NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
MCDANIEL COLLEGE

FALL 2018
Taking Your First Steps on the Hill
**FYS/ Course Numbers**

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New Student Orientation: Taking Your First Steps on the Hill

Thursday, August 23rd
Step 1: Start the Climb

8:00am-1:30pm: Resident Student Move-In, Gill/Klitzberg
Are you living on campus? Come to Klitzberg Pavilion in the Gill Gym Center to pick up your keys and move into your Residence Hall for the Academic year.

9:00am-4:00pm: IT Help Center, 1st Floor Hoover Library
Have your computer & IT questions answered by representatives from the IT Help Desk! Have questions about wifi on campus? Drop by and find out more.

9:00am-4:00pm: McDaniel 1Card/ ID Center, 1st Floor Hoover Library
***Note: ID card photos will not be taken today. The IT Desk will be open for photos on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. ****REMINDER: If you submitted your picture online BEFORE the deadline of August 17th, you will be able to pick up your McDaniel 1Card/ID at key check in (residents) or at the Commuter Check-In (commuters).

9:30am-1:00pm: Student Academic Support Services (SASS) Family Open House, Merritt Hall, Room 117
Students who are registered, or who plan to register with the SASS Office, are invited to visit with staff and see the office during this time.

11:00am-1:30pm: Hoover Library Open House, Hoover Library
Visit the Hoover Library once you have unpacked your room to meet the librarians and library staff. Ask your questions about services available at the Library, and take a self-guided tour.

11:30am-1:30pm: Lunch available in Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center
Lunch is free for new McDaniel students. The cost for family members and guests is $15 at the door and may be paid with cash or credit card.

12:15pm-1:45pm: Cultural Transitions Session, Merritt Hall 301
Mandatory for Some Students. This session will join new international students and Global Bridge students together to share experiences and provide guidance about academic, social, and cultural transitions during your first semester on campus. Global Bridge is a program open to new U.S. students who grew up abroad or are bicultural/binational. For more information email global@mcdaniel.edu. International students are REQUIRED to attend this event.

1:00pm-1:45pm: McDaniel Local – Reunion Event, Kriel Lounge
If you participated in one of the McDaniel Local preorientation sessions this summer, you are invited to stop by and reconnect with peers & staff!
Thursday, August 23rd continued

**1:45pm-3:00pm: For Families: Communicating with Your Student and the College,**  
*Baker Memorial Chapel*  
Dr. Roger Casey, and the Student Affairs Team, share information about the college transition with parents and family members of incoming students, and how to partner with McDaniel College over the next four years.

**2:00pm-3:00pm: For Residential Students: Resident Student Meetings with your RA,**  
*Residence Halls*  
Mandatory for Some Students. First Year students living on campus report back to your floors to gather, and officially meet your RA and other students living in your new community. Residents should gather in the hallway at their RA’s door to begin the program. Students ONLY, Families should NOT attend.

**2:00pm-3:00pm: For Commuter Students: Commuter Check-In and Meeting,**  
*Merritt Hall First Floor*  
Mandatory for Some Students. New students who will be commuting from home: join the Commuter Student Association, the Office of Student Engagement, and various other offices to learn more about life as a commuter student and to hear ways to get connected on campus. **This is REQUIRED for all first-year commuter students.**

**3:15pm: Letting Go: A Time to Separate**  
At this time, we ask families and guests to say their goodbyes so that new students can begin the Orientation program.

**3:30pm: ALL NEW STUDENTS GATHER IN RED SQUARE (Rain Location - Ensor Lounge)**  
Mandatory for All Students. All new students will gather with their Peer Mentor or Transfer Team Leader and fellow classmates for introductions and information about Orientation. Please look for the NAME of your FYS Class, your Peer Mentor, or your Transfer Team sign.

**4:00pm: First Meeting with Your Peer Mentor**  
Mandatory for All Students. Your Peer Mentor will lead the way as you take your next steps!

**5:00pm-6:30pm: Dinner with your Peer Mentor or Transfer Team,**  
*Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center; Forum*  
Mandatory for All Students. Please join your Peer Mentor/Transfer Team for your first dinner on campus. Commuter Students must attend as well.

