Welcome to Orientation Week at Duquesne University!

Whether you are a freshman, transfer, resident, commuter, veteran, or international student, our orientation program is designed to help you on your journey through Duquesne. This week, you will be assigned two upperclassmen that will serve as your primary resource for learning all about college life, academics, and the surrounding Pittsburgh area. The sessions with your team leaders will give you the opportunity to get to know your peers on a more personal level and to educate you about our community! We encourage you to use this week as a starting point for your involvement as a way to shape who you become as a student on the bluff. This handbook will serve as your guide for orientation week, and includes relevant information about Duquesne as well as our program.

Enjoy your week and happy orientation!
- Shayaan and Zach

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THE DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit is a Catholic University, founded by members of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit, the Spiritans, and sustained through a partnership of laity and religious. Duquesne serves God by serving students – through commitment to excellence in liberal and professional education, through profound concern for moral and spiritual values, through the maintenance of an ecumenical atmosphere open to diversity, and through service to the Church, the community, the nation, and the world.

EXPECTATIONS OF A DUQUESNE STUDENT

1. Read, understand and live out the values contained in the Mission Statement.
2. Build on the values you have received from those who love you and strive to meet their expectations.
3. Be diligent and sincere in your education, open to learning, change and strive for academic excellence.
4. Be honest and have integrity in all that you do.
5. Recognize the importance of service to others and our community.
6. Grow spiritually, preparing for life, not just for a career.
7. Appreciate diversity, be welcoming to others.
8. Respect your body and avoid addictions.
9. Develop a sense of self around your ethical and spiritual values.
10. Develop friendships and know the value of teamwork.
11. Be proud of Duquesne, show school spirit and support University activities.
12. Be at peace, love God, your neighbor and yourself.
First things first – make sure you sign up for a Move-In time slot before making your way to campus on Tuesday, August 17th. The link to sign up will be sent through your Duquesne email in July. When you arrive on campus, there will be signs, as well as staff members, to help you maneuver your way through the Move-In Day process. Sit back and relax as our Orientation team unloads your car and places your items in your room while you visit all the necessary tents.

Tip: Make sure to label all of your bins and items with your last name, room number, and building to prevent lost items throughout the day. Be sure to head over to the Orientation Tent on the Assumption Commons between St. Ann Hall and Assumption Hall! The tent is where you will pick up your orientation bag that contains all of the essentials for the week, including your name badge and your new student folder!

Before you can move into your room, you must check in at the tent outside or in the lobby of your Living Learning Center (LLC) to pick up your room key and fill out resident documents. **Please note that this location differs from the Orientation Tent!**

Remind your parents or guardians to park their cars in the Forbes Garage after unloading your vehicle, where there will be free parking throughout orientation week. There will be signs along our route that guide vehicles to the Forbes Avenue entrance. The pass you are given when you pull up to your LLC will serve as your parking pass for move-in day! **If you have ordered a parking pass for the academic year, they can be picked up in the Parking Office on the second floor of the Student Union.**

Take all the time that you need to unpack and get your room organized. Our first event doesn’t start until 7:00 PM in the UPMC Cooper Fieldhouse! Once you have settled into your new home, feel free to visit the Hogan Dining Center in Towers LLC with your family. Lunch will be available and will be served throughout the day for all visitors helping you move in!

*If you were not able to make it to the orientation tent, please visit the Office of Orientation in the Student Union, Room 309A sometime on Wednesday, August 18th between 8:30 AM and 4:30 PM.*

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**PEOPLE TO KNOW**

**CHAIRPERSONS**
22 students that have previously served as team leaders. They are upperclassmen volunteers that have been planning the program for eight months. They will be wearing blue polo shirts throughout orientation week.

**TEAM LEADERS**
120 returning sophomores, juniors, and seniors who volunteered to return a week early and re-experience orientation week. They will serve as your guide during the week to answer any questions you have as you go through the orientation experience. They’ll also be available to you throughout the fall semester too, just in case any new questions come up. Team leaders will be wearing gray shirts throughout the week.

