

## Fall 2025 Welcome Weekend 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.*

- 8 – 8:30 a.m. — Group 1A: those >5 hours away (last names A-K)
- 8:30 – 9 a.m. — Group 1B: those >5 hours away (last names L-Z)
- 9 – 9:30 a.m. — Group 2A: those 1 – 2 hours away (last names A-K)
- 9:30 – 10 a.m. — Group 2B: those 1 – 2 hours away (last names L-Z)
- 10 – 10:30 a.m. — Group 3A: those 2 – 5 hours away (last names A-K)
- 10:30 – 11 a.m. — Group 3B: those 2 – 5 hours away (last names L-Z)
- 11 – 11:30 a.m. — Group 4A: those <1 hour away (last names A-K)
- 11:30 a.m. – Noon — Group 4B: those <1 hour away (last names L-Z)

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.

**NOTE: If you have not been cleared by Health Services and Student Accounts/Financial Aid, you will FIRST need to go to the Kinlaw Library to meet with the appropriate staff. AFTER receiving clearance, you will be able to enter the move-in line at your residence hall.**

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 came to campus with you. 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 a.m. — Group 1A
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. — Group 1B
- 10 – 11 a.m. — Group 2A
- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. — Group 2B

- 11 a.m. – Noon — Group 3A
- 11:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. — Group 3B
- 1 – 2 p.m. — Group 4A
- 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. — Group 4B & Commuters
- 2 – 3:45 p.m. — Archways, late arrivals & Eagle Day participants with questions

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 (Known Class, wear yours to the President's Welcome!)*
- ☐ *Pick up your parking sticker (Bring the registration papers for your vehicle.)*
- ☐ *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.*

- 11:30 a.m. — Groups 1A & 1B
- Noon — Groups 2A, 4A & Commuters
- 12:30 p.m. — Groups 2B & 4B
- 1 p.m. — Groups 3A, 3B & 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, if not already completed (see above).*

**NOTE: If you have not been cleared by Health Services and Student Accounts/Financial Aid, you MUST meet with the appropriate staff in the Kinlaw Library. You will not be allowed to continue attending classes if these requirements are not met.**

### **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.      **Known 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 Known 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, Commuter Commons (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 (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 spiritual 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, Intramurals and more.

11 a.m.	<b>Meet FYE Group</b> — Hughes Auditorium <i>All students return to Hughes Auditorium and find their FYE group for transitioning to the next session.</i>
11:15 a.m.– Noon	<b>Liberal Arts Learning at Asbury</b> — LA 100 Classrooms <i>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.</i>
11:15 a.m.– Noon	<b>Class Advisor Meeting</b> — Kinlaw Library Board Room <i>Transfer students who have been approved for the LA 100 waiver will meet the Renewed (sophomore) and Beloved (junior) Class Advisors.</i>
Noon – 1:15 p.m.	<b>Lunch with FYE Group</b> — Eatery (Dining Hall)  <b>Music Opportunities Q&amp;A</b> <i>Music Dept. representatives will be at a table in the dining hall to answer questions about vocal/instrumental music opportunities.</i>
1:30 – 2:15 p.m.	<b>Academic Orientation</b> — Hughes Auditorium <i>Drop/Add dates, midterms, and academic policies are all important pieces of information you will learn about in Academic Orientation.</i>
2:30 – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Academic Advising</b> — Various locations <i>Meet with a faculty advisor from your area of study for guidance on</i>

*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 – 7:45 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 Commons on the lower level 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.

**Pizza Party** — Shaw CLC Colonnade & Reasoner Green (rain location: Rader Student Center)

*Following Worship, students enjoy a pizza party!*

## **Saturday, August 23**

8 – 9 a.m.

**Breakfast** — Eatery (Dining Hall)

9 – 9:45 a.m.

**Student Life Welcome** — Hughes Auditorium

*Get to know members of the Student Life team and how they can support you during your Asbury journey!*

10– 10:45 a.m.

**Community at AU** — Shaw CLC Luce Auditorium

*Required training on important policies for 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 listed below, meet at the circular drive in front of Kinlaw Library at the designated time.*
- 9:40 a.m. for Great Commission Fellowship (10 a.m. service)
  - 10:10 a.m. for Wilmore Anglican Church (10:30 a.m. service)
  - 10:25 a.m. for Mt. Freedom Baptist Church (10:45 a.m. service)
  - 10:40 a.m. for Wilmore United Methodist Church (11 a.m. service)
- 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 Nesselrode, 414 Akers Dr.  
*Students in the AU Honors Program walk to the home of Dr. Paul*

*Nesselrode, 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**

8 a.m.              **Classes Begin**  
10 a.m.            **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 CLC Luce Auditorium and Rader Student Center  
*Visit booths of campus clubs and community organizations to see the many ways you can get involved!*