



Warren Wilson COLLEGE

ORIENTATION GUIDE

FALL 2024



See you soon!

Welcome to Warren Wilson College!

This is an amazing time in your life, as you begin expanding your knowledge in and out of the classroom. You will learn more about yourself as you engage in your academic endeavors, your work crew, community engagement opportunities, student clubs, residence hall life, and meeting new people. At Warren Wilson College, you will challenge yourself to think critically and grow as a human through all of the wonderful experiences that you will have on our campus. We know you'll find a new home and belong in our wonderfully unique campus community!

New Student Orientation at Warren Wilson College will provide you with all the resources you need as you begin your journey as a Wilsonite. The schedule balances Academic, Community, and Social sessions with some large all-class programs and other small group activities in order for you to meet many of your classmates along with several upperclass students and staff members who will support you throughout your Warren Wilson journey! By the end of Orientation, we hope to answer all your questions, introduce you to our amazing community, and relieve some of your anxieties about starting college!

This guide serves as a resource as you pack and get ready to move to campus — what you should remember to bring and what will happen on that first day. We've enclosed our first day of the schedule for you and your family members. Orientation and transitioning to campus is a group effort, so bring your team with you — parents, grandparents, siblings, chosen fam, or anyone who truly has gotten you to this point in your life. We all get to celebrate this next milestone with you!

Finally, the full Orientation schedule will soon be available here: warren-wilson.edu/new-students. If you have not yet registered for orientation, please do so using the same webpage.



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We look forward to welcoming you to campus on Thursday, August 22, for Move-In and New Student Orientation!

COVID-19 Update

Face masks are optional for both indoor and outdoor spaces while on campus.

For questions about COVID policies, please reach out to Student Life at studentlife@warren-wilson.edu.

Pre-Orientation Programs

Please note that all students registered for Pre-Orientation Programs should plan to move in early on Saturday, August 17th. Check-In for Pre-Orientation will take place on the 17th from 1:00pm — 3:00pm.

What to expect when you arrive.

Unpack the car, find your room, meet new friends and families — Move-In Day is exciting! Let's talk about specifics of what you'll be doing on this special day. Students will check in with the New Student Orientation team and complete any remaining processes with Student Accounts, Financial Aid, and the Health Center. Once you have checked in, you will pick up your keys from Residence Life and be directed to a drop-off location near your residence hall.

Move-In crew volunteers will be there to help you get all of your belongings out of your vehicle. You will follow the move-in crew to your new room to unlock the door and unload. Your family in the car will then be directed to a parking space. Golf carts will be available to help families get back to the residence hall. We want to make this process easy. Returning students, faculty, and staff will be buzzing around all day. Please stop anyone in a yellow Move-In Day shirt, and they will be glad to help you in any way!

Your other important activities on that first day include turning in your Health and Immunization Form. The Work Program Office will hold sessions where you will need to bring your completed I-9 Form along with accompanying documents and state issued driver's license if you have one.

Students who register for orientation will be able to upload a photo for their WVC ID this summer before you get to campus! Skip the ID Center line on Move-In Day by registering for orientation at warren-wilson.edu/new-students and uploading your ID photo by August 1st. All other students will need to stop by the ID Center and get their ID made during Move-In.



Friendly reminder: If you haven't done so already, please be sure to pay your bill before traveling to campus.

WWC Orientation

Thursday, August 22

— Student Schedule

Activities highlighted in **BLUE** are mandatory.

Please note: Some event locations are subject to change. Students and families will receive digital access to the final schedule prior to arriving and will receive printed copies at Check-In.

8:15am — 12:15pm • Residential Student Orientation Check-In

Kittredge Theatre Parking Lot

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In order to create a smooth process for students and families during New Student Orientation Check-In, students were assigned an arrival time alphabetically based on last name. Please see below to determine your assigned arrival time.

8:15 — 9:15am: Last Name A — H

9:30 — 10:30am: Last Name I — N

10:45 — 11:45am: Last Name O — Z

11:45am — 12:15pm: Day Students (all students who are not living on campus)

8:15am — 3:30pm • Move-in and settle into your new room

Various Residence Halls on campus

Welcome to living on campus! Once you're cleared during check-in, Residence Life will give you keys to your new home.

9:00am — 2:00pm • I-9s and ID Cards

Kittredge Recital Hall (Tentative)

Each student is required to see the Work Program Office to complete work and tax forms (I-9). Please bring your original, unexpired documents — Either 1 List A document or 1 List B and 1 List C document (see page 12). **If you have a state issued driver's license, be sure to bring this with you, along with your other paperwork for Public Safety to keep on record.**

Gladfelter, Lower Level

If you did not submit a photo over the summer, be sure to head down to the mailroom in lower Gladfelter to get your College ID printed. The ID Center will be open from **9:00am — 4:00pm**.

Pro Tip: Deborah Braden is your source for academic support, tutoring, and more:

Deborah Braden, Director of Academic Engagement and Disability Access

Phone: 828.771.3791

Email: dbraden@warren-wilson.edu

10:30am — 12:00pm • Truist Session for International Students Log Cabin

A representative from Truist will be available to assist international students in setting up a FREE student account.

11:30am — 12:00pm • Disability Access and Support Meeting

Jensen Hall Room 113

A meeting for students and their family members who may be requesting academic accommodations. Individual appointments can be set up ahead of time or at the end of this session. Please contact Deb Braden at dbraden@warren-wilson.edu.

