Your Guide to New Student Orientation

Welcome to GW! As a resident of the Mount Vernon campus you are assigned the Vernies Track Schedule. This guide includes your schedule, session and event descriptions, and reminders. Please keep this on hand as you go through Orientation this week, August 22-29.

HOW TO READ YOUR SCHEDULE

- It is important that you follow the schedule provided for your track. Each track has a slightly different schedule.
- Attendance at Orientation events is mandatory (if you have to miss part of an event due to a COVID test appointment, this is acceptable).
- Please sign up for one excursion per District Connections time block on your orientation schedule. When you identify the excursion you'd like to attend, simply click "I will be attending" under the RSVP to Event section, and then click the blue button "RSVP to Event." You will be automatically registered for the event and receive a confirmation email.
- Event registration is first come, first served. Once an event reaches capacity it will be closed for additional registrations. We will not maintain waitlists for these events, but you are welcome to check back to see if cancellations have created open spots.
- Your registration here indicates to us that you plan to attend so we will reserve a spot for you accordingly. If your plans change, please cancel your RSVP by navigating back to the event and changing your response so that another student may attend in your place.

REMINDEERS

- Download the GW mobile app (https://it.gwu.edu/gw-mobile), click the Orientation icon, click View Schedules, and use the Filter feature to view your track schedule. This is where the most up-to-date information will be located during Orientation Week!
- Download the GET mobile app (https://dining.gwu.edu/) to see food options and all locations that take GWorld!
- Add your GW Engage unique QR code (event pass) to your mobile wallet on your phone. You will need this to check in to certain events!
- Keep your GWorld on you at all times!

In the event of inclement weather, changes to event locations will be communicated via the GW mobile app Orientation schedule and via GW email (as applicable).
ORIENTATION CHECK-IN
All first-year students will check in for Orientation when checking in for move-in.

IMPORTANT RESOURCES

ORIENTATION CENTRAL
You can find us from Sunday, Aug. 22 - Sunday, Aug. 29 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. in our Orientation Central Office located in the University Student Center (800 21st St., NW) in the Admissions & Alumni Welcome Center on the 1st floor.

RELAXATION ROOM, ROOM 403, (UNIVERSITY STUDENT CENTER, 4th Floor)
Available the week of Orientation (Sunday, Aug. 22 - Sunday, Aug. 29) from 8 a.m. - midnight. Need a break from the crowds and activities? Stop by the Relaxation Room to take a break -- do a puzzle, color, or use the space to relax and recharge.

GW POLICE DEPARTMENT
2145 G St., NW

COLONIAL HEALTH CENTER
University Student Center, Ground Floor
Phone: 202-994-5300 (24/7)

LOST & FOUND
Facilities Central, Support Building, 2025 F St., NW
First Floor, Suite 101
https://facilities.gwu.edu/lost-found
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 and SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Community Meeting
Meet your Community Coordinator, Neighborhood Team, and fellow residents while also learning more about your role and responsibilities in the residential community, important phone numbers, helpful resources, and tips and tricks for creating a great relationship with roommates and suitemates.

LOCATION

Your Residence Hall. See the email from your Community Coordinator for more details.

TIME

8 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Building Activity
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TIME

9 p.m.

Co-Curricular Programs: August 22-24
If you are participating in a co-curricular program: Adventure Bound, LEAD GW, Founding Scholars, GW Hillel’s Launchpad D.C., Institute for Citizen Leaders (ICL), SEAS New Student Getaway, University Honors Program, or Women’s Leadership Program, please refer to your program’s schedule for August 22-24 programming. You will receive more details from your program contacts in the coming weeks.
SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Military & Veteran Services (for military-affiliated students & their families)
Join members of the MVC team for an overview of GI Bill benefits, university resources, and staff members who work in direct support of the GW Military Affiliated Community.

