FAMILY ORIENTATION 2023

WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO!

On behalf of the College, we would like to welcome you as a new member of the University community. You are joining a growing community of students, alumni, family members, faculty, staff, and friends from around the world. We are excited that you are here!

College Orientation is coordinated by College Programming and Orientation (CPO). Our professional staff and student leaders will be on hand to assist you and your student in getting acclimated to campus. The CPO will continue to be a resource for you throughout your student’s tenure at the University of Chicago. College Programming and Orientation is located in Suite 152 of Harper Memorial Library and can be contacted via phone or text at 773.702.8616 or emailed at college-programming@uchicago.edu.

ACCESSING MEALS IN DINING HALLS

Family members are invited to enjoy meals with their student at their student’s assigned dining commons during move-in days (9/19 and 9/20). Students will access the dining commons with their UChicago ID Card and swipe in family members using pre-loaded guest swipes. New College students living on campus are provided eight guest swipes and new students living off campus are provided two guest swipes. Additional guests, beyond the swipes provided, may pay the meal rate at the door. To manage high traffic volume, a limited menu will be available. To view your student’s assigned dining commons, access the full orientation schedule at the QR code below.

ACCESSING SHUTTLES AND PARKING LOTS

A special orientation shuttle is operating for move-in days across campus. Shuttles will be available on Tuesday, September 19 from 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM and on Wednesday, September 20 from 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM. Family members and guests may also ride the UChicago UGO Shuttles around campus and Hyde Park with their student. Designated parking lots are open and free of charge. To view the available parking lots and shuttle route, visit the campus map on the back page.

ACCESSING WI-FI

To connect to the wireless internet, select “uchicago-guest” from your list of available wireless networks and open your browser. The browser will redirect to the page “University of Chicago Wireless Access” with fields for CNet ID and Password. For access, enter the following information:

Username: college-programming@uchicago.edu
Password: 927aq

ACCESSING THE FULL SCHEDULE

Download the Guidebook App to your phone, click on Find Guides, search “UChicago College Orientation 2023,” open and save the guide to your app for easy access to the official schedule of events.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

DINING HALL HOURS
Breakfast: 7:00 - 10:00AM    Lunch: 11:30AM - 2:30PM    Dinner: 5:00 - 8:00PM
Family members are invited to enjoy meals with their student at their assigned dining commons during move-in days. Please refer to page two for additional information.

RESIDENCE HALL MOVE-IN
Begins at 8:00AM
Residence Life staff will be on-hand to help as your student gets moved into their new home!

ORIENTATION SHUTTLE HOURS
8:00AM - 4:00PM
For your convenience, a special route is available to transport families around campus. Please look for the Orientation Parking Shuttle signs. See the full route on the back page.

OPEN HOUSES & RECEPTIONS
UChicago Bookstore VIP Shopping Event
12:00 - 3:00PM    UChicago Bookstore, 970 E 58th Street

Student Disability Services Drop-In Hours
1:00 - 3:00PM    Student Disability Services, 5501 South Ellis Avenue

TAPS (Theater and Performance Studies) Open House
2:00 - 3:30PM    Theater West, Logan Center, 915 E 60th Street

Odyssey Scholar and FLI Family Reception
3:00 - 4:00PM    Hutchinson Courtyard, Reynold Club
Families of Odyssey Scholars and those who identify as first-generation and/or low-income are invited to this reception and meet-and-greet with UChicago administrators.

Student Wellness Open House
4:00 - 6:00PM    Student Wellness Center, 840 East 59th Street
Visit the new Student Wellness Center, chat with staff and health representatives, and have all your questions answered.

YOUR NIGHT IN THE CITY!
End the day exploring the city of Chicago while your student is invited to an outdoor movie. Check out the Hyde Park and City of Chicago resources listed at visit.uchicago.edu.
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

DINING HALL HOURS
Breakfast: 7:00 - 10:00AM  Lunch: 11:30AM - 2:30PM
Family members are invited to enjoy meals with their student at their assigned dining commons during move-in days. Please refer to page two for additional information.

RESIDENCE HALL MOVE-IN
8:00AM - 12:00PM
Residence Life staff will be on-hand to help as your student gets moved into their new home!

ORIENTATION SHUTTLE HOURS
8:00AM - 7:00PM
For your convenience, a special route is available to transport families around campus. Please look for the Orientation Parking Shuttle signs. See the full route on the back page.

ASK ME FOR HELP TENT
10:00AM - 2:00PM  Main Quadrangle
Ask questions or get assistance from orientation staff at the tent located on the Main Quadrangle.

ORIENTATION CHECK-IN FOR NEW STUDENTS
10:00AM - 1:00PM  Reynolds Club, 5706 S University Ave
All incoming students are required to check-in for orientation in Reynolds Club where they will pick up their UPass and Orientation gift bags! Only students are allowed to wait in line, so while your student is checking in, families can take a break and grab coffee on Bartlett Quadrangle.

RESIDENT DEANS’ WELCOME RECEPTIONS
Time and Location Varies by Hall
Your student’s Resident Deans would like to welcome you to the University of Chicago and College Housing. Take a break from moving in and introduce yourself to the live-in faculty who offer a multitude of programs and events within the Residence Halls.

Please Note: The Resident Deans’ Welcome Receptions may occur at different times. Check the full schedule within the UChicago College Orientation 2023 Guide of the Guidebook App for the exact details of your student’s Residence Hall.
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

ORIENTATION FAIR
10:00AM - 1:00PM   Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E 59th Street
Head to Ida Noyes Hall for snacks, giveaways, photo opportunities, and a chance to speak with representatives from campus support services!

