

# Fall 2023 Welcome Weekend Schedule

## Thursday, August 17

8 a.m. – Noon

**Residential Student Check-In and Move-In** — Residence Halls  
*Come to the welcome tent outside your residence hall during your assigned arrival window to check in and receive your Welcome Weekend materials and room key. Student leaders and campus community will assist with move-in.*

- 8 – 9 a.m. — Group 1: those who live >5 hours away
- 9 – 10 a.m. — Group 2: those who live 2 – 5 hours away
- 10 – 11 a.m. — Group 3: those who live 1 – 2 hours away
- 11 a.m. – noon — Group 4: those who live <1 hour away

Note these time assignments are to help alleviate congestion and provide you with a more positive and efficient experience. If you have a conflict with your assigned time, please arrive as closely as possible to it.

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**HICCUP and HICCUP Too Open** — Rader Student Center & Kinlaw Library

*Complimentary coffee is available at the HICCUP Too kiosk on the main floor of the library, and specialty coffee, shakes, and smoothies are available for purchase at the HICCUP Café in the Rader Student Center.*

9 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**Semester Check-in: Student ID, Financial Aid, Student Accounts, Health Services** — Kinlaw Library, Main Floor

**REQUIRED** for all students who did not attend an in-person Eagle Day or other Semester Check-in, but open to anyone with questions. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. Students, bring a government-issued photo ID.

Please come during your assigned window below to help alleviate congestion and provide you with a more positive and efficient experience.

- 9 – 10:15 a.m. — Group 1
- 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. — Group 2
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. — Group 3
- 1 – 2:15 p.m. — Group 4 & Commuters
- 2:15 – 3:45 p.m. — Late arrivals & Eagle Day participants with questions

9 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

**Beloved Class T-shirts, Photo Booth, Parking Stickers, Campus Employment, E-Campus Books, Eagle Outlet & Campus Post Office** — Rader Student Center

*ALL students, take a break sometime during the day to complete the following:*

- ☐ *Freshmen, pick up your Beloved Class t-shirt (and wear it to the President's Welcome)!*  
*(Sophomore & Junior transfer students will receive their class t-shirt at the Friday 11 a.m. class meeting.)*
- ☐ *Pick up your parking sticker*
- ☐ *Sign up to receive student employment paperwork*
- ☐ *Get information from E-Campus about ordering textbooks*
- ☐ *Receive your Campus Post Office (CPO) box assignment (commuters too!)*
- ☐ *Purchase some Asbury swag at the Eagle Outlet*
- ☐ *Get your picture taken at the photo booth!*

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**Complimentary Lunch** — Dining Hall

*New students and their families are invited to lunch as guests of the University. Please follow the assigned times below to help alleviate congestion.*

- 11:30 a.m. –Groups 1 & 2
- 12:15 p.m. –Group 4 & Commuters
- 1 p.m. –Group 3 & Archways

1 – 2:15 p.m.

**Commuter Student Check-in** — Rader Student Center

*Come to the designated check-in area to pick up your Welcome Weekend materials and visit other stations, then proceed to Semester Check-in (see above).*

2:30 – 3:45 p.m.

**President & Faculty Meet & Greet** —Miller Center for Communication Arts

*Students and their guests are invited to meet the President, University Pastor, and faculty members from each academic department while enjoying refreshments.*

4 – 5:15 p.m.

**President's Welcome** — Hughes Auditorium

*Students and their guests are invited to this welcome service with a keynote address by President Kevin J. Brown, followed by a time of prayer dedication.*

5:15 p.m.

