Hampshire College Orientation

Student Program Schedule
[AT HAMPSHIRE] BROAD KNOWLEDGE WILL NOT COME PREDIGESTED . . . IT WILL COME AS A NATURAL CONSEQUENCE OF EXPLORATION . . .

From *The Making of a College*, by Franklin Patterson and Charles Longsworth, 1965
If at any time during orientation you are lost, uncertain of where you should be, wondering where your orientation group is meeting, or if you have any questions, please visit our ORIENTATION HELP DESK.

The help desk is located in the lobby of Franklin Patterson Hall and is staffed from Friday, September 1, through Monday, September 4, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
WE’RE GLAD YOU’RE HERE! Your journey at Hampshire begins with orientation, a time for you to learn about the College, meet new people, and settle in. The program you are about to take part in is designed to give you a sense of daily life on campus. Through performances, presentations, and a variety of activities, you will start to experience what it means to be a part of the Hampshire community.

Orientation leaders are some of your best resources on campus. They chose to be leaders because they want to help you as you begin to establish yourself at Hampshire — take advantage of that! Remember, they’re here for you.

As you participate in activities throughout the weekend, there may be times when you feel overwhelmed or uncertain. Keep in mind that orientation is only the beginning of your Hampshire experience. There will be many more opportunities over the course of the coming semesters for you to get involved and learn more about Hampshire. The office of new student programs will reach out to you throughout the year with information and resources to keep you aware and informed. In the meantime, ask questions, get involved, and enjoy!

Jessica M. Ortiz
Director of New Student Programs

Pam Tinto
Associate Dean of Students
9 A.M.–1 P.M. CENTRAL CHECK-IN
Robert Crown Center
This is where it all begins. When you check in, you receive your orientation schedule, your ID card, your keys, and important documents. Students and their families can speak with the staff from financial aid, student accounts, and the student employment offices at this time. Vendors are also available for those who want to set up a bank account or learn more about other services.

9 A.M.–3 P.M. MOVING IN
Residential houses
Once you have completed central check-in, head to your assigned house and move your things into your room. Orientation and residence life staff, who are wearing T-shirts with the orientation logo, are available to help you. Don’t hesitate to ask for assistance.

NOON–1:30 P.M. PICNIC LUNCH
Dining tent, lawn between the Lemelson Building and the Cole Science Center
When you’ve finished moving in, or if you need to take a break, stop by the dining tent for lunch. New students, families, and friends are welcome — lunch is on us!

1:30–2:20 P.M. THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM (optional)
Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall
Dive into Hampshire’s unique academic program, including the divisional system and the five interdisciplinary schools (areas of study). Hear about how you will be supported by the advising office, how narrative evaluations work in place of grades, and how to access courses at the other schools in the Five College consortium.

2:30–3:20 P.M. LIFE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM (optional)
Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall
Learn how we facilitate student growth and success outside the classroom. We’ll discuss housing, wellness resources, and services that support campus life. Learn how you can get involved with student groups, recreation, athletics, and programs we have designed especially for those new to Hampshire.

Please consult the Opening Day schedule for additional offerings this afternoon.
STUDENTS MEET THEIR ORIENTATION GROUPS

3:30 – 4:20 P.M.
Sidewalk between Franklin Patterson Hall and the Cole Science Center
Meet your orientation leaders and fellow group members for the first time! Your orientation leaders will be holding signs with the name of your academic tutorial (or transfer group for transfer students) — they will be lined up alphabetically. Forgot the name of your group? You can find it in your orientation folder.

WELCOME CEREMONY

4:30 – 5:30 P.M.
Event tent, library quad
All entering students, as well as their families and friends, are invited to join us as we kick off the orientation program. Speakers include President Jonathan Lash, Director of New Student Programs Jessica Ortiz, and other special guests.

