

FALL 2018
TENTATIVE ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Friday
8/24/18

9am-1pm

Residential Student Check-In

Dewey Hall

Please check in to receive an Orientation packet and information to move into your residence hall.

12:30-1:30pm

Commuter Student Check-In

Dewey Hall

Please check in to receive an Orientation packet and a Northern Vermont University-Johnson (NVU-Johnson) t-shirt. Lunch will be served until 1:30 pm, please check in by 12:30 pm if you would like to join us. Programming will begin at 2:00 pm in front of Dibden Center for the Arts.

11:30-1:30pm

Lunch

Under the Tent

1:30pm

Family Farewells

On the Quad

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL BE THE LAST CHANCE FOR FAREWELLS BEFORE STUDENTS JOIN THEIR ORIENTATION GROUPS IN DIBDEN CENTER FOR THE ARTS TO BEGIN THE WEEKEND'S PROGRAMING. PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE 2:00 PM INFORMATION SESSION BEFORE LEAVING CAMPUS.

2pm

What Next? Parent & Family Information Session

Stearns Performance Space

Associate Dean of Students Michele Whitmore and Director of NVU-Johnson Wellness Center Kate McCarthy. Grab some light refreshments to sustain you on your drive home.

2pm

NVU-Johnson Community Gathering/Getting Down to Business

Dibden Center for the Arts

The Class of 2022 will gather in individual Orientation Groups and then travel to Dibden for a welcome. Following, orientation groups will reconvene to get acquainted, review expectations, and Q&A.

4pm

Commuter Student Reception

Stearns Performance Space

Are you a New Student, or a Transfer Student, who will be living off campus? Come to our commuter student reception and learn how you can get involved at NVU-Johnson. Meet other commuter students and find out about important programs and services.

Orientation Leaders will be on hand to answer your questions and join you for dinner.

4pm

Unpack, Unwind & Settle-In

Residential students can take this hour to head back to their rooms to connect with roommates, and settle-in a little more.

5-6:30pm

Floor Dinners/Floor Meetings

Residence Halls/Stearns Dining Hall

Residential Students join RAs and floor mates for floor meetings and dinner in Stearns Dining Hall.

Commuter Students: will travel from the reception to dinner with their Orientation Leaders.

6:30pm

The NVU-Johnson Connection

Dibden Center for the Arts

- Formal welcome by Student Government President Jessica Malskis and the Associate Dean of Students, Michele Whitmore.
- Beyond the Badge – Introduction to Public Safety with Directory of Public Safety Mike Palagonia.
- Wellness Center – Overview of services by Kate McCarthy, Director of NVU-Johnson Wellness Center.

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7pm	Last Call with Bill Ross <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> “Last Call” will increase awareness and sensitivity to tough issues, answer questions and dispel myths, and locate health and educational resources in the NVU-Johnson community.
8pm	Badger Bonfire and Candlelighting Closing the day together, we will celebrate our common values and our unique individuality. Connection, s’mores, music, and tradition!
Saturday 8/25/18	
8-9:30am	Breakfast <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i>
10am	Community Meeting <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> Wake up, get your bearings, learn about the day’s activities and events.
10:30am	NVU-Johnson Common Reading Program and Going Beyond the Book <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> All students participate in small discussion groups facilitated by NVU-Johnson faculty and staff members.
11:30am-1pm	Lunch <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i>
1pm	Re-“Group” & Orange Band Initiative <i>South Lawn</i> Break back into groups after lunch for a community activity and then participate in the Orange Band.
2:30-2:45pm	Badger Break Recharge and get ready for an afternoon of fun! If you have forgotten what activity you have selected for Get Out! or where to go, stop by the small white tent on the Quad. All sign-up sheets are posted on the board.
2:45-5pm	Get Out! You’ve been working hard, so now it is time for some F-U-N! Participate in a wide range of smaller group activities like Tie Die, Frisbee Golf or Paint the Rock to name a few!
5-6:30pm	Major Mixer Dinner <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i> Mix things up a bit! Join current and past students in your major for dinner to make new connections, ask questions, and gain insights. After dinner, head over to see John Cassidy.
7pm	John Cassidy <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> Comedy and magic – the perfect combination!
9-11pm	Big Top Dance Party <i>On the Quad</i> DJ, mocktails, photo booth & more!
Sunday 8/26/18	
8-10am	Breakfast <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i>
10am-12pm	Community Meeting with Greeting from President Elaine Collins followed by Dr. Tyrone Shaw <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> Last orientation gathering for the Class of 2022, setting intentions and focus on the weeks, months, year ahead!
10am-2pm	Returning Students Move In

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	<i>On the Quad</i>
11-12 pm	Orientation Group Wrap-Up & A Good Look Ahead <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Groups will reflect on the weekend and prepare for the week ahead.• Q & A• Offices are open and ready to help you with any additional business or questions.
12-1:30pm	Lunch <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i>
1:30pm	Sunday Afternoon Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Walk Your Schedule. Start your week off on the right foot. Take this opportunity to walk your schedule with an Orientation Leader.• Travel to Morrisville to shop at Big Lots and Dollar Store.• Explore the campus and check out some of the cool and special features (Library, walking trails, Lower Pond, Peace Garden).
4pm	Learn the Alma Mater <i>Bentley 207</i>
4:30-6pm	Dinner <i>Stearns Dining Hall</i>
7:30pm	Residence Hall Floor Meetings New and returning students meet with floor Resident Assistants (R.A.)
8pm	Community Event for New and Returning Students TBA
Monday 8/27/18	
10:30am	Opening Convocation <i>Dibden Center for the Arts</i> Class of 2022 will meet in SHAPE at 10:10am for procession.
11:30am	Community Picnic <i>Campus Quad</i> Immediately following convocation.
Monday through Friday	
	Welcome Week There will be many activities planned during your first week that will help you make connections with your new campus community.