**5:00pm: Forum: (for the following classes)**  
1193; 1198; 1202; 1222; 1203; 1238; 1113; 1232; 1234;1235; 1228; 1236

**5:30pm: Englar Dining Hall: (for the following classes)**  
1119; 1162; 1210; 1233; 1149; 1136; 1155; 1199; 1205; 1206; 1142; 1129; 1196; 1239; TT 1; TT 2; TT 3
Thursday, August 23rd continued

6:30pm-10:00pm: Rec Lounge Open House, Rec Lounge, Lower Level Decker College Center

8:00pm-10:00pm: Karaoke & Wings, Forum
Friday, August 24th
Step 2: Make the McDaniel Connections

7:00am-9:00am: Breakfast Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center

7:30am to 10:40am Second Language Placement Examinations, Oral Communication Component (SPANISH ONLY) Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC), Room 118
Mandatory for Some Students. Students who have been notified that they need to complete the oral component of the second language placement test should attend. Peer Mentors will notify students of their assigned time.

Test Times are in 30 minute intervals: 7:30-8:00, 8:10-8:40, 8:50-9:20, 9:30-10:00, 10:10-10:40

8:15am to 9:15am Second Language Placement Examinations (ASL, Arabic, Chinese, Latin)
Mandatory for Some Students. Students who need to test for the first time in ASL, Arabic, Chinese or Latin should report to the following locations:

- American Sign Language (ASL) Merritt Hall, Room #107
- Arabic Baker Memorial Chapel, Room #103
- Chinese Baker Memorial Chapel, Room #101
- Latin Hill Hall, Room 302

8:15am-9:30am: Theory Testing for Prospective Music Majors/Minors, Levine Hall 100
Mandatory for Some Students.

9:00am-4:00pm: IT Help Center, 1st Floor, Hoover Library,
Have your computer & IT questions answered by representatives from the IT Help Desk! Have questions about wifi on campus? Drop by and find out more.

9:00am-4:00pm: McDaniel 1Card/ ID Center, 1st Floor, Hoover Library,
If you did not submit a picture online, stop by the IT Help Desk to get your McDaniel 1Card photo taken! Please DO NOT wait for your card to be printed at that time. Your card will be given to you by your Peer Mentor within 24 hours of you getting your photo taken.
***Important Note: Meal plans for all students will begin at brunch on Saturday – students will need their McDaniel 1Card/ID for entry into dining hall/use of meal plan.

9:15am: Meet Your Peer Mentor
Mandatory for All Students. Meet your Peer Mentor at your designated spot to receive your “Passport” for the Academic Connections event.
9:30am-10:30am: My Academic Connections: Department Meet & Greet, Forum, McDaniel Lounge, Klitzberg Pavilion

Mandatory for All Students. Students will participate in a seek & find to meet with professors from the different departments on campus. Peer Mentors will distribute your “Academic Connection Passport” and you’ll have the freedom to decide which departments to visit. Visit at least 2 departments and be entered to win a Target gift card to use on Saturday’s Target shuttle!

10:45am-11:45am: First FYS/TSS Class Meeting, Various Locations
Mandatory for All Students. Peer Mentors will have your classroom assignments.

11:50am-1:00pm: Second Language Placement Examinations (French and German), Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118
Mandatory for Some Students. Students who need to complete oral component should attend. Peer Mentors will notify students of assigned times. Lunch will be provided for students testing.

12:00pm-1:00pm: Lunch Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level Decker College Center

12:00pm-1:00pm: SASS Accommodation Letter Distribution (Mandatory Only for Basic Students), Merritt Hall 117
Mandatory for Some Students.

1:15pm-4:00pm: Shot of Reality, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. “A Shot of Reality” is an alcohol awareness improv show that stresses the need for education and responsibility in situations involving alcohol. Students will learn various techniques to avoid over drinking, hear the correlation of sexual assault statistics related to drinking, and show how Bystander Intervention can stop someone from engaging in disastrous activities from drinking.

