New Student Orientation Schedule & Descriptions Fall 2022  
SUNY Geneseo

Overview
New Student Orientation at Geneseo helps transition first-year and transfer students to the next steps of their academic and life journeys. It provides opportunities for students to acclimate to campus, make connections, foster a sense of pride in Geneseo, and establish a foundation for academic success. The aim of Orientation, including Weeks of Welcome, is to lay the groundwork for a happy and productive college experience.

Learning Outcomes:
In accordance with the department mission to contribute to a rich, meaningful, supportive, and fulfilling individual experience for Geneseo students we expect participants of Orientation/Weeks of Welcome to be able to:

- Develop a greater sense of belonging and awareness of identities and the identities of others through the deployment of empathy and care for all and oneself (SB)
- Establish new connections and build/foster positive relationships (C&PR)
- Identify student organizations and other engagement activities that contribute to a rich co-curricular experience (SO&A)
- Demonstrate core knowledge of the rights, responsibilities and expectations of members of the SUNY Geneseo community (E)
- Familiarize and identify campus services and resources that will contribute to academic success and student experience (CR)

Wednesday, August 24, 2022: New Student Move In

- Student Services Hours
  - CIT Helpdesk | 8:00am-4:00pm | Fraser Library
    - Having computer issues? Need help connecting to the internet? Stop by Fraser Hall today for assistance! Looking to connect via chat? This is a link to the online Service Desk: Visit [http://cit.geneseo.edu](http://cit.geneseo.edu) for hours during the semester.
  - Parking | 8:00am-4:00pm | Schrader Hall Room 19
    - Plan on having a car on campus or commuting? Be sure to review the Decals & Permits page! Permits will be available for sale starting Tuesday, July 5th.
  - Orientation Helpdesk | 9:00am-8:00pm | MacVittie College Union Lobby
    - Got questions? Looking for directions? Not sure where you need to go for a specific session? Visit our Orientation Helpdesk in the College Union Lobby for all your Orientation needs.
  - Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore | 9:00am-4:00pm | MacVittie College Union (2nd Floor)
Stop by the bookstore to pick up some new Geneseo apparel, rent textbooks and purchase any last minute school supplies! Check out their website for more information: https://geneseo.bncollege.com/

- **New Student Move-In | 8:00am-4:00pm | S Lot**
  - Welcome to Geneseo! We are so happy you’re here with us. Visit our Fall 2022 Move-In page for more information on when to show up, where to go, and what to bring. See you soon!

- **Geneseo Legacy Program Check-In | 10:00am-3:00pm | MacVittie College Union Lobby**
  - Geneseo’s Legacy Program celebrates, honors, and acknowledges families who have made attending SUNY Geneseo a family tradition. A legacy student has a parent, grandparent, sibling, aunt, uncle, or cousin who is a Geneseo graduate. We invite Legacy families to stop by our table on move-in day (before or after you assigned residence hall move-in time slot):
    - Pick-up a Geneseo Legacy pin for your current student
    - Grab a deck of Tradition Playing cards for alumni family members
    - Pose for a quick family snapshot
    - Complete the online legacy form and/or RSVP to stop by on Wednesday: https://www.geneseo.edu/legacy

- **Free Time/Dinner on Your Own | 4:00pm-7:00pm | Letchworth Dining Hall or Red Jacket Dining Hall**
  - Move-In can be exhausting! Use these next few hours to settle into your room, grab dinner with your family on Main Street, eat with your new friends in the dining hall, or take a last minute trip to Walmart for room essentials. Dining halls will be open for dinner! Some of our favorite Main Street favorites are Aunt Cookies and Bar-Eat-O!

- **Optional Campus Tour | 6:00pm-7:00pm | MacVittie College Union Lobby**
  - Is it your first time on campus? Need a refresher on where the dining halls are located? Join one of our Orientation Leaders to explore campus and the surrounding areas. Tours will leave from the MacVittie College Union Lobby at 6:00pm.

- **LLC Orientation | 7:00pm-8:00pm | Residence Halls (On-Campus Residents Only)**
  - MANDATORY for those students who are part of an Inquiry & Discovery or Exploratory LLC. You’ll meet in your residence hall to meet other members of the LLC, your RAs and LLC staff, discover the resources and events that are a part of your LLC experience, and learn what communal living is all about!

