



COMPASS: FIRST YEAR VIRTUAL ORIENTATION STUDENT PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JUNE 15, 16, 18, & 21

8:30 am	OPENING SESSION & WELCOME <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Fr. Richard Lamoureux, A.A., Vice President for Mission</i>• <i>Dr. Francesco Cesareo, President</i>• <i>Dr. Jennifer Morrison- Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs for Undergraduate Studies</i>• <i>Dr. Deb Cady Melzer, Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students</i>• <i>Ms. Mackenzie Drew '22 Student Chairperson</i>	<i>Orientation Main Zoom Link</i>
9:00 am	ORIENTATION LEADER INTRODUCTIONS	<i>Orientation Main Zoom Link</i>
9:30 am	GROUP ICEBREAKERS AND PREPARING FOR CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE	<i>Orientation Main Zoom Link</i>
10:30 am	PLANNING YOUR ACADEMIC PATH: AN OVERVIEW OF MAJOR AND CORE REQUIREMENTS AND HOW IT REFLECTS OUR MISSION <p>Fr. Richard Lamoureux, A.A., Vice President for Mission Dr. Gregory Weiner, Provost; Academic Deans & Department Chairs Dr. Jenny Morrison, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs for Undergraduate Studies</p> <div><p>In this session, you will meet as a group with a school dean or faculty member according to your major interest. They will provide an overview of appropriate courses for your first year to start your major and fulfill Core Curriculum requirements. This group advising session will prepare you to meet one-on-one with a faculty advisor later in the afternoon. Take notes and feel free to ask questions.</p></div>	<i>Orientation Main Zoom Link</i>
11:30 am	MODEL CLASS DISCUSSION OF DANTE'S INFERNO <p>Assumption Faculty</p> <div><p>Along with your own reading prior to orientation, the earlier session with your orientation leaders prepared you for this model class experience with a faculty member. You'll participate in a discussion of Dante's Inferno, so come ready to share your thoughts and questions. This session will also prepare you to read the rest of the work over the summer and post responses to the reading on Brightspace, a common activity in many classes. All of these experiences will prepare you to participate in a capstone activity at the August orientation.</p></div>	<i>Orientation Group Zoom Links</i>

12:30 pm

ORIENTATION GROUP ROTATIONS

Orientation Group Zoom Links

One-On-One Advising with a Faculty Member – Assumption Faculty

The group advising session in the morning provided an overview of major and Core Curriculum requirements, but the individual, one-on-one meeting with a faculty advisor is your opportunity to tailor that plan to your specific interests. Your orientation advisor will read your Academic Interests and Goals Survey and confirm that your COMPASS Learning Community enrollment is an appropriate choice for those goals and interests. He or she will review appropriate major and core courses, and help you develop a prioritized list for registration. He or she can also answer any questions you may have about your fall course selection.

The Tech Connection: Web Advisor, Houndmail, Brightspace and the Mentor Collective – Undergraduate Studies & Information Technology

In your advising meeting, your orientation advisor will approve appropriate courses in Webadvisor, the online platform for registering for classes, keeping track of graduation requirements, and accessing your class schedule. In this session, you'll learn your way around the Web Advisor platform, as well as Houndmail and the student portal. You will also be introduced to Brightspace, the online learning platform professors use to post course materials, etc.—you'll get practice in using this platform over the summer with activities that follow the orientation. You'll also sign up for a peer mentor through the Mentor Collective, a great way to connect with an upperclassman or recent alum who can answer your questions and talk about what's important to you.

Cross Cultural Center and Being a Champion of Change

Judy Heersink, Director of ALANA & First-Generation Student Success

In this session, you'll have an opportunity to learn more about the resources, initiatives, and programs from the Cross-Cultural Center. In addition, we'll be taking some time to dive into a deeper discussion on being a "champion of change." This entails looking at who we are as we begin our new journey at Assumption and how our stories impact our ability to be a "champion of change."

Orientation Leader Led Social – COMPASS Orientation Leaders

Enjoy some time to meet and get to know your Orientation Leaders and other members of the class of 2025. OLs will lead you with social activities aimed to help introduce you all to one another. You will also learn how to download and use the AU mobile app, which will be used throughout your college experience!

5:30 pm

BREAK/DINNER

6:30 pm

COMPASS ORIENTATION LEADER LED SOCIAL EVENT

Student Social Zoom Link

-COMPASS Orientation Leaders

Join your classmates for an evening social event that will provide an opportunity to meet and connect with other first-year students as well as the orientation leaders. To wrap up the more academic focused sessions experienced earlier in the day, this will be a fun-filled evening that will allow you to gain a glimpse of the Assumption community that you won't want to miss! Plus, you have the chance to win some Assumption University gear before you come to campus in August!