1:15-2:30: (for the following classes)
1193; 1198; 1202; 1222; 1203; 1238; 1113; 1232; 1234; 1235; 1228; 1236; 1119

2:45-4:00: (for the following classes)
1162; 1210; 1233; 1149; 1136; 1155; 1199; 1205; 1206; 1142; 1129; 1196; 1239
Friday, August 24th continued

**1:15pm-4:00pm College Policies, Decker Auditorium/Forum/McDaniel Lounge**
Mandatory for All Students. This session will make new students aware of policies and procedures at the College, as well as federal and state regulations that inform them. Personal integrity, self-respect, and respect for the rights of others in the community will be emphasized. The program will address Bystander Intervention, to whom and how to report a concern or incident, and what happens - to you or others - when the College receives a report. Students will learn about resources related to campus safety and physical and mental health and wellness.

**1:15-2:30: (For the following classes)**

**Decker Auditorium:** 1162; 1210; 1233; 1149; TT1 Forum: 1136; 1155; 1199; 1205; TT 2
**McDaniel Lounge:** 1206; 1142; 1129; 1196; 1239; TT3

**2:45-4:00: (For the following classes)**

**Decker Auditorium:** 1193; 1198; 1202; 1222; 1203; 1238; 1113
**Forum:** 1232; 1234; 1235; 1228; 1236; 1119

**4:10-5:10pm Pick Two Afternoon Sessions to Attend. Mandatory for All Students.**

**Honors Reception** Students participating in the Honors Program meet Directors, Faculty, and other students. Honors students are REQUIRED to attend this event.
**4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1** Rice Gallery, Top Floor of Peterson

**Global Bridge Reception** Students participating in the Global Bridge program are invited to meet with fellow students, faculty, and staff to connect & enjoy light refreshments.
**4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2** Merritt Hall 301

**Getting Involved on the Hill** Join the Office of Student Engagement’s “Engagement Peer Team” in this fun and active presentation about what it means to be a student leader at McDaniel, and how the EP Team can help you find your fit on campus.
**4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1** Forum - Front Half
**4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2** Forum - Front Half

**How to Succeed in the Classroom** Join the Peer Mentor Ad Board for a discussion centered on best practices for succeeding in your classes and labs during the first semester. They’ll give tips on developing relationships with your professors, reading your syllabi and more!
**4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1** Forum - Back Half
**4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2** Forum - Back Half
Friday, August 24th – PICK TWO Sessions to Attend Continued

Life with Roommates Is this your first time sharing your personal space with a roommate? Are you nervous about the living experience? Come and meet with staff and RA’s and learn more about conflict mediation, roommate agreements, and how to have a successful first year residential experience!
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Decker Auditorium
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Decker Auditorium

Transfer Talk: The 411 for McDaniel Transfer Students Transfer students, come and hear from faculty & current transfer students about tips & tricks for navigating the Hill as a new transfer student.
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Merritt Hall 300
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Merritt Hall 300

Scheduling for Success: Tips for Managing Your First Week at College The Writing Center is here to make sure you can manage your first week on the Hill! Come learn strategies about managing your time and making a schedule for yourself.
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Hill 104
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Hill 104

First in the Family: Navigating College Are you the first in your family to attend college? Are you nervous about the college experience? Come hear from current upperclass students who also identify as first generation students about how to succeed and use the supports available here at McDaniel.
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Hill 110
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Hill 110

World Languages, Literatures & Cultures Department Meet & Greet ***This is final component of the My Academic Connections event from earlier today. Come meet & greet with professors from the World Languages, Literatures & Cultures Department and learn what those majors can mean to you!
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118

Understanding Your Dining Plan & Making Healthy Choices Confused about your meal plan and all the options in “Glar”? Unsure what a “Pub meal swipe” means? Hear from current upperclass students about how the dining plans work, what Glar has to offer, and how to make healthy choices here on the Hill.
4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1  Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level Decker College Center
4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2  Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level Decker College Center

5:15pm-7:00pm: Dinner Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center

6:00pm-7:00pm: McDaniel Local - Reunion Dinner, Englar Dining Hall - Porch
If you participated in one of the McDaniel Local pre-orientation sessions this summer, you are invited to reconnect with peers & have dinner on the Porch of Englar Dining Hall.
7:00pm: **Peer Mentors Lead New Students to Line Up for Convocation, Meet outside Hoover Library**
Mandatory for All Students. Assemble outside Hoover Library with your FYS Class or Transfer Team. Please be prompt and watch for staff who will assist you with seating.