**Transfer Student-Parent Farewell & Transfer Group Connection** — Reasoner Green

*Sophomore & Junior Transfer Students (Groups 21-22) and their families are dismissed to Reasoner Green to say farewell, then students connect with their transfer group leaders for dinner.*

- 5:15 p.m. **Beloved Class Photo & Freshman Student-Parent Farewell** — Hughes Auditorium Steps & Semi-Circle Green  
*Freshmen and Freshman Transfer Students (FYE Groups 1-20) will line up on the steps of Hughes for their class photo. (**Please wear your Beloved class t-shirt!**) Following the photo, students will say farewell to their families then connect with their FYE leaders for dinner and an activity.*
- 5:45 – 8:30 p.m. **Dinner & Activity with FYE Group** — Dining Hall
- 8:45 p.m. **Residence Hall Meeting** — Residence Halls  
*Mandatory meeting for students living in the residence halls*

## Friday, August 18

- 8 – 9 a.m. **Breakfast** — Dining Hall
- 9 – 10:30 a.m. **Language Placement Exam** — Classrooms  
*Taking a [Language Placement Exam](#) can be beneficial in advancing your academic progress in the Foundations requirements or majoring/minoring in a language, as well as saving you some tuition dollars. If you have previously studied one of the languages below, you should take the exam (if you haven't already).*
- Spanish — Morrison 206 (overflow in Morrison 205 & 202)
  - French — Hughes 141
  - Latin — Hughes 132
- 9 – 10:15 a.m. **Thriving at AU**  
*All students not taking the Language Placement Exam will attend their choice of two workshops designed to help them thrive at Asbury.*
- 9 – 9:30 a.m. — Session 1  
 9:40 – 10:10 a.m. — Session 2  
 10:15 a.m. — Move to Hughes Auditorium and sit with FYE group

Workshop choices (each will be offered twice):

- ***Be Immersed*** — Shaw 120  
 The Catalyst Center for Applied Learning offers many ways to make your AU experience transformative—from career exploration, internships, and Asbury Outreach Coalition to study abroad, travel courses, and cross-cultural engagement, this is what you need to know.
- ***Be Balanced*** — Miller Screening Room 311  
 College is an amazing time of opportunity, but it can also lead

to burnout, stress and overwhelm. Find out more about self-care and healthy choices from food to sleep to group support from our Center for Wholeness & Wellness staff.

- ***Be Known*** — Reasoner 214  
Ready to connect on a deeper level? Learn from Spiritual Life staff how opportunities like Gather, banded discipleship and small groups could shape your relationships. Also, hear about the Faith, Learning, & Experience (FLEX) program, including the chapel theme and additional FLEX opportunities.
- ***Be Involved*** — Jameson Recital Hall  
Are you ready to soar with all of the many ways to get involved in AU Campus Life? Hear about Class Cabinet, Student Activities, Student Government, Intercultural Life, Asbury Outreach, Intramurals and more.

10:30 – 11 a.m.      **Worship & Welcome**— Hughes Auditorium  
*Worship with other new and transfer students and get an overview of the Welcome Weekend schedule.*

11 a.m.– Noon      **Liberal Arts Session with Faculty** (Freshmen & Freshman Transfers) — LA 100 Classrooms  
*Freshmen and Freshman Transfer students (FYE Groups 1-20) will go to their Liberal Arts Seminar (LA 100) classroom to hear from faculty about liberal arts learning at Asbury and the LA 100 course.*

**Sophomore & Junior Transfer Student Class Advisor Meeting** — Kinlaw Library Board Room  
*Sophomore and Junior Transfer students (Groups 21-22) meet the Restored (sophomore) and Ignited (junior) Class Advisors.*

Noon – 1 p.m.      **Lunch with FYE Group** — Dining Hall

**Music Opportunities Q&A**  
*Music Dept. representatives will be at a table in the dining hall to answer questions about vocal/instrumental music opportunities.*

1:15 – 2 p.m.      **Academic Orientation** — Hughes Auditorium  
*Drop/Add dates, midterms, and academic policies are all important pieces of information you will learn about in Academic Orientation.*

2 – 4 p.m.      **Academic Advising** — Various locations  
*Meet with a faculty advisor from your area of study for guidance on finalizing your class schedule. Locations will be announced at the end of Academic Orientation.*

**HICCUP Beverage Break**  
*After completing your academic advising, stop by the HICCUP for a complimentary beverage, then enjoy free time until dinner!*