DINNER WITH ORIENTATION GROUPS AND FAMILIES

5:30 – 7 P.M.
Dining tent, lawn between the Lemelson Building and the Cole Science Center
Introduce your orientation group to family and friends over dinner. Traveling solo? Join your fellow group members for dinner. Family and friends should plan to say goodbye to new students before their 7 p.m. residence life meetings.

RESIDENCE LIFE MEETINGS

7 – 8:30 P.M.
This required meeting, facilitated by your resident advisor, is an opportunity to meet and talk with your hallmates and to find out more about living on campus. Signs will be posted in your dorm hallways informing you of the meeting location. For students in the on-campus apartments (mods), the meetings will be in your area offices (see map at the back of the program for their locations). Living off campus? Join other off-campus students for a special meeting in the Roos-Rohde House.
Optional evening activities
Orientation and College staff hope you will join them for a night of fun events! All students are invited to attend any of the following activities.

**8:45 P.M.**

**FILM SCREENING: *THE PRINCESS BRIDE***
*Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall*
Ready to unwind after your first day at Hampshire? Join us for a classic fairy tale with swordplay, an evil prince, a beautiful princess, and, yes, some kissing. Have fun storming the castle!

**KAYAKING**
*Robert Crown Center, pool*
Try a kayak (wear a bathing suit!) and learn about our whitewater-kayaking opportunities. No experience necessary. Hosted by Glenna Alderson, Outdoor Programs, Recreation, and Athletics (OPRA) instructor.

**INTRO TO THE CLIMBING WALL**
*Robert Crown Center, gymnasium*
Put a leg up (or two) on the climbing wall and think about getting involved with rock climbing. No experience necessary. Hosted by Earl Alderson, OPRA instructor.
8–9:15 A.M. **BREAKFAST**
*Dining Commons*
Meet up with new friends and orientation staff for breakfast.

9:15–11 A.M. **ORIENTATION GROUP ACTIVITIES**
*Meet your leaders outside the Dining Commons (look for your group’s sign)*
Leaders have designed engaging and fun activities throughout orientation to introduce you to the College. If at any point you get separated from your group, visit the help desk, in the Franklin Patterson Hall lobby, and someone will get you back on track. The help desk is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day of orientation.

11 A.M.–12:30 P.M. **FIRST-YEAR TUTORIAL CLASS MEETINGS**
*Leaders will guide students to meeting places*
Join the professor of your academic tutorial for an introduction to the course and advising at Hampshire.

**TRANSFER STUDENT GATHERING**
*Prescott Tavern, Prescott neighborhood*
You’ve met your transfer orientation group — now 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.

12:30–2 P.M. **LUNCH**
*Dining Commons*

1–2 P.M. **CAMPUS RESOURCE FAIR (optional)**
*Longsworth Arts Village, under the solar canopy*
If you’re interested in learning more about campus offices, programs, and services, then visit the resource fair during lunch. Staff and faculty will be present with all sorts of helpful information.
2–5 P.M. **HAMPshire’S ACADEmic PROGRAM FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTs AND ORIENTATION GROUP ACTIVITIES**

*Check with your leaders for locations*

For part of this time, your group will participate in a conversation facilitated by a faculty member about academics at Hampshire, including an overview of Division I. The rest of the time is dedicated to group activities.

**HAMPshire’S ACADEmic PROGRAM: MAKING A SMOOTH TRANSITION AS A TRANSFER STUDENT**

*Franklin Patterson Hall, West Lecture Hall*

Join Anne Downes, the dean who advises transfer students in CASA, and Hannah Mazzarino, from Central Records, who coordinates the evaluation of students’ transfer work, for this comprehensive information session designed to introduce transfer students to Hampshire’s academic program. You will learn how your transfer credits will map on to the divisional system. **This is a required meeting for transfer students.**

5–7 P.M. **DINNER WITH ORIENTATION GROUPS**

*Dining Commons*

Have dinner with your group as you wind down after your first day of orientation.

