MEET YOUR ORIENTATION LEADERS

Fall 2020
SOME STATS ABOUT OUR FALL 2020 ORIENTATION LEADERS...
Graduation Year Breakdown

- 2023: 64.4%
- 2022: 22.1%
- 2021: 13.5%
Returner Breakdown

- Returner: 13.0%
- Not a Returner: 87.0%
New Student Orientation

Academic School Breakdown

- Columbian College of Arts & Sciences: 53.9%
- Elliott School of International Affairs: 25.1%
- Corcoran School of the Art & Design: 1.7%
- GW School of Business (GWSB): 3.5%
- Milken Institute School of Public Health: 7.0%
- School of Engineering & Applied Sciences: 5.1%
- School of Media & Public Affairs: 1.1%
Location Breakdown

- **Northeast**: 40.7%
- **Southeast**: 26.7%
- **Midwest**: 15.1%
- **West**: 7.0%
- **Southwest**: 8.1%
- **International**: 2.3%
15 OLs lived on the Vern last year

Almost 18% of OLs are First Generation College Students

About 50% of OLs participate in Greek Life

Over $\frac{1}{3}$ of OLs are in special programs
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

OUR ORIENTATION LEADERS...
Aashiyana Patel
Major: International Affairs
Hometown: South Bend, ID
Fun Fact: "I did taekwondo for 16 years and I am a 3rd degree black belt"

Abigail Cate
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Hometown: Nashville, TN
Fun Fact: "I hope to one day hike all of the Appalachian Trail!"
Alex Tan
She/Her/Hers
Major: Graphic Design/Journalism
Hometown: Charlotte, NC.
Fun Fact: "I’ve memorized all of the Harry Potter movies"

Allison Itz
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Minor: Public Policy, Criminal Justice, and Communication
Hometown: Liberty Hill, TX
Fun Fact: "I prefer tea over coffee!"
Anna Adler  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Public Health  
Minor: Public Policy  
Hometown: Longmont, CO  
Fun Fact: "I’ve seen 50+ shows on Broadway"

Anushka Hassan  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Classical and Near Eastern Studies & Political Science  
Hometown: Houston, TX  
Fun Fact: "I have four cats!"
Arshiya Srivastava
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Minor: Human Services & Social Justice
Hometown: Singapore and Mumbai, India
Fun Fact: "I only eat nuggets in the shape of dinosaurs"

Arzina Lakhani
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs, Public Health Concentration: International Development
Hometown: Overland Park, KS
Fun Fact: "Every time I play MarioKart, I use Yoshi."
Beatriz Silva de Almeida Barros
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Hometown: Londrina, Brazil
Fun Fact: "I have the same birthday as my favorite fictional character, Percy Jackson <3"

Ben Levinson
He/Him/His
Major: Sociology
Minor: Spanish & French
Hometown: Baltimore, MD
Fun Fact: "I have run two half marathons."
Ben Theuma  
He/Him/His  
Major: Political Science & Sociology  
Hometown: Des Moines, IA  
Fun Fact: "I am a dual citizen of the U.S. and Malta!"

Brandon Hill  
He/Him/His  
Major: Political Communication, Human Services & Social Justice  
Hometown: Waldorf, MD  
Fun Fact: "My sun, moon, and rising are all Leo"
Brandon Lee
He/Him/His
Major: Exercise Science
Hometown: Newton, MA
Fun Fact: "My favorite superhero is Spider-Man, and my favorite utensil is a three-pronged fork."

Calista Amrell
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Minor: Economics
Hometown: Chiefland, FL
Fun Fact: "I did ballet for 8 years and taught classes at my local studio"
**Cameron Cayer**  
He/Him/His  
Major: International Affairs, Geography  
Concentration: Environmental Studies  
Hometown: Cumberland, RI  
Fun Fact: "I am really good at creating travel itineraries!"

**Cassandra Colaizzi**  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Public Health  
Minor: Linguistics and Political Science  
Hometown: Lincoln Park, NJ  
Fun Fact: "I once met Kevin Jonas in a bowling alley!"
Ceci Caputo  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: International Affairs w/ Security Policy  
Concentration  
Minor: Russian and GIS  
Hometown: Baton Rouge, LA  
Fun Fact: "I played beach volleyball in Moscow."