- 5 – 6 p.m.                      **Dinner with Resident Assistants** — Dining Hall  
*Residential students go to dinner with their Resident Assistant (RA) and other students from their hall.*
- Commuter Dinner** — Dougherty Room, Dining Hall  
*Commuter students, take your food into the Dougherty Dining Room (next to the main serving lines) and connect with the commuter advisor and other commuters!*
- 6 – 8 p.m.                      **Free Time**  
*After dinner, join others on Reasoner Green for yard games or meet the Tumbling Team in the Luce Center gym to jump on trampolines and an inflatable tumble track, meet new people, and have fun!*
- 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.              **Honors Program Welcome & Ice Cream Social** — Reasoner 317  
*For students participating in the AU Honors Program*
- 8 p.m.                          **Worship on the Green** — Reasoner Green (rain location: Hughes Auditorium)
- 9:15 – 10:15 p.m.            **Late Night Breakfast** — Dining Hall

## Saturday, August 19

- 8 – 9 a.m.                      **Breakfast** — Dining Hall
- 9 – 10:45 a.m.                **Community & Belonging at AU** — Hughes Auditorium  
*Meet members of the Student Life team and learn about Asbury's community.*
- 10:50 a.m. – Noon            **Campus Resources Tour** — Various locations  
*Learn where to find and get a brief introduction to offices you will interact with — Registrar's Office, Financial Aid, Center for Academic Excellence, Campus Safety, and more!*
- Noon – 1 p.m.                **Lunch with FYE Group** — Dining Hall
- 1 – 2 p.m.                      **University Assessments** — Meet at your LA 100 Classroom  
*Students will complete an important online assessment. Additional details will be provided prior to the event.*
- 2 – 4 p.m.                      **Asbury's Got Talent Prep Time**— FYE group meeting spot  
*Meet with your FYE group to prepare for the evening lip sync battle!*
- 4 p.m.                          **Optional Classroom Schedule Tour**  
*FYE leaders will give a tour of classroom locations so you can be prepared to find your classes on Monday.*
- 4 – 6 p.m.                      **Textbook and Package Pickup** — Campus Post Office, Rader Student Center, Lower Level

*Students who had textbooks or other packages shipped to campus may pick them up at the CPO, located inside the Eagle Outlet.*

5 – 6:30 p.m.

**Dinner** — Dining Hall

5 – 6:45 p.m.

**Equine Program Meeting** — Dining Hall Gray Room

*Equine majors will meet faculty and staff from the Equine Center for dinner and learn more about the program.*

7 p.m.

**Asbury's Got Talent!** — Hughes Auditorium

*Battle it out with other FYE groups in a lip sync showdown!*

**First Class** — Rader Student Center

*Enjoy desserts and some low-key get-to-know-you fun with other new and transfer students at your first official class event!*

## **Sunday, August 20**

8 – 9 a.m.

**Breakfast** — Dining Hall

Various times

**Worship at Local Churches**

*Meet at designated times/locations to walk or ride to local churches.*

Noon – 1 p.m.

**Lunch** — Dining Hall

1 – 3 p.m.

**Free Time**

3 – 4:45 p.m.

**Home Sweet Home** — Meet at FYE group meeting spot

*Gather with your FYE group at a faculty or staff member's home to become better acquainted with the Asbury community.*

5 – 6:30 p.m.

**Dinner** — Dining Hall

6 – 7 p.m.

**Honors Program Gathering** — Home of Dr. Paul & Cheryl

Nesselroade, 414 Akers Dr.

*Students in the AU Honors Program walk to the home of Dr. Paul Nesselroade, director, for drop-in fellowship and light refreshments with upperclassmen in the Honors Program.*

7 – 10 p.m.

**Welcome Back Bash** — Reasoner Green (rain location: Rader Student Center)

*Join with returning students to celebrate the beginning of a new year!*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monday, August 21

- 8 a.m. **Classes Begin**
- 10 a.m. **Academic Convocation Chapel** — Hughes Auditorium
- 9 p.m. **All Residence Hall Meetings** — Residence Hall Lobbies  
***REQUIRED** meeting for all residential students*

### Tuesday, August 22

- 11 a.m. – Noon **Commuter Information Meeting** — Reasoner 214  
***REQUIRED** meeting for all commuter students*

### Thursday, August 24

- 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. **Activities Fair & Picnic** — Semi-Circle Green  
*Enjoy a picnic dinner and visit booths of campus clubs and community organizations to see the many ways you can get involved!*