**COMMUTER ASSISTANTS**
Commuter student volunteers that work with incoming commuters to discuss living off campus and answer questions regarding commuting to campus. Commuter students will meet them during their pre-orientation on August 16th.

**RESIDENT ASSISTANTS**
Resident Assistants are student volunteers assigned to each floor of our Living Learning Centers. They’ll help resolve issues that may arise while living on campus and give you any advice you may need about being a resident.

**DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AMBASSADORS**
Student volunteers from the Center for Excellence In Diversity and Student Inclusion who lead the Center’s pre-orientation program. They will be around throughout orientation week to help the Center’s pre-orientation students adjust to college life.
MEET THE STAFF – DIRECTORS AND CHAIRPERSONS

DR. ADAM WASILKO  
Assistant Vice President, Student Involvement

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Coordinator, Student Involvement and Disability Services

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Entertainment Chairperson

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Entertainment Chairperson

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Entertainment Chairperson

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Transfer Chairperson

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Burgh Buck Chairperson

MALLORY LOUGH  
Burgh Buck Chairperson
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2. Luke Reed and Gianna Yannazzo
3. Amandalyne Davis and Reese Eichler
4. Jihaa Fu and Alyssa Napolitana
5. Abby Hill and Caralana Howard
6. Ethan Delp and Maddie Stroud
7. Lauren Rebel and Emily Buchanan
8. Taylor McMure and Shannon Lawless
9. Raegan Gouker and Alyssa Gadsby
10. William Buchholz and Tori Cicins
11. Jia Bradford
12. Kathleen Kessler
13. Zachary Moore and Kaytlin Black
14. Katie Podlaski and Abigail Messner
15. Julia Gibson and Noah Madden
16. Natalie Jones and Jabreel Bryce
17. Joseph Chobany and Alex Kocinski
18. Zoe Ellis and Erin Wisley
19. Rachel Moeller and Emiliano Siegert-Wilkinson
20. Kelly Gullo and Nikolaj Bandosz
21. Abigail Lanzelotti and Julianna Sciollo
22. Jessica Ashton and Celidhe Wagner
23. Julia Smith and Mia Lucarelli
24. Sasha Valentino and Gabrielle Ewachiw
25. Nicole Bohatch and Lydia Obman
26. Anais Haftman and Sarah Eccher
27. Capri Scarelli and Jenna Mulreany
28. Kaleigh Flavin and Mackenzie Miller
29. Adam Koides and Singo Lekeuneu
30. Kirsa Danis and Zixin Lin
31. Michael Apgar and Isabelle O’Hara
32. Claire Primm and Elsie Wannamaker
33. Michael Whirlow and Kelly Pecora
34. Melanie Schultz and Emmalee Le
35. Jordyn Rose and Alaina Baker
36. Michael Amato and Daniel Melder
37. Clara Geesaman and Samantha Srolovitz
38. Julie Doherty and Sarah Hanrahan
39. Willem Trainor and Emma Polen
40. Meghan Gamble and Sydney Fleming
41. Jordan Mazzei and Sydney Spears
42. Jaimee Conmy and Madeline Rivers
43. Zachary Moore and Ashley Sandella
44. Isabella Termeni and Saloni Patel
45. Elise Hreha and Zoe Sovek
46. Susan Betten and Isabella Galbo
47. Katie Haley and Evan Oblak
48. Annessa Donato and Kelly Maffei
49. Kathryn Leash and Ashley Berdel
50. Sarah Dujordan and Hayleigh Monroe
51. William Flanagan and Ian Lesniak
52. Lyndsey Reyes and Michael Hair
53. Kaitlin Dodd and Julia Saltzman
54. Marissa Joseph and Rita Smith
55. Josh Branker and Brentaro Yamane
56. Zoe Holland and Nicolas Moyer
57. Claire Primm and Elsie Wannamaker
58. Kaitlyn Svencer and Guia Isabel Apaga
59. Grace Raup and Natalie Guist
60. Morgan Emery and Hannah Thornton

Your team number will be listed on the back of your orientation name badge. If you have any questions regarding your team meetings or number, visit the Office of Orientation in the student union, room 309A.

