2024 SPRING FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Please note that participation in all Orientation activities is expected and required for students in order for Orientation to be considered complete. Sessions marked with an asterisk (*) will be attended by both students and family members/guests. All of Orientation except lunch will take place in the Frank Porter Graham Student Union.

8:15AM* PARKING OPENS in the Rams Head Parking Deck

8:30-9:35AM* CHECK-IN in the West Lounge, Frank Porter Graham (FPG) Student Union | All students and any family members who have registered to attend the session or who wish to register on site pick up their name tags and collect program materials. Reminder: orientation is mandatory for all students and optional for family members.

9:45-10:15AM* THRIVE @ CAROLINA in the Great Hall | Join other new students and families to learn about what to expect from your Orientation and how to best prepare to thrive at Carolina.

10:15-10:45AM* PROFESSOR’S PERSPECTIVE in the Great Hall | A Carolina faculty member will discuss expectations for the Carolina classroom and strategies to facilitate student success.

10:55-11:05AM NSFP: YOUR OFFICE ON CAMPUS in the Great Hall | New Student and Family Programs partners with undergraduate families during a student’s entire time at Carolina. Learn about the ways we support families and support student success through our programming, communications, and engagement opportunities.

11:05-11:30AM PARTNERS IN TRANSITION Part I in the Great Hall | Senior leadership from Student Affairs will discuss ways in which you can partner with Carolina to support your student towards graduation.

11:30-11:50AM ACADEMIC ADVISING in the Great Hall | Gain insight on the Academic Advising Program with an overview of academic expectations, the undergraduate curriculum, and students’ academic responsibilities.

11:50AM-12:10PM ACADEMIC SUCCESS in the Great Hall | Learn how to support your student’s academic excellence. The Center for Student Success will offer insight on how to help your student take advantage of resources at Carolina to develop helpful habits, lower their stress, and meet their academic goals.

12:15-1:15PM LUNCH at the Top of Lenoir Dining Hall

1:20-1:40PM FAMILY SMALL GROUP in various locations | Connect with other Carolina family members in a discussion led by Family Orientation Leaders (FOLs) about how to best support your student as you navigate this new college experience together.

1:50-2:20PM* HEALTHY HEELS - COMMUNITY OF CARE in the Great Hall | The health & mental health of your student is critical to their success at Carolina. Learn about the resources available to your student, what is covered under the Campus Health fee, which insurance plans are in network, and more.
CAROLINA READY: CAMPUS PREPAREDNESS AND SAFETY in the Great Hall | Education and awareness is a critical element of promoting campus safety and proper implementation of crisis and emergency response plans. The Office of the Dean of Students and leaders from Risk Management and Campus Safety departments explain Alert Carolina, safe transportation, methods for reporting concerns, and other valuable resources for practicing safety on campus.

PARTNERS IN TRANSITION Part II in the Auditorium | An overview of pertinent policies that set the expectations for student behavior at Carolina. Presenters will also review available campus resources that support student well-being success. Strategies and tips will be provided for engaging with your student about making responsible decisions around alcohol, personal conduct, and campus resource utilization.

INFORMATION FAIR in Union Art Gallery & West Lounge | Information tables from various campus offices and partners will be available for consultation and to answer questions.

INTEREST SESSION BLOCK 1 | See below for sessions and descriptions.

INTEREST SESSION BLOCK 2 | See below for sessions and descriptions.

INTEREST SESSIONS

All student athletes must attend the Student Athlete session listed below. This will span both interest session time blocks from 4:20-5:20pm and is only for Student Athletes.

Academic Support at Carolina for the Varsity Student-Athlete in Auditorium | Carolina varsity student-athletes must attend this session to learn valuable academic information. Parents of Carolina varsity student-athletes are invited to listen to this student-centered presentation.

Find Your Heel Print: Student Life and Leadership in Great Hall | Student Life and Leadership is here to help connect you to student organizations and leadership development opportunities. Hear from current students about how they navigated their experience at UNC and learn about the many ways you can make your mark at Carolina.

Student Billing in Union 3409 | The Office of the University Cashier will provide basic information about Student Accounts & Billing, Authorized Users, Financial Aid Deferments, Payment Options, and Refunds.