

# Your Lehigh experience starts here

# **FIRST-YEAR WELCOME KIT**



































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# The First-Year Experience at Lehigh

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## Welcome to Lehigh!

In just a few months you will join the rest of the Class of 2028, and we cannot wait to meet you! Our goal is to provide you with information to assist in your transition to Lehigh.

**bLUeprint** is a term you will hear throughout your Lehigh experience. We want you to intentionally create your experience and make meaning of all your interactions, conversations, lectures, experiences, etc., using the Five Foundations. We want you to **discover** more about yourself and Lehigh, **explore** the vast array of ideas and experiences in this community, **connect** what you learn inside and outside the classroom, and **apply** your understanding and insight to future endeavors. We want you to try new things, step out of your comfort zone, and reflect on who you are and what you want your college experience to help you be in the future. We want you to evolve into the best version of yourself. The Office of the First-Year Experience (OFYE) is just one university office that will be guiding you throughout the next few years. Get ready, it is an exciting journey! We will encourage you to learn using the Five Foundations:

Creative Curiosity encourages exploration of new ideas and concepts. Students are empowered to take control of their own learning, and develop the skills necessary to be lifelong learners and innovative problem solvers.



**Self Concept** encourages students to strengthen self-worth by understanding their own identities and values and expressing oneself authentically.

**Healthy Connections** begin with taking care of yourself. Students are encouraged to reflect on their healthy and unhealthy connections, work to identify their own personal needs and boundaries, and understand that for relationships to thrive they take attention and care.



**Critical Consciousness** is the ability to understand and analyze societal structures and systems of oppression, and to take action towards social change. We encourage students to recognize and challenge the ways in which systems can perpetuate inequality, injustice and oppression.

**Strategic Adaptability** recognizes that students are navigating in constantly changing environments. Students are encouraged to build skills in problem-solving, flexibility, and decision-making by learning from failures and taking risks.

We know you have a lot on your mind as you prepare to start your college career, so the information in this Welcome Kit is designed to help make this a smooth transition. Be sure to read everything on these pages and then complete the necessary tasks.









# **GETTING STARTED**

As a new student, there are a few things you need to complete before August. We call it your Summer Checklist. Make sure you complete these items (and not your mom, brother or cousin, even though they may be tempted to help you out). Finishing these tasks on your own, or with a little guidance from us, will help you in the event you have a question when you arrive in the fall. Trust us. We have done this before.

## LOG INTO THE LEHIGH STUDENT PORTAL

The Lehigh Student Portal (go.lehigh.edu/lehighportal) is your one-stop-shop for Lehigh information. To log in, use your Lehigh computing account credentials, or the six-character username (e.g., abc123) and the password you established after you were admitted. If you haven't created your Lehigh computing account, go to the Applicant Student Portal and click on the link "Establish your Lehigh Account." If you need assistance, please contact the Library & Technology Services Help Desk at 610-758-HELP (4357).

On **Tuesday, May 14**, you will be given access to **new information** on the portal. This page is just for first-year students and has been created to help you keep everything organized using the Summer Checklist.

## Reminder:

Visit the Lehigh Student Portal at go.lehigh.edu/lehighportal.

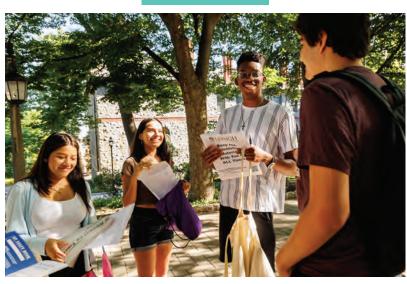
New information goes live Tuesday, May 14!

## SUMMER CHECKLIST

The Summer Checklist is designed to help you keep track of the tasks you need to complete before your arrival. You can check off items as you go and ensure you don't miss any important deadlines. On pages 2 and 3 are a few notes regarding specific checklist items. This is not a complete list! Log into the Admitted Student Portal for a complete list and to view item deadlines. The checklist will include informational links, required surveys, forms, and contracts.

## LEHIGH EMAIL

On Tuesday, May 14, your Lehigh Gmail account will be made available at lehigh.edu/google. All official university communication will ONLY be sent to your Lehigh email! Your Lehigh email address will be your username@lehigh.edu. To login you will utilize the same credentials you do for your portal. If you have questions regarding your Lehigh Gmail account, contact the LTS Help Desk.









## SUBMIT YOUR ID CARD APPLICATION

Your ID card identifies you as a member of the Lehigh community and grants you access to your residence hall, academic buildings, and athletic events. It is also how you access your meal plan and GoldPLUS account. You must submit your ID photo via email. More information is available on the Summer Checklist. You will receive your ID card at check-in when you arrive in August.

## STUDENT HEALTH INFORMATION

Visit the checklist for links to the 2024-2025 health forms required to be completed by your healthcare provider. You will need to upload them to your student health portal, and complete any electronic forms, enroll in or waive Lehigh's student health insurance plan & upload a picture of your health insurance card.

## CREATE YOUR LINC ACCOUNT

LINC is a "virtual campus center" and the primary location for the Lehigh community to learn about student involvement opportunities. You can search clubs and organizations, print your involvement transcript, and find campus events, so create your account now. Instructions are available on the Summer Checklist.