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4:15pm — 4:30pm • Family Farewell

Chapel Patio (Tentative)

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Students will meet with their Orientation Week Leader (OWL) and get to know their orientation small group! Small group information can be found on student nametags. Look for your OWL holding their group sign outside of the Chapel to get to know the rest of your small group peers!

5:30pm — 6:30pm • Dinner with Your OWL

Gladfelter Hall

Join your OWL (Orientation Week Leader) and small group for dinner in Gladfelter!

6:30pm — 7:30pm • First Floor Meeting with your Resident Assistant

Various Locations

Students will meet with their floor and building-mates, which will include connecting with their Resident Assistant (RA), a current student who is a mentor and guide for Housing policies and Residence Life. Students not living on campus will meet with their Orientation Week Leader.

7:30pm — 8:30pm • Group Socials

Various Locations

Transfer students, Gap Year students, and First Generation college students are invited to connect at several socials held around campus!

8:30pm — 10:00pm • Evening Activities in the Residence Halls

RA's in each residence hall area will have a variety of fun and engaging activities for folks to participate in! Venture around the halls to connect with your new classmates and enjoy the activities!

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Families will join members of the College administration for an informational session and Q&A time to hear more about the student experience at Warren Wilson. We look forward to being partners in supporting your students during their academic journey!

5:30pm — 6:30pm • Family Reception

Pavilion

Family members will have the opportunity to connect with staff and faculty during this time. Stop by the Family Weekend table to learn about the great activities we have planned!





Helpful Hints:

Here's a great resource that we encourage new students and their families to check out as a way to open lines of communication on a variety of topics that students may be confronted with during their college years. Check it out!

www.settogo.org

What to Bring:

Go to the following link to access a list of items that students should pack for college.

warren-wilson.edu/what-to-bring

Family Weekend! September 20-21. Registration opens July 15th

warren-wilson.edu/about/events/family-weekend/

Campus Map



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- BUILDINGS**
- Academic
 - Administration
 - Athletic
 - Campus Facility
 - Student Residence

- PARKING**
- Staff
 - Student
 - Visitor
 - Visitor & Staff
 - Handicap Parking
 - Emergency Tel.



Service Day

Community Engagement starts during orientation — nearly 300 WWC students, faculty, and staff will engage in service projects throughout the local community on **Monday, August 26th**. Bring your closed-toe shoes, water bottle, sunscreen, and can-do spirit! This day is an invitation for you to think more intentionally about your new community. You'll have the opportunity as a Warren Wilson student to delve deeper and learn about systemic issues affecting our local and global communities through your First Year Seminar, regular ongoing programs, break trip experiences, community engaged courses, and much more!

Your I-9 form is in this envelope! 

Don't leave home without it!

ID for the Work Program

Remember to bring your identification!

In order to participate in our Work Program, you must show us the following original, unexpired forms and documentation (no photocopies accepted) on the first day of Orientation, Thursday, August 22nd:

- I-9 Identification
 - One List A
 - or
 - One each List B & C

Bring copies to check-in, if you haven't already mailed them in:

- Final transcript with proof of graduation
- Official AP/IB scores
- Health and Immunization Form

LIST A – Documents that establish both identity and employment authorization

LIST B – Documents that establish identity

LIST C – Documents that establish employment authorization

If you have a valid state-issued driver's license, please bring it with you to Orientation. The College must keep a copy of your license on record, regardless of whether you are bringing a car with you to campus or not.



One of the things that we do best at Warren Wilson College is making sure that you have opportunities to orient yourself to campus throughout your first semester. Here are some of the highlights of your extended orientation, your first eight weeks of school:

On Campus:

- Video Game Tournaments
- Movie Nights
- Arts and Crafts
- Speakeasy Open Mic Night
- Club Fair
- Drag Show

Trips:

- Outdoor Excursions
- Blue Ridge Pride Festival
- Asheville Tourists Baseball
- Asheville Outlets
- River Arts District/West Asheville
- Downtown Asheville
- Black Mountain

Remember...

1. If you plan to bring a car to campus, be prepared to stop by the Public Safety Office during your first week on campus to fill out the Parking Permit Application and get your parking permit.
2. Remember to fill out your Health and Immunization Form and get your doctor to sign it! You need to be cleared by the Health Center in order to move in for Orientation.
3. Remember to check your **Warren Wilson email** frequently — that is our campus-wide form of communication, and you'll get lots of emails!
4. **STUDENTS** – If you would like to give your parents access to your billing and/or academic information (bills, grades, transcripts, etc.), go into myWWC and click the Billing & Aid section, then Parent/Family Access.





Here are some general notes:

Parking on Campus

All vehicles must have a parking permit by the first week of classes. To register for a parking permit, plan to visit the Public Safety office during your first week on campus to complete the application and get your permit.

Ordering Textbooks

All textbooks and other course materials are available only through the online bookstore. Remember to use the ISBN! Find what you'll need here:

www.warrenwilson.bkstr.com

Workout

DeVries Gymnasium is a great area to enhance your physical health by using the weight room, athletic courts, and fields. Every student is required to fill out the following liability form in order to access these facilities:

www.warren-wilson.edu/athletics-waiver

Your new address:

701 Warren Wilson Road • CPO _____
Swannanoa, NC 28778

Your specific mailbox number (CPO) can be found in your myWWC portal – give it to all of your family members!





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