



New Students

August 10, 2026

Panther, let's gooooo! 🐾

Orientation Weekend is 11 days away! 🔥🐾 This week, we're trying to answer all your questions about what to expect for those three days. For a quick sneak peek at the Orientation Weekend experience, [watch this reel](#).

If you have any questions, email us at orientation@adelphi.edu and expect a response within 24 hours.

🐾 —Adelphi's Student and Community Engagement team

👍 Orientation Weekend FAQs

- **When is it?** Friday, August 21 – Sunday, August 23, 2026
- **Is it required?** Yep. All new First-Year, Transfer and International students are expected to attend Orientation Weekend.
- **Is there a fee?** Yes, it's already included in your first-year tuition bill and not refundable. The fee supports three days of awesome programming, meals and activities. We highly recommend coming!
- **What do we do all weekend?** A mix of required training and workshops, a lot of fun activities, some meet-and-greets with peers and faculty, and campus exploration. It ends with our traditional Matriculation Ceremony, led by the University President. **Be sure to [register now](#)**.
- **Do I have to stay overnight?** That depends!
 - Resident students will [move into their halls](#) on Thursday, August 20. You're already home!
 - Commuter students will head home at the end of each orientation day and return to campus the next.
- **Can I bring a family member?** Sorry, no, Orientation Weekend is just for new students. Parents and family members are invited to our [Parent and Family Orientation](#) on Friday, August 21.
- **What if I need special accommodations?** Please email any special needs you have to orientation@adelphi.edu.
- **Can I get an idea of the Orientation Weekend schedule?**
 - **Friday, August 21:** Check-in at Flagpole Lawn at 12:00 noon, followed by scheduled activities, internship fair, campus tours, One-Stop office hours, campus ID pickup and a

welcome ceremony. International and Honors College students have additional orientation sessions prior to this, starting at 9:00 a.m.

- **Saturday, August 22:** Check-in at Flagpole Lawn at 10:00 a.m., followed by scheduled activities
- **Sunday, August 23:** Check-in at Flagpole Lawn at 9:30 a.m. followed by academic sessions, [Matriculation Ceremony](#) and scheduled activities

THINGS YOU CAN DO *BEFORE* ORIENTATION WEEKEND

You can start getting involved, learning to lead and having a great time in the days before orientation.

- Check out the [First-Year Community Action Program](#) (FCAP) happening August 17–19.
- Out-of-state and upstate students can head to campus early to [ExploreNY](#) with us on August 17–19.

THINGS YOU CAN DO *DURING* ORIENTATION WEEKEND

Don't disappear at the end of each day of Orientation Weekend! Stick around with your new friends for some fun on- and off-campus activities:

- **Friday, August 21** | [The Great Gatsby on Broadway](#) (off-campus; \$20)
- **Friday, August 21** | [Yankees vs Toronto Blue Jays](#) (off-campus; \$20)
- **Friday, August 21** | [Sunset Picnic on the Beach](#) (off-campus; \$10)
- **Friday, August 21** | [Game Show](#) (on campus)
- **Saturday, August 22** | [Glow Party](#) (on campus)
- **Sunday, August 23** | [Bounce Into the Semester](#) (on campus)

THINGS YOU CAN DO *AFTER* ORIENTATION WEEKEND—WELCOME WEEK

Welcome Week is packed with opportunities to break the ice, have some fun, make friends and get truly settled in at Adelphi!

- **Monday, August 24** | [Panther Brunch](#)
- **Tuesday, August 25** | [Ice Cream Social](#)
- **Tuesday, August 25** | [Tote-ally Ready for Campus](#)
- **Wednesday, August 26** | [Student Activities Board Raffle Table](#)
- **Wednesday, August 26** | [Bingo for Books](#)
- **Thursday, August 27** | [Dirty Soda Truck](#)
- **Friday, August 28** | [Pizza Crawl](#)
- **Saturday, August 29** | [Beach Day at Jones Beach](#)
- **Sunday, August 30** | [Sands & Seas: Mini Ocean Art Experience](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

See our [2026-2027 academic calendar](#)

- **August 20:** [First-Year Resident Student Move-In](#)
- **August 21-23:** [Orientation Weekend](#) (Parents and families on Friday)
- **August 23:** [Health and Immunization Forms Due to Health Services](#)
- **August 23:** [Matriculation Ceremony](#)

- **August 24:** [First Day of Classes](#)
- **September 4:** Final [add/drop/change/withdraw day](#) for Fall 2026
- **September 4:** Deadline for [opt-out programs](#) for Fall 2026
- **October 1:** [Health Insurance Waiver Period Ends](#)

Get ready for Adelphi! Watch your mailbox each Monday for more great info and resources.