2016 New Student Days schedule
Revised July 28, 2016

All students (including transfer and commuter students) are required to attend all events shaded in **Gray** unless noted for a specific population.
All new transfer students required to attend all events shaded in **Green**

**Thursday, August 18**

8 – 11am: **Move In** **RESIDENCE HALLS**
Report to the residence hall to which you have been assigned. Area Coordinators (ACs), Resident Advisors (RAs) and Orientation Assistants (OAs) will help you. After 11 AM, move in assistance is not provided. Students and parents will each receive a packet of information – be sure you each keep your packet with you as you will need to reference it throughout New Student Days.

8am – 2pm: **Open time & Lunch on your own:** Get your room situated, walk around campus, mingle around Post 95 and Founders, attend programming noted below, or head off campus for lunch if you choose. Lunch will also be available for purchase in the CDR (second floor of the Student Center) from 10:30am to 1:00pm.

9am – 2pm: Get your meal/ID card picture taken **STUDENT CENTER INFO DESK**
Students who did not do this over the summer need to do it now.

9am – 4pm: Information Hub open **STUDENT CENTER LOBBY**
Staff will be stationed at the Information Hub all day to answer questions and troubleshoot issues. This is also an ideal time to get your identification verified for student employment. Can’t drop in? Text your question to (937) 505-0054 and we’ll respond quickly!

10 – 11am: Information technology Q & A for parents **SYNOD 109**

10:30am – 1pm: Center Dining Room open for lunch **CDR**

11 – 11:30am: Annual New Student Move-In Worship **WEAVER CHAPEL**
Interdenominational worship service for students and parents.

11am – 11:45am: Jewish student and faculty open house **STUDENT CENTER, MORRIS LOUNGE**
Students and family members can meet with faculty and staff.

11am – 1pm: Campus tours available for interested parents **RECITATION HALL**
Walking tour of campus. Tours will take place at 11am and noon and will begin and end at Recitation Hall.

11:30am – 12:30pm Commuter students and parents meeting and lunch **SHOULVILIN 105**

*Required for all first-year commuters: New commuter students and families meet with
the Commuter OAs, representatives from the Center for Student Success, Student Senate members, and become acquainted with resources on campus, and review the New Student Days schedule. Students and parents will each receive a packet of information – be sure you each keep your packet with you as you will need to reference it throughout New Student Days.

*Transfer students who are commuting should attend the session in Blair 101.*

**11:30am – 1pm: Transfer students and parents meeting and lunch** BLAIR 101  
*Required for all transfer students.* New transfer students and families meet with the Transfer OAs, representatives from the Center for Student Success, Student Senate members, and become acquainted with resources on campus, and review the New Student Days schedule. Students and parents will each receive a packet of information – be sure you each keep your packet with you as you will need to reference it throughout New Student Days.  

*Transfers who are commuting should attend this session, not the commuter session.*

**11:45-12:45pm:** Center for Diversity open house  WILLIAM A. MCCLAIN CENTER FOR DIVERSITY  
Enjoy light dessert, explore intercultural engagement opportunities, tour the Center, and meet student leaders from Concerned Black Students, American International Association, and the Gender and Sexual Diversity Alliance.

**12:30 – 2:00pm:** Resource sessions for parents (each area will provide three 25-minute sessions)  
*Student Athlete Parent session with Director of Athletics* HPER CENTER ARENA  
*Student Employment* ALUMNI ROOM, STUDENT CENTER  
*Career Services* SHOUVLIN 207  
*Health Professions Options info session* BAYLEY AUDITORIUM, SCIENCE CENTER  
*Business majors information session* NESS AUDITORIUM, HOLLENBECK HALL

**2:15pm:**  Wittenberg Traditions: Students meet their OAs  COMMENCEMENT HOLLOW; RAINSITE: GYMNASIUM  
New students will meet with the students’ Orientation Assistants and be welcomed by student leaders in Commencement Hollow, then partake in the annual processional to the HPER Center for the Welcome Ceremony. **Family members are asked to be seated in the HPER Center Arena before 2:30pm. *Students with mobility concerns can take a seat in the HPER Center Arena before 2:30pm.***

**3:00pm:**  Welcome Ceremony with students and parents  HPER CENTER ARENA  
The official welcome for all new Wittenberg students. Seating will be available prior to the ceremony for those who do not wish to partake in the processional from Commencement Hollow.

