

### WHITMAN COLLEGE

# FAMILY ORIENTATION AND ONBOARDING

Fall 2022

August 24-25, 2022



Wear your masks! For your first few weeks on campus, Whitman will require everyone, including those fully vaccinated, to wear face masks (N95, KN95 or KN94) indoors in group settings or public spaces. The college anticipates that this will be a temporary precaution as the school year gets underway. For current COVID-19 protocols, go to whitman.edu/covid-dashboard.

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24**

### 8 a.m.-3 p.m. • New Student Check-In at Reid Campus Center

#### 9 a.m. • Residence Hall Move-In

Anderson Hall: Sections B, C and F Jewett Hall: 3E, 3W, 4E and 4W

Lyman House: 3rd floor

Prentiss Hall: 3rd floor and East section

Transfer students, please check your housing assignment email.

#### 11 a.m.-2 p.m. • Campus Tours

Leaving every 30 minutes from outside of the Reid Campus Center. (Boyer Avenue and Park Street)

#### 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Mailbox Assignments & Package Pickup •** Ground floor of Reid Campus Center

Students can stop by the Post Office to receive their mailbox assignment. Packages mailed to the college over the summer may also be picked up during this time.

Fridge Rental • Reid Campus Center Room 202

Small residence hall refrigerators are available to rent for the academic year. Reservations must be made in advance.

Break Shuttle Ticket Purchase • Reid Campus Center Room 202

The college will provide round-trip shuttle service to Seattle and Portland for Thanksgiving, winter and spring break. Students can sign up and purchase their tickets in advance.

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Anderson Hall: Sections A, D and E

Jewett Hall: 1W and 2W

Lyman House: 1st and 2nd floors Prentiss Hall: 1st and 2nd floors

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#### 2:30 p.m. • Alumni Parent Reception • Baker Center

Reception for Alumni parents and their first-year students hosted by the Alumni Association at the Baker Center.

**4 p.m. • New Student and Family Welcome •** Cordiner Hall Join campus leadership as we celebrate and welcome the newest members of the Whitman community.

### **THURSDAY, AUGUST 25**

### 9 a.m. • Family Orientation Session Options

Centering Students in Our Work • Reid Campus Center Basement

Join Vice President of Student Affairs Kazi Joshua and staff from the Dean of Students Office to learn more about the core values and work of supporting students at Whitman.

### Careers & More: The Career and Community Engagement Center • Olin Auditorium

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### **Wellness for College Students •** Chism Recital Hall in the Hall of Music

We will explore wellness in all of its fullness: emotional, physical and beyond. We will focus on the role of the family in preparing students to bounce back from stress and develop relationships (with the self, the world and other humans) to allow for a meaningful and joyful college experience.

**Meet the Residence Life Staff •** Jewett Hall and Prentiss Hall; Hall main lounges

If your student lives in Jewett Hall or Prentiss Hall, please come meet the residence hall staff and learn our plans for creating community and providing support this academic year.

### **First Year Seminar Program •** Allen Reading Room in Penrose Library

Whitman's First Year Seminars engage students in deep thought and transformative conversations while helping them develop the writing, reading and speaking skills needed to succeed in college. All first-year students enroll in this two-semester sequence consisting of "Exploring Complex Questions" (Gens 175) in the fall and "Making Powerful Arguments" (Gens 176) in the spring. This session will address the learning goals of each course, while especially focusing on the experiences students will have during the fall semester.

### Safety & Security at Whitman • Kimball Theater in Hunter Conservatory

Understand the capabilities and responsibilities of campus security and Whitman College Technology Services in keeping Whitman students safe. This session will include time for questions.

#### 10 a.m. • Coffee & Tea Break • Behind Memorial Building

Grab-and-go service will be available underneath the giant Sycamore tree between Memorial Building and the outdoor tennis courts.

### 10:15 a.m. • Family Orientation Session Options

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### **It's All Greek To Me: Fraternity and Sorority Life Info Session •** Brattain Auditorium

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### **Diversity & Inclusion at Whitman •** Chism Recital Hall in the Hall of Music

Join Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion John Johnson and staff from the Intercultural Center to learn about the range of resources and initiatives underway to advance inclusion and belonging for all members of the Whitman community.

### Dining at Whitman with Bon Appétit • Cleveland Commons

At Bon Appétit, our passion is creating community through food. The meals we serve at Whitman are cooked from scratch every day using fresh, whole ingredients that are sourced responsibly. We welcome you to tour Cleveland Commons and learn about our Circle of Responsibility (COR) icons, sustainability and wellness commitments, Farm to Fork program, and how we're making it easier than ever for students with dietary restrictions to navigate our cafés.

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11:15 a.m. • Regional Meet-Ups for Families • Lawns between Memorial Hall and Prentiss Hall

#### 1:30 p.m. • Family Orientation Session Options

**Pre-Major Advising & Academic Support •** Reid Campus Center Basement

Senior Associate Dean of Students Juli Dunn will outline the college's curriculum and pre-major advising as well as highlight the support and many academic resources available to all students.

#### Off-Campus Studies • Olin Auditorium

Join the Off-Campus Studies staff to learn about how Whitman connects students to the world through opportunities for semester-long study—with nearly 80 programs in 40 countries. Hear how academic programs abroad complement Whitman majors and minors and fulfill Global Studies Concentration requirements. The team will also share planning-ahead tips for students.

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### What the Science Says About Alcohol and Cannabis and What Parents Need to Know • Kimball Theater in

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Jason Kilmer, Ph.D., is nationally recognized speaker on alcohol, cannabis and college students. Decades of research show that parents and families are incredibly influential in the decisions students make about substance use, including once they get to college. In this workshop, we will look at trends related to substance use on college campuses, how substance use is associated with academic outcomes, as well as physical and mental health. New scientific findings will be shared (particularly related to cannabis) and suggestions for families will be discussed.

## **2:30 p.m. • Lemonade and Water •** Behind Memorial Building Grab-and-go service will be available underneath the giant Sycamore tree between Memorial Building and the outdoor tennis courts.

#### 3 p.m. • Family Orientation Session Options

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4:30 p.m. • Family Farewell Reception • Front Lawn of Memorial Building