5–6 P.M. **JEWHISH LIFE MEET & GREET**

*Merrill Student Life Center, living room*

Interested in learning about Jewish life on campus? Come meet some of the student signers for the Jewish Student Union. We will talk about resources on campus as well as what the Jewish Student Union does. You’ll also learn how Hampshire celebrates the High Holidays. It’s a Friday night, so we will be celebrating Shabbat as well. All are welcome. Hosted by orientation leaders Tess Greenwood and Soe Herman-Dunphy.
7:30 P.M.  

**OPTIONAL FILM SCREENING: I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO**  
Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall

In 1979, James Baldwin wrote a letter to his literary agent describing his next project, *Remember This House*. The book was to be a revolutionary, personal account of the lives and successive assassinations of three of his close friends — Medgar Evers, Malcolm X, and Martin Luther King, Jr.

At the time of Baldwin’s death in 1987, he left behind only 30 completed pages of his manuscript.

Now, in his incendiary new documentary, master filmmaker Raoul Peck envisions the book James Baldwin never finished. The result is a radical, up-to-the-minute examination of race in America, using Baldwin’s original words and flood of rich archival material. *I Am Not Your Negro* is a journey into black history that connects the past of the Civil Rights movement to the present of #BlackLivesMatter. It is a film that questions black representation in Hollywood and beyond. And, ultimately, by confronting the deeper connections between the lives and assassination of these three leaders, Baldwin and Peck have produced a work that challenges the very definition of what America stands for.

**Content note:** This documentary includes contemporary examples of racial tensions in the United States as well as archival footage of lynchings, murdered civil rights leaders, the KKK, police officers harming nonviolent protesters, and white supremacists chanting or protesting in favor of segregation.
8–9:15 A.M. **BREAKFAST**  
*Dining Commons*

9:15 A.M.–5 P.M. **OUR IDENTITIES, OUR COMMUNITY WORKSHOP AND ORIENTATION GROUP ACTIVITIES**  
Meet your leaders outside the Dining Commons (look for your group’s sign). Orientation leaders will provide you with your group’s schedule for the day.

For some of this time, your group will be participating in a foundational identity workshop designed especially for new students. As individuals, we bring a variety of identities to the Hampshire community, many of which take on new meaning as we immerse ourselves in our new surroundings. The workshop will help participants to better understand their own multitude of identities, the ways in which they intersect, and how they inform their experiences at Hampshire and in the United States. Participants will be introduced to behaviors that support dialogue in a diverse community, with the goal of empowering themselves and others to continue to engage in conversations about social justice, oppression, power, and privilege on our campus and beyond. Facilitated by the Design Studio for Social Intervention.

NOON–2 P.M. **LUNCH**  
*Dining Commons*

Times are staggered depending on your group’s schedule for the day.

5–7 P.M. **DINNER**  
*Dining Commons*
Optional evening activities
Orientation leaders and College staff hope you will join them for another night of fun events! All students are invited to attend any of the following activities.

7–8:30 P.M.  **THEATRE MEET & GREET**
*Emily Dickinson Hall, Main Stage*
Are you interested in participating in theatre, either academically or just for fun? We want to meet you! Come talk to returning students studying various aspects of theatre and meet other new students with similar interests. We’ll be explaining the structure of the program, our upcoming season, and the ways to get involved. No previous theatre experience is necessary! Hosted by orientation leaders Nat Gilsdorf, Allie Simard, Kaylie Vezina, Ezekiel Baskin, Samuel Edwards, Cat/Milo Bezark, and Andrew Shepard.

**NATURAL SCIENCE MEET & GREET**
*Cole Science Center, Room 101*
Are you interested in physics, biology, chemistry, and/or any variety of these? You’re in luck! Come meet with fellow science lovers. Ask some questions and get some answers. Hang out in the home of the natural sciences and get to know peers with similar interests! Hosted by orientation leader Avalon Mercado.

