WELCOME WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | 2023

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 | Happy Move In Day! Welcome to AU! We are glad you’re here!

9:00 am – 4:00 pm  New Resident Student Move In  Residence Halls
Welcome to AU! We cannot wait to see you on campus. Please be sure to arrive at your scheduled move-in time – you should have an email from Residence Life with all the details!

Please note that all cars will need to be moved from Main Campus to the Athletic Campus as soon as possible. The Trojan Transit is available to give you a ride back to your residence hall!

10:00 am – 2:00 pm  Meet & Greet with Coach Lamb  The Quad
Get ready for football game day! On your way to lunch stop by the Quad to meet Coach Lamb and his coaching staff.

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  Lunch  Student Center
Head to the Culinary Center or to a local spot (there's a guide to some of our favorites in your folder!) to grab a bite to eat.

August Base Camp Orientation

8:00 am – 12:30 pm  Base Camp Orientation  Student Center
If you’re registered to attend Base Camp today, all the details are in your email from Student Involvement!

New Student Commuter Student Check-In

5:30 pm – 6:00 pm  New Commuter Student Check-In  Student Center
Welcome to AU! All first-year AU students who are commuting will check in with Student Life. At check-in, you will have the opportunity to connect with the Office of Commuter Engagement.

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm  New Student Commuter Meeting & Panel Discussion  Student Center
New commuting students will learn some tricks of the trade from current commuter students, all while meeting your fellow classmates. You will also learn about where to eat on campus, where to park on campus, and how to navigate this transition.

All Student Evening Activities

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm  Dinner  Student Center
Head to the Culinary Center or to a local spot (there’s a guide to some of our favorites in your folder!) to grab a bite to eat.
6:00 pm  Matriculation | 1st Service  Abney Athletic Center
Bring your family and join us for an unforgettable time of worship as we celebrate this AU tradition at the start of your journey! **This service is for students that arrived on campus on Friday morning and for August Base Camp students.**

7:00 pm  Archway Walk  The Front Lawn
We love a tradition around here. Incoming students symbolically begin their AU journey with the archway walk prior to their first year, and then, on graduation day, they will once again participate in the archway walk as they finish their time at Anderson University. **Families attending the first Matriculation service should gather on the Front Lawn, and students attending the second service should gather at Thrift Library no later than 6:45 pm. We can’t wait to celebrate with you.**

8:00 pm  Matriculation | 2nd Service  Abney Athletic Center
Bring your family and join us for an unforgettable time of worship as we celebrate this AU tradition at the start of your journey! **This service is for students that arrived on campus on Friday afternoon and for commuter students.**

**THIS CONCLUDES SCHEDULED EVENTS FOR PARENTS AND GUESTS.**

*Don’t forget that all cars need to be moved from Main Campus to the Athletic Campus as soon as possible. The Trojan Transit is available to give you a ride back to your residence hall!*

9:30 pm  Late Night Mixer  Student Center Plaza
Come hang out for some late-night treats and making new friends!

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

8:00 am – 9:30 am  Breakfast  Culinary Center
The Culinary Center is open, grab some breakfast! Don’t forget your student ID.

9:00 am – 4:00 pm  Returning Student Move In  Athletic Campus
Welcome home! We’re so glad to have you back! Be sure to sign up for your move-in time via your email from Residence Life.

9:00 am – 10:30 am  First Year: Meet Your Alpha Group or TAG Group  The Quad
Alpha Groups and TAG Groups are an important part of the First Year Experience! Your Alpha Group or TAG (Transfer Alpha Group) Group will be led by an upperclassmen student leader who will help you transition to life at Anderson. Meet us for this required session to link up with your group and get to know your fellow classmates!

10:30 am – 3:00 pm  First Year: Checklist  Various Locations
Your Alpha or TAG Leader will guide you through important First Year required checklist items, like getting your iPad and completing a CEP credit. You’ll enjoy lunch with your group during this time, too! This session is required.

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  Lunch  Student Center
The Culinary Center is open, grab some lunch! Don’t forget your student ID.
3:00 pm – 6:00 pm  Open Recreation  Athletic Campus Practice Field
The afternoon is yours! The pool and sand volleyball are open. Also the Athletic Campus Gym is open if you would like to play some pickup basketball.

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm  Dinner  Student Center
Head to the Student Center to grab a bite to eat! The Culinary Center and Chick-fil-A are open. Don’t forget your student ID.

5:00 pm  Picnics on the Lawn  The Front Lawn
Bring your dinner, and come hang out! We’ll have the picnic blankets, lawn games, and dessert!

7:00 pm  Opening Ceremony  Henderson Auditorium
Join the incoming class for this fun and memorable kick-off to your time as an Anderson University student!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

Be sure to check out one of the many local churches in Anderson. If you need suggestions, check with your AU101 classmates, your Alpha or TAG Group Leader, or your RA!

8:00 am – 9:30 am  Breakfast  Culinary Center
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11:00 am – 2:00 pm  Lunch  Student Center
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5:00 pm – 8:30 pm  Tacos & Tapas Dinner  Culinary Center
The Culinary Center is throwing a fiesta night with tacos and tapas! Think street tacos, tostados, taco sliders, churros, and more. Enjoy! Don’t forget your student ID!

8:00 pm  Grocery Bingo  The Quad
Bring your luck for some old-fashioned bingo with some grocery prizes!

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

8:00 am – 9:00 am  Breakfast  Culinary Center
The Culinary Center is open, grab some breakfast! Don’t forget your student ID.

