

Parent & Family Orientation Schedule

8:00am-9:00am Orientation Check-In

Assigned check-in location

• Check-in for the day, receive your assigned small groupings, grab light refreshments, and head to your orientation room!

9:05am-9:20am **Orientation Welcome**

Assigned Room (printed on nametag)

Kick off the orientation day with a virtual welcome from the President, Provost, and Dean of Students.

Presented by: President, Dr. Michael Frandsen, Provost, Dr. Michelle Mattson, and Dean of Students, Dr. Casey Gill

9:30am-10:30am Academics 101

A collaborative session between Academic Affairs and COMPASS: Sweet Success Center on the college transition, academic policies, requirements, processes and supplemental services that Wittenberg University offers to help students complete their degree. Participants will view virtually with live Q&A.

Presented by: Mike Mattison, Associate Provost, and Jon Duraj, Sr. Associate Dean of Student Success

10:30am-1:00pm

Grouped Sessions—

Sessions rotate every 45 minutes at 10:30am, 11:15am, and 12:00pm. *If a session is at capacity (greater than 10 people, please return for the next session*

Session 1: Residence Hall Tour

Meet on Alumni Way (outside student center)

Tour your student's residence hall Identify the resources on campus for residential students and how they can actively engage in the campus community.

Presented by: Residence Life RAs and Staff

<u>Campus Tour:</u> Meet on Alumni Way

Take a tour of campus and become familiar with your student's new home!

Session 2: Staff Panel

Alumni Room (student center)

Informal discussion from Wittenberg staff members about their belief in Wittenberg and how the staff member plans to support your student toward success.

Presented by: Wittenberg Staff Members

Bookstore: Visit the Wittenberg bookstore, located in the Student Center, and stock up on your Wittenberg gear, get textbook questions answered, and learn more about this support service. Please note: due to COVID-19 guidelines, a limited number of guests are permitted in the bookstore at one time.

11:00am-12:30pm

Lunch with Faculty

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Lunch is offered during your assigned lunch time of 11:00am, 11:30am, or 12:00pm. Your assigned time will be printed on your nametag.



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1:00pm-3:30pm

Parent/Guest Sessions

Room printed on nametag

Parents/Guest will remain in the assigned room, printed on your nametag, presenters will rotate between rooms every 30 minutes.

Session 1: Faculty Panel

Hear from faculty about the opportunities they provide for students to engage in the course content, as well as their expectations for students in their classrooms.

Presented by: Wittenberg Faculty

Session 2: Your Investment in Wittenberg

Learn about the financial aspect of your student's education at Wittenberg and get questions answered regarding financial aid, expenses, and payment options.

Presented by: Student Financial Services

Session 3: Athletics and Recreation

Learn about how the department helps student athletes and non-athletes in their competition or wellness.

Presented by: The Athletics Department

Session 4: Counseling and Parent Transitions

Learn about the counseling center services. In addition, how the role of parents/families is different now that a student is in college.

Presented by: The Tiger Counseling Center

Session 5: Letter Writing

College can be a big adjustment for your student. During this time, we encourage you to write an informal letter to your student that they will receive in the second week of classes. We have included letterhead and an envelope in your orientation folder. This letter could include your advice, reminders of the resources available, or simply some encouragement.

Non-presenting Services:

<u>Accessibility Services:</u> The Office of Accessibility Services will be available, located in the main lobby of the Student Center, to answer specific questions about Wittenberg's accommodations process and student support. Please stop by during the afternoon block!

<u>Bookstore:</u> The bookstore is open and available!

If you requested individual meetings with Financial Aid, Academic Support, Counseling, or Accessibility Services, these offices will be in touch with you within one week of your orientation session.

3:30pm

Identify a meeting location with your student and depart! Enjoy all Springfield has to offer, including a walkable downtown, and become familiar with your new home! Visit www.visitgreaterspringfield.com for visitor information!