

~ORIENTATION PROGRAM 2017~

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Move-in Day Map (union.edu/moveinmap)

- 9:00 am RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN
Check-in and key pick-up will take place at each residence hall. Orientation Advisors (OA's) and Resident Advisors (RA's) will be on hand to show you to your room and help you move in.
- 9:00 – 11:00 am MINERVA HOUSE BREAKFAST
Visit your Minerva House and enjoy a continental breakfast!
Your Minerva House
- 9:30 – 2:45 pm ORIENTATION CHECK-IN
Join us and meet with representatives from various departments on campus.
Nott Memorial
- 9:30 – 2:45 pm UNION COLLEGE COMMITMENT TO HONOR DIVERSITY
While in the Nott, be sure to join with others and sign your class' commitment to honor diversity.
Nott Memorial
- 9:30 – 2:45 pm ID PHOTOS
Be sure to get your photo taken for your ID Card. Remember, this photo will be with you for the next four years so say, "Cheese!"
Nott Memorial
- 10:00 am STUDENT AFFAIRS PANEL PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS PART I
Viki Brooks, Director of Religious and Spiritual Life, Campus Protestant Minister
Chip Mecca, Director of Dining Services
Tom McEvoy, Associate Dean of Students, Director of Minerva Programs
Matt Milless, Assistant Dean of Students for Student Activities and Dining Admin.
Tim Porter, Director of the Bookstore
Kate Schurick, Dean of First-Year Students
Susan Manchester, Associate Director of Health Services
Angela Tatem, Director Kenney Community Center
Reamer Campus Center (Auditorium)
- 11:00 am STUDENT AFFAIRS PANEL PRESENTATION FOR PARENTS PART II
Amanda Bingel, Director of Residential Life
Chris Hayen, Director of Campus Safety
Marcus Hotaling, Director of Counseling Center
Steve Leavitt, VP for Student Affairs, Dean of Students
Kate Schurick, Dean of First-Year Students
Trish Williams, Senior Associate Dean of Students and Director of Student Conduct
Reamer Campus Center (Auditorium)
- 11:30 – 2:00 pm CLASS OF 2021 LUNCH
Come and enjoy lunch with the other members of your class and invite your family to join you!
College Park Hall
- 11:30 – 1:00 pm LGBTQ & U: A PLACE FOR EVERYONE
Join the members of Iris House for an introduction to the LGBTQ campus culture and a description of resources and classes which cater to the LGBTQ community. Listen to students and administrators speak about personal experiences and enjoy a delicious lunch.
Iris House, 301 Seward Place

1:00 – 1:45 pm	HONOR CODE	
1:50 – 2:35 pm	Members of the Honor Council will talk with you about our Honor Code. Following the presentation, you will be asked to sign the Union College Honor Code Affirmation.	Memorial Chapel
2:40 – 3:25 pm		
3:30 pm	THE INSIDER'S TOUR OF CAMPUS Join your OA and tour campus one last time before classes begin! Learn where your classes are located, important offices to visit, the quickest routes around campus, and student secrets. Did you know about the tunnel between Olin and S&E? It can come in handy on a rainy day!	
3:30 – 5:00 pm	OPEN HOUSE AT THE KENNEY COMMUNITY CENTER Meet the staff of the Community Outreach department, see and hear what other students have done to engage with the local community and beyond. Learn about the many volunteer opportunities for Union students and how you can develop your talents by sharing them with others. There is a place for everyone at the Kenney Center.	Kenney Center, 257 Park Place the corner of Park Place and Nott Street between Richmond and College Park Hall
3:30 – 5:00 pm	OPEN HOUSE AT THE WICKER WELLNESS CENTER Come check out the wellness center, learn about what they offer, and meet one of the therapy dogs!	Wicker Wellness Center
3:30 – 5:00 pm	PEOPLE, RESOURCES, AND TECHNOLOGY AT SCHAFFER LIBRARY Have refreshments with members of the Schaffer Library and Information Technology Services staff. Learn about new and recent events, resources, technology, and about additional student service offices (Writing Center, Language Center, Office of National Fellowships & Scholarships) located in the building.	Schaffer Library
5:30 – 6:10	TRUE LIFE: SOCIAL LIFE OF A UNION STUDENT	
6:15 – 6:50	What is it really like to be a student at Union? Come and find out. Presented by the Orientation Committee	Nott Memorial
5:00 – 7:00 pm	DINNER	West College (West Dining)
7:00 pm	BUILDING BUDDIES Remember everyone you met yesterday and earlier today? No? Here's your chance. Join your RA and start getting to know everyone on your floor and in your residence hall.	
8:15 pm	FOUR STAGES OF DRINKING National alcohol speaker, Mike Green, will lead a discussion about the Four Stages of Drinking. This insightful and interactive program is guaranteed to make you think about the role alcohol plays in your life. After several years of presenting at Union's orientation, Mike is still a huge hit and the top program students remember about their orientation experience.	Memorial Chapel
9:15 pm	OA MEETING	Your OA Meeting Location
9:45 pm	ALL AROUND U Explore each of the Minerva Houses and enjoy an evening of entertainment. Each Minerva has planned a special event so be sure to visit all of the houses!	Minerva Houses

