2018 Fall Orientation Schedule

Please note: Events and locations are subject to change. For the most up-to-date Fall Orientation schedule, please download the “Guidebook” app on your smartphone and search for the “Furman University Fall Orientation” guide.

Friday, August 24

9:00am-1:00pm  Residence Hall Move In

9:00am-5:00pm  Enrollment Services Open (First Floor, Administration Building)
Students who did not submit a picture for their Furman ID over the summer can have IDs made at this time. Questions about tuition, billing, and financial aid can also be answered during this time.

9:00am-5:00pm  IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)
Need help configuring your computer to Furman’s network? Stop by the IT Service Center for assistance.

11:00am-1:00pm  Legacy Drop-In Lunch (Cherrydale Alumni House)
An informal lunch-break for Furman Alumni and their new student. By invitation only, please.

11:00am-12:00pm Transfer Student Meeting (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)
All new transfer students should attend.

11:00am-3:00pm  Paladin Laundry Bag Distribution (Lower Lobby, Trone Student Center)

12:30-1:00pm  Commuter Student Meeting (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)
All new commuting students should attend.

1:30-2:15pm  Welcome to Furman! (McAlister Auditorium)
New students and families should attend as members of the University community welcome you to Furman and we officially start Fall Orientation. The Paladin Regiment marching band will kick things off with a concert, so feel free to head over early!

2:45-3:30pm  Group A: Academic Advising (Various Locations)
Group B: Family Farewell (Front Patio, James B. Duke Library)

3:45-4:30pm  Group A: Family Farewell (Front Patio, James B. Duke Library)
Group B: Academic Advising (Various Locations)
Meet your academic advisor and get any lingering questions about the start of your academic experience answered. Parents and family should attend this meeting, as well. When you aren’t in your academic advising meeting, join us for some light refreshments at our Family Farewell.

This concludes programming for parents and family members of new students. We look forward to seeing you again at Family Weekend!
4:30pm  Orientation Group Meeting
All new students have been assigned to an Orientation Group, which will be led by two Orientation Leaders. Your group number can be found on your name tag. Orientation groups will meet on the Furman Mall – just look for a sign with your group number on it! In the case of rain, groups will meet in assigned classrooms. Please see the listing that was included in the envelope you received upon check in.

5:00-7:00pm  Dinner (Dining Hall)
Meal plans are in effect, Furman ID required for admittance. Please attend dinner with your group:

5:00pm  Groups 1-8
5:15pm  Groups 9-15
5:45pm  Groups 16-22
6:00pm  Groups 23-29

8:00pm  Wacky Chad: Live Stunt Comedian (McAlister Auditorium)

Saturday, August 25
7:00-9:00am  Breakfast (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00-12:00pm  Residence Hall Meeting and Activities
Your Residence Hall Staff will provide you with additional information about this meeting.

11:30-1:00pm  Lunch (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

1:00-7:00pm  IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)

1:00-1:15pm  Orientation Group Meeting

1:15-4:45pm  Life at Furman (Various Locations)
Students will rotate through a series of sessions exploring issues related to campus safety, alcohol and drug use, and sexual misconduct. Please attend as assigned with your Orientation Group and please bring your Furman ID.

1:15-2:15pm  Daniel Recital Hall
McAlister Auditorium
Watkins Room
Groups 1-9
Groups 10-19
Groups 20-29

2:30-3:30pm  Daniel Recital Hall
McAlister Auditorium
Watkins Room
Groups 20-29
Groups 1-9
Groups 10-19

3:45-4:45pm  Daniel Recital Hall
McAlister Auditorium
Watkins Room
Groups 10-19
Groups 20-29
Groups 1-9
5:00-7:00pm  Dinner (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

7:00-9:00pm  PACfest! (Physical Activities Center)
This is your opportunity to familiarize yourself with the Physical Activities Center – or PAC – before the start of the semester. Take a sample fitness class, try out the cardio machines, or team up with some of your hall-mates for a game of basketball. The PAC will only be open to members of the Class of 2022 during this time! Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00pm  Movie: Monsters Inc. (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Rain location: Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center

Sunday, August 26
7:30-8:30am  Breakfast (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00am  Class of 2022 Picture (Blackwell Field)
The official Class of 2022 picture, sponsored by the Student Alumni Council (SAC).