**PATCHMAKING & EMBROIDERY WORKSHOP**
*Roos-Rohde House*
Like patches? Want to make one? Come hang out with some of your orientation leaders and create an awesome thread artwork for your bag or clothes. This is an easy workshop even for those who have not made a patch before, so please join in! Hosted by orientation leaders Remy Swift and Emery Powell.
SATURDAY
— SEPTEMBER 2 —

7–8:30 P.M.  **DANCE PARTY MEET & GREET!**

*Music and Dance Building, Small Dance Studio, Longsworth Arts Village*

Do you like to dance? Are you interested in being a part of the Five College Dance Department? Please join us for a dance party and meet some fellow dance lovers and department members! Learn the basics of the department, tour the studios, ask lots of questions, and boogie with us! Fun dress-up items provided if you’re feeling it! Hosted by orientation leaders Tess O’Day and Makenna Finch and orientation coordinator Rachel Brimmer.

**SPIRITUAL LIFE MEET & GREET**

*Merrill Student Life Center, living room*

Do you identify as spiritual, religious, or simply curious? Are you interested in spiritual life on campus? Come for snacks and get to know kindred spirits. Students currently active in Spiritual Life at Hampshire will be there to talk about their experiences and answer any questions. Hosted by Spiritual Life student worker Dunan Herman-Parks.

8:30–10:30 P.M.  **ANNUAL ORIENTATION OPEN MIC**

*Prescott Tavern, Prescott neighborhood*

This open mic is an inclusive space for all artists of any skill level, whether you’re just beginning or are a master of your trade! Come play music, sign, read poetry, share a short story, or anything else! Electric and acoustic music welcome! Whether you’re a professional DJ or just learned to play guitar, we hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to showcase your art in a welcoming and supportive environment, meet other artists, or just listen and watch some really great performances! Hosted by orientation leader Rhys MacArthur.
DESSERT AND TED TALK WITH CULTURE, BRAIN, AND DEVELOPMENT

Adele Simmons Hall, lobby
What’s the CBD Student Group? Come find out! We’re watching a rad TED talk on culture, brains, and development and engaging in an informal, fun discussion, all while eating dessert! You don’t have to be “into” any sort of science to have a great time. Hosted by orientation leader Libby Parker.

LGBTQIAAP+ MEET & GREET(S)
Queer Community Alliance Center, Doughnut 4, Greenwich Neighborhood Center for Feminisms, Enfield Neighborhood
We will be holding TWO meet & greets, one in the Queer Community Alliance Center and one in the Center for Feminisms.

Queer Community Alliance Center (QCA)
Welcoming anyone who is LGBTQIAAP+ to mingle and meet up! Here, in the QCA, we will get to know one another through informal discussion over snacks and make some arts and crafts together! Join us for food, casual collaging, and good conversation. Hosted by orientation leaders Daya Mena, Samuel Edwards, and Emmett DuPont.

Center for Feminisms (CFF)
Welcoming anyone who is LGBTQIAAP+ to meet up, play games, and learn information! Here in the CFF, we will play get to know you games as well as board games. Enjoy snacks and get information on LGBTQIAAP+ happenings and resources. Hosted by orientation leaders Aidan, Alice West and Nyk Lifson.

SALSA RUEDA MEET & GREET
Roos-Rohde House
Ever wanted to try salsa dancing but don’t know the basic steps? Love salsa dancing and looking for a fun community? Want to eat some chips and salsa? Then come meet some dancers, learn how salsa rueda is a unique, social dancing experience, and have some fun! Open to students of all experience levels. Hosted by orientation leaders Daniel Van Note and Marta Anex-Schnauss.
SUNDAY
— SEPTEMBER 3 —

8–9:15 A.M.  BREAKFAST
Dining Commons

9:15–10 A.M.  GROUP ACTIVITIES
Meet your tutorial/transfer group leaders outside the Dining Commons under the corresponding group signs

10 A.M. – NOON  CONSENSUAL SENSUAL: SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND CONSENT
Robert Crown Center, gymnasium
Consensual Sensual: Sexual Violence Prevention and Consent is a powerful theater piece designed to educate and start dialogues about sexual violence prevention on our campus. The performance comprises a series of vignettes with examples of consent conversations, bystander strategies, and stories of support for both survivors and those who have perpetuated violence. These fictional stories are written and performed by Five College students. The cast and crew consist of sexual violence survivors, allies, consent educators, trauma counselors, and safer sex educators. Small-group discussions will follow the performance.

