This New and Transfer Student Orientation Program schedule has been carefully developed with Hampshire’s incoming students in mind. Thank you for understanding that changes may occur throughout the program. The Orientation staff will do our very best to communicate these changes to you. If you have any questions, please email newtohamp@hampshire.edu

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We want to begin by naming that we are on unceded Pocumtuc land. We understand that naming this is not enough - we’re doing this as a way of acknowledging and reminding ourselves about the land we occupy, and we know this act alone does not repair the damage done by colonialism. We want to acknowledge the Pocumtuc people, the original inhabitants of the land where we live and work, and the land that Hampshire College is on.

This land spans from what is currently known as Hampden and Hampshire Counties into Connecticut and southern Vermont. While there are still individuals with Pocumtuc ancestry here, the Pocumtuc people, as a tribe, are no longer here because of the ongoing violence at the hands of European Colonization. We’d also like to name the neighboring indigenous nations: the Nipmuc and the Wampanoag to the east, the Mohegan and Pequot to the South, the Mohican and Nonotuck to the west, and the Abenaki to the North.

What can we do individually and collectively to repair the harm done by settler colonialism? How can we build a right relationship with this land we have settled on?

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26 MOVE-IN & OPENING DAY

9 am - 3 pm  OnBoarding Testing - Robert Crown Center (RCC)
All New and Transfer Students must participate in testing prior to Move-In and Orientation.

10 am - 4:30 pm  Hampstore Open - Harold F. Johnson Library, lower level
Be sure to pick up some Hampshire swag while you’re here!

10 am - 3 pm  Move-In and Check In — Merrill/Dakin Pavilion
While students are moving into their assigned houses, family and friends can register or pick up materials for Family Orientation at the Family Relations table. Students will receive an orientation bag filled with essentials and goodies such as their OneCard Hampshire ID, keys, and more. Arrangements can be made if student residents need to move in at a later time or date.
11 am - 3 pm  Picnic and Hampshire Community and Information Fair (until 2 pm) The Lawn - Dakin/Merrill Quad
When you are finished moving in, or if you’d just like to refuel - stop by for lunch. New and transfer students, families, and friends are welcome. Everyone is invited to participate in a Hampshire Community & Information Fair. Take this time to speak with key staff members from student accounts, financial aid, and student employment and Student Life departments. Other highlights, flowers from the Hampshire Farm, Dee Jay, Photo Booth, and community vendors present for students to set up bank accounts or purchase an assortment of items. You are also welcome to rest and relax during this time.

3 pm - 4 pm  Continue to Rest and Relax
Take time to set up your room with your family and friends, enjoy a quick nap, take a walk, write, have some quiet time, or chat with new friends. This is your time to decompress and re-energize. Food trucks will bring dessert, and orientation leaders, residence advisors, and Hampshire staff and faculty will be available to assist you and answer questions.

4 pm - 4:45 pm  Orientation Check-In & Meet Your Orientation Leaders - Franklin Patterson Hall Front Entrance
New and Transfer Students need to check in at this time. You will receive your Orientation materials and goodies. You will also meet your Orientation Leaders (OLs) who will be hosting sessions with you throughout the next several days. Orientation leaders are returning students who are committed to helping new and transfer students make a smooth transition into Hampshire life.

4:45 pm - 5:30 pm  Pick up Dinner and head to the Harold F. Johnson Library Lawn
This casual meal with students and families is a chance for everyone to fill up, relax, enjoy, unwind, get to know one another and - if we are lucky - we may hear music piping out of the Yurt, where the student-run radio station is located.

5:45 pm - 6:50 pm  Official Welcome for the Fall 21 Class - Franklin Patterson Hall and Harold F. Johnson Library Lawn
All new and transfer students and their families and friends are invited to join Hampshire faculty, staff, and students in this official welcome. Students will be officially welcomed to the orientation program by Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, Fumio Sugihara, President Ed Wingenbach, Vice President for Academic Affairs/Dean of Faculty, Christoph Cox, and Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, Zauyah Waite. Other activities include a class photo, participation in a new Hampshire tradition, and an appreciation session honoring families and friends.