9:30-11:30am  “O”lympics (Blackwell Field)

10:00am  Transfer Student Brunch (Thomas Room, Trone Student Center)

11:30am-1:30pm  Lunch (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

1:00-5:00pm  President’s Picnic
Join us for an annual fall orientation favorite, hosted by the University President. You are invited to White Oaks, the President’s residence, to enjoy light hors d’oeuvres and tour the historic house. Buses will pick up and drop off at McAlister Auditorium. Please attend with your hall, as assigned:

12:45pm  Townes 200
Townes 300
Townes 400
McBee 200
McBee 300

1:15pm  Blackwell 200
Blackwell 300

1:45pm  Blackwell Base
Blackwell 100
Ramsay 100
Commuter Students
Transfer Students
2:15pm        McGlothlin Base
              McGlothlin 100
              McGlothlin 200

2:45pm        Geer Base
              Geer 100
              Geer 200

3:15pm        Geer 300
              Poteat 200
              Poteat 300

3:45pm        Manly 100
              Poteat Base
              Poteat 100

1:00-7:00pm   IT Service Center Open (Lower Level, Library)

5:00-7:00pm   Barnes & Noble VIP Shopping Night (Bookstore, Trone Student Center)
An evening of shopping for our new students only! Stop by the bookstore to stock up on your Furman gear, get your textbooks, and grab those last minute school supplies. There will be some exclusive sales and contests just for you!

5:00-7:00pm   Dinner (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

5:00pm        University Worship (Daniel Chapel)

6:00pm        Spiritual Life Fair (Front Patio, Daniel Chapel)
Representatives from the Religious Council and various student groups related to spirituality and religion will offer information about their organizations and activities. Stop by to learn more!

8:00pm        Hypnotist Joshua Seth (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)

9:00pm        Catholic Mass (Daniel Chapel)

Monday, August 27
7:00-9:00am   Breakfast (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

9:00am-2:00pm  Yearbook Portraits (Lower Level, Trone Student Center)

9:00am-5:00pm  Individual Advising Appointments
The appointment card you received upon checking into your residence hall contains the time and location of this meeting. It is extremely important that you attend this one-on-one meeting with your academic advisor, regardless of if you are needing to make any adjustments to your fall schedule.
9:00am-6:00pm  
**IT Service Center Open** (Lower Level, Library)

10:15am  
**Gather at Paladin Stadium**
Members of the Class of 2022 should meet at Paladin Stadium to walk as a group to McAlister Auditorium for the Opening Convocation. You’ll make this journey one more at the end of your time at Furman, as you march toward the stadium for Commencement. Please note: If you have a 10:00am advising appointment, please join us at Paladin Stadium once your appointment has finished – do not skip your advising appointment!

11:00am  
**Opening Convocation** (McAlister Auditorium)

12:15-1:30pm  
**Lunch on the Mall** (Furman Mall)

2:00-5:00pm  
**Ride a 7-Person Bike!** (Front Patio, James B. Duke Library)
Bring your roommate and friends, and take a spin on a 7-person circular bike while learning about the Shi Center for Sustainability and opportunities for you to become involved with Furman’s sustainability efforts!

3:00-5:00pm  
**Creating Connections with SDC** (Metcalf Patio, Trone Student Center)
Join members of the Student Diversity Council as we kick off the school year. Learn more about the student organizations that comprise SDC, and how you can get involved. Everyone is welcome!

5:00-7:00pm  
**Dinner** (Dining Hall)
Furman ID required for admittance.

7:00-10:00pm  
**Orientation Carnival** (Blackwell Field)

**Tuesday, August 28**
Fall Semester Begins!

9:00am-2:00pm  
**Yearbook Portraits** (Lower Level, Trone Student Center)

**Wednesday, August 29**

4:00-6:00pm  
**Student Involvement Fair** (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Representatives from many of Furman's student organizations will be at the fair, a great opportunity to meet other students and learn more about how to get involved!

7:00-9:00pm  
**CLP: Racing Extinction** (Burgiss Theater, Trone Student Center)
From the Academy Award winning filmmakers of “The Cove,” join for the viewing of this thought provoking film as a team of artists and activists expose issues of endangered species and mass extinction with never before seen images that will change the way you see the planet. Sponsored by the Shi Center for Sustainability.
Thursday, August 30
5:00pm & 7:30pm You. Me. We. (Daniel Recital Hall)
This interactive program will expose the often-unintentional ugliness of prejudice, setting the stage for a lively discussion on issues of race, sex, sexual orientation, and gender. Please attend as assigned with your residence hall.