**MEET THE TEAM LEADERS**

**WHAT ARE BURGH BUCKS?**

What are they?
Burgh Bucks are a special orientation currency created to reward you for your enthusiasm, dedication, and excitement while attending events.

How do I earn them?
By coming to events throughout the week, meeting new students and team leaders, and exploring Duquesne and everything the city of Pittsburgh has to offer!

What do I do with them?
Your Burgh Bucks are unfortunately NOT applicable for tuition or dining needs, but CAN be used at our Burgh Buck auction at the end of the week. At the auction, we will have an assortment of prizes and experiences up for grabs, including (but not limited to) a gaming console, Apple AirPods, gift cards, and many more experiences around the city. The more Burgh Bucks you collect, the better the prizes you can WIN!

- $ Have your stash counted on Thursday and receive a 15% BONUS
- $ Have them counted on Friday and receive a 10% BONUS
- $ Get them counted on Saturday and receive a 5% BONUS
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SOCIAL MEDIA
Follow us on social media for all of the most up to date content! Find out more about campus, get introduced to our staff, and participate in scavenger hunts throughout the week.

/DuqOrientation  https://guidebook.com/g/duquesne2021
@duqorientation  @duqorientation

GETTING AROUND CAMPUS
You may be feeling overwhelmed and a little lost as you venture around campus for the first time as an official student, but don’t worry! Here are the most common places where orientation events will be taking place this year:

Africa Room: This is on the 3rd floor of the Student Union on the A-walk side. If you are coming into the Union from A-walk it will be on the right. Throughout the year, we host everything from club meetings to blood drives to nice dinners in this space. During Orientation, we will be hosting a couple of late night events in the Africa Room.

Assumption Commons: This is the big grassy area surrounded by the Freshman Residence Halls. You will visit here during Move-In Day, as well as during the Ice Cream Social on Tuesday night. During the school year, it is used for a range of activities from RA floor programs and Greek Life events, to hanging out and throwing a football when the weather is nice.

McCloskey Field: This is the practice field located behind St. Ann’s Hall and beside the Music School. You can find students working out on this field throughout the year (until construction begins later this year!)

Towers MPR: This is the room on the side of the Towers LLC. The entrance is to the left if you are exiting Assumption Hall. During Orientation, we will host a few of our late night events, but during the school year it is used for RA floor programs, special events, or can just be used as a nice study space.

Union Atrium: This is the second floor of the Union (where Starbucks is). You might hear this referred to as the “Fishbowl,” which is what students named the study area across from Starbucks.

Union Ballroom: This is the 4th floor of the Student Union (the building with Starbucks in it and the one by the circular fountain on A-walk). The ballroom is the orientation hotspot. We usually have at least one event in this room every evening!

ROOM ITEMS
- Computer/printer
- Hangers
- Lamp
- Surge protectors
- Umbrella
- School supplies/USB
- Extension cord

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS
- Shower caddy
- Shower shoes
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Soap/shampoo/conditioner
- Tissues
- Facemask

KITCHEN ITEMS
- Bowls/plates
- Paper towels
- Silverware
- Microwave
- Mini-fridge
- Snack-bag clips
- Mugs/cups

BED & BATH
- Blankets/pillows
- Bed sheets (twin XL)
- Towels/washcloths
- Mattress topper/cover

LAUNDRY ITEMS
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Stain remover
- Laundry hamper/basket
- Drying rack

DISINFECTING WIPES
- Hand sanitizer
- Swiffer/broom
- Trash can/Bags
- Sponges/dish soap

Please contact the Office of Residence Life at 412.396.6655 or visit www.duq.edu/residence-life for any questions regarding acceptable items in the LLCs.
GET INVOLVED and do it early!

