:45 AM**

Receive a special t-shirt exclusively for new students and take a group photo with the incoming class.

DIVERSITY AT UVF **10:45 AM - 12 PM FLOWER CHAPEL**

The Diversity Committee celebrates the cultural mosaic of the Northeast and beyond with all students who become part of our UVF campus community and creates an atmosphere and opportunities for those students to honor and enjoy their cultural distinctives while also comfortably transitioning into the broader culture of UVF.

LUNCH **12 - 1:30 PM DINING COMMONS**

SATURDAY (CONT.)

EXPLORE PHOENIXVILLE **1 - 5 PM MEET IN FLOWER CHAPEL**

Spend some time with your START Team exploring our bustling, historical downtown. Then, take a little time to relax and enjoy your new friends and surroundings. Teams will be sent out in one-hour shifts.

DINNER **5 - 6 PM DINING COMMONS**

DESSERT WITH FACULTY **7 - 8:30 PM VARIOUS LOCATIONS** *(MEET AT 6:45)*

Your START team will enjoy an evening of delicious desserts with your FYE professor. Get to know your professor before classes start!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE HOSTED BY A LOCAL CHURCH *DETAILS TO FOLLOW!*

BRUNCH **11 AM - 2 PM DINING COMMONS**

MUSIC PLACEMENT EXAMS AND ADVISING MEETINGS **1 - 4 PM CAPECI HALL CHOIR ROOM**

GET READY FOR CLASSES **2 - 4 PM**

Use this time to get ready for tomorrow! Connect with your START leader if you need a shopping run.

START TEAMS FINALE **4 - 5 PM FLOWER CHAPEL**

Reflect with your START team members on your experience so far, receive some advice from your team leaders, and enjoy a UVF Worship concert!

DINNER **5 - 6 PM DINING COMMONS**

WINTER/SPRING STUDENT-ATHLETE ORIENTATION **6 - 9 PM KREMPELS THEATER** You must be in attendance to participate in a winter/spring sport.

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

CLASSES BEGIN!

Classes begin at various times. Check your registration schedule for your class times.

FIRST FLOOR MEETINGS **10 - 11 AM RESIDENCE FLOORS**

Floor meetings take place once a month and are mandatory for all resident students. During this time you will connect with your floormates and hear important campus updates.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Student Life Office:
610.917.1490
studentlife@valleyforge.edu

OTHER INFORMATION

Directions to UVF and local hotel information can be found by visiting our website at valleyforge.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Day
September 19
Join us for this special day!



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