5:00pm
- Blackwell Base, 100, 200, 300
- Manly 100
- McBee 200, 300
- McGlothlin Base
- Ramsay 100
- Townes 200, 300, 400

7:30pm
- Geer Base 100, 200, 300
- McGlothlin 100, 200
- Poteat Base, 100, 200, 300

Friday, August 31
11:00am-2:00pm Furman Friday! (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Join us every Friday at the Trone Student Center for a Friday treat! Show us your Paladin pride by wearing purple and you might get something extra! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion.

7:00pm
- Women’s Soccer vs. Kennesaw State University (Stone Soccer Stadium)
Let’s cheer the Paladins onto a victory! There will be fun giveaways, contests, and prizes throughout the game.

Saturday, September 1
12:20pm Football vs. Clemson (Clemson University)
Go ‘Dins! Tickets available on the Furman Athletics website.

Monday, September 3
Labor Day, University Closed

Wednesday, September 5
11:00am-1:00pm Handshake Launch Party (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Sponsored by the Malone Center for Career Engagement

5:00-7:00pm Meet the Greeks (Behind the Dining Hall, near the lake)
Meet members of Furman's fraternity and sorority community during this informal meet n' greet.
8:00-10:00pm  Trivia at the Paddock (The Paddock, Trone Student Center)
Grab your friends and play team trivia every other Wednesday evening in The Paddock! Compete for weekly prizes or play all semester for a chance to win the grand prize! Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion.

Thursday, September 6
11:00am-1:00pm  Paws to Unwind (Front Patio, Duke Library)
Unwind from the first couple weeks of the fall semester by playing with some adorable puppies! Sponsored by the Heller Service Corps. (Rain location: Trone Student Center lower lobby)

Friday, September 7
6:00-10:00pm  FUSAB's Back to School Bash (Trailblazer Park, Downtown Travelers Rest)
Celebrate the start of the semester with FUSAB! There will be live music, delicious food, and lots of fun! Sponsored by the Furman University Student Activities Board.

Sunday, September 9
1:00-5:00pm  Learning the Ropes: A History of Furman (Cherrydale Alumni House)
Attend with residence halls as assigned.

Monday, September 10
9:30am-7:00pm  Poster Sale (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)

Tuesday, September 11
9:30am-7:00pm  Poster Sale (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
8:00-9:30pm  NPHC Meet and Greet (Hartness Pavilion)
Meet members of Furman's Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and members from the local graduate chapters of the other Divine Nine Greek organizations to learn more about how to get involved with the National Pan-Hellenic Conference fraternities and sororities.

Wednesday, September 12
2:00-5:00pm  Heller Service Corps Agency Fair (Watkins Room, Trone Student Center)
5:00-7:00pm  Interfraternity Council Barbecue (Blackwell Field)
Meet members of the fraternity community at Furman and learn more about the recruitment process from the Interfraternity Council. Rain location: Hill Atrium, Trone Student Center
7:00-9:00pm   Paladins on the Patio (Lakeside Housing Lawn)
Get excited for the fall athletic season with your favorite Paladin athletes! Free food, giveaways, and fun!

Friday, September 14
8:30pm   Outdoor Movie: Coco (Front Patio, Trone Student Center)
Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion

Saturday, September 15
1:00pm   Football vs. Colgate University (Paladin Stadium)
Cheer on the Paladins during their first home game of the season!

September 15-30
Academic Integrity at Furman
All first-year students will be required to attend a one-hour session on academic integrity during the period September 15-30. In early September, you will receive an email from the Associate Academic Dean with the date and time of your assigned session. No session will conflict with standard classroom instruction times.

Sunday, September 16
4:00-6:00pm   Sorority Open House (McEachern Lecture Hall, Room 214, Furman Hall)
Interested in learning more about the sorority community? Attend this session for information about the recruitment process and to hear from each of our sororities at Furman. Please note: This session will be offered again on September 18.

Tuesday, September 18
6:00-8:00pm   Sorority Open House (McEachern Lecture Hall, Room 214, Furman Hall)
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