6:50 pm - 7 pm  Family and friends depart to reception with President Ed Wingenbach
New and Transfer Students meet with their Orientation Leaders

7 pm - 7:50 pm  Ice Cream Social - the Dakin/Merrill Quad
New and transfer student orientation group activities will take place over ice cream. Check in with your orientation leaders and meet your fellow group members

8 pm - 9:30 pm  Residence Life Meetings (residential students only)
This required meeting, facilitated by resident advisors (RAs), is an opportunity to get to know your neighbors and learn about living in the residence halls. The RAs are a helpful resource and provide support for students on campus.

9:30 pm - 10:30 pm  Chill Out with the RAs AND OLs (residential students only)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27  COMMUNITY BUILDING DAY

8:30 am - 9:30 am  Breakfast - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have your meal outside in the Quad
9:30 am - 11:30 am  Staying Connected & Student Groups @ Hampshire - Franklin Patterson Main, West/East Halls
New and Transfer students will be participating in small group sessions and learn about Staying Connected: Calendar of Activities, HampEngage, the Daily Digest, Important Announcements, social media, the president's office hours, the Dean of Students office hours, student government, and more.

Student Groups @ Hampshire: This session will be led by Campus Leadership and Activities and your orientation leaders (OLs) who will share their experiences of being members of student groups on campus. OLs will also share about key functions on campus that are operated by students: Mixed Nuts Co-Op, the radio station, The Omen literary magazine, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), the We Belong Project, and more. Staff members will also discuss Campus Activities and Leadership, the very successful HampFest, and other traditional events on campus.

11:30 am - 12:15 pm  Rest and Relaxation Time
Take a walk, write, have some quiet time, or chat with new friends. This is your time to decompress and re-energize. As always, orientation leaders, residence advisors, and Hampshire staff and faculty will be available to assist you and answer any questions you may have.

12:15 pm - 1:15 pm  Lunch - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm  Culture of Consent - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main, West and East Halls
Janeen Mantin, Hampshire’s Director of Prevention and Education will facilitate a session that focuses on building the essential relational skills of asking, giving, or denying consent in our romantic, intimate, sexual, and interpersonal interactions. The skills learned in the workshop can be applied to many situations and are essential in creating a consent culture on the Hampshire College campus. You will learn how we create a safe learning, living, and working environment for all community members.

2:30 pm - 3 pm  Rest and Relaxation Time

3 pm - 4 pm  Real Talk About Substance Use – Zoom & In Person: Franklin Patterson Main, West/East Halls
Janeen Mantin, Hampshire’s Director of Prevention and Education will facilitate a session about individual and community responsibility and accountability relating to substance use and culture on campus.

4 pm - 4:45 pm  Student Rights and Responsibilities with Greg Narleski, Director of Student Affairs
Safety & Security with Zach Parker-Mayforth, Interim Director, Campus Safety & Security

4:45 pm - 6:30 pm  Time with Orientation Leaders

6:30 pm - 7:45 pm  Pizza Party - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad

8 pm - 10 pm  Movie Under the Stars - Dakin/Merrill Quad

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28  ENGAGEMENT & SERVICE DAY

8:30 am - 9:30 am  Breakfast - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad
9:45 am    Hampshire Pictorial Tour with OLs
11:30 am   Community Service and Civic Engagement
Begin and End at the Solar Canopy. Get to know Hampshire via a pictorial tour with OLs. Then, let’s expand our knowledge about community service and civic engagement plus participate in an activity that will assist a community agency. Finally, you will learn how the Town of Amherst, Massachusetts, assists students with available community centers, resources and services.

12 pm - 1:15 pm  Lunch - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad

1:45 pm - 2:15 pm  Out & About in Amherst - Franklin Patterson Main, West/East Halls
Learn how to use the Five College Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (PVTA) and other buses to travel among the Five Colleges: Amherst, Mount Holyoke, Smith, and Hampshire Colleges, and the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm  Our Identities, Our Community - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main, West/East Halls
As a new and transfer orientation group, you will be participating in a foundational identity session designed especially for you. 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 surroundings. This introductory session will help participants 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. Students 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.

