First Year Summer Orientation

Family & Guest Schedule

June 25, 26, 27, July 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16

Check-in

8:00-8:30 a.m. | Student Success Center

After you park in the Mason Street Parking Deck, come grab your materials for the day and light refreshments to get started! Check-in is required.

University Welcome

8:45-9:25 a.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

Campus administrators will officially welcome you to the JMU community and help to prepare you and your student for the JMU learning experience.

Your College Home

9:40-10:25 a.m. | Various Locations

We expect your student to make informed decisions about their academic career. Based on your student's major, college leadership will share information about how to progress and be successful academically.

Academic Success & Career Readiness

10:40-11:30 a.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

Your student is about to begin an incredible learning experience. University Advising and the University Career Center will provide you with valuable information about the academic advising process, expectations, resources and career preparation.

Health and Well-Being: Empowering Your Student 11:35 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | Wilson Hall Aud. Join us as we explore essential skills and strengths crucial for your student's development both before and while at JMU, particularly as it relates to their health and well-being. We'll cover real-life scenarios, a conversation checklist and more!

Lunch

12:15-1:15 p.m. | D-Hall

Use your meal voucher for a delicious lunch in one of our all-you-care-to-eat dining facilities!

Financial Aid or Campus Tour

1:20-1:50 p.m. | Wilson Hall

Choose to participate in a brief campus tour meeting outside Wilson Hall or join the Financial Aid Office in Wilson Hall Auditorium as they share information, answer commonly asked questions and take questions from the audience.

Campus Safety

2:00-2:20 p.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

JMU is dedicated to creating a safe environment for all students. Members of our Campus Police staff will share an overview of campus safety initiatives at JMU.

Helping Students Grow at JMU

2:25-2:45 p.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

Learn strategies and resources about how to partner to facilitate your student's growth during their time at JMU.

Ask an OPA!

2:50-3:25 p.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

Don't miss this exciting question and answer panel with our very own OPAs! This is your opportunity to get the inside scoop on what it's like to be a JMU student.

What's Next?

3:25-3:55 p.m. | Wilson Hall Auditorium

Transition is a process, not an event. Residence Life and Orientation and Transition staff will provide details to help you prepare your student for move-in and Weeks of Welcome.

Resource Fair

4:00-5:00 p.m. | Student Success Center

Connect with campus departments to help your student navigate JMU. You will meet your student on the first floor of Student Success Center.

End of Day Options

- Browse the JMU Bookstore: open from 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Take care of business: visit Financial Aid and Scholarship or the University Business Office on the fifth floor of the Student Success Center from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Set up a campus bank account: visit CommonWealth One on the second floor of The Union from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. or at the resource fair.
- Check out UREC: see everything UREC offers for your student's health and wellness from 3:30 p.m.-6 p.m.
- Check out our self-guided Quad History Tour: j.mu/quadtour.

Post-Summer Orientation Discussion Questions

- How do you feel about your class schedule?
- Which class are you most excited/nervous about?
- What will you get involved with outside of classes?
- Overall, what are you most excited/anxious about?
- How will you handle situations that are hard or unexpected?
- How often do you want to connect with each other?
- What would your ideal care package include?
- How will we discuss grades?
- How do you plan to keep a weekly or monthly budget?
- What will you do when confronted with difficult choices?
- How can we help you during your transition to JMU?