7:30pm: **Introduction Convocation and Candlewalk Ceremony, Baker Memorial Chapel**
Mandatory for All Students. All new students and selected faculty & staff are invited to attend this traditional ceremony, which represents the formal beginning of the academic year. Following Convocation, all new students take a symbolic walk through the McDaniel College Arch and are officially welcomed into the McDaniel community. At the conclusion of the program, each new student will be asked to “ring in” the academic year at the commemorative Old Main Bell in Red Square, Memorial Plaza.

**Afterwards: Post-Candle Walk S’mores, Englar Dining Hall - Lower Level**
Immediately following the Candlewalk Ceremony and Bell-Ringing, join the McDaniel College Community for a s’mores social in Englar Dining Hall to celebrate!
Saturday, August 25th
Step 3: Join the Westminster Community

8:00am-12:00pm: IT Help Center, 1st Floor, Hoover Library
Have your computer and IT questions answered by representatives from the IT Help Desk! Need your laptop set-up, have questions about WiFi, need to register a device? Drop by and find out more.

8:00am-12:00pm: McDaniel 1Card/ ID Center, 1st Floor, Hoover Library
If you did not submit a picture online, stop by the IT Help Desk to get your McDaniel 1Card photo taken! ***As of this date, please WAIT at the ID Center for your card. Students with meal plans will need their McDaniel 1Card for dining hall access as of brunch TODAY.

9:30am-10:30am: Open Advising Appointments, Kriel Lounge - Lower Level Decker College Center Have questions about adding or dropping a class? Need help understanding what your placement exam scores mean? Just drop by to receive answers to your questions!

10:30am-12:00pm: Brunch Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center Students with meal plans will need their McDaniel 1Card for dining hall access, as of brunch TODAY.

12:15pm: Meet Outside Alumni Hall, Rain Location: Forum
Mandatory for All Students. Look for your Peer Mentor at a designated spot near Alumni Hall.

12:45pm: Westminster Welcome, Longwell Garage in Downtown Westminster - Rain Location: Forum
Mandatory for All Students. Get ready to discover downtown Westminster! You’ll hear from local community partners, see local businesses & restaurants, and get the chance to cool off & chill out in the Boys & Girls Club before walking back to campus.

2:30pm: Start Your Walk Back to Campus
Mandatory for All Students.

3:15pm-4:30pm: Sex Signals, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. Sex Signals has become one of the most popular sexual assault prevention programs through its unorthodox, humor- facilitated approach to examining our culture, sex, and prevention strategies like Bystander Intervention.

4:30pm-6:00pm: Dinner Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center

4:30pm: Forum: (for the following classes)
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7:00pm-8:00pm: Dialogues on Diversity: Get Out of Your Bubble, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. “Get Out of Your Bubble” is a game show-style, fun and fast-paced presentation which introduces students to a new and more open way of seeing cultural differences. Through jokes, prizes, and facts the show gives students the tools to understand cultural difference and to maximize their potential in a changing world.

8:00pm-10:00pm: Target Shopping Shuttle, Meet in Harrison House Parking Lot
Forget shampoo? Need some snacks? Board the shuttle and head to Target to pick up any odds & ends for your room. Shuttles will run back and forth between Target and the Harrison House parking lot every 30 minutes.

8:00pm-10:00pm: Movie Night Featuring: “Avengers: Infinity War”, Decker Auditorium in Lewis Hall of Science
Sunday, August 26th
Step 4: Choose Your Next Steps

9:00am-12:00pm: Community Service with APO Service Fraternity, Meet in Red Square
Join Alpha Phi Omega National Co-Ed Service Fraternity in a morning of service in and around Westminster! Meet campus and community leaders and your fellow first-year students while giving back to your new community. A variety of projects for all abilities will be available. Pre-registration is required; please visit ceo.mcdaniel.edu or email Atticus Rice (President of McDaniel’s APO chapter) at alr014@mcdaniel.edu for more information.

9:00am-1:00pm: WalMart Shopping Shuttle, Meet in Harrison House Parking Lot
Forget shampoo? Need some snacks? Board the shuttle and head to WalMart to pick up any odds & ends for your room. Shuttles will run back and forth between WalMart and the Harrison House parking lot every 30 minutes.