**4 – 5pm:**  First Year Seminar Advisor Meet and Greet  ASSIGNED ROOMS (check your booklet)  
Orientation Assistants will lead students and family members from the HPER Center to your assigned classroom for this informal meet and greet with the students’ First Year Seminar instructional team. Assigned classrooms are also in the students’ packet.

**4 – 7:30pm**  VIP Night in the Bookstore  BOOKSTORE, STUDENT CENTER  
Stop in for one-on-one help with your textbooks!
5 – 5:30pm: Family members say goodbye and depart campus.

5:30 – 7:30pm: Dinner in the CDR and meeting with OAs CDR & ASSIGNED ROOMS (check your booklet)
5:30pm: OA groups 1 – 14 meet on the Chapel Lawn for dinner, then OA meeting in assigned classrooms
6:30pm: OA groups 15—27 meet with OAs in assigned classrooms, then dinner

8:30 – 9:30pm: Residence hall meetings RESIDENCE HALL LOBBIES

8:30 – 9:30pm: Commuter students meet with Commuter OAs GEIL LOUNGE, STUDENT CENTER
Get to know the Commuter OAs and fellow classmates in an informal, relaxed setting.

9:30 – 11pm: Hypnotist, Jim Wand, sponsored by Union Board HPERC ARENA
Dr. Wand is one of the top hypnotic performers in the world, and his hilarious show has been a favorite of Wittenberg students for over 20 years.

Friday, August 19

7:30 – 9:30am: Breakfast CDR

8 – 9:30am: NCAA Student-Athlete Orientation BAYLEY AUDITORIUM
Information for new winter and spring sport student-athletes. Coaches and faculty representatives will provide information on academic responsibilities and eligibility issues.

9:30 – 10am: First Year Student group photo MYERS HALL STEPS; RAINSITE: WEAVER CHAPEL

10 – 11am: Transfer student advising session SHOUVLIN 105
*Required for all transfer students. We want you to be successful, so get acquainted with Wittenberg both academically and socially. Learn about the resources available to help transition to Witt from staff from the Center for Student Success, and get to know some of your peers. **Non-degree seeking, one-year international students are not required to attend.**
*Required for all transfer students.

10am - noon: First Year Seminar ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS (check your booklet)
*Required for all first year students. All students who are registered for a first-year seminar are required to attend. Please make sure you come prepared with appropriate materials for an academic class.

Noon – 1pm: Lunch with your OAs CDR

1 – 2pm: OAs meet with students ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS (check your booklet)

2pm – 4pm: Resource sessions (unless otherwise noted, each area will provide three 30 minute sessions with 15 minute breaks in between)
Student Involvement LI ROOM, STUDENT CENTER
Fraternity & Sorority Life BLAIR 101
Student Employment ALUMNI ROOM, STUDENT CENTER
Career Services SHOUVLIN 207
Health Professions Options info session  BAYLEY AUDITORIUM, SCIENCE CENTER
Business majors information session  HOLLENBECK 217
Study Abroad  NESS AUDITORIUM, HOLLENBECK HALL  *one-hour sessions at 2:00 and 3:00

2pm – 5pm:  Take care of last minute necessities
Visit campus offices to get questions answered, play some FROLF, finish settling into your room, and enjoy campus. OAs are available to walk your class schedule with you.

5 – 6:30pm:  Dinner with your OAs and dessert reception at Dr. Helton’s home  CDR & BENJAMIN PRINCE HOUSE
Stop in and meet Dr. Helton at his home. Enjoy a W Cookie and the company of classmates, OAs, and First Year Seminar advisors. Before going to President Helton’s home, meet up with your group at the location designated by your OAs.
OA Groups 1-9 visit the BP House from 5:00-5:30pm
OA Groups 10-17 visit the BP House from 5:30-6:00pm
OA Groups 18-27 visit the BP House from 6:00-6:30pm

7 – 8:30pm:  Witt Olympics  HPER CENTER GYMNASIUM
Tiger Up as your team competes with other teams in fun physical and mental challenges from dodgeball and tug-of-war to Euchre and Sudoku! Find out what games you can participate in from your RA, wear tennis shoes and show team spirit by dressing in your team’s color. Face paint and team chants encouraged. Resident students meet in hall lounges; commuter students meet at Woodlawn Hall.