NOON – 1:30 P.M.  LUNCH WITH ORIENTATION GROUPS
Dining Commons

1:30–3 P.M.  ORIENTATION GROUP ACTIVITIES
Meet your tutorial/transfer group leaders outside the Dining Commons under the corresponding group signs
Spend some time with your group as we move toward the end of orientation and think about beginning the academic year.
Optional afternoon activities
You will be busy with classes in the coming days, so enjoy the opportunity to relax and participate in any number of these fun activities, organized by orientation leaders.

3:30 – 5 P.M.  WOODLAND ADVENTURE
Meet in front of the Cole Science Center
Join us for a fun afternoon as we let you in on all of the coolest secret spots, such as the prayer flags, the sideways trees, the spiral staircase, and the tree house. This is a great chance to meet other nature lovers and explore some of the best parts of campus that no regular tour will show you. It will also give you a head start on learning the trail system. Closed-toe shoes are recommended. Hosted by orientation leader Nyk Lifson and orientation coordinators Olivia Wargo, Rainer Bathum Nathe, and Rachel Brimmer.

FARM WALK
Meet in front of the Harold F. Johnson Library
Check out the Hampshire Farm on this awesome tour! Meet the animals, see the vegetable production, learn about our Community Shared Agriculture (CSA), and find out how to be involved with the farm. Hosted by orientation leader Amye Gulezian.

STUDENTS OF COLOR AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS MEET & GREET
Lebrón-Wiggins-Pran Cultural Center
Join returning students of color and international students and staff for an afternoon of low-key conversations and delicious snacks! Learn about resources and student groups, and let us answer your burning questions about social life for students of color and international students. This is a closed space for students of color and international students.
3:30–5 P.M. **REAL TALK**  
*Dakin Student Life Center, living room*  
Join us (and some yummy snacks!) for a relaxed, honest discussion about substance use at Hampshire. Learn the truth behind the myths. Get your questions answered about substance culture, resources, and how to stay healthy and responsible no matter what your personal choices are. Open to discussions about life as a substance-free student and as a student in recovery. All are welcome. Hosted by orientation leaders Emmett DuPont, Mac Dvorak, Ezekiel Baskin, and Spencer Johnson.

**DORM ROOM/LOUNGE DECORATION ARTS AND CRAFTS**  
*Merrill Student Life Center, living room*  
Does your room need a personal touch? Want to unwind after a long day? Join us in making crafts to decorate your doors, rooms, and lounges! Hosted by orientation leaders Daya Mena and Aidan, Alice West.

**EXPLORE THE ERIC CARLE MUSEUM**  
*Museum located near Bay Road entrance*  
The Eric Carle Museum of Picture Book Art encourages guests to explore the rich world of children’s books. Experience original picture book art created by Eric Carle and other renowned artists in three galleries, or have fun creating art in the hands-on Art Studio. Admission is always free for Hampshire students with ID!

5–7 P.M. **DINNER**  
*Dining Commons*

7–8:30 P.M. **MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS!**  
*Locations posted in residences*  
You saw a lot of faces on Thursday night at your first hall meeting; now this is your chance to get to know the people you will be living with. Your resident advisor will be hosting an informal social event, with food and fun guaranteed.
Welcome to Monday Funday!
Orientation leaders and College staff have planned a full day of fun activities for new students! Please consult the Monday Funday schedule in your orientation folder for a full overview of events.

8:30 – 10 A.M. BREAKFAST
Dining Commons

NOON – 1:30 P.M. LUNCH
Dining Commons

1 – 4 P.M. FIVE COLLEGE COURSE REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE
Central Records Office, Lemelson Building
To submit requests for Five College courses, check out the Five College Requests link under Registration on the Students menu of TheHub. If you have any questions about the process, feel free to stop by Central Records; staff will be happy to assist you.