## LIBRARIES AND TECHNOLOGY AT LEHIGH

Library & Technology Services (LTS) supports the technology and library needs of students. LTS offers help and support, networking, computing labs, a myriad of library databases, ejournals, ebooks, free software, printing (up to 1500 pages), and more! The LTS Help Desk and the Student Technology and Repair Services (STARS) help students with all kinds of technology issues. To find out more visit go.lehigh. edu/ltsintro-

## PACKING LIST

The Summer Checklist links this helpful packing list including what to bring and what not to bring. If you are shipping items to campus, please note the Mail Center cannot accept packages until August. Your mailing address will be sent to you over the summer and can be found in your banner account when it is assigned and available.

## GET CONNECTED

Meet your Orientation Leaders, stay on top of deadlines, and get an inside look at what's happening at Lehigh by checking out our social media. The OFYE will be posting updates over the summer as we prepare and get excited for your arrival, so be sure to like us on Facebook and follow @LehighOFYE on Instagram.

## All official communication will be sent to your Lehigh email address, beginning May 15.









# LIVE LEHIGH

## Welcome!

Every student who lives on-campus Lives Lehigh. Your residence hall will be your space on-campus where you sleep, study, and hang out, but also where you will begin to create your new community. It's where you will further explore your identities and better understand identities different from your own. Your residence hall will be one of the first places at Lehigh where you will make an impact on those around you.

Each residential community available to you next year will offer different opportunities to connect with other students based on building structure and housing options, so think carefully about your preferences. For instance, you may be interested in participating in a themed community or living with other students of similar or different gender identities from your own. Starting to make these connections with your new neighbors is how your residence hall will begin to feel like home. Lehigh is your community now, and you belong here. So, meet the people next door. Talk to your Gryphon. Grab a coffee with someone you haven't met yet. Choose to Live Lehigh.

## How to Sign Up for Housing

Check your Summer Checklist May 16th for the link to complete your housing contract. **The housing contract is due June 7.** 

**STEP 1:** Preference housing options. You can find more information about housing options and themed communities at go.lehigh.edu/fyshousing.

- If you have a medical condition that requires special housing placement, please go to go.lehigh. edu/fysmedical and file all paperwork outlined in the information by June 7.
- Preference the themed residential options that you prefer. If you do not select any, or if there are no more spaces available, you will automatically be placed into housing.
- Preference a single room if you wish to live by yourself. Single rooms are not guaranteed as they are limited in number.
- Preference the gender configuration(s) where you would be comfortable living (all gender, co-ed by floor/wing, or co-ed by building).

STEP 2: Choose a meal plan (see page 8 for more details!)

**STEP 3:** Use My College Roomie to complete your roommate matching profile, interact with other students, and connect with your roommate. My College Roomie will send you an invitation to join on June 11th.

If you want to change information you have already submitted, please complete the Housing Contract online again by June 7. The new submission will replace your original submission.







## Themed Communities

Lehigh offers themed communities so you can meet and live among students with whom you share a common interest. It is a great opportunity to build a point of connection around a part of your identity that is important to you and that you want to share with others. Each themed community is supported by staff who work in partnership with student leaders to plan events and programs connected to the community's theme. Our first-year themed community options are below.

## CHOICE

A community for students who choose to live a healthy and substance-free lifestyle in a fun and engaging environment. Through various activities and interactions, members foster an environment that promotes well-being and personal growth while enjoying a social atmosphere.

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## **Creative Arts**

A community for students who are passionate about the arts, including visual arts, music, theater, and writing. Members of these communities have the opportunity to collaborate on creative projects, attend performances, and showcase their work.



## First Gen

A community which provides additional resources and support to those students who identify as first generation college students. Through purposefully tailored programs and events, First Gen residents begin creating connections that will allow them to excel during their time at Lehigh.



#### **Global Lehigh**

A community of domestic and international students interested in exploring cultural learning, and who want to enhance their understanding of cultures different from their own through events, meals, guest



speakers, film, and more. Students will connect with Lehigh resources such as the Office of International Students and Scholars, Study Abroad, and the Iacocca Institute.

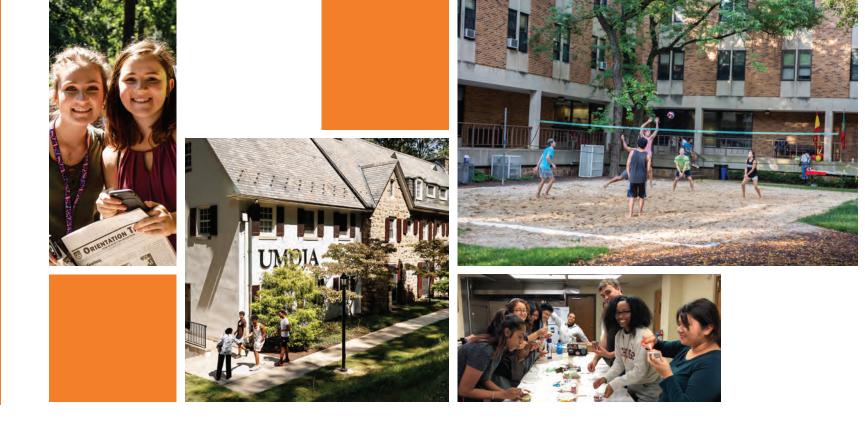
## Sylvia Rivera Community

Grounded in the spirit of Sylvia Rivera, who dedicated her life to supporting queer and trans liberation, this community seeks to further connect residents to the LGBTQIA+ community at Lehigh and



within the greater Lehigh Valley area. This community will learn from and celebrate the history and culture, as well as explore the future of the queer liberation movement that Sylvia dedicated her life to support.