9:30 – 11:30pm: Casino Night (sponsored by RHA, Residence Life, IFC and Panhellenic)  HPER CENTER ARENA
Come have fun and win some amazing prizes! This program is sponsored by the Residence Hall Association (RHA), Residence Life, and Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council, the fraternity/sorority governing organizations.

Saturday, August 20

9am – 1:30pm:  Brunch  CDR
*For students participating in the New Student Service Plunge, it is highly recommended that you eat brunch before you meet on Alumni Way at 9:30am.

9:30am – 1pm: New Student Service Plunge  MEET ON ALUMNI WAY; RAINSITE: GEIL LOUNGE, STUDENT CENTER
Join your classmates as well as other students, faculty and staff in serving the Springfield community. Service experiences will include a variety of outdoor and behind-the-scenes tasks that help local non-profit organizations. The New Student Service Plunge is a time to have fun, meet new people, work hard, and serve your new community.
Transportation will be provided, be sure to have breakfast first! Space is limited. For more information on upcoming service opportunities, visit: www.wittenberg.edu/communiteservice. Sponsored by the Community Service Office.

9:30am – noon: Explore downtown Springfield  MEET AT THE STUDENT CENTER FLAGPOLE
OAs will walk with new students to downtown Springfield to explore the Farmer’s
1:15pm – 4:20pm: Rotating educational program **Meet your OA at 1:15 in your assigned classoom (check your booklet).**

“Not Without Consent” and “I’ve got your B.A.C.: Behaviors, Attitudes, and Choices.” Students will attend two programs during this block; both programs will allow students to explore the transitional social issues of alcohol use, relationship violence and sexual consent, and responsible decision-making.

Meet your OAs at 1:15 in your assigned classroom.

4:20pm – 5pm: OAs meet with students **ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS (check your booklet)**

5 – 6:30pm: Dinner with your OAs **CDR**

6:30 – 8pm: Theatre & Dance productions **CHAKERES THEATRE (next to Tower Hall)**

7 – 8pm: The Red/White Game **EDWARDS-MAURER FIELD**

Catch the Wittenberg spirit with an early-season football game.

9 – 11pm: Evening program: The Fil-Harmonic acapella group and outdoor movie (**Pitch Perfect 2**), sponsored by Union Board **COMMENCEMENT HOLLOW; RAINSITE: CDR**

Featured on NBC’s *The Sing-Off* and in *Pitch Perfect 2*, this Filipino-American acapella group exemplifies an urbanesque hip-hop sound combined with 90s nostalgia. Following the performance, enjoy a showing of *Pitch Perfect 2* under the stars.

9 – 11pm: Trivia and Game night **FOUNDERS AND DOPPELGANGERS, STUDENT CENTER**

Chemistry professor Dr. Dudek regularly hosts trivia during the academic year – he’s offering a sneak peek of trivia and other offerings in Founders, or enjoy pool, ping pong and arcade games in Doppelganger’s.

**Sunday, August 21**

10am – 1pm: Brunch **CDR**

11am – noon: Sunday morning worship service **WEAVER CHAPEL**

12:30 – 1:30pm: Sundaes on Sunday **ALUMNI WAY; RAINSITE: GEIL LOUNGE**

Enjoy some tasty ice cream and get to know student ministry leaders. Sponsored by Common Ground.

1:30 – 2:30pm: Celebrating our diverse community **ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS (check your booklet)**

2:45 – 3:30pm: Community expectations, exploring wellness resources **HPER CENTER ARENA**

3:30 – 4pm: Closing session and final meeting with OAs **HPER CENTER ARENA**

5 – 7pm: Dinner **CDR**
6 – 7pm:  Informal worship service & open house **NESS AUDITORIUM, HOLLENBECK HALL**
Half-hour informal worship followed at 6:30pm by a welcome and open house with campus ministries.

6 – 7:30pm:  Concerned Black Students barbecue **MCCLAIN CENTER FOR DIVERSITY**
Sponsored by CBS, all new students are welcome to learn about the organization’s mission statement and goals for the upcoming school year.

7:30 – 9:30pm:  Living in a Residential Community **RESIDENCE HALL LOUNGES**

9 – 10pm:  Catholic Mass with Father Ed Burns **WEAVER CHAPEL**