Hampshire College Orientation

Family Program Schedule
THURSDAY
— AUGUST 31 —

7 – 9 P.M.  DESSERT RECEPTION
*Courtyard Marriott, Ballroom
423 Russell Street, Hadley*
Join President Jonathan Lash and Gloria Lopez, interim vice president for student affairs and dean of students, for some delicious desserts.

FRIDAY
— SEPTEMBER 1 —

8 A.M.–  KERN KAFÉ
5 P.M.  *R.W. Kern Center, first floor*
Stop by and pick up one of our delicious made-from-scratch blondies, breakfast pastries, soft pretzels, cookies, hand crafted sandwiches, or salads. Thirsty? We’ve got an espresso, latte, or daily-drip brew (hot or cold) just for you!

8:30 –  CHECK-IN
11:30 A.M.  *Franklin Patterson Hall, Lobby*
Pick up name tags and program.

8:30 A.M.–  FAMILY LOUNGE
5 P.M.  *Franklin Patterson Hall, Faculty and Staff Lounge*
At any time families can take a break, enjoy light refreshments, relax, check email, read Hampshire publications, or talk with staff and students.

9 A.M.–  DIVISION I: CREATING A STRONG ACADEMIC FOUNDATION
9:45 A.M.  *Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall*
What is Division I? How is an individualized academic program created by a student and supported by an adviser? What does the journey to academic success look like? Discover how students create their own programs of study from the people who provide support and guidance throughout the first year.
- Abbie Bevan 16F, current student
- Rachael Graham, director of central records
- Billie Mandle, assistant professor of photography
- Laura Melbin, associate dean of advising
9 A.M.—
9:45 A.M.  ACADEMIC PANEL: FOCUS ON TRANSFER STUDENTS
Franklin Patterson Hall, East Lecture Hall
Families of transfer students have their own set of questions and concerns: What is a Division II committee and how does a student get one? How do students transition to Hampshire’s academic style? Academic support staff will talk about how they assist transfer students and help families understand everything from evaluations to graduation.
• Jennifer Bajorek, assistant professor of comparative literature
• Anne Downes, senior associate dean of advising
• Mia Karnofsky 16F, current student
• Hannah Mazzarino, associate director of central records
• Pam Tinto, associate dean of students

10 A.M.—
2 P.M.  HAMPSTORE
Harold F. Johnson Library, lower level
Don’t miss Hampshire-imprinted clothing and gifts.

10 —
11:30 A.M.  FARM CENTER TOUR
Meet at Franklin Patterson Hall, in the Torrey Courtyard
Meet the farm staff and see the vegetable fields, barns, greenhouses, and pastured livestock that make up this vital part of the Hampshire community. Farm-friendly footwear is encouraged.

10 —
11 A.M.  SEPARATION AND TRANSITION WORKSHOP
Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall
What can you expect during your student’s transition to Hampshire? What transitions are common to all families and what else might occur? No matter what stage you’re in, come chat and laugh with the professionals from our counseling services as they help you prepare for this next phase of your student’s life — and of yours.
• Sara Aierstuck, director of health and counseling services
• Eliza McArdle, director of counseling services

11 A.M.—
12:30 P.M.  FIRST-YEAR TUTORIAL CLASS MEETINGS
Leaders will guide students to meeting places
Students join their academic tutorial professor for an introduction to the course and advising at Hampshire.

TRANSFER STUDENT GATHERING
Prescott Tavern, Prescott neighborhood
After meeting their transfer orientation group, students get to know other incoming transfer students at this informal social gathering Hosted by Associate Dean of Students Pam Tinto and the Transfer Life Program.
11–11:45 A.M.  THE NEW STUDENT EXPERIENCE  
Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall  
What happens outside the classroom? How are students supported in their adjustment to the residence halls? What opportunities do students have to build community and to get involved with classmates with similar interests? How will students find out about all of this? Staff on the front lines will answer these questions (and more) as they give you a sense of what to expect in your student’s first year.  
• Moderator: Melissa Mills-Dick ’01F, director of alumni and family relations  
• Gloria Lopez, interim vice president for student affairs and dean of students  
• Amy Parker, associate director of residence life and housing  
• Carolyn Strycharz, interim director of campus leadership and activities

11:30 A.M.–1:00 P.M.  FAMILY ORIENTATION LUNCH  
Franklin Patterson Hall, Faculty and Staff Lounge  
Pick up your bagged lunch, prepared by Bon Appétit, and enjoy it with new friends. Around campus there are several indoor places to eat or you can simply sit on the grass anywhere you choose.  
Note: At this time, your student will be participating in a discussion with faculty about the common reading.

1–2 P.M.  STUDENT AND FAMILY RESOURCE FAIR  
Longsworth Arts Village, under the solar canopy  
Where can students get involved? In what sports can a student participate? What on-campus activities, resources, and programs are available? Students and families can explore offices and meet staff from around the campus.  
• Alumni and Family Relations  
• Campus Leadership and Activities (CLA)  
• Campus Police  
• Career Options Resource Center (CORC)  
• Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA)  
• Civil Liberties and Public Policy (CLPP)  
• Community Partnerships for Social Change (CPSC)  
• Entrepreneurship Program  
• Critical Studies of Childhood, Youth, and Learning (CYL)  
• Culture, Brain, and Development (CBD)  
• Farm Center  
• Global Education Office (GEO)  
• Hampshire Fund
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

2 – 5 P.M.

New students participate in a conversation, facilitated by a member of the faculty, about academics at Hampshire and an overview of Division I. Transfer students will attend sessions specifically geared to their experience.

LEARNING, RESEARCHING, AND CREATING

2:15 – 3 P.M.

Harold F. Johnson Library, Airport Lounge

What do students do when they have due a research paper, project, film, art installation, or other academic project? How do students interact with source materials and create original content? Meet the professionals who help them with research and media production, using a wide variety of technologies and resources. Also learn about the academic services and peer mentoring in the library Knowledge Commons to support students.

• Rachel Beckwith, arts and access librarian
• John Bruner 94F, new media production technician
• John Gunther 84F P02, manager for advanced media
• Amy Halliday, gallery director
• Jennifer Gunter King, director of the library & knowledge commons
• Suzanne Karanikis, circulation supervisor
• Alana Kumbier, knowledge commons and humanities
• Heather McCann, science and assessment librarian
• Robin Potter, social sciences librarian
• Neil Young 94F, manager of media services
3:30 – 4:20 P.M.  
**R.W. KERN CENTER TOUR**  
*R.W. Kern Center, Lobby*  
Constructed to the rigorous standards of the Living Building Challenge, the Kern Center is a statement of Hampshire values. Learn how its net-zero, self-contained systems work and hear about the process of sourcing sustainable, local materials.

5 – 7 P.M.  
**DINNER**  
Families can eat in the dining hall (pick up meal passes in the Family Lounge) or take their students off campus.

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**STUDENT ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL AID, AND WORK-STUDY PANEL**  
*Franklin Patterson Hall, East Lecture Hall*  
What jobs are available on campus? Does your student have to apply for financial aid again next year? How do ID cards work? Hear from the staff of student financial services about what you should know to make paying bills and securing financial aid easier.  
• Janel Johnson, student employment coordinator  
• Jennifer Lawton, director of financial aid  
• Christine Speek, bursar
SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY & FRIENDS WEEKEND
— OCTOBER 20-22 —

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