

ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

ALL EVENTS IN PURPLE ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW STUDENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30 am-12:30 pm | Residential Students Check-In

Grand Island, Sullivan, Collier Baker, Kroske, Burgess, North Halls

All new residential students will check in at their assigned residence hall to pick up their Move-In and Orientation Packets. **Please arrive during your time slot to help avoid traffic and congestion.**

- 8:30-9:30 am Room numbers ending in 0, 1 and 2
- 9:30-10:30 am Room numbers ending in 3 and 4
- 10:30-11:30 am Room numbers ending in 5 and 6
- 11:30 am-12:30 pm Room numbers ending in 7, 8 and 9

9:00 am-2:00 pm | One Stop Info Stations

Get your questions answered or complete any paperwork by representatives from various campus offices and resources before the fall semester.

- Welcome & Info Station | McDonald Center, Ward Lobby
- Information Technology | McDonald Center, Ward Lobby
- Student Accounts | McDonald Center Conference Room
 - **Please do not wait until 1:30 to visit this office. Arrive early and complete as soon as possible.**
- Financial Aid | McDonald Center, Admissions & Financial Aid Suite
- Learning Accommodations | 10 am-2 pm | McDonald Center, Academic Success Center
- Work Study Employment | Jordan Hall 205
- ID Card Pictures & Parking Tags | Campus Safety & Security Office, Mears Library
- Mears Library Open | Mears Library

9:00 am-6:00 pm | Cougar Central Open | Lower Level, McDonald Center

Grab some USF gear or any last-minute school supplies.



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10:00 am-1:30 pm | Coffee Truck Open
Library Parking Lot

10 am-6 pm | Cooper's Cafe Open
Cooper's Cafe, McDonald Center

11:00 am-1:30 pm | Food Truck Lunch
Quad Circular Drive

New students, their families, and guests are invited to purchase lunch at one of the food trucks.

12:00-2:00 pm | New First-Year Commuter Students & New Transfer Commuter Students + Football, Volleyball, Cross Country, and Soccer Athletes Check-In for Orientation

Ward Lobby, McDonald Center

To ensure that you are fully registered and ready to start the year, we've arranged this time frame for you to connect with different offices. You are also more than welcome to purchase a meal at one of the food trucks on campus. Please remain on campus for the Welcome Ceremony & Orientation Kickoff.

2:00-3:00 pm | USF Welcome Ceremony & Orientation Kickoff

Jeschke Fine Arts Center, Meredith Auditorium

All new students, their families, and guests will hear from Allan Idjao, Associate Director of Student Life, Abby Knobloch, Student Body Co-President, Brett Bradfield, USF President, and Joe Obermueller, Vice President of Academic Affairs, and the Campus Pastor as they welcome you into the Cougar family.

3:00-5:00 pm | Orientation Session 1 + First SDV Group Meeting

Jeschke Fine Arts Center, Meredith Auditorium

All new students will be attending their first orientation session. This session will be a deep dive into additional campus resources, hearing from current students about their USF experience, and meeting your Orientation/SDV group for the first time.



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3:00-5:00 pm | Shopping Trips for Parents

Need some last-minute items or a care package for your student? Take this time to head over to Costco, Sam's Club, Target, or Walmart. Or stay on campus and hang out at Cooper's Cafe for drinks and snacks.

5:00-6:30 pm | President's Welcome Dinner

Dining Hall & Cooper's Cafe

Enjoy a free meal with great company and conversations. Multiple buffet tables will be in the Dining Hall and downstairs in Cooper's. Tables and chairs will be available in both locations.

6:30-7:00 pm | Family and Friends Depart

Use this time to see your "see ya later's". We encourage families to come back for Family Weekend to see what their student has been up to at USF.

7:00-8:00 pm | Residence Hall Floor Meeting for New Residential Students

Residence Halls

Mandatory residence hall floor meeting for all new residential students with your Resident Director and Resident Assistants.

7:00-8:00 pm | New First-Year Commuter Students & New Transfer Commuter Students Hangout

Quad

Come hang out and play some yard games with your peers and some of the Orientation Leaders.

8:00-10:00 pm | SDV Extravaganza Games

Stewart Center Gym

Don't miss this special late-night event hosted by your Orientation Team! You'll get to know your SDV 100 class and connect with other peers through team-building activities. You'll also get to see what it means to be a part of the USF COOmmunity.



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

All Morning | Church Services

Sioux Falls

Attend one of the many churches we have in Sioux Falls. There will be a few groups going together at different churches.

10:30 am-12:30 pm | Brunch

Dining Hall

Be sure to bring your ID card as you will swipe in for the first time to use your meal plan. Commuter students will simply write down your ID number with a Dining Hall staff member.

1:00 pm | SDV Group Meeting + Group Outings

Sioux Falls

Meet up with your Orientation Leader for a quick conversation about your New Student Orientation Guide before heading out to one of the group outings!

5:00-6:30 pm | Dinner

Dining Hall

7-9 pm

9-11 pm | Late Night Open Gym at the Stew

Stewart Center

Enjoy a night playing pickleball, basketball, volleyball, and nine square. We'll bring the music and fun!

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00 am-5:00 pm | All Offices Open

During any free time you have on this day, be sure to visit any offices to complete any last minute paperwork you have to submit before the first day of the fall semester.



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8:30 am-11:30 am | SDV Group Meeting + Service Projects

Big Z

Community service is an important part of our USF culture. Our hope is to introduce you to our Culture for Service motto, give back to our community as you serve with your peers, and what it means to be of service to God and humankind.

10:30 am-12:30 pm | Brunch

Dining Hall

1:00-2:00 pm | Where Do I Go for What? | SDV Groups A-G and TA-TD

Your Orientation Leader will help you find your classrooms and important areas of campus that will be beneficial for you to know as a first-year student.

2:00-3:00 pm | Where Do I Go for What? | SDV Groups H-O and Honors

Your Orientation Leader will help you find your classrooms and important areas of campus that will be beneficial for you to know as a first-year student.

2:00-3:00 pm | Coffee Meetup for New Transfer Commuter Students and New Transfer Residential Students

Cooper's Cafe

3:00-5:00 pm | Free Time

Use this time to complete any paperwork, relax, unwind, settle into your dorm room, or simply hang out with your new friends.

5:00-6:30 pm | Dinner

Dining Hall

5:30-6:30 pm | Honors Dinner

McDonald Center Conference Room

All Honors students are invited to dinner with Dr. James Foster and other faculty members.