5 – 7 P.M. BLOCK PARTY MEET & GREET!
Longsworth Arts Village, under the solar canopy
Join us for an evening of dancing and performance by local musicians! Dance or relax at a table while chatting with friends and enjoying delicious snacks. Hosted by Campus Leadership and Activities.

5 – 8 P.M. DINNER
Dining Commons
THE DINING COMMONS REGULAR DINING SCHEDULE BEGINS TODAY

The Dining Commons is open weekdays for hot breakfast from 7:30 to 9 a.m.; beverages and fruit from 9 to 11:30 a.m.; lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; beverages and fruit from 2 to 5 p.m.; and dinner from 5 to 8 p.m.

9 – 10:15 A.M. COMMON READING DISCUSSION WITH FACULTY

First-year students should consult with their tutorial faculty advisors about the location. Transfer students should consult their Hampshire email for the location of their discussion.

You’ve read the book, so what did you think? Orientation groups will participate in a discussion of the common reading, Ta-Nehisi Coates’s Between the World and Me, led by a faculty member (for first-year students, the professor of your academic tutorial). Be sure to bring your copy of the book with you.

10:30 – 11:30 A.M. CONVOCATION

Event tent, library quad

All students, faculty, and staff are cordially invited to attend the 2017 Convocation. We will celebrate the beginning of the academic year and welcome our new and returning community members through musical performances by Becky Miller, David Gibson, and students, as well as a dance performance by intern Jamila Jackson 14F and students.

First-year students will walk over to Convocation with their tutorial advisors after the book discussion. Please join us for this joyous event! Convocation will be followed by a community lunch on the lawn.

1 – 5 P.M. INDIVIDUAL MEETING WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR

First-year students should consult with their tutorial faculty advisors with questions about meeting time and location. Transfer students should consult TheHub for their assigned time and location to meet with their advisor.
STUDENT EMPLOYMENT MEETING

Franklin Patterson Hall, Main Lecture Hall

3:00–3:30 P.M. Students with last names A–L
3:30–4:00 P.M. Students with last names M–Z

All new students who have received work-study as part of their financial aid package must attend this meeting to learn about policies and procedures for student employment. You'll need to have two forms of identification with you: 1) a passport, a Social Security card, or a certified birth certificate, and 2) either your Hampshire ID or a driver’s license. **If you have a meeting with your advisor scheduled for a time that overlaps with this meeting, you should attend your advising meeting instead of this session.** You can set up a one-on-one appointment with Janel Johnson, the student employment coordinator, by emailing her at jjohnson@hampshire.edu.

THE DINING COMMONS WEEKEND SCHEDULE BEGINS TODAY

On Saturday and Sunday, the Dining Commons is open for continental breakfast from 9 to 11 a.m.; brunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. It is closed the rest of the day.
3–4:30 P.M.  **HAMPFEST**

*Longsworth Arts Village, under the solar canopy*

Hampfest is Hampshire’s student activities fair, always held at the beginning of each semester. It’s a fun and festive occasion providing student groups an opportunity to share their information and attract new members. Delicious snacks served! All students are encouraged to attend! Sponsored by Campus Leadership and Activities.

2:30–4 P.M.  **COMMUNITY CARNIVAL**

*Library Lawn*

Student Life and Academic Affairs creatively present their resources and activities to the campus in a fun, interactive way! Come learn more about student life and the many academic programs at Hampshire while enjoying games, food, and more in a carnival setting!

5–9 P.M.  **AMHERST BLOCK PARTY**

*Downtown Amherst*

This is a lively street fair with food vendors, multiple stages with music, dancing, circus performers, and vendors from many area organizations. The streets become a playground for all ages in this fantastic community gathering. The Amherst Block Party is an event you won’t want to miss! Bus service from campus to be announced.