10:30am-11:30am: Open Advising Appointments, Kriel Lounge - Lower Level Decker College Center
Have questions about adding or dropping a class? Need help understanding what your placement exam scores mean? Just drop by to receive answers to your questions!

10:30am-1:00pm: Brunch Available, Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level, Decker College Center

10:30am (Leave at 10:00am): Catholic Mass at St. John Catholic Church with CCM, Gather in front of Englar Dining Hall (Glar)
Join members of Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) at 10am to walk together to St. John Catholic Church.

11:00am: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship Worship Service, Little Baker Chapel Enjoy a worship service with members of Intervarsity Christian Fellowship.

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1:30pm-4:30pm: “A Green Terror for Life” Alumni in Training Event, Forum
Mandatory for All Students. Come learn more about the Office of Alumni Relations “Alumni in Training” mug events, meet with McDaniel alumni from many decades, and learn more about the Student Alumni Council. Free giveaways, McDaniel trivia & more!

1:30-2:20pm: 1193; 1198; 1202; 1222; 1203; 1238; 1113; 1232; 1234; (TT 1 optional)
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4:30pm-5:30pm: McDaniel Local Reunion Event, Harveystone Park
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5:30pm-6:30pm: BINGO for Books, Forum
Join Green Terror Programs & the Engagement Peer team in their annual event to kick off Weeks of Welcome 2018! Come play BINGO and win gift cards and other prizes.

7:30pm-8:30pm: Choices, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. Celebrate the close of Orientation 2018 with the most popular McDaniel College tradition: CHOICES!
Transfer Students: Quick Look at Mandatory Events

The following events are mandatory for some/all Transfer students. However, Transfer students are invited and encouraged to attend any other Orientation activities listed in the preceding pages!

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10:45am-11:45am: **First TSS Class Meeting**, *Various Locations*
Mandatory for All Students. Peer Mentors will have your classroom assignments.

11:50am-1:00pm: **Second Language Placement Examinations (French and German)**,
*Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118*
Mandatory for Some Students. Students who need to complete oral component should attend. Peer mentors will notify students of assigned times. Lunch will be provided for students testing.

12:00pm-1:00pm: **SASS Accommodation Letter Distribution (Mandatory Only for Basic Students)**, *Merritt Hall 117*
Mandatory for Some Students.
1:15pm-2:30pm **College Policies**, *Alumni Hall Theatre; Decker Auditorium/Forum/McDaniel Lounge*

Mandatory for All Students. This session will make new students aware of policies and procedures at the College, as well as federal and state regulations that inform them. Personal integrity, self-respect, and respect for the rights of others in the community will be emphasized. The program will address Bystander Intervention, to whom and how to report a concern or incident, and what happens - to you or others - when the College receives a report. Students will learn about resources related to campus safety and physical and mental health and wellness.

**1:15-2:30 (for the following:)**

**Decker Auditorium: TT 1**
**Forum: TT 2**
**McDaniel Lounge: TT 3**

4:10-5:10pm **Pick Two Afternoon Sessions to Attend. Mandatory for All Students.**

**Honors Reception** Students participating in the Honors Program meet Directors, Faculty, and other students. Honors students are REQUIRED to attend this event.

4:10pm – 4:35pm **Session #1**  
**Rice Gallery, Top Floor of Peterson**

**Global Bridge Reception** Students participating in the Global Bridge program are invited to meet with fellow students, faculty, and staff to connect & enjoy light refreshments.

4:45pm – 5:10pm **Session #2**  
**Merritt Hall 301**

**Getting Involved on the Hill** Join the Office of Student Engagement’s “Engagement Peer Team” in this fun and active presentation about what it means to be a student leader at McDaniel, and how the EP Team can help you find your fit on campus.

4:10pm – 4:35pm **Session #1**  
**Forum - Front Half**

4:45pm – 5:10pm **Session #2**  
**Forum - Front Half**

**How to Succeed in the Classroom** Join the Peer Mentor Ad Board for a discussion centered on best practices for succeeding in your classes and labs during the first semester. They’ll give tips on developing relationships with your professors, reading your syllabi and more!

