



**Simmons** UNIVERSITY

**First-Year & Transfer  
Fall Orientation**  
Labor Day Weekend 2025

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***FIRST BITE  
ORIENTATION***

# Friday

8:30 am	<b>Move-in &amp; Check-in,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Sports Center Dance Studio</b>
2:30 pm	Check in with Orientation and Residence Life and move into your dorm at your designated time slot!
2:30 pm	<b>Commuter Check-in,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Dance Studio</b>
3:30 pm	Commuter students, come check in for Fall Orientation!
4:00 pm	<b>University Welcome,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Gymnasium</b>
4:30 pm	Join us for a welcome from Rae-Anne Butera, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs & Dean of Student Experience, SGA, and the Orientation Team.
4:30 pm	<b>OL Group Time &amp; Parent Q&amp;A,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad (Various) &amp; Holmes Gymnasium</b>
5:00 pm	Students, meet with your full orientation groups, and parents, hear from Simmons staff.
5:00 pm	<b>New England Themed Dinner,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
6:30 pm	
7:00 pm	<b>Community Meeting for Res</b>
-	<b>Students &amp; Commuter Hangout,</b>
8:00 pm	<b>Holmes Gymnasium &amp; Simmons Hall Lounge</b>
8:00 pm	<b>Doorstop Decorating &amp; Beading,</b>
-	<b>Quadside &amp; Simmons Hall Lounge</b>
10:00 pm	Optional crafting with OLs and other incoming students!

# Saturday

8:00am	<b>Samantha's Spin Class,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Spin Studio</b>
9:00 am	Optional workout class with Captain Samantha!
8:00 am	<b>Breakfast,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
10:00 am	
10:00 am	<b>OL Group Time,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad (Various)</b>
11:00 am	Hear about plans for the day, and a great time to ask questions!
11:00 am	<b>Wellness@Simmons &amp; Lunch,</b>
-	<b>LKP &amp; Fens</b>
1:00 pm	Half of the students will hear about safety and wellness at Simmons, while the other half grab lunch at the Fens. The groups will switch at noon.
1:30 pm	<b>OL Workshops,</b>
-	<b>Classrooms (Various, MCB)</b>
3:30 pm	Choose two 45-minute workshops (from Roommate 101 to Time Management and Vision Boarding)! Led by OLs.
3:30 pm	<b>Tye Dye,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad</b>
5:00 pm	An optional time to decorate some Simmons swag, or something new!
5:00 pm	<b>Space Themed Dinner,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
7:00 pm	
8:00 pm	<b>Pool Party &amp; Movie Night,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Pool &amp; Alumane Hall</b>
10:00 pm	Optional space themed pool party, or watch a movie on dry land!

# Sunday

8:00 am	<b>Emily's Yoga Hour,</b>
-	<b>Holmes Gymnasium</b>
9:00 am	Optional stretching and yoga class with OL Emily!
8:00 am	<b>Breakfast,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
10:00 am	
9:45 am	<b>OL Group Time,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad (Various)</b>
10:30 am	Hear about plans for the day, and walk over to the academic campus!
10:30 am	<b>Galaxy Tour Treasure Hunt,</b>
-	<b>Academic Campus (Various)</b>
12:30 pm	Follow a list of clues to offices around Simmons, and find your classrooms along the way.
12:30 pm	<b>First-Year Lunch,</b>
-	<b>Fens</b>
1:30 pm	
1:30 pm	<b>Ursa Major Mixer,</b>
-	<b>Classrooms (Various, MCB)</b>
2:30 pm	Meet students from your college through BINGO and hear tips from OLs in similar majors!
5:00 pm	<b>Dinner,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
7:00 pm	
7:00 pm	<b>Hypnotist,</b>
-	<b>Alumnae Hall</b>
9:00 pm	Prepare to be dazzled by an alluring hypnotist, Evan Gambardella!

# Monday

8:00 am	<b>Breakfast,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
10:00 am	
10:00 am	<b>Boba and Belonging,</b>
-	<b>LKP</b>
11:00 am	Learn about inclusion at Simmons while enjoying delicious boba!
11:00 am	<b>Explore the City,</b>
-	<b>Various</b>
1:00 pm	After signing up, explore a specific part of Boston with OLs and other new students!
12:00 pm	<b>Lunch,</b>
-	<b>Bartol Dining Hall</b>
2:00 pm	
2:00 pm	<b>Ice Cream Truck &amp; Lawn Games,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad</b>
4:00 pm	An optional chance to get a sweet treat and relax with the OLs!
5:00 pm	<b>Dinner,</b>
-	<b>Bartol</b>
7:00 pm	
7:00 pm	<b>Candle Lighting,</b>
-	<b>Res Quad</b>
7:30pm	Your first Simmons tradition! Light a candle to signify the start of your Simmons journey.
8:00 pm	<b>Floor Meetings,</b>
-	<b>Various</b>
10:00 pm	Hear more from your RA and other Res Life staff about living on campus.

***That's it, sharks!***

**We wish you the best with your  
Simmons journey and cannot wait  
to see what all of you do!**

**We hope you'll join us at events  
during Shark Week and are so  
happy to welcome you into our  
community.**

**- The Orientation Team**

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