Yaanca Larame  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Exercise Science  
Concentration: Pre-Med  
Hometown: Spring Valley, NY  
Fun Fact: "I did stage crew in high school all 4 years"
Chinyere Munonye
She/Her/Hers
Major: Neuroscience
Hometown: Washington, DC
Fun Fact: "I relish writing poetry."

Chloe Olwell
She/Her/Hers
Major: Theatre and journalism
Hometown: Dedham, MA
Fun Fact: "I love the outdoors and spend a lot of time kayaking and hiking."
Chris Castelli
They/Them/Theirs
Major: Environmental Studies & Public Health
Minor: Sustainability
Hometown: Long Island, NY
Fun Fact: "I’ve been a member of APO Service Fraternity for the past 3 semesters."

Chris Johnson
He/Him/His
Major: Psychology
Hometown: Suwanee, GA
Fun Fact: "I’m a triplet and we don’t look anything alike!"
Claire Hardiman  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: International Affairs  
Concentration: Contemporary Cultures & Societies  
Minor: French  
Hometown: Albany, NY  
Fun Fact: "I went to high school with James Charles (and sister Ian), and I used to live in Edinburgh, Scotland!"

Dani Villardi  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Political Science  
Hometown: Melbourne, FL  
Fun Fact: "I ran into Cody Ko at target while shopping for a Harry Styles concert"
Delaney Lucas
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Tallmadge, Ohio
Fun Fact: "I have never eaten a salad before."

Eileen Cunha
She/Her/Hers
Major: History
Hometown: Lumberton, NJ
Fun Fact: "I am on GW’s Model United Nations Team!!"
Ella Schactman
She/Her/Hers

Major: Marketing and Finance
Minor: Graphic Design
Hometown: St. Louis, MO
Fun Fact: "I love sports and play lacrosse on the GW club team"

Ella Stern
She/Her/Hers

Major: Journalism
Minor: Political Science
Hometown: Pelham, NY
Fun Fact: "I saw John Mulaney and Pete Davidson live"
Elsie Bansal
She/Her/Hers
Major: Biology
Minor: Psychology & Anatomy
Hometown: Newport, RI
Fun Fact: "I was in the movie Moonrise Kingdom"

Emily Chee
She/Her/Hers
Major: Neuroscience
Hometown: Gaithersburg, MD
Fun Fact: "I have played piano since I was 5"
Emily Sullivan  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Biophysics  
Hometown: Suffern, NY  
Fun Fact: "ABBA was my number one artist on Spotify for 2019 (~70 hrs of just ABBA)"

Emma Stopek  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Political Science  
Minor: French  
Hometown: Cherry Hill, NJ  
Fun Fact: "First semester I broke my foot and got mono"
Erica Serrano  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Public Health  
Hometown: Washington, DC  
Fun Fact: "I was a part of my high school’s crew team!"

Erin Cierszynski  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: International Affairs  
Hometown: Aurora, CO  
Fun Fact: "I have hiked 414ers (mountains over 14,000 ft)"
Erin Tedtman
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs and Criminal Justice
Hometown: Cincinnati, OH
Fun Fact: "I have met Jade from Victorious"

Frederico Michelin
He/Him/His
Major: Sociology
Hometown: Queens, NY
Fun Fact: "Once upon a time I used to be youtuber :),"
Gabby Carmichael
She/Her/Hers
Major: Undecided
Hometown: St. Louis, MO
Fun Fact: "I played volleyball for 9 years and broke my ankle 3 times in 4 years"

Grace Tulley
She/Her/Hers
Major: Sociology & Public Policy
Hometown: Winfield, IL
Fun Fact: "I love the National Park Service and checking parks/historic sites off my bucket list!"
Greg Maddox
He/Him/His
Major: Political Science
Minor: History &
Women’s, Gender &
Sexuality Studies
Hometown:
Philadelphia, PA
Fun Fact: "I like cars.
Like a lot."

Julia Kestner
She/Her/Hers
Major: International
Affairs
Concentration: Latin
America
Hometown: Izmir, Turkey
Fun Fact: "I’m half-Turkish
and I’m the sole heiress
to a goat farm there"
Hannah Clayton
She/Her/Hers
Major: Organizational Sciences
Minor: Communications
Hometown: The Woodlands, TX
Fun Fact: “Texas runs deep in me.”