9:00 am – 11:00 am  First Year: Rotating Sessions  Henderson Auditorium
As with any college campus, there are specific policies and requirements you must know for your time at Anderson University. These sessions will ensure you have everything you need for success! Your Alpha or TAG Group Leader will keep you updated on when and where to meet with your group. This session is required.
11:00 am - First Year: Class Picture  
Head to the Quad with your Group for the class photo!

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Lunch  
Grab some lunch! The Culinary Center and Troy’s are open. Don’t forget your student ID.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  
First Year: Group Huddle  
Meet up with your Alpha or TAG Group leader for a time of getting to know one another and discussing your journey thus far! Be ready to share some of your story and how you got to Anderson.

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
First Year: CEP Credits  
Your Alpha or TAG Group leader will guide you through two required First Year CEP credits.

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm  
Dinner  
Head to the Culinary Center to grab a bite to eat. Don’t forget your student ID.

8:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
Trojan Tradition  
Join us as new and returning students mark their place in the lineage of the AU family.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

Classes start tomorrow, woohoo! AU Outfitters is open if you need to grab any last-minute supplies, and the Student Center is open too if you’ve got something to print (head to the 3rd floor). If we can do anything to help you prepare, please email us at studentlife@andersonuniversity.edu.

8:00 am – 9:30 am  
Breakfast  
The Culinary Center is open, grab some breakfast! Don’t forget your student ID.

8:30 am – 9:45 am  
4ward Kick-off Meeting  
Henderson Auditorium  
4ward Program students, time to meet your mentors! Bring a cup of joe, and let’s get acquainted.

10:00 am – 11:30 am  
Athletic Orientation  
Henderson Auditorium  
All athletes must attend this session – you’ll hear from your biggest fans and learn more about AU requirements.

10:00 am – 12:00 pm  
Department of Theatre and Dance Meetings  
Belk Theatre  
All South Carolina School of the Arts should attend this helpful college meeting. Additionally, you’ll have a meeting with specific faculty and staff for your major. We can’t wait to see you there!

11:00 am – 2:00 pm  
Lunch  
The Culinary Center is open, grab some lunch! Don’t forget your student ID.

11:45 am – 12:30 pm  
International Student Orientation  
The International House  
The Center for Global Engagement advises the international student community, and we cannot wait to welcome you to campus. All international students are required to attend this session. This includes F1 students, transfers, and exchange students! The International House is located at 302 Williamston Road, which is easily accessible by Trojan Transit – just ask to be dropped off there!
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm  Music Major & Music Ensemble Auditions  Rainey Fine Arts Center
If you are interested in participating in instrumental, choral, or commercial music ensembles and have not yet auditioned, please sign up for auditions during this time. Choral auditions do not require a prepared song, though instrumental auditions require a short, prepared piece of your choice. All prospective music majors who have not yet auditioned must audition for the Music Department at this time with two contrasting pieces of your choice. Contact Dr. David L. Perry at dperry@andersonuniversity.edu to schedule your audition.

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm  South Carolina School of the Arts Dance Auditions  Athletic Campus Dance Studios
Anyone is welcome to audition! Possible ensembles include: jazz, tap, modern, and ballet. Come dressed to dance, and bring shoes appropriate for the ensembles for which you desire to audition. Please show up a few minutes early to fill out paperwork.

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  Residence Hall Meeting | New Students  Henderson Auditorium
All new students who are living on campus are required to attend this mandatory Residence Hall meeting. This meeting is required for all first-year students and transfer students.

5:00 pm  First Year: Find Your Way  Various Locations
Not sure where to find that classroom on your schedule? Alpha and TAG Group leaders would love to help your find your way! Group leaders will be in touch about where to meet for a campus classroom tour. Bring your schedule along and have all your questions answered!

5:00 pm – 8:30 pm  Dinner  Student Center
Head to the Culinary Center to grab a bite to eat. Don’t forget your student ID.

7:00 pm  The Block Party  Vandiver Lot
Join us for our second ever Block Party! Live music, foodtrucks, and all the fun – what could be better?

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23 | HAPPY FIRST DAY OF CLASS!

10:10 am  Residence Hall Meeting | Returning Students  Henderson Auditorium
All returning students who are living on campus are required to attend their mandatory Residence Hall meeting. See your RA or look for signage on your hall to confirm the meeting location.

7:00 pm  West Fest  Vandiver Lot
Dust off your cowboy boots and join us for some western fun – animals, activities, and good eats!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

8:00 pm – 9:00 pm  BCM  Henderson Auditorium
BCM is a diverse group of students who join together every Thursday night to celebrate Jesus and his work in our lives. As the semester kicks off, come worship the Lord with us through music, studying God’s word, and fellowship.

9:00 pm  Silent Disco  Vandiver Lot
It’s time for one of our classic favorites – Silent Disco! The playlists are ready, and the headphones are charged up.
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**

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<td>Kick off the first day of classes with Campus Worship, a time of worship, teaching, and prayer.</td>
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<td>Enjoy a special tropical-themed meal in the Culinary Center from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. After dinner, join Dr. and Mrs. Whitaker on the Quad starting at 6:00 pm for dancing, dessert, games, and fun! Be sure to sport your best Hawaiian shirt!</td>
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<td>Whether it’s your first semester here or last semester here, we’ll celebrate with fireworks and dessert! Come over to hang out and grab some dessert, then enjoy an incredible firework show!</td>
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