3:30 pm - 6 pm    Time with Orientation Leaders
Rest & Relaxation Time

6 pm - 7:15 pm   Dinner - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad

7:30 pm - 9 pm   Social & Recreational Time: Karaoke & Arts Table - Solar Canopy

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 WELLNESS DAY

10 am - 12:30 pm  Sleep In & Then Come By for BRUNCH - Dining Commons
Information about Eating Well and the Hampshire HampStore maybe available

1 pm - 2:30 pm   Fostering Social Well-Being at Hampshire with the Community
Advocacy Staff - Franklin Patterson Main, West/East Halls
Recognizing that students have multifaceted identities, the Community Advocacy group aims to create communities, spaces, and opportunities for the campus community to express, learn from, and value individual and intersecting identities. Learn more about the different offices and services of Community Advocacy and other resources on campus through this interactive body mapping activity. This activity will be facilitated by Hampshire staff who support the Center for Feminisms, Cultural Center, Spiritual life, Queer Community Alliance Center, Wellness Center, and orientation leaders.

2:30 pm - 4 pm    Time with Orientation Leaders
Rest & Relaxation Time

4 pm - 5:45 pm    Health and Wellness – Solar Canopy
Let’s talk about physical and mental health challenges for college students and how Hampshire shares resources and serves you in this capacity. This session will be led by the Student Health and Counseling Services, Outdoor Recreation Programs and Athletics (OPRA), and Wellness Programs. End with a walk to Health and Counseling Services.

6 pm - 7:15 pm  Dinner - Red Barn and Green Space

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm  Time with Orientation Leaders
              Rest & Relaxation Time

MONDAY, AUGUST 30  ACADEMIC DAY

8:30 am - 9:30 am  Breakfast - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have your meal outside in the Quad

10 am  Financial Aid and Student Accounts - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main,
West/East Halls
All new students will attend a brief session regarding billing, applying for financial aid for year 2, what does a hold on my account mean, satisfactory academic progress, and HEERF III funding.

10:30 am  Student Employment Meeting - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main, West/East
Halls
All new students who have received work-study as part of their financial-aid package must attend this session to learn about policies and procedures for employment. If you have not completed your tax forms I-9, W4, M4 after orientation please email Janel Johnson (jjohnson@hampshire.edu) to set up a time to bring your documents to the Financial Aid office. When you do so 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 your driver’s license.

11 am - 12:15 pm  Academic Program Presentation - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main,
West Halls
FIRST YEAR STUDENTS will attend a brief presentation about the academic program followed by a question and answer session in one of four smaller groups. Faculty and Deans from the Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA) will facilitate this session about intellectual life and the academic program at Hampshire, including an overview of the new Division I Program.
Roobela Cardenas, Co-Dean of Diversity and Inclusion
Christoph Cox, Dean of Faculty
Christina Cianfrani, Director of Teaching and Learning Initiatives
Cynthia Gill, Dean of Natural & Cognitive Science/Critical Social Inquiry
Michele Hardesty, Dean of Humanities and Arts
Amy Jordan, Co-Dean of Diversity and Inclusion
Monsita Moorehead, Assistant Dean of Advising
Laura Wenk, Director of Assessment

TRANSFER STUDENTS -  Zoom: Franklin Patterson East Halls
Transfer students will join Hannah Mazzarino, Associate Director of Central Records and Zena Clift, Senior Associate Dean for Academic Support and Advising, for this comprehensive and informative session designed to introduce transfer students to Hampshire’s academic program. Students will learn how their transfer credits will map on to the divisional system. This is a required meeting for transfer students. Please be sure to bring your laptop/chrome book/ipad.
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm  Lunch with Seminar Faculty and Academic Staff - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have meals outside in the Quad

1:45 pm - 3:45 pm  Academic Enrichment, Support & Resources - Office Visits and Introductions * Led by Orientation Leaders welcomed by staff at the location of the Academic Offices
Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS), Lemelson Building 110
Central Records (Registrar), Lemelson Building, 101
Center for Academic Support & Advising (CASA), Lemelson Building 106
Global Education Office (GEO), Adele Simmons Hall, 1st floor
Community Commons (CoCo), Community Commons (CoCo), Library 1st floor off Airport Lounge. CoCo staff will greet you in front of the Library.
Harold Johnson Library, Front Entrance, Meet at the Main InfoBar, Then visit Media Services, Airport Lounge (open 24/7), Study Space, Advanced Media Labs on the 2nd Floor and Basement
Duplication Center, Basement of the Library
Writing Resource Center, small, white, house-like building in between Emily Dickinson Hall and the Greenwich mods