Hannah Krantz
She/Her/Hers
Major: English
Minor: Biology & Spanish
Hometown: Brookline, MA
Fun Fact: “There is nothing I love more than contemporary/modern dance and sitting in trees”
**Inara Valliani**  
**She/Her/Hers**

Major: Public Health  
Minor: Exercise Science  
Hometown: Atlanta, GA  
Fun Fact: "I’m a US and Canadian dual citizen, eh!"

**Intisar Diwani**  
**She/Her/Hers**

Major: Neuroscience  
Minor: Psychology & Biology  
Concentration: Pre-Med  
Hometown: Bowie, MD  
Fun Fact: "I’ve been to almost every beach on the coast of Zanzibar, Tanzania. Highly recommend for vacation!!"
Jamie Cohen
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs & Economics
Hometown: West Chester, PA
Fun Fact: "I was an adaptive ski instructor in high school!"

Jane Mahon
She/Her/Hers
Major: Criminal Justice & Psychology
Hometown: Belmont, MA
Fun Fact: "I've traveled to 4 countries in 7 days"
New Student Orientation

Jason Rosenberg
He/Him/His
Major: Political Communication & Art History
Hometown: Weston, FL
Fun Fact: "I have a secret talent of finding illegal bootlegs of Broadway shows"

Jazmin Larkins
She/Her/Hers
Major: American Studies & Art History
Hometown: Seattle, WA
Fun Fact: "Freshman year my neighbor and I (Mitchell Hallings) made a list of every GWorld vendor and rated all of them so if you need food recs I'm your gal!"
Jessa Davidson
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Concentration: Conflict Resolution
Hometown: Syracuse, NY
Fun Fact: "I was stung by a jellyfish when I was little in Myrtle Beach"

John Herin
He/Him/His
Major: Finance & Political Science
Hometown: Ft. Lauderdale, FL
Fun Fact: "I have a three legged cat"
Jud-Ann Geneus
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Hometown: Weymouth, MA
Fun Fact: "My go-to font is Caveat on Google Docs."

Julia Kerrigan
She/Her/Hers
Major: Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences
Minor: Linguistics
Hometown: Kansas City, MO
Fun Fact: "I’m on a mission to go to every stop on the WMTA."
Julie Apagya Bonney
She/Her/Hers
Major: Civil Engineering
Hometown: Austin, TX
Fun Fact: "I have over 21 Uncles and Aunts just on my mom’s side"

Justin Amrein
He/Him/His
Major: International Affairs
Minor: Economics and Mandarin
Hometown: Downingtown, PA
Fun Fact: "I would consider myself a soup connosuirre."
Kaitlyn Helt
She/Her/Hers
Major: Criminal Justice
Minor: Journalism & Law
Hometown: Lansdale, PA
Fun Fact: "I played the viola for nine years. side"

Kate Carpenter
She/Her/Hers
Major: Communications & Political Science
Hometown: Stillwater, OK
Fun Fact: "In 2019, I got trapped under Donald Trump’s armit #terrifying"
Katie Thompson  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: International Business  
Minor: Sustainability  
Hometown: Tampa, FL  
Fun Fact: "I get sick or hurt on all my family vacations (it’s sad lol)."

Kiandra Dezulma  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Exercise Science  
Concentration: Sports Medicine  
Hometown: Spring Valley, NY  
Fun Fact: "I’ve seen Dora the Explorer on broadway."
Laila Salaam
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Minor: Arabic
Hometown: Mount Laurel, NJ
Fun Fact: "I am super passionate about reproductive justice!"

Laya Reddy
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science and Music
Minor: Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Hometown: Phoenix, AZ
Fun Fact: "I’m a third degree black belt in Taekwondo."
Lex Levien
She/Her/Hers
Major: Undecided
Hometown: Long Island, NY
Fun Fact: "I’ve never been to Burger King. (Is it good?)"

Lindsay Haaker
She/Her/Hers
Major: Organizational Sciences & Psychology
Hometown: Livingston, NJ
Fun Fact: "I am obsessed with cupcakes and I always get one in whatever city I go to :)"
Liv De Lorenzo  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Psychology & American Studies  
Hometown: Scarsdale, NY  
Fun Fact: "I went to high school with the star of Stranger Things and have driven him home from a party!"