4:10pm – 4:35pm **Session #1**  
**Forum - Back Half**

4:45pm – 5:10pm **Session #2**  
**Forum - Back Half**

**Life with Roommates** Is this your first time sharing your personal space with a roommate? Are you nervous about the living experience? Come and meet with staff and RA’s and learn more about conflict mediation, roommate agreements, and how to have a successful first year residential experience!

4:10pm – 4:35pm **Session #1**  
**Decker Auditorium**

4:45pm – 5:10pm **Session #2**  
**Decker Auditorium**

Friday, August 24th – **PICK TWO Sessions to Attend Continued**
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**Transfer Talk: The 411 for McDaniel Transfer Students**  Transfer students, come and hear from faculty & current transfer students about tips & tricks for navigating the Hill as a new transfer student.

- **4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1**  Merritt Hall 300
- **4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2**  Merritt Hall 300

**Scheduling for Success: Tips for Managing Your First Week at College**  The Writing Center is here to make sure you can manage your first week on the Hill! Come learn strategies about managing your time and making a schedule for yourself.

- **4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1**  Hill 104
- **4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2**  Hill 104

**First in the Family: Navigating College**  Are you the first in your family to attend college? Are you nervous about the college experience? Come hear from current upperclass students who also identify as first generation students about how to succeed and use the supports available here at McDaniel.

- **4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1**  Hill 110
- **4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2**  Hill 110

**World Languages, Literatures & Cultures Department Meet & Greet**  ***This is final component of the My Academic Connections event from earlier today. Come meet & greet with professors from the World Languages, Literatures & Cultures Department and learn what those majors can mean to you!***

- **4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1**  Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118
- **4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2**  Baker Memorial Chapel (BMC) 118

**Understanding Your Dining Plan & Making Healthy Choices**  Confused about your meal plan and all the options in “Glar”? Unsure what a “Pub meal swipe” means? Hear from current upperclass students about how the dining plans work, what Glar has to offer, and how to make healthy choices here on the Hill.

- **4:10pm – 4:35pm Session #1**  Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level Decker College Center
- **4:45pm – 5:10pm Session #2**  Englar Dining Hall, Lower Level Decker College Center

**7:00pm: Peer Mentors Lead New Students to Line Up for Convocation, Meet outside Hoover Library**  Mandatory for All Students. Assemble outside Hoover Library with your Transfer Team. Please be prompt and watch for staff who will assist you with seating.

**7:30pm: Introduction Convocation and Candlewalk Ceremony, Baker Memorial Chapel**  Mandatory for All Students. All new students and selected faculty & staff are invited to attend this traditional ceremony, which represents the formal beginning of the academic year. Following Convocation, all new students take a symbolic walk through the McDaniel College Arch and are officially welcomed into the McDaniel community. At the conclusion of the program, each new student will be asked to “ring in” the academic year at the commemorative Old Main Bell in Red Square, Memorial Plaza.
Saturday, August 25th

3:15pm-4:30pm: Sex Signals, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. Sex Signals has become one of the most popular sexual assault prevention programs through its unorthodox, humor-facilitated approach to examining our culture, sex, and prevention strategies like Bystander Intervention.

7:00pm-8:00pm: Dialogues on Diversity: Get Out of Your Bubble, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. “Get Out of Your Bubble” is a game show-style, fun and fast-paced presentation which introduces students to a new and more open way of seeing cultural differences. Through jokes, prizes, and facts the show gives students the tools to understand cultural differences and to maximize their potential in a changing world.

7:30pm-8:30pm: Choices, Alumni Hall Theatre
Mandatory for All Students. Celebrate the close of Orientation 2018 with the most popular McDaniel College tradition: CHOICES!
Campus Map
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

The First Year Team

- Dr. Karen Violanti, Associate Dean for First Year Students
- Dr. Rebecca Carpenter, Director FYS/TSS Program
- Dr. Debra Lemke, Assistant Director FYS/TSS Program
- Betsy Cotton, Senior Associate Director of Admissions
- Foster McDaniel, Associate Director of Student Engagement
- Erin Giles, Associate Director of Community Engagement
- Tommy Schoolman, Coordinator of First Year Program
- Rich Goodman, Area Coordinator of First Year Housing