



2017 Parent and Family Orientation Schedule

Day 1 **Saturday, August 19**

- 8:00AM – 12:00PM** **Move-in for all new residential students** *Dunn Hall/East Entrance*
- 2:30PM** **Orientation Check-in** *Corrigan Courtyard (in front of library)*
It's time for you to check-in for Orientation! Your student will check-in here, too. Get your check-in packet, updated schedule, and meet the Orientation Team!
- 3:15PM** **Orientation Team Welcome and Breakout Sessions** *Corrigan Courtyard (in front of library)*
Meet the 2017 Orientation Team Leaders!
- 3:30PM** **A Partnership for Student Success** *VCPA Regents' Theatre*
We will briefly go over the Parent and Family Orientation schedule and answer questions. Next we will discuss the excitement and challenges of having your student start at HNU. This session will provide opportunities for sharing this experience with other families and for learning how you can help us in supporting your student throughout his or her first year at HNU. *Presented by Laura Lyndon, Executive Director of Advising and Learning Resources and Eleanor Armstrong, Associate Dean and Director of Student Success*
- 4:15PM** **Rite of Passage Ceremony** *Corrigan Courtyard (in front of library)*
During this HNU tradition, family, faculty, and staff celebrate the "passage" of new students into the HNU community.
- President's Welcome Dinner*** *Public Market*
New students and their families are welcomed to the Holy Names University community by members of the President's Cabinet, who will be your hosts for a celebratory dinner that invites students, families, faculty, and staff to share a meal and get to know one another. **complimentary for families*
- Families and Students Say Goodnight** *Public Market*
Say goodnight to your students. Families are invited to join faculty and staff for dessert in the library.
- Dessert with Staff and Faculty** *Cushing Library*
Share strawberries and cream (an HNU tradition!) with those who will be teaching, supporting, and encouraging your student throughout their time at HNU. Pick up stationary and information for writing your student a letter or drop off your completed letter in our "mailbox."

Day 2 **Sunday, August 20**

- 9:00AM – 10:00AM** **What will they experience? What will we experience?***
**Continental breakfast will be available for parents and families in Heafey 655/656 and Heafey 659/660.*

Session A *Heafey 655/656*

This session will discuss the student's development and changes during their first year at HNU and the challenges and rewards you will find in playing the "supporting" role to your student. **This session is designed specifically for family members of first-generation college students.** We define "first-generation college student" as a

college student with neither parent having completed a four-year degree in the United States. In this session you will have a chance to ask questions, learn more about the resources at HNU, and connect with other families of first-generation college students. *Presented by Leo Gonzalez, Graduate Enrollment Counselor and Omar Franco, Director of Upward Bound*

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Session B *Heafey 659/660*

This session will discuss the student's development and changes during their first year at HNU and the challenges and rewards you will find in playing the "supporting" role to your student. **This session is designed specifically for family members with prior college experience.** *Presented by Laura Lyndon, Executive Director of Advising and Learning Resources*

10:00AM – 11:00AM

University Nuts and Bolts *Heafey 659/660*

Learn more about how to support and empower your student with tasks including buying books, registering for classes, registering for housing, student accounts, grades, academic probation, university conduct, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). *Presented by Stephen Sticka, University Registrar, Tam Lee-Operario, Director of Student Financial Assistance, and Justin Vacca, Director of Housing and Residence Life*

11:00AM – 12:00PM

Inside Scoop with Current Students *Heafey 659/660*

This session is a great chance for parents and families to hear the perspectives of current HNU students. *Facilitated by Liza Pierre, HNU Experience Coordinator*

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Mi Hijo/a Entró a la Universidad y Ahora ¿qué? *Heafey 655/656*

En esta sesión, los padres que hablan español tendrán la oportunidad de aprender cómo apoyar a su hijo o hija en la universidad. También tendrán la oportunidad de escuchar las experiencias de los estudiantes actuales. *Presentado por Brenda Martinez, Coordinadora de Orientación de Padres y Familia y Yadira Muñoz, Asistente del Centro Para el Exito de Los Estudiantes y la Retención*

In this session, Spanish speaking parents will have a chance to learn how to support their son or daughter in the university. They will also have a chance to hear the experiences of current HNU students. *Presented by Brenda Martinez, Parent and Family Orientation Coordinator and Yadira Munoz, Graduate Assistant for the Center for Student Success and Retention*

12:00PM – 1:00PM

Bilingual Welcome Mass *McLean Chapel*

All new students, families, and continuing students are welcome to attend this special Mass, which will include a "send-off" blessing of students by parents and families.

12:00PM – 2:00PM

Lunch* *Public Market*

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2:00PM – 3:00PM

Excel Program Orientation for Families *Heafey 659/660*

Is your student part of the Excel Program? If so, then come to this workshop to learn more about the Excel Program and the resources available to your student in his or her first year. **Please note:** This session is reserved for family members of students pre-admitted into the Excel Program. *Presented by Chris Chu, Student Success and Retention Coordinator*

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Parent and Family Lounge *Brennan Lounge*

Relax in the Brennan Lounge, get your questions answered at the Hospitality Table, pick up last minute supplies for your student and HNU gear at the bookstore, or write and leave a letter for your student.

3:00PM

Family Farewell

Your student will take it from here...and they will be quite busy as they complete the next two days of New Student Orientation before classes begin! Enjoy lots of hugs with your student before you depart. It's not goodbye – it's "I'll call/text you later!"

Other Notes

Orientation Schedule – Download the App!

For a mobile version of this schedule, download the Eventbase app! Search for “2017 HNU Parent and Family Orientation”

Navigating Campus

Please note that many of the events and activities during Orientation are active. Additionally, please pace yourself on our 100+ stairs. See an Orientation staff member if you require assistance or accommodations so that we can help you have the best experience possible.

HNU Bookstore

Get some HNU swag here! The Hawk Shop will be open from 10am-5pm on Saturday and Sunday during New Student Orientation.

Brennan Lounge and Hospitality Table

The Brennan Lounge will be open all weekend between sessions for needed down time. The Hospitality Table is housed here and is a great place to get additional questions answered!

Wi-Fi Access

While on campus, you are welcome to use the HNU guest Wi-Fi. SSID= hnuOrientation Password= hnuorient



We value your feedback! Please take a few moments to complete the Parent and Family Orientation survey. Scan the QR code above or visit <https://tinyurl.com/yam4bcaq>