



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).
- Free Time**
After completing each applicable item above, continue getting settled or running errands as needed.
- 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) & Reasoner Green
Hang out on the STUCE deck with music, tacos, and Ale 8 as well as lawn games and volleyball on the Green.

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.

9:30 – 10:10 a.m. — Session 1

10:20 – 11 a.m. — Session 2

- 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 p.m. **Honors Program Welcome & Ice Cream Social** — Reasoner 317
For students participating in the AU Honors Program
- 6 – 7:15 p.m. **Free Time**
After dinner, relax in your room, continue unpacking, or join others on Reasoner Green for yard games.
- 7:15 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 of the Rader Student Center (by the Campus Post Office).
- 7:30 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 & Community at AU** — Hughes Auditorium
Meet members of the Student Life team and learn important policies for learning and living in the AU 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** — Shaw CLC Colonnade & Reasoner Green
Following AGT, enjoy frozen treats and some low-key fun as you get to know your class advisors, sponsors, and 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)
- 5 – 6:45 p.m. **Equine Program Meeting** — Dougherty Room, Eatery (Dining Hall)
Equine majors will meet faculty and staff from the Equine Center for dinner and learn more about the program.
- 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 25

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| 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
<i>REQUIRED meeting for all residential students</i> |

Tuesday, August 26

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| 11 a.m. – Noon | Commuter Information Meeting — Reasoner 214
<i>REQUIRED meeting for all commuter students</i> |
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Thursday, August 28

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| 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. | Activities Fair — Shaw Collaborative Learning Center Luce Auditorium and Rader Student Center
<i>Visit booths of campus clubs and community organizations to see the many ways you can get involved!</i> |
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Schedule is subject to change. Last revised: 6/23/25.