

Fall 2025 Welcome Weekend Tentative Student Schedule

Thursday, August 21

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.

• Assigned arrival times will be announced later this summer!

NOTE: All financial and Health Services requirements must be completed prior to moving in.

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 should attend if they come to campus with you. Students, bring a government-issued photo ID.

• Assigned times will be announced later this summer!

9 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.

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:

- □ Pick up your class t-shirt (Freshman Class, wear yours to the President's Welcome!)
- □ *Pick up your parking sticker*
- □ Sign up to receive student employment paperwork
- ☐ *Get information from E-Campus about ordering textbooks*
- ☐ *Get your picture taken at the photo booth!*
- □ Receive your Campus Post Office (CPO) box assignment. Commuters, you have one too! (lower level)
- □ Purchase some Asbury swag at the Eagle Outlet! (lower level)

11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. Complimentary Lunch — Eatery (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.

• Assigned times will be announced later this summer!

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, if not already completed (see above).

2:30 – 3:45 p.m. **President & Faculty Meet & Greet** —Miller Center for Communication

Arts, TV Studio & Greathouse Theatre

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. Renewed & Beloved Student-Parent Farewell & Transfer Group

Connection — Reasoner Green

Renewed (sophomore) & Beloved (junior) transfer students and their families are dismissed to Reasoner Green to say farewell, then students connect with their transfer group leaders for dinner and an activity.

5:15 p.m. Freshman Class Photo & Student-Parent Farewell — Hughes

Auditorium Steps & Reasoner Green

Freshman Class members will line up on the steps of Hughes for their class photo. (Please wear your Freshman Class t-shirt!) Following the photo, students will say farewell to their families then connect with their First-Year Experience (FYE) leaders for dinner and an activity.

5:45 – 7:30 p.m. Dinner — Eatery (Dining Hall) & Activity with FYE Group — TBD *Immediately following dinner, students will go to an activity with their*

First Year Experience (FYE) group. (FYE leaders will communicate

locations.)

7:45 p.m. **Residence Hall Meeting** — Residence Halls

Mandatory meeting for students living in the residence halls

7:45 p.m. Commuter Life Meeting — Rader Student Center, Lower Level

Connect with other commuters and the Commuter Life Coordinator

8:30 – 10:30 p.m. AU on Deck — Rader Student Center (STUCE)

Hang out at the STUCE and on the STUCE deck for music, food, and fun!

Friday, August 22

8 – 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

8:45 a.m. Welcome & Worship — Hughes Auditorium

Worship with other new and transfer students and get an overview of the Welcome Weekend schedule.

9:30-11 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 Kinlaw 121 (overflow in Kinlaw 122)
- French Hughes 141
- Latin Hughes 132

9:30-11 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.

Workshop choices will be announced later this summer!

11 a.m.

Meet FYE Group— Hughes Auditorium

All students return to Hughes Auditorium and find their FYE group for transitioning to the next session.

11:15 a.m.- Noon

Liberal Arts Learning at Asbury — LA 100 Classrooms

Students in FYE Groups 1-20 will go to their Liberal Arts Seminar (LA 100) classroom to meet their professor and hear about liberal arts learning at Asbury and the LA 100 course.

11:15 a.m.- Noon

Class Advisor Meeting — Kinlaw Library Board Room

Transfer students who have been approved for the LA 100 waiver will meet the Renewed (sophomore) and Beloved (junior) Class Advisors.

Noon – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch with FYE Group — Eatery (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.

1:30 - 2:15 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.

2:30 - 4:30 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.

Snack Break — Rader Student Center

After completing your academic advising, stop by the Student Center for a snack, then enjoy free time until dinner!

5 – 6 p.m. **Dinner with Resident Assistants** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

Residential students go to dinner with their Resident Assistant (RA)

and other students from their hall.

Commuter Dinner — Dougherty Room, Eatery (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!

6-7:45 p.m. Free Time

After dinner, relax in your room, continue unpacking, or join others

on Reasoner Green for yard games.

7:45 p.m. **Gather for Worship**

Residential students, meet your RA on your floor or connect with friends. Commuters, meet at the commuter lounge on the lower level

friends. Commuters, meet at the commuter tounge on the tower

of the Rader Student Center (by the Campus Post Office).

8 p.m. Worship on the Green — Reasoner Green (rain location: Hughes

Auditorium)

All students gather for this highlight of Welcome Weekend!

9:15 – 10:15 p.m. Late Night Breakfast — Eatery (Dining Hall)

Following Worship, students enjoy this traditional event!

Saturday, August 23

8 – 9 a.m. **Breakfast** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

9 – 10:45 a.m. **Student Life Welcome & 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 — Eatery (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 – 6:30 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** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

7 p.m. Asbury's Got Talent! —Shaw Collaborative Learning Center, Luce

Auditorium

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

First Class — TBD

Following AGT, 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 24

8 – 9 a.m. **Breakfast** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

Various times Worship at Local Churches

To visit one of the churches within walking distance, meet at the circular drive in front of Kinlaw Library at the designated time.

• List of churches and meeting times will be announced later this summer!

Noon – 1 p.m. Lunch — Eatery (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** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

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 25

8 a.m. Classes Begin

10 a.m. Academic Convocation Chapel — Hughes Auditorium

9 p.m. All Residence Hall Meetings — Residence Hall Lobby or alternate

location announced by your Resident Director **REQUIRED** meeting for all residential students

Tuesday, August 26

11 a.m. – Noon **Commuter Information Meeting** — Reasoner 214

REQUIRED meeting for all commuter students

Thursday, August 28

4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Activities Fair—Shaw Collaborative Learning Center Luce

Auditorium and Rader Student Center

Visit booths of campus clubs and community organizations to see the

many ways you can get involved!

Schedule is subject to change. Last revised: 3/28/25.