## **STEM**

A community for students who want to immerse themselves in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics outside of their classroom



academic experience in order to further develop the skills necessary to become leaders in the field. Members can collaborate on projects, attend events, and explore career opportunities in STEM fields. The STEM community is supported by faculty and peer-to-peer mentorship.

## UMOJA

UMOJA, which means "unity" in Swahili, is a space that allows residents to develop a sense of community through a shared exploration of diversity and multiculturalism. The UMOJA House serves



as an inclusive center for mentorship and support on-campus and has been a centerpiece of the residential community at Lehigh for over thirty years. This is a community where upper and first-year students live together.

## **The Bakery**

Join this \*brand new\* community created for student innovators who are interested in developing their entrepreneurial mindset by living with like-minded individuals at Lehigh, regardless of their



academic focus. The Baker Institute staff and student peer mentors will help you navigate the landscape of

opportunities as soon as you arrive on campus and deliver exclusive experiences specifically designed for residents of this community. This is a community where upper and firstyear students live together.

#### **Inter-College**

A community of students in Inter-College (IC) programs who are keen to deepen their understanding of interdisciplinary education and research through social and intellectual engagement with other IC



students. This is a community where upper and first-year students live together.

## **Room Details**

Room rates are the same for each building. Most residence hall rooms are doubles, but there are also a limited number of singles and triples. Each room has a bed with a mattress, desk with chair, dresser or built-in drawers and a closet or wardrobe. All rooms are equipped with an active cable jack. Wireless Internet access is available throughout all residence halls in both bedrooms and common areas. Within the residence halls, common areas include lounges, kitchens, study rooms, laundry rooms and game rooms. Vending machines are also located in each residence hall.



## **Housing and Roommate Selection**

Lehigh assigns rooms based on desired housing and programmatic preferences. A random process will be utilized to determine your housing assignment along with others who have made similar selections.

You will use My College Roomie to complete your roommate matching profile, interact with other students, and connect with your roommate. All matches must be completed by June 23. If you have not matched with a roommate, during the housing assignment process, you will be matched with a roommate using the information you provide on My College Roomie. If you request a student and he or she requests you, you will automatically be placed together whenever possible.

All first-year students are required to live on campus, but you may petition Housing Services for exemption for the following reasons:

- You are 22 years of age or older.
- You reside with a parent or legal guardian within a 30-mile radius of Lehigh University.
- You are married.
- One or more dependents live with you.

If you qualify and would like to petition, go to go.lehigh. edu/exemption and submit your petition by June 7.

Be sure to check your Lehigh email for your housing and roommate information in July!

## Live-In Staff

## Gryphons

At Lehigh, Resident Assistants/Advisors are called "Gryphons," after the mythical beast that guarded the gold of ancient Scythia. The tradition of Gryphons at Lehigh dates back to 1957, originally to help first-year students integrate into the academic rigors of the University. These keepers of the gold are known on-campus as The Gryphon Society. Gryphons are upper-class students who live in your community with you and are available to assist you in your own transition to Lehigh. They can answer questions, help connect you to campus resources, facilitate programming that helps you build connections with your fellow Mountain Hawks, or provide support and guidance. In addition, Gryphons have the responsibility of ensuring community members are acting safely and responsibly by enforcing community expectations and University policy.

## **Our Professional Staff Team**

There are also professional staff members of our Residence Life team who live on-campus in support of the Gryphons and the residential community. Our Assistant Directors and Graduate Assistant oversee all of our residential spaces and supervise the Gryphon staff. They work with the Gryphons to cultivate a positive and inclusive residential environment for all our students to learn and grow, and hold community members accountable when needed. They also call Lehigh University their home and are available to you for additional guidance and support. There is also a professional staff member who is on-duty in case of emergency.









Lehigh Dining offers the most extensive dining portfolio in the Lehigh Valley. Our team is committed to providing the Lehigh community with an extraordinary dining experience at our two custom-designed student restaurants, eight retail locations, three food trucks and a first-of-its-kind 24/7 self-serve micromart.

## **Meal Plans**

First-year students can choose from any of the following meal plans. All meal plans available to first-year students include five guest meal swipes per semester.

## **Dining Dollars**

Dining Dollars work as a separate debit account that you access through your Lehigh ID and can use to buy items or meals at any Lehigh Dining Services location. The amount of Dining Dollars deposited into your account roll over from fall to spring semester. Any unused funds in your account at the end of spring semester are forfeited. You may add Dining Dollars to