Louie Kahn  
He/Him/His  
Major: Political Science & Political Communication  
Minor: History  
Hometown: Burbank, CA  
Fun Fact: "I have been on CNN for 30 seconds."
Macy McClintock  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Journalism & Political Science with a Focus in Public Policy  
Hometown: Tampa, FL  
Fun Fact: "I accidentally ran into Alicia Keys in October and got knocked over"

Madeline Taylor  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Journalism and Mass Communication  
Hometown: Wheaton, IL  
Fun Fact: "I’m a member of the First Ladies dance team!"
Mallory Durkin
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Minor: Anthropology & French
Hometown: Washington Crossing, PA
Fun Fact: "I love public radio and co-hosted two shows on WRGW last semester!"

Marisa Lazarus
She/Her/Hers
Major: Physics
Hometown: Manalapan, NJ
Fun Fact: "My favorite game is catch-and-throw in U-yard."
Matthew Cox
He/Him/His
Major: International Affairs
Minor: Anthropology & French
Hometown: Washington Crossing, PA
Fun Fact: "I love public radio and co-hosted two shows on WRGW last semester!"

Meg Travis
She/Her/Hers
Major: Exercise science w/ Pre-Physical Therapy
Minor: Astronomy/Astrophysics & Psychology
Hometown: Kansas City, MO
Fun Fact: "I can do a 3-leaf clover with my tongue!"
Michelle Rechtman  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Communications  
Hometown: Marietta, GA  
Fun Fact: "I memorized 191 digits of pi in 7th grade"

Miguel Cardona  
He/Him/His  
Major: Political Science, Public Policy Focus  
Hometown: Newark, NJ  
Fun Fact: "I founded a non-profit organization when I was 12"
Morgan Miller
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Palatine, IL
Fun Fact: "I write children’s books for my job at school!"

Morganne Halpin
She/Her/Hers
Major: Biology
Minor: Psychology
Hometown: Toms River, NJ
Fun Fact: "I live ~5 minutes from the beach where Jersey Shore was filmed."
Nadia Linton
She/Her/Hers
Major: Biological Anthropology w/ premed
Minor: Biology & Music
Hometown: Rochester, NY
Fun Fact: "I've been to Madagascar to do Research with the Smithsonian. --( it was nothing like the movie unfortunately)"

Nammu Arumugasamy
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Minor: Criminal Justice
Hometown: Seattle, WA
Fun Fact: "I can say the alphabet backwards in less that five seconds"
Natalie Gadaleta
She/Her/Hers
Major: Exercise Science
Minor: Spanish
Hometown: Woodcliff Lake, NJ
Fun Fact: "I’ve been on the Womxn’s Ultimate Frisbee Team for the past 3 years!"

Paige Valego
She/Her/Hers
Major: Dance & Psychology
Hometown: Cramerton, NC
Fun Fact: "I used to do focus group testing for kids toys when I was little!"
Ricardo Flores
He/Him/His
Major: Religion & Biology
Hometown: Brooklyn, NY
Fun Fact: "I have been hit by a car but didn’t break a bone"

Riya Vashi
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science
Minor: Statistics and International Affairs
Hometown: Marietta, GA
Fun Fact: "I was born on Christmas Eve!"
Ryan Singsank
He/Him/His
Major: International Affairs & History
Hometown: Los Angeles, CA
Fun Fact: "I own part of a NFL team, the Green Bay Packers!"

Sara Bonfiglio
She/Her/Hers
Major: Criminal Justice & Psychology
Hometown: Rochester, NY
Fun Fact: "I once drove 5 hours for a Krispy Kreme donut!"
New Student Orientation

Sophia Halloran
She/Her/Hers
Major: Political Science w/ Public Policy Focus
Hometown: Wauwatosa, WI
Fun Fact: "I can kinda wiggle my ears"

Sophia Rubin
She/Her/Hers
Major: International Affairs
Hometown: New Hope, PA
Fun Fact: "I have 3 dogs!"
Talia Shapiro  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: Public Health  
Minor: Biology  
Hometown: Stamford, CT  
Fun Fact: "I’ve been a vegetarian for my whole life!"

Virginia Nault  
She/Her/Hers  
Major: International Affairs  
Hometown: Fall River, MA  
Fun Fact: "I was born in Hawaii and lived in the Middle East for three years"