

THE WRIGHT PLACE TO BE IS ALWAYS FSC



AUGUST 22-24, 2026

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WELCOME TO FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE



We are so glad that you're here at Florida Southern.

As you settle in, embrace the newness of it all. Take time to explore the campus, be open to meeting new people, and get involved in activities that interest you. Walk the lake, take time to literally smell the roses in our gardens, and find your favorite spots to study – or to relax. In a few short years, you will find the College has become a cherished home.

The semesters ahead will feature engaged learning, deepening friendships, and preparing for all that awaits you in the future. When you need help, just ask. We all need help from time to time. You will find classmates, friends, faculty, and staff ready to point you in the right direction.

Blessings to you as you begin your Florida Southern journey!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeremy P. Martin".

Dr. Jeremy P. Martin
President of Florida Southern College



Welcome to Florida Southern College! Whether you are joining us as a first-year or transfer student, we are thrilled you've chosen to become part of this incredible community.

At Florida Southern, your education extends far beyond the classroom. Through meaningful relationships, leadership opportunities, campus involvement, and experiences that challenge and inspire you, you'll discover your passions, develop your strengths, and build lifelong connections. Our Student Affairs team is committed to helping you feel supported, connected, and empowered every step of the way.

As you begin this exciting journey, I encourage you to embrace every opportunity, ask questions, meet new people, and step outside your comfort zone. The student experiences you create here will shape not only your college years but also the person you will become.

At Florida Southern, we will prepare you so that you can succeed anywhere. We can't wait to see the impact you'll make—on our campus, in your community, and throughout the world.

Welcome to the Moccasin family! Florida Southern College is where you belong, and we're excited to help you make it your home. The Wright Place to Be is Always FSC!!

Dr. Lauren Albaum
Vice President of Student Affairs



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STUDENT SCHEDULE

The Office of New Student and Family Programs takes a student-centered approach to the transition experience while introducing incoming families to all aspects of life at Florida Southern College. Participation is required for all entering students. Parents and families are welcome and encouraged to attend all parent sessions noted on the separate calendar.

While commuters and international students check in a day earlier, they are still invited and encouraged to participate in all Orientation activities throughout the weekend.

Check In Dates

(Check in times can be found in your Student Portal starting August 3)

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

ALL COMMUTERS
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS -
FIRST YEAR AND TRANSFER
SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Campus Store	Campus Store Open <i>Stop by the Campus Store for all your MOC merch!</i>
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Carlisle Rogers Building Commuter Lounge	Commuter Student Check-In and Tours <i>Commuter students will check-in at the Rogers Building on Frank Lloyd Wright Way. Meet other commuter students and learn where you can spend your time outside of the classroom. Join one of our Orientation Leaders on a tour of important Campus Locations (tours will depart Rogers on the hour).</i>
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Eleanor Searle Drawing Room	International Student Mandatory Informational Meeting & Check-In <i>All international students new to Florida Southern should attend this important meeting. Students will learn more about maintaining their visa status, getting around campus, connecting with other students, employment rules, travel, and beginning-of-term registration requirements.</i>

*All events in **RED** are considered mandatory*



Move-In Guidelines

Before arriving at FSC, make sure you review our **Move-In Guide!**



Local Accommodations

Explore our curated list of hotel options!



Campus Map

Find your designated check-in area on campus.



FSC Portal

Look for arrival and check-in information, starting August 3, 2026.

MORNING
SCHEDULE

7:00 AM – 12:00 PM	Johnson Avenue Frank Lloyd Wright Way	Residential Student Check-In <i>Students should report to their assigned Johnson Ave. or Frank Lloyd Wright Way check-in location, at their assigned time.</i>
10:00 AM – 11:30AM	Jean and Sal Campisi, Sr. Academic Center for Physical Therapy	Residential Transfer Student Check-In <i>Students should report at their assigned check-in time. This is for transfer resident students only.</i>
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Campus Store	Campus Store Family Welcome <i>Stop by the bookstore for refreshments and music. Look for special discounts, load up on your MOC merch, and grab your textbooks.</i>
10:00 AM – 6:00 PM	Nina B. Hollis Wellness Center	Wellness Center Facilities Open <i>All students and families are welcome to drop by and check out the facilities.</i>