LOCATION
University Student Center, 800 21 St., NW
1st Floor, Presentation Space

TIME
1 - 1:45 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Raise Up GW Community Fair (students & families)
Join our campus partners to learn how well-being plays an integral role in your success at GW during our community fair! Participants will learn more about the Raise Up GW initiative while entering to win prizes from the GW Campus Store!

LOCATION
University Yard
(U-Yard)

TIME
4-6 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Fireside Chat with Dr. Eve L. Ewing
Gather with your fellow peers to listen to remarks from Dr. Ewing, a Chicago-based sociologist of education and award-winning author of four books, most recently Maya and the Robot (July 2021).

Students in a co-curricular program, please locate your program below to find where you should go:
LEAD GW participants: University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Continental Ballroom
Founding Scholars participants: University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Room 301
GW Hillel Launchpad participants: attend with your residence hall, see below
ICL participants: University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Grand Ballroom
SEAS first-year students: University Student Center, 1st Floor, Betts Theatre
Women’s Leadership Program (WLP): Lisner Auditorium
University Honors Program (UHP): Lisner Auditorium

Students not in a co-curricular program, locate your residence hall or student population below to find where to go:
Commuter: Lisner Auditorium
Building JJ: Lisner Auditorium
District House: Lisner Auditorium
FSK: Jack Morton Auditorium
Fulbright: Jack Morton Auditorium
JBKO: Lisner Auditorium
Madison, Floors 1-4: University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Room 309
Madison, Floors 5-8: University Student Center, 3rd Floor, Amphitheater
Munson: University Student Center, 1st Floor, Presentation Space
Mitchell: Lisner Auditorium
Lafayette: University Student Center, 1st Floor, Betts Theatre
Potomac: Lisner Auditorium
Mount Vernon campus: Lisner Auditorium

LOCATION
Various locations based on co-curricular programs and residence hall buildings

TIME
7 - 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, AUGUST 23
If you are not involved in a co-curricular program on August 23-24, we encourage you to check out our How to DC series and attend sessions as your schedule and interest allows.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
VERN LIFE: MVC Pool Party
Meet other Vern residents, staff members who support the campus, representatives from RHA, and hang out by the pool. Enjoy snow cones and compete in games for prizes! Follow @gwmvc for more.

LOCATION
Mount Vernon Campus Pool
TIME
5 - 8 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

VERN LIFE: Field Day
Compete with other Vern residents in traditional field day games on the MVC Quad. GW swag items will be awarded to the winning team! The first set of games will run from 5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. and the second set of games will occur from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION
Mount Vernon Campus Quad

TIME
5 - 8 p.m.

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TIME
8-10 p.m.
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

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EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

District Connections: How To D.C. Experience ** Advanced registration is required.

Join upperclass student leaders in conversations and outings to help you learn the ins and outs of life in DC, from how to get to the grocery store and how to shop consignment to how to experience DC as a member of a particular identity or affinity group.

Registration is OPEN! Click here to register (go.gwu.edu/howtodc)

LOCATION
Various locations around the District of Columbia

TIME
All Day

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

International Services Office (ISO) Orientation

GW International Students! Upon your arrival at GW, we invite you to join the International Services Office for the in-person New International Student Orientation. Due to covid-19 safety regulations, in-person attendance is limited. The orientation session will be livestreamed for students attending virtually. Join the orientation session to learn how to maintain your immigration status during your time at GW and meet students from all over the world.

See email from iso@gwu.edu for details regarding the virtual option.

LOCATION
University Student Center
1st Floor, Betts Theatre

University Student Center
3rd Floor, Grand Ballroom
TIME
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
VERN LIFE: MVC Scavenger Hunt
Meet in Post Hall to join fellow residents in a scavenger hunt around the Vern and surrounding DC area. We will be using the platform, GooseChase where teams can log their completed tasks through snapping photos or taking videos. The top three teams who score the most points will be awarded prizes! This is a great way to meet new people and get to know the Mount Vernon Campus and DC area.

LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus
Post Hall

TIME
5 - 8 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Neighborhood Activity
Come mix and mingle with your Community Coordinator, Neighborhood Team, and fellow residents. This is a great opportunity to meet more residents across your neighborhood, ask questions about living on campus, and learn more about Campus Living & Residential Education opportunities.

LOCATION
Your Residence Hall. See the email from your Community Coordinator for more details.

TIME
8-10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Buff & Blue Kick Off
You are encouraged to bring your buff & blue spirit, and learn some GW traditions at this high energy kick-off event! You will be addressed by GW President Thomas LeBlanc, Vice President and Dean of Students Cissy Petty, and student leaders from the Student Association, Residence Hall Association, Program Board, and others.
LOCATION
Charles E. Smith Center, 600 22nd St., NW

TIME
10 a.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
How to Thrive at GW
Hear from current GW faculty, staff, and students as they share about the GW student experience. You'll get a glimpse into academic life, tips for getting acclimated and ways to get involved as you navigate this transition to our community.

LOCATION
Lisner Auditorium

TIME
11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
GW First-Generation Welcome Social (for first-generation college students)
Meet fellow first year and sophomore first-generation students, learn about important campus resources and programming, and get to know GW's first-generation student organization, First Gen United!
*Bring your lunch. Limited supply of snacks provided.

LOCATION
University Student Center, 1st Floor, Columbian Square

TIME
12:30 - 2 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Pre-Health Information Session
Interested in going to medical school, dental school, or another health professional school? Please join us for a Pre-Health Information Session! We will briefly review a variety of health
professional programs, example courses and timelines, recommended and required activities, and motivation for the healthcare field! This is the required first step in the pre-health advising process!

LOCATION

VIRTUAL SESSION

Zoom Link: https://gwu-edu.zoom.us/my/prehealthadvisor

TIME

1 - 2 p.m. AND 4 - 5 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Pre-Law Information Session (CCAS STUDENTS)
Interested in going to law school? Please join us for a Pre-Law Information Session! We will briefly address a range of topics ranging from exploring and preparing for law school and a career as an attorney, the skills required for law school, the practice of law, the law school application process, a brief introduction to the LSAT, the law school application timeline and the Pre-Law Advising resources available to the GW community. This is the required first step in the pre-law advising process!

LOCATION

VIRTUAL SESSION
Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6110089675

TIME

1 - 2 p.m. AND 4 - 5 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Pre-Law Information Session (ESIA STUDENTS)
Considering law school and a career in the law? Please join me for an Elliott School Pre-Law Information Session! I will briefly address a range of topics, including: your IA degree as preparation for law school, the skills required for law school, the LSAT and the law school application process and timeline, and the Pre-Law Advising resources available to you. This is the required first step in the pre-law advising process.
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Title IX
If you or someone that you know has been impacted by sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic and dating violence, or stalking, GW wants to get you the support that you need. GW's Title IX Office will describe the prohibited conduct definitions, consent, coercion, and the difference between intoxication and incapacitation. The Title IX Office will also cover important topics such as how to report, what happens when a report is made, and supportive measures that are offered fairly and equitably to those involved in a Title IX-related report. Finally, we will discuss the formal and alternative resolution processes and on and off campus resources for those impacted by these issues.

- West Hall: 1st Floor, Betts Theatre
- Somers Hall, 1st Floor rooms: 1st Floor, Betts Theatre
- Somers Hall, 2nd Floor rooms: 3rd Floor, Amphitheater
- Somers Hall, L level and 3rd Floor rooms and Clark Hall: 3rd Floor, Room 309
- Cole, Hensley, and Merriweather Halls: 3rd Floor, Rooms 301 and 302

LOCATION
University Student Center, 1st and 3rd Floors

TIME
2:30-3:30 p.m.

Go to the Vex Shuttle Stop after your session to head back to the Vern. Shuttle stop is located on 23rd St between H and G Streets.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Dining Food Festival
Enjoy FREE samples from GW Dining Partners + fun giveaways + coupons! Learn about the affordable, diverse, and nutritious dining options on and near campus.

LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus Quad

TIME
5-7 p.m.
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Orientation Leader Small Group Meeting
Get connected with other new students, debrief the day's activities, and get questions you still have about life at GW answered from your Orientation Leader.

LOCATION
Consult your Orientation Leader for your group's location.

TIME
7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
GW Late Night presents House Party
Celebrate your first week of college (on-campus) with a House Party hosted by the Office of Student Life! Presented by Make Party Movement, our House Party will feature live music, games, and prizes!

Note: no large bags will be permitted and no re-entry into this event.

LOCATION
Charles E. Smith Center

TIME
8:30 - 11:00 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Monument Walks
Enjoy an evening under the stars in our nation’s capital and explore the monuments by moonlight, led by Orientation Leaders.

LOCATION
Meet outside of the Smith Center, 22nd St. side.

TIME
11 p.m.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Healthy Relationships: Building a Community of Care
Everyone is deserving and worthy of having healthy relationships; whether that is with friends, family, romantic partners, classmates, or even yourself! The Office of Advocacy and Support will explore healthy relationships, consent, sex, campus and community resources, and ways to support one another in seeking healthy relationships. Note: If you are unable to complete this session for reasons related to trauma or past experiences, please reach out to Olivia Blythe at oblythe@gwu.edu.

LOCATION
VIRTUAL
Webex Link: https://gwu.webex.com/gwu/j.php?MTID=m8c472e971ea6ccbc75a2065c15215eb8
password: thursdaymorning

TIME
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Residents of Somers, Merriweather and Hensley Halls, head to the shuttle stop outside of Somers after this session

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
You Can’t Say that at GW! Or Can you?
Does GW support free speech? Who does “free speech” protect and who gets to decide? In a community as outspoken, active, and diverse as GW, these are challenging questions. Together, we’ll explore how GW considers these key questions and how you can navigate free expression on social media, in your classes, and with your new friends.
- Somers, Merriweather, and Hensley Halls: 1st Floor, Betts Theatre
- Cole and Clark Halls: Webex Link:
  https://gwu.webex.com/gwu/j.php?MTID=m4f11c2ecc466880a2dc388727844ef4c
  Password: RaiseHigh!
- West Hall: Webex Link:
  https://gwu.webex.com/gwu/j.php?MTID=m16d691a6fc3ea8739d4618ff03c76407
  Password: RaiseHigh!

LOCATION
In-person - University Student Center

VIRTUAL
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Black, Latinx, and LGBTQIA community sessions
Meet members of the Multicultural Student Services Center (MSSC) and learn more about these identity group communities here at GW.

LOCATION
VIRTUAL - TBA

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
District Connections: D.C. Excursions and Welcome Days of Service Experience
**Advanced registration required.
You will have the opportunity to experience the cultural and intellectual diversity of D.C., learn to navigate the city, and connect with their new classmates through excursions all over D.C. led by upperclass student leaders.

Registration is now OPEN! Click here to register! (go.gwu.edu/gwxdcvernies)

If you are participating in a Welcome Days of Service event, check-in is available from 12-2 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. in Kogan Plaza.

LOCATION
Various locations around our campus & the District of Columbia

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Lunch and Games on the National Mall
Celebrate the start of your GW career with a picnic and lawn games on an iconic D.C. landmark, the National Mall! This event will give you a chance to connect with your new peers and build community.

Orientation Leader Small Group Meeting
Get connected with other new students, debrief the day's activities, and get questions you still have about life at GW answered from your Orientation Leader.
LOCATION
Henry Bacon Ball Fields (corner of 23rd & Constitution Ave)

OL Meeting: see your Orientation Leader for details on meeting location & time on the Mall

TIME
4 - 6 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Varsity Student-Athlete Welcome Panel
Join a panel of current GW student-athletes, coaches, and athletic administrators to discuss the GW Athletic Experience. Food provided. For first-year and sophomore varsity student-athletes currently on roster only.