4 pm - 6 pm  COMMON READ DISCUSSION - Meeting Location: Solar Canopy
All first year and transfer students are required to read Daniel Immerwahr's To Hide an Empire. Immerwahr explores the history of how the United States came to define itself, and the peculiar way U.S. political and military officials pursued empire building projects. By using a range of evidence, including historical maps, fictional novels, folklore, biographical narratives and archival evidence, Immerwahr explores how U.S. authorities came to define geographic areas as territories, or as having commonwealth status and what this meant for questions of sovereignty, citizenship and the relationship between race and empire. We ask incoming students to focus on the first half of the book which contains a compelling analysis of the technologies and cultures of imperialism that developed during and after the Spanish American War of 1898.

Please read the “Introduction: Looking Beyond the Logo Map,” chapters 1-11 and the “Conclusion: Enduring Empire.” As you read the range of examples Immerwahr examines, please select some cultural artifact, writer, political or resistance leader that you find particularly striking. Perhaps you will pick an author with which you are already familiar. Think about how Immerwahr portrays this figure or cultural material in a new light. Express your thoughts in a creative or written form, so that you can draw on it during orientation. You will have an opportunity to discuss this book with your peers during orientation.

6 pm - 8 pm  Athletic Meet/Greet
Open Practices / Introduction to Martial Arts
Cross Country Team Meet + Greet + Run: 6:30 pm meet at RCC Front Entrance. 20 min Q & A with Coach Eric Nazar and current runners on the team, then a 2 or 3 mile run around campus trails and the farm.

Soccer Team Meet + Greet + Open Practice
Meet at the soccer field (rain location RCC Gym) to meet coaches Amanda Surgen (Women’s Head Coach) and Megan Schuck (Men’s Head Coach). The coaches will share what it’s like to play soccer at Hampshire before beginning an easy going open practice.
Meet the instructor of martial arts, Samuel Kanner, for a tour of all arts offered at OPRA, including karate, aikido, kyudo, and more in the South Lounge of the Robert Crown Center (2nd floor behind the bridge cafe).

6:30 pm - 8 pm  Time with Orientation Leaders - Dinner from Amherst local eateries and dessert truck - RCC parking lot and grassy area
TUESDAY, AUGUST 31  ADVISING & COMMUNITY ORIENTATION DAY

8:30 am - 9:30 am  Breakfast - Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have your meal outside in the Quad

9:30 am - 10 am  Introduction To The Hub - Zoom: Franklin Patterson Main, West Halls
Rachael Graham, the Director of Central Records, will give an overview of the HUB and provide information regarding FERPA and access to student’s records.

10 am - 12 pm  Advising Sessions (times Vary)
Please check your Hampshire email upon your arrival and throughout Orientation for your assigned time and location for your faculty-advising meeting. If you have any questions, email advising@hampshire.edu. Orientation Staff and Student Leaders will be present to assist you in locating your advising time and share directions to your meeting locations.

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm  Lunch with Student Leaders, Student Government & FundCom – Dining Commons & Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have your meal outside in the Quad

2 pm  Hampshire Community Orientation 20201 - Tentative Locations: Solar Canopy, RCC, FPH Main Lecture Hall

5:30 pm  Book and Bell Celebration - Franklin Patterson Hall and Harold F. Johnson Library Lawn
Join President Ed Wingenbach, Hampshire staff, faculty, and special guests for a celebration that marks the official start of your Hampshire journey. New students will receive a bell that symbolizes the Div-Free bell (outside the library) which is rung at the completion of your Div III (campus lore warns against ringing the bell early). All faculty, staff, and students are invited.

6 pm - 7:15 pm  Fall Semester Kick Off Dinner at the Dining Commons and Dakin/Merrill Quad
All are encouraged to have your meal outside in the Quad. All faculty, staff, and students are invited.