AFTERNOON
SCHEDULE

11:00 AM – 1:30 PM	Wynee’s Bistro, College Terrace, Buckstop, Grill Master, TuTu’s Cafe	Lunch <i>Enjoy lunch with your family! We have several options on campus and in the surrounding area. Students eat for free on campus.</i>
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	Thrift Alumni Room	Legacy Student and Family Lunch <i>If you are a family member of a Florida Southern graduate, this Alumni Office event is for you!</i>
12:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Nina B. Hollis Wellness Center and Pool	Pool Open <i>Feeling hot, hot, hot? Stop by to take a dip in the pool to cool off and grab some Italian ice!</i>
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Evelt L. Simmons Center for Multicultural Appreciation & Belonging	Multicultural Student Affairs Open House <i>Stop by and learn more about how the Simmons Center contributes to the development of all FSC students by promoting belonging; living by the values of The Cornerstone; and providing a variety of educational and entertaining cultural awareness programs and student leadership opportunities.</i>
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Snake Pit	ESports Central <i>Drop by the Snake Pit, cool off for a few minutes, and check out the gaming stations available for all students. This is also where our Esports team competes.</i>
3:00 PM – 4:45 PM	Residence Hall	Students’ Residence Hall Meetings <i>During this mandatory hall meeting, students will meet their Resident Advisor and fellow residents on the floor. Your Resident Advisor will share the expectations of living, learning, and staying safe in our caring community. You’ll leave with a deeper understanding of our shared community values and expectations of yourself and others.</i>

EVENING
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5 PM – 7:30 PM	Wynee’s Bistro	Dinner 5 PM – 5:45 PM – Groups 25-48 5:55 PM – 6:40 PM – Groups 49-71 6:50 PM – 7:30 PM – Groups 1-24
	Buckner Theater	Orientation Groups 5 PM – 5:45 PM – Groups 1-24 5:55 PM– 6:40 PM – Groups 25-48 6:50 PM– 7:30 PM – Groups 49-71
	Annie Pfeiffer Chapel	Cornerstone 5 PM – 5:45 PM – Groups 49-71 5:55 PM – 6:40 PM – Groups 1-24 6:50 PM – 7:30 PM – Groups 25-48
7:30 PM – 9:30 PM	Rogers Snake Pit Courtyard	ACE Showcase Night Come join us, meet the Association of Campus Entertainment (ACE) team, and experience everything we have to offer! Activities include: - Late Night Karaoke - Movie - Table Crafts - Food Trucks - Raffle Prizes - Entertainment
9:30 PM – 11:00 PM	TûTû’s Cyber Café Snake Pit	Mocs Late Night Enjoy a relaxing coffee house atmosphere while chatting with new friends at TuTu’s. Also, check out a calmer vibe with this chance to meet new people and enjoy board games and other activities in a friendly, interactive atmosphere. Or stop by the Snake Pit for gaming fun or a movie!

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7:30 AM – 10 AM	Wynee’s Bistro	Breakfast <i>Students eat free at Wynee’s Bistro.</i>
8 AM – 9 AM	Hollis Wellness Center	Guided Meditation & Yoga <i>Join one of our Wellness Center Fitness Instructors for an hour of relaxation. Students and their families are invited to participate!</i>
8 AM – 5 PM	Hollis Wellness Center	Wellness Center Facilities Open <i>Throughout the day, enjoy access to the wellness center and all the amenities available to help you achieve balance.</i>
8:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Fannin Center	Morning Devotions <i>Join the Chaplain’s Office for a continental breakfast along with a time of fellowship and praise led by the Beyond worship team.</i>
11 AM – 12 PM	Branscomb Auditorium	Convocation <i>Students, families, and guests should attend this FSC tradition, where President Martin and the faculty officially launch the 26-27 academic year. Convocation is the final main program for parents and families before students say “goodbye.” Sensory-friendly room available in B202 (across the hall from Branscomb)</i>
12 PM	Honeyman Pavilion	Family Goodbye <i>Now it’s time to say goodbye to our parents and families. Make sure to take one last family picture at our photo station. See you at Family Weekend, October 2-4!</i>