LUGGAGE CHECK
10:00AM - 7:00PM   Ida Noyes Hall, Max P Cinema
Drop off your luggage for the day at the Orientation Fair. Orientation staff will be on hand to monitor and check in luggage throughout the day.
All luggage must be picked up by 7:00 PM

BOOKSTORE VIP SHOPPING EVENT
12:00 - 3:00PM   UChicago Bookstore, 970 E 58th Street
Stop by the UChicago Bookstore for discount offers and giveaways!

COLLEGE ACADEMIC ADVISING OFFICE OPEN HOUSE
12:00 - 2:00PM   Alumni House, 5555 South Woodlawn Ave
Academic Advisers will welcome you to the advising office, distribute information, and answer questions about the many services available to students throughout the year.

CENTER FOR IDENTITY + INCLUSION RECEPTION
1:30 - 3:00PM   Center for Identity + Inclusion, 5710 S Woodlawn Ave
Opportunity for new students and their families to visit the Center. This is the first of many opportunities to learn about programs and resources, as well as support services across the University for students of various identities. The Center for Identity + Inclusion is home to the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, LGBTQ Student Life, and Student Support Services.

CITY TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS
- CTA Trip Planner for Buses & “L” Trains: http://www.transitchicago.com/planatrip/
- Airport Express Shuttles to Midway & O’Hare: http://www.airportexpress.com
- Yellow Cab: 312.TAXICAB (829-4222)
- Metra Electric Commuter Rail: http://metrarail.com
- Choose the Metra Electric District line to travel between campus at the 57th Street Station and downtown at Millennium Station.
OPENING CONVOCATION AND PROCESSION
3:30 - 4:30PM  Harper Quadrangle
After bidding your students farewell, families will assemble in Harper Quadrangle while students join their peers in Rockefeller Chapel for the College’s formal welcome - Opening Convocation. This longstanding tradition includes the presentation of the Class of 2027 and entering transfer students, as well as an address about liberal arts education at the University delivered by Melina Hale, Dean of the College. Rockefeller Memorial Chapel seating will open at 2:45 PM and students must be seated by 3:15PM.

Seating in Rockefeller Memorial Chapel is for incoming students only. All guests will be directed to Family Viewing outside on Harper Quadrangle. Limited indoor seating is available at the locations listed below. Family viewing locations open at 3:00PM.
- Harper Memorial Library 130 and 140
- Stuart Hall 101, 102, 104, and 105

CLASS PROCESSION
4:00 - 5:00PM  Main Quadrangle
Following Opening Convocation, students will process out of Rockefeller Chapel, across the Main Quadrangle, to Hull Gate where members of the UChicago community will greet them. Check out the Opening Convocation program for the exact procession route.

Please Note: Following the procession, students will proceed directly to their class photo and then on to their Residence Halls for the remainder of the evening activities.

FAMILY RECEPTION
4:30 - 6:00PM  Hutchinson Courtyard, Reynolds Club
Members of the administration, faculty, and staff will greet family members of new students during this reception hosted by the Dean of the College. Stop by for light hors d’oeuvres, drinks, desserts, and a photo in front of the UChicago ice sculpture before you depart campus.

Save the Date for Family Weekend
Each fall, the College welcomes families, friends, and alumni to attend dozens of events on campus and around Hyde Park, Chicago. We hope you can join us for this year’s Family Weekend happening October 13-15, 2023. Visit the Family Weekend website to learn more and register for the weekend.
familyweekend.uchicago.edu
Families who wish to explore campus are encouraged to participate in a self-guided tour! This tour provides families and students a list of beautiful spots around campus. Keep an eye out for "selfie spots"! These stickers mark locations around campus that are perfect for pictures. Upload your photos to social media and use #UChicago2027 for a chance to be featured in the College’s official social media story! A campus map marking these iconic locations can be found on the back of this guide.

**HARPER MEMORIAL LIBRARY, THIRD FLOOR**
The third floor of this library is home to the Arley D. Cathey Learning Center, which serves as a hub for undergraduate intellectual and social exchange.

**COBB GATE**
This gate has stood at the entrance to the Main Quad for over 100 years. Said to represent admissions officers, the outward facing gargoyles on each side of the arch control access.

**ROBIE HOUSE**
Frank Lloyd Wright’s world-famous Robie House has been a National Historic Landmark since 1963. This structure is often cited as the best example of the Prairie style.

**ROCKEFELLER MEMORIAL CHAPEL**
Named for the University’s founder, John D. Rockefeller, this building was built without the use of structural steel and features more than 100 stone sculptures and a 72-bell carillon, the second largest instrument in the world.

**ALUMNI HOUSE**
Located within Alumni House is the hub for undergraduate academic advising. Academic advisors are a crucial part of students’ support resources. They provide individual plans to set up each student for meaningful academic success.

**IDA NOYES HALL**
Built in 1916, Ida Noyes Hall was originally designed to be a women’s gymnasium and social center. It now houses the Max Paley Cinema, Career Advancement, and event rooms.

**STUDENT WELLNESS CENTER**
This new center brings together in one location Health Services, Counseling Services, and Health Promotion and Wellness to improve UChicago students wellness resource accessibility.

**UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE**
End your stop at the bookstore to purchase books, gifts, and University of Chicago apparel to represent your student no matter where you are at!