You get more out of the college experience if you’re involved outside of the classroom. Here are some opportunities to help guide you to the right place:

**Freshman Advisement Summer Transition (FAST)**
Tuesday, July 13th – Friday, July 16th
Friday, July 23rd (Virtual)

**Duquesne Expo/Support Services Fair/Volunteer Fair**
August 31st-September 2nd: 11AM – 2PM Academic Walk
Meet the members of the clubs you got information on during Orientation, and find out how to join organizations to continue building your connections around campus!

**Volunteer Fair**
Thursday, September 2nd
DUV has countless opportunities for those who are interested in giving back to the University and surrounding communities.

**Family Weekend**
Friday, October 1st – Sunday, October 3rd

**Homecoming**
Friday, October 25th – Sunday, October 27th

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**CALLING ALL STUDENTS**

**FRESHMAN TALENT SHOW**

**WHO:** Any new student who has a talent they would like to share with their peers!

**WHAT:** The annual orientation talent show! A fun night of dancing, singing and a plethora of other entertaining acts students will not want to miss.

**WHERE:** Duquesne Union Ballroom

**WHEN:** Friday, August 20, 2021 @ 7:00 P.M.

*If you would like to participate in the talent show, let your Team Leaders know as soon as possible during Orientation week.*
**Adam** – Thank you for being the support that allows us to explore the incredible potential of the program. Your guidance inspires the great success of orientation.

**Tam, Jeanie, and Ashley** – Thank you for helping us organize and execute every task along the way. Your work is truly the foundation that keeps our organization running. We are incredibly fortunate to have such amazing support, and such wonderful friends in each of you.

**President Gormley** – Thank you for your support of our program. Your leadership has continued to provide many great opportunities for us to show the value of orientation.

**Dr. Frizzell** – Thank you for all of the guidance you have provided throughout the year. Your interest in our program and trust in us are incredibly valuable. We are so grateful for your continued involvement.

**Mike and Gina** – Thank you for providing the captivating visuals and designs that represent our program. Your help allowed us to showcase Duquesne as it was meant to be displayed.

**Sharon, Alydia, and all Residence Life Staff** – Thank you so much for the amazing support you provide to our program. You are absolutely essential to the success of both Orientation, and the entire University. We look forward to the continued success of our relationship with Residence Life. Sharon, you have been an integral part of our great program. Your support through the University and as a friend are treasured. Thank you for all you do!

**The Center for Student Involvement** – Thank you for your constant support and all that you do for orientation. A special thanks to Marc Grandillo and all of DPC assisting in some of the planning of our program.

**Fr. Hogan, Fr. French, Fr. Christy, Fr. McCloskey, and all the Spiritans** – Your support of orientation is such a blessing. We thank you for all of the confidence and help that you provided to our program.

**Sarah Murtha** – Thank you for working with us on even the smallest details of orientation. You are essential to the smooth operation of our events, and for that, we could never thank you enough!

**Shayaaan and Zach**

**Jess & All of SGA** – Thank you as always for being a friend of orientation and always supporting our program. It has been great working with you!

**Orientation Staff** – You are truly the backbone of this program.

**Team Leaders** – Thank you for forming meaningful relationships and welcoming new students to their new home.

**Chairs** – Thank you for the hard work you placed into the program, but more importantly, thank you for making it your very own. Your impact on this year’s Orientation was immeasurable. Thank you.

The **Student Life Directors** have been incredibly supportive and helpful throughout the entire planning process of Orientation. Your support is completely invaluable. You help make all the moving parts of this program cohesive and successful! We could not have done it without your help! Thank you!

We’d like to extend a sincere thank you to all of the **Deans and their staff**, for planning and organizing amazing events and for striving to make this program the best yet!

Most importantly, we’d like to thank you, the incoming class of 2025. Thank you for choosing Duquesne University and making it your own. Greater than any other gift, Duquesne provides so many tools for life. The University supplies the skills, knowledge, and the ability to navigate some of life’s greatest challenges. The learning environment fosters growth and education in the mind, body and spirit. Wherever we may be headed, these are the tools that will get us **ON OUR WAY**.

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DUQUESNE CAMPUS MAP