AFTERNOON SCHEDULE

12 PM – 1:15 PM	Wynee's	Lunch with Orientation Groups <i>Meet up with your Orientation Group, enjoy lunch together, debrief Orientation so far, and learn more about mandatory Academic Department Meetings, as well as scheduling Advisor Meetings.</i>
1:30 PM – 2 PM	Jenkins Field House	Class Photo <i>After lunch, head over to the Water Dome with your Orientation Group for your class photo.</i>
2 PM – 3:30 PM	All Majors Depart from the Field House following the Class Photo	Academic Department Meetings <i>Orientation Leaders will lead students by major to Academic Department Meetings. Students become acquainted with the faculty in their academic department, talk about the learning community and explore their major. Please remember that Academic Department Meetings and Advisor Meetings are mandatory.</i>
2 PM – 5 PM	Hollis Wellness Center Pool & Moc Dock	Pool and Moc Dock Open <i>Feeling hot, hot, hot? Stop by to take a dip in the pool to cool off and grab some Italian ice! Or stop by the Moc Dock, check out the waterfront activities, and enjoy one of our cooling stations!</i>
3:30 PM – 5:30 PM	ROTC Loop	Downtime <i>Looking for some time to catch up or meet new friends? This intentionally unscheduled time is perfect for kicking back and making connections! FSC shuttles are available at the ROTC Loop for local shopping to grab those items you may have forgotten to pack.</i>
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	Jenkins Field House	First-Year Student-Athlete Meetings <i>If you are a first-year Moc student-athlete, please set aside this time to meet with Athletic Administration.</i>

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4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Branscomb 202 Branscomb 201	Music Ensemble Interest Session, Non-Music Majors <i>If you play an instrument or sing, check out the opportunity to join the chorus, orchestra, band, or jazz group for both fun and academic credit. Come by to talk with directors and discuss your options.</i> Music Theory Testing for Music Majors
5:30 PM – 8 PM	Wynee's Bistro	Dinner 5:30 – 6:15 PM – Groups 1-24 6:25 – 7:10 PM – Groups 25-48 7:20 – 8 PM – Groups 49-71
	Campus	Great Game 5:30 – 6:15 PM – Groups 25-48 6:25 – 7:10 PM – Groups 49-71 7:20 – 8 PM – Groups 1-24
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8 PM – 9:30 PM	Badcock Garden	Glow Fest Join your Orientation group for a favorite Orientation Weekend tradition – Glow Fest! Come to Badcock Garden for glow-in-the-dark games, snacks, and fun music! Your Orientation Leader will help your team get decked out for some glow-in -the-dark fun!
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6 AM -5 PM	Hollis Wellness Center	Wellness Center Facilities Open Throughout the day, enjoy access to the wellness center and all the amenities available to help you achieve balance.
7:30 AM – 9 AM	All Campus Food Locations	Breakfast Today is the first day students’ meal plans are active. Enjoy!
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Eleanor Searle Drawing Room	Honors College Welcome Breakfast Start your Honors journey with breakfast, new friendships, and a warm welcome to the Honors College.
8 AM – 5 PM	Various Locations	Academic Advising Appointments Students’ advising appointment time and location are printed on their Orientation nametag.
8 AM – 2 PM	ROTC Loop	Shuttle to Shop No car? No worries! FSC shuttles will take students to local shopping locations for any last-minute necessities. Shuttles depart from the ROTC loop.
9 AM – 5 PM	Campus Store	Campus Store Open Stop by the Campus Store for all your MOC merch!
10 AM – 12 PM	Rogers Courtyard and Rogers 1st floor	Tour of Mr. Rogers’ Neighborhood Come tour the Rogers’ “neighborhood” and learn more about key resources such as Career Services, Residence Life, Student Disability Services, Student Engagement, ACE, SGA, Fraternity/Sorority Life, Conduct, Simmons Center and the Counseling Center. Enjoy a refreshing snow cone while you tour. Participants who complete the tour will be entered to win a bookstore scholarship!
10 AM - 12 PM	Rogers Courtyard	Class Location Assistance <i>Ready to find your classes for the first day tomorrow? Let FSC Student Leaders help!</i>