LOCATION
Charles E. Smith Center
Tin Tabernacle Room

TIME
5:30 - 7 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Virtual Org Fair
The Virtual Student Org Fair is an essential stop for new students looking to build community or get involved at GW! During the event, student organizations will host "virtual tables" which are online meetings or chats (Zoom, Webex, etc.). As an attendee, you can browse through the org "tables" and drop into a conversation at your convenience and then move on to another virtual table when you're ready.

LOCATION
Hosted on GW Engage - go.gwu.edu/gwengage

TIME
8 - 9:30 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Late Night at the Rec
Students will have the opportunity to engage in sample group fitness classes and explore connections with offerings from our club sports teams. Activities include a dodgeball competition for both first and second year students, music, esports, and all around fun!
LOCATION
Lerner Health & Wellness Center, 2301 G St., NW

TIME
8 - 11 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
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LOCATION
Meet outside of the Smith Center, 22nd St. side.

TIME
11 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Academic School Sessions
- **Columbian College of Arts & Sciences (CCAS):** Drop-in advising - virtual and in-person
  - In-person: Phillips Hall, 801 22nd St., NW, Room 107
  - VIRTUAL by POD:
    - POD 1 (Last Names A-G): [https://zoom.us/j/4221757733](https://zoom.us/j/4221757733)
    - POD 2 (Last Names H-N): [https://zoom.us/j/5407665613](https://zoom.us/j/5407665613)
    - POD 3 (Last Names O-Z): [https://zoom.us/j/8464025668](https://zoom.us/j/8464025668)
- **Corcoran School of the Art and Design:** locate your program on this [webpage](https://www.gwu.edu) for details on times and locations.
- **Elliott School of International Affairs (ESIA):** New Student Welcome
  Location: The Elliott School of International Affairs building, 1957 E St., NW, check-in with a team member in the lobby
- **GW School of Business (GWSB):** Getting Involved in GWSB
  Location: VIRTUAL, Link: [https://gw-edu.zoom.us/j/93986617175](https://gw-edu.zoom.us/j/93986617175)
- **Milken Institute School of Public Health (GWSPH):** Academics in Milken
  Location: Milken Institute School of Public Health building, 950 New Hampshire Ave., NW, check-in with a team member in the lobby
- **School of Engineering and Applied Science (SEAS):** First-Year Workshop | The Future is Yours
  Location: Science and Engineering Hall (SEH), 800 22nd St., NW, 1st Floor Studio Labs
LOCATION
Varies by school

TIME
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. for SEAS students

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

School of Media & Public Affairs: Orientation & Lunch
This lunch event will include SMPA professors, staff and fellow incoming first-year and transfer students. We will hold a brief orientation session to introduce folks at SMPA and give a rundown of events for our students to look forward to. We will then have lunch ready for the students where they will have the opportunity to eat and chat with other new students.

LOCATION
Media & Public Affairs Building
805 21st St., NW, Room B07 & Lower Lobby

TIME
12 - 1:30 p.m.
GW: The Series
GW The Series is a mock reality-TV show that depicts scenes from life as a college student at GW. New students will watch together in small groups and participate in a guided discussion, led by Orientation Leaders.

Topics covered:
- Balancing school and other commitments
- Alcohol and drugs
- Getting involved, staying connected, making friends
- Hazing
- Sexual Assault
- Food insecurity, different socioeconomic statuses
- Roommate conflicts
- Promoting inclusivity and appreciating differences

- Merriweather Hall - Ames B201
- Hensley Hall - Ames B205
- Somers Hall - Ames B101, B109, B112, B117 (you'll directed to your room by group in the lobby)

LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus
Ames Hall, B1 and B2 Level Rooms

TIME
5 - 6:15 p.m.

MVC Community Cookout
Join fellow Vernies for a community cookout on the main quad and informally meet the staff who will be supporting you through your first year. Residents of West, Clark, and Cole Halls should attend the cookout at this time.

LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus
Quad

TIME
5 - 6:15 p.m.
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LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus
Quad

TIME
6:30 - 8 p.m.

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- West Hall - Ames B101, Eckles Auditorium, Post Hall
- Clark Hall - Ames B205
- Cole Hall - Ames B201

LOCATION
Mount Vernon campus
Ames Hall, Eckles Auditorium, and Post Hall

TIME
7 - 8:15 p.m.
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Shabbat Dinner  (open to all students interested in attending)
Join GW Hillel for the first Shabbat on campus. Delicious food, great new friends, and a warm welcome to your home away from home.

LOCATION
GW Hillel Building
2300 H St., NW

TIME
7 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
GW Late Night presents Movie Night
Grab your GW blanket and swing by U-Yard to hang out with your new friends to watch a movie selected by all new and incoming students through a recent social media poll. Want to know what movie it is….you’ll have to come see for yourself. There will be snacks and chances to win prizes!

LOCATION
University Yard

TIME
9 - 11 p.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:
Monument Walks
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LOCATION
Meet outside of the Smith Center, 22nd St. side.

TIME
11 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28
If you are participating in a Welcome Days of Service event, check-in is available from 12-2 p.m. and 4-5 p.m. in Kogan Plaza.
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Opening Convocation
Join your peers in the ceremonial start of the academic experience, where GW faculty and administrators welcome the incoming class.

LOCATION
Charles E. Smith Center

TIME
10 - 10:45 a.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

How to Win at Conflict
Conflict can be scary but it can be productive. Conflict is a normal part of life, including life at GW. This session will give you tools for managing conflict effectively.

LOCATION
Lisner Auditorium

TIME
1 - 1:45 p.m.

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**(MAKE-UP SESSION)** if you missed your session earlier in the week, attend this virtual option.
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LOCATION
VIRTUAL

Webex Link: https://gwu.webex.com/gwu/j.php?MTID=me24b456f1ed5bfa82348780155f6023f

password: makeup
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

First Night
Welcome to First Night, an annual event that brings the GW community together in celebration of a new academic year. Explore the Foggy Bottom campus and enjoy some classic carnival games, inflatables, and food! You can also join the fun virtually through our First Night GooseChase for your chance to win big prizes like GW swag, bluetooth speakers, an iPad, and more!

LOCATION
University Yard

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

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LOCATION
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EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Dupont Farmers Market (Foggy Bottom campus neighborhood)
Check out the outdoor, Sunday farmers’ market offering local, seasonal produce, specialty foods & artisanal goods. The Market is open 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
LOCATION
Meeting location:
Foggy Bottom metro station

TIME
7:30 a.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

**Palisades Farmers Market (Mount Vernon campus neighborhood)**
Check out this grower’s only food market that provides seasonal produce, farm goods, flowers, baked goods and more! The Market is open 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

LOCATION
Meeting location:
Mount Vernon campus, Ames Hall

TIME
8:30 a.m.

EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

**How to Find Your Classes Tour**
Stop by the University Student Center (1st Floor) or the Mount Vernon campus fountain with your class schedule. An Orientation staff member will assist you in locating your classes, as well as give you tips for shortcuts through campus!

Meeting location for Foggy Bottom (FB):
University Student Center, 1st Floor, Outside Panera (1 & 4 p.m.)

Meeting location for Mount Vernon campus (MVC):
Fountain Outside Somers Hall (2 & 5 p.m.)

LOCATION
Foggy Bottom & Mount Vernon campuses

TIME
2 p.m. (FB)
3 p.m. (MVC)
4 p.m. (FB)
5 p.m. (MVC)
EVENT NAME & DESCRIPTION:

Trips to Target and Bed, Bath, and Beyond
Pick up last minute items before the school year officially starts!

Meeting location for both start times:
University Student Center, 1st Floor, Outside Panera

LOCATION
Foggy Bottom campus

TIME
11 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
2 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.