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- 8:00 – 9:00 am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST **(this is your last meal before needing your ID card)** **West College (West Dining)**
- 8:30 – 10:00 am ID CARD DISTRIBUTION
Your student ID is one of the most important accessories you will ever have at Union, well that is if you want to be able to eat or get into your residence hall!
Reamer Campus Center (Rm. 306)
- 9:00 – 12:00 pm INDIVIDUAL ADVISING APPOINTMENTS
Bring your schedule and any questions you want answered. This is your first opportunity to meet your advisor. Don't be late! **Check your Union email for a message from Mark Wunderlich, dean of studies**
- 11:00 – 2:00 pm BRUNCH **(bring your ID card)** **West College (West Dining)**
- 10:00 – 11:00 am ACADEMICS AT UNION
11:00 – 12:00 pm ***You must attend one of the three sessions offered***
12:00 – 1:00 pm Mark Wunderlich, Dean of Studies, will introduce the speakers.
Mark Walker, Director of Advising will discuss academic advising, course selection, and choosing a major.
Kara Doyle, Associate Professor, Department of English, will discuss the role of the First Year Preceptorial (FYP) in your course of study.
Reamer Campus Center (Auditorium)
- 1:00 – 3:00 pm DROP/ADD FOR NEW STUDENTS
If you need to make changes to your class schedule, this is the time to make those adjustments. **Nott Memorial**
- 1:00 – 1:45 pm NO OFFENSE
No Offense Improv is an active, participatory performance and "play" club at Union College that partners with the Theatre and Dance Department. We provide a creative outlet for students with comedic skits, performances, and weekly meetings to play games. You can join Improv Club during Club Expo to see what we're all about and/or come to the Theatre & Dance Annual Open House on Thursday, Sept 7, @ 5:00 p.m. in the Yulman Theatre.
**Outside the Nott Memorial
Rain location Yulman Theater**
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm GARNET GOES GREEN
A brief overview of sustainability at Union followed by a meet and great with students from Engineers for a Sustainable World, Environmental Club and U-Sustain.
Olin Auditorium
- 3:00 – 4:00 pm BEYOND THE BARRIERS
Throughout your Union career, you will be placed in many different environments that will challenge you to grow as a student and a person. This session provides students with an early opportunity to begin collaboration with peers and practice problem solving methods. Some challenges include (but are not limited to) facial analysis, thought talks, and the art of failing.
This session will be led by Union's University Innovation Fellows: Lakhena Leang, '18; Talha Janjua, '19; Justin Nguyen, '19; An Nguyen, '18; and Elina Davé, '19.
Reamer Campus Center (Auditorium)
- 4:30 pm OPENING CONVOCATION

Join the Union Community in celebrating the official opening of the academic year.
Memorial Chapel

Immediately following
CAMPUS BARBEQUE
Join other members of the Union community for a barbeque dinner. Then head down to the First-Year Fest on West Beach!
Rugby Field

6:30 –8:30 pm
FIRST-YEAR FEST
Join the class of 2021 for our own mini carnival. Take some pics and be sure to look for our special snapchat filter!!
West Beach

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

CLASSES BEGIN

UPCOMING EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

4:00 pm
CLUB EXPO
Join the student body for a fun-filled, carnival-like evening. Learn about the many clubs and organizations offered at Union. Come and get involved.
Hull Plaza

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

10:00 am – 1:00 pm
SAFETY DAY
Please join us for a training program on personal and fire safety. The Environmental Health & Safety Office is hosting its annual Safety Day with a live mock room burn at 1 PM. You can participate in fire extinguisher training and walk through a smoke trailer. Safety Day T-Shirts will be given to those who participate (supplies limited). Various local and state fire safety, EMS, law enforcement agencies, and private vendors will be on site to answer any of your safety questions. Further details will be posted on the EHS Facebook page, [unionehs](#), or Twitter, [unionlifesafety](#).
Outside Reamer Campus Center

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

shifts will be announced
JOHN CALVIN TOLL 1799 DAY
Join us for a day of community service. Members of the Union community, along with our neighbors in Schenectady, will help plant flowers and trees; clean up parks; and participate in a host of other activities. You may contact the Kenney Center at 518.388.6609 for more information.