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11:30 AM – 1 PM	All Food Locations	Lunch
12 PM – 2 PM	Hollis Wellness Center	Wellness Center Open House Come see all the amazing things Wellness has to offer at FSC: cool off at the pool, catch some rays, sign up to participate in intramurals, check out the Climbing Wall, open basketball, fitness classes, and enjoy a refreshing Italian ice. Also, the Moc Dock will be open for kayaking and paddle boarding!
12:30 PM – 2 PM	Fannin Ministry Center	Campus Ministries Open House Join the leaders of our campus ministries for a time of fun and fellowship in the Fannin Center!
1 PM – 5 PM	Various Locations	Downtime Looking for some time to catch up with new friends? If you’re not attending the various options scheduled for this time, kick back, relax, and catch up!
1 PM – 2 PM	Rinker Technology Center	Portal, Canvas, Email, and MocsConnect Assistance The Portal, Canvas, and MocsConnct are the most oft-used apps and platforms for FSC students; stop by Rinker for some review and training, to prepare for the start of the semester. And if you need assistance accessing your FSC email on your phone, we can help with that too!

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3:30 PM – 5 PM	The Honors House 917 Johnson Ave	Honors College Celebrate the beginning of your Honors journey with frozen treats, music giveaways, great conversation with fellow Honors students, pick up your welcome gift, and get a preview of the new Honors House that will soon become the heart of our Honors community.
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8 PM – 9 PM	Jenkins Field House	Moc Pep Rally Goooooo Mocs! Join SGA, ACE, MSC, OLs, Mocsie, the Cheerleaders, the Mocettes, and the stars of the show: your Moccasin Athletes for a Rally in the Jenkins Field House! Learn the cheers and chants that will bring our teams to victory!
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Tuesday, 8/25 6:00 - 8:00 PM	Jenkins Field House	Blast Off
Wednesday, 8/26 3:40 -5:40 PM	ROTC Building	ROTC Open House & Cadet Orientation
Wednesday, 8/26 7:00 - 9:00 PM	Wellness Center	Escape to Wellness
Thursday, 8/27 6:00 PM	Evelt L. Simmons Center for Multicultural Appreciation & Belonging	MSC & BSU BBQ
Tuesday, 9/1 6:00 PM	Joseph Reynolds (JR) Lobby	Pizza with the Prez
Thursday, 9/3 4:00 - 6:00 PM	Mr. George’s Green	Grilling With the Greeks
Week of 9/7-11	Campus Wide	Cornerstone Week
Wednesday, 9/9 10:50 AM	Branscomb Auditorium	Swan-derful Convocation
Friday, 9/11, 11:00 AM- 12:00 PM	Buckstop	Really Red Friday



PARENT & FAMILY SCHEDULE

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10 AM – 1 PM	Fannin Campus Ministries Center	Oasis for Parents/Families Parents/Families: take a breather, grab some fruit-infused water, iced tea, coffee, or soda, and relax in the cool while your student is getting settled.
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3:30 PM – 4 PM	Branscomb Auditorium	Parents Panel: The First Eight Weeks, Student Success and Support After Dr. Martin’s welcome, parents and families are invited to stay and hear from the Center for Student Success, Campus Safety, Student Leaders, and representatives from Student Life.
4 PM – 4:30 PM	Honeyman Pavilion	College Essentials for Parents Expo Parents and families, as you leave The President’s Welcome and the Parents Panel, please visit various campus partners who have important information for you. You may also want to sign-up for Family Weekend or view samples and pre-order our hand-crafted care packages.

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MEET YOUR ORIENTATION LEADERS

Orientation Leaders are experienced upper-level students dedicated to helping you navigate and connect with your new community. During Orientation, they will provide valuable tips, reminders, and support while answering any questions you may have. Each incoming student is assigned to a numbered Orientation Group led by an Orientation Leader who connects with them over the summer.



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