- **RA Connection Time | 7:00pm-8:00pm | Residence Halls (On-Campus Residents Only)**
  - MANDATORY for all on campus students not in an LLC. Gather in a common area in your hall to meet your RAs and other hall staff, get to know your building and resources, and learn what communal living is all about!

- **First Knight Celebration! | 8:15pm-11:00pm | Saratoga Field**
  - To mark your first night at Geneseo, come celebrate with us at Saratoga Field! Mingle with new friends, munch on tasty desserts, dance along to some tunes or
Thursday, August 25, 2022: First Full Day of Orientation

- **Student Services Hours**
  - **CIT Helpdesk | 8:00am-4:00pm | Fraser Library**
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  - **Orientation Helpdesk | 8:00am-10:00am | MacVittie College Union Lobby**
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  - **Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore | 9:00am-4:00pm | MacVittie College Union (2nd Floor)**
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- **Sunrise Sweat Sesh! | 7:30am-8:30am | Various Locations**
  - Rise and shine, it’s movement time! Start your first day of Orientation off right and get your body moving! Join a few of our faculty and staff members as they lead different exercise classes! Check back for more information about our exercise offerings for the day!
    - Zumba: Meet at the College Green
    - Campus and Village Walk: Meet at Erwin Hall

- **Breakfast on Your Own | 7:30am-9:30am | Mary Jemison (MJ) Dining Hall or Red Jacket (RJ) Dining Hall**
  - You’ve got a long day ahead of you! Be sure to fuel your body with some delicious food from one of our dining halls before the day starts.

- **Thursday Preview | 9:45am-10:00am | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Welcome to your first official day of the New Student Orientation program! Together, in conjunction with the Orientation Lead Team, we will review the schedule and exciting activities planned for the day!

- **Welcome to Geneseo! | 10:00am-10:30am | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - We are thrilled to welcome you to the Geneseo community! Hear from some of our campus leaders as they share advice and encouragement for the start of your Geneseo experience.
- **Orientation Group Time | 10:45am-11:45am | Orientation Group Locations**
  - Meet your Orientation group for the first time! For the next hour, you will spend time meeting your new peers and learning more about Geneseo!

- **Lunch with Your Orientation Group | 12:00pm-1:00pm | Letchworth Dining Hall or Red Jacket Dining Hall**
  - Enjoy lunch with the members of your Orientation group at one of our dining halls! Meal plan, retail dollars and credit cards are accepted.

- **Title IX Talks: Health, Safety & Support Services | 1:15pm-2:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Students will participate in an interactive and engaging format to learn about community responsibility, healthy behaviors, and safe partying. Students will receive information on important policies, resources and support that pertain to Title IX and the student conduct process.

- **Microstretch and Snacks | 2:30pm-3:15pm | MJ Patio**
  - It’s time to get up and move around! Join us on the grassy green right outside the Schrader Gymnasium for a snack and microstretch.

- **College 101 with the Dean of Students and the Office of Academic Planning & Advisement | 3:15pm-4:15pm | OL Group Locations**
  - Designed to assist first year students in their transition, hear from the Dean of Students and the Office of Academic Planning and Advisement as they offer tips and tricks for your academic success.

- **Transfer Transition Talk | 3:15pm-4:15pm | Newton Hall 202**
  - The needs and interests of transfer students vary from those of first year students. This session will focus on assisting transfer students in their transition and acclimating them to campus resources.

- **New Student Picnic: The Taste of New York | 4:30pm-6:00pm | MacVittie College Union Plaza**
  - Join us for a lovely picnic on the Macvittie College Union Plaza! Featuring local favorites, be sure to fill your plate with foods special to regions of New York!

- **New Student Convocation | 6:30pm-7:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - New Student Convocation marks the College’s official welcome to campus and the start of your career at Geneseo! You will join your peers, along with faculty and staff, for this memorable moment at various locations around campus.

- **Orientation Pep Rally | 7:30pm-8:00pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - What a fun and informative first day! With a few of our Orientation Leaders, take some time to reflect on today’s activities and check-in with yourself! How are you feeling? What questions do you have? What things might need more clarification?

- **Little Bit of Late Knight | 8:00pm-10:30pm | MacVittie College Union**
  - Check out all the fun activities you can look forward to during the year. We will have arts & crafts activities, a game show and Casino Knight. Take an inside look at what Geneseo Late Knight has to offer!

