

MOVE-IN and ORIENTATION GUIDE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21—SUNDAY, AUGUST 25



DOWNLOAD THE ORIENTATION APP
We'll use the Orientation App to keep you informed of last-minute changes, weather updates and more! Download the app using the QR code on the inside of this booklet.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS
If you or a family member require special accommodations for Opening Day events, please contact the Dean of Students Office at 610-519-4200 prior to your arrival.

PLEASE NOTE: Meals will be provided by the University during Orientation, beginning with dinner on Opening Day through dinner on Sunday, Aug. 25. New students will dine with their Orientation group!

MORE TO KNOW

The Opening Day Family Resource Fair will feature Q-and-A opportunities with more than 50 campus departments, student resources and academic representatives. Check your Orientation App for times, locations and a full list of participants.

A number of offices will be open for in-person visits on Opening Day. Check your Orientation App for a full list of offices, times and locations!



MOVE-IN DAY
Wednesday, August 21, 2024
For more information, visit orientation.villanova.edu. For questions or assistance, do not hesitate to stop someone in an Orientation staff shirt, or contact Villanova Public Safety at 610-519-5800.



IMAGINE WHERE THESE MOMENTS WILL LEAD YOU... THE JOURNEY AWAITS

Dear Villanovan,

On behalf of the New Student Orientation Program, welcome! We're counting down the days until Orientation begins and we welcome you to your new home at Villanova! This year's theme for the Class of 2028 is *Imagine Where These Moments Will Lead You...The Journey Awaits*. We are so excited to walk with you on your journey here.

In this booklet, you'll learn everything you need to know about the weeks leading up to Move-In and Orientation, as well as the events themselves. I hope you'll take some time to read over the information we've prepared for you. We encourage you to follow us on Instagram (@novaorientation) and download the NovaGuides app to get ready for your arrival! These are great ways to learn more about the people and places you'll encounter in your first few days on campus and through your first year!

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to us by visiting orientation.villanova.edu, emailing orientation@villanova.edu, or calling 610-519-4200.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and I look forward to seeing you and your family at Orientation very soon!

Laila Ghabrial, Class of 2025
Student Chairperson
New Student Orientation Program

MOVE-IN DAY: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

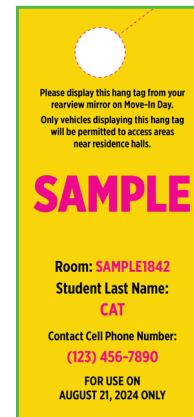
BEFORE YOU TRAVEL TO VILLANOVA

Earlier this summer, you received an email from Residence Life that included a link to register for a time to arrive on campus. Pre-registration is required to help us minimize delays on Move-In Day. As you pack for your journey, please don't forget to label your belongings with your name, residence hall and room number. *A list of items to bring (and a few to leave at home) can be found by scanning this QR code.*



COMING TO CAMPUS

In this packet, you'll find a hang tag for your vehicle.



It is important to bring this hang tag with you on Move-In Day and display it from your rearview mirror. Only vehicles displaying this hang tag will be permitted to access areas near residence halls. Only one hang tag is available per student, and only one vehicle will be permitted to access areas near residence halls.

You will encounter an increased amount of traffic and may experience waiting periods. We ask for your patience as we welcome 1,700 new students to campus.

ARRIVING AT YOUR RESIDENCE HALL

When you arrive at your residence hall, please unload your belongings. **To avoid congestion and delays, vehicles will not be allowed to remain unattended in front of residence halls.**

After unloading, a member of the Public Safety team will direct a member of your party to a parking area while you continue the move-in process.

Once you've unloaded, check-in and pick up your Wildcard at the entrance of your residence hall. Your Wildcard will give you access to your room, and you may begin moving in! Please remember to dispose of recycling and trash according to the posted signs in your building. If you have any questions, Residence Life and Orientation staff members will be available to assist you.



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FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ABOUT ORIENTATION, including schedules, severe weather locations, maps and more, download our free app! Enable push notifications to have details delivered right to your phone throughout Orientation weekend.



YOUR ORIENTATION ASSIGNMENT

Look for an email from Orientation the week of AUGUST 5 with your Orientation Group number and location to meet on OPENING DAY!

AFTER YOU'RE SETTLED

- Hungry? Stop by the Donahue or Dougherty dining halls or visit Second Storey Market in St. Mary's Hall for snacks, sandwiches and more!
- Forget something? Stop by the University Shop Pop-Up Tent on Sheehan Beach (along Lancaster Avenue) for a selection of bedding, desk accessories, shower and bath supplies, extension cords, storage bins and more. Check your Orientation App for dates and times of operation.
- Join other students with underrepresented identities for campus tours of resource offices and a scavenger hunt beginning at 6:15 p.m. at the Connelly Center welcome desk. Enjoy a light meal and meet student leaders! Check your Orientation App for additional details.
- Resident students will attend a "Welcome Home" floor meeting and social in their residence hall beginning at 8 p.m. Hosted by their Resident Assistants (RAs), these events provide great opportunities for students to get to know their neighbors and connect with new friends.

OPENING DAY: THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

Opening Day officially begins with the University Welcome at 1 p.m., but there's plenty to do before that! Organize your room, get to know your roommate and the people in your hall and explore campus (this is a great chance to find your Orientation group location in advance!).

Students and family members should dress casually and comfortably for Opening Day activities. Many activities are outdoors and the weather at Villanova can be quite warm in August. Comfy shoes are especially important!

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Check your Orientation App for times and locations of all activities. Some highlights include:

- Family Resource Fair and Information Sessions
- University Welcome
- New student and family meetings with Orientation Counselors and Academic Colleges
- Opening Mass
- Family Picnic

Families will depart campus following the picnic at 6:30 p.m., with students remaining on campus with their Orientation Groups for more fun activities!