- **Free Money Game Show | 10:30pm-11:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
Calling all pop-culture fanatics! Go wild in a “Name That Tune” style trivia game covering music, movies and TV. You have the chance to win up to $200 in CASH!

- **Twilight Tours | 8:30pm, 9:00pm & 9:30pm | Locations: MacVittie College Union Lobby**
  - See campus in a different light! Join our Orientation Leaders in a late night tour around campus, complete with glow sticks and cool Geneseo facts!

**Friday, August 26, 2022: Second Full Day of Orientation**

- **Student Services Hours**
  - **CIT Helpdesk | 8:00am-4:00pm | Fraser Library**
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  - **Orientation Helpdesk | 8:00am-12:00pm; 1:00pm-3:15pm | MacVittie College Union Lobby**
    - Got questions? Looking for directions? Not sure where you need to go for a specific session? Visit our Orientation Helpdesk in the College Union Lobby for all your Orientation needs.
  - **Barnes and Noble Campus Bookstore | 9:00am-4:00pm | MacVittie College Union (2nd Floor)**
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- **Sunrise Sweat Sesh! | 7:30am-8:30am | Various Locations**
  - Rise and shine, it’s movement time! Start your second full day of Orientation off right and get your body moving! Join a few of our faculty and staff members as they lead different exercise classes! Check out the classes below!
    - Zumba: Meet at the College Green
    - Campus and Village Walk: Meet at Erwin Hall
    - Spin Class: Meet at Merritt Lobby

- **Breakfast | 7:30 am- 9:00am | Mary Jemison (MJ) Dining Hall or Red Jacket (RJ) Dining Hall**
  - Food is the key to sustaining your energy throughout the day! Be sure to fuel your body with some delicious food from one of our dining halls before the day starts.

- **Friday Preview | 9:00am-9:15am | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Welcome to the second full day of New Student Orientation! We have a fun-filled day planned for each of you. Today is all about choices!

- **Academic Presentations | 9:30am-10:25am | Various Locations**
- Are you interested in learning more about the majors offered at Geneseo? Are you looking for an opportunity to interact with department faculty? Have specific questions? Be sure to check out some of the academic department presentations! Each student will have an opportunity to visit 3 academic department presentations. Presentations are 15 minutes long each.

- **Mid-Day Snack | 10:15am-11:15am | Bailey Atrium**
  - Don’t forget to grab a quick snack in-between sessions in the Bailey Atrium!

- **Design Your Geneseo Experience | 10:30am-12:05pm | Various Locations**
  - One of the main goals of Orientation involves learning more about resources and discovering new experiences. This session will operate on a rotation schedule of four 20 minute sessions. Students will have the choice to attend sessions that address their needs and interests, thus tailoring your experience.

- **Lunch in Your Orientation Group | 12:05pm-2:00pm | Letchworth Dining Hall or Red Jacket Dining Hall**
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- **Break/Free Time | 12:00pm-215pm | Various Locations**
  - The morning was busy with opportunities to explore campus offerings and learn more about our academic departments. Use this time to process the morning’s activities, check out the Student Services Expo, participate in a campus tour or recharge by visiting some of our student lounges in the College Union!

- **Optional Campus Tour | 1:00pm-2:00pm | MacVittie College Union Lobby**
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- **Student Services Expo | 12:30pm-2:00pm | College Union Lobby**
  - We’re here to help! The Student Services Expo gives you the opportunity to learn more about the student services available to you and meet the individuals who will support you on your journey!

- **Curating Community On Your Floor | 2:15pm-3:15pm | Residence Halls**
  - Mandatory for all residential students! Living in a residence hall is unlike any other living arrangement you’ll experience. Use this session to learn how to make the most of the community of peers with whom you share space and learn about resources that are unique to the residential environment at SUNY Geneseo.

- **Creating an Inclusive Campus Community (CICC) | 3:30pm-4:45pm | Orientation Group Locations**
Creating and sustaining an inclusive community relies on all members of our diverse community. Let’s embrace our Community Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: “Together, we commit ourselves to pluralism, cultivating a community that respects difference and promotes a sense of inclusion and belonging.” In your Orientation groups, connect with your peers and engage in open dialogue about diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging.

- **G Photo | 5:00pm-5:30pm | College Stadium**
  - An annual tradition, the G Photo is photographic documentation of the start of your journey at Geneseo! Often a photo that is looked back on for years, you won’t want to miss this opportunity to be a part of history. Make your way to Geneseo’s stadium to be a part of this tradition and wear your blue and white!

- **Dinner On Your Own | 5:30pm-7:00pm | Letchworth Dining Hall or Red Jacket Dining Hall**
  - It’s been a long day of programming and connecting. Enjoy dinner on your own, with your roommate or new friends at one of our dining halls.

- **Orientation Leader (OL) Talent Show | 7:00pm-8:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Come see your Orientation Leaders battle it out in Geneseo’s Orientation Leader Talent Show! You will get to watch the OLs perform their best talents for all the new students. Come prepared to cheer on your favorite OL with signs, pom poms, and your voices! The winner of the talent show is in your hands! Make sure you follow @geneseo_orientation to vote on your favorite act!

- **Snack Break! | 8:30pm-9:00pm | Schrader Gymnasium Lobby**
  - Watching a talent show can be exhausting! Grab a quick snack in the Schrader Gym Lobby!

- **The Price is What!? Game Show | 9:00pm-10:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Bring your shopping knowledge to guess the cost of everyday items! Closest guess to the actual prize of the item is the winner! You won’t want to miss out on your chance to win over $500 worth of items!

**Saturday, August 27, 2022: Exploration Saturday**

- **Student Services Hours**
  - **CIT Helpdesk | 12:00pm-5:00pm | Fraser Library**
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- **Book Discussion | 10:00am-11:00am | MacVittie College Union Ballroom**
  - Each year, faculty and staff come together to choose a book that will introduce students to the rigorous and interconnected academic environment at SUNY Geneseo. This year that book is: *Designing Your Life: How to Build a Well-Lived Joyful Life* by David Evans and Bill Burnett. A Geneseo donor has purchased books for all incoming students, which were mailed in early August. During Orientation, Faculty, staff and students from a variety of Living-Learning Communities and the Access Opportunity Program get together to discuss the book. No need to finish the whole book! Read what you can and come participate in a valuable discussion.

- **Orientation Brunch | 11:00am-2:00pm | Dining Halls**
  - Happy Saturday! You’ve had a busy few days! Enjoy your morning by sleeping in and grabbing some brunch at one of our dining halls.

- **Service Saturday: Do Your Part! | 11:00am-1:00pm | College Union Lobby**
  - Student volunteerism and service are critical components of the Geneseo experience. Spend part of your Saturday giving back! Students will be making dog and cat toys for the Humane Society, cards for hospitalized children, and blankets for the hospital and homeless shelter.

- **KnightLife Live | 1:00pm-2:30pm | Schrader Gymnasium**
  - Join us for a forum theater presentation written by students, for students! Featuring the Orientation Leaders and you, let’s work through issues that may arise in your first year together and learn about the campus resources who are here to help.

- **Transfer Student Success Panel | 1:00pm-2:30pm | Newton Hall**
  - Your transition to Geneseo is a period of adjustment. Hear from current transfer students about different ways to get involved and how to make the most of your Geneseo experience.

- **Off-Campus Excursions | 3:00pm-8:00pm | Off Site Locations**
  - Now is your chance to see some of what Western NY has to offer! Be sure to check your email for sign up information! Spaces are limited! Food will be provided for those going on the trips. Return to campus times may vary!

- **On-Campus Saturday Extravaganza | 3:00pm-7:00pm | MacVittie College Union**
  - You don’t need to leave campus to have fun! Come to the MacVittie College Union for a variety of activities such as escape rooms, bowling and more!

- **Let’s Glow Crazy Glow Party | 9:00pm-10:30pm | MacVittie College Union**
  - Shine the night away! Enjoy yourself with blacklight golf, spin art, and show your moves on the blacklight dance floor!

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**Sunday, August 28, 2022: Settle In Sunday**

- **Student Services Hours**
  - CIT Helpdesk | 12:00pm-5:00pm | Fraser Library
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- S'More Time Together | 6:00pm-8:00pm | MacVittie Union Plaza
  - Who doesn't love a s'more!? Grab a few friends and join staff and student leaders for a bonfire, s'mores, music, and a beautiful sunset to bring the New Student Orientation Program to a close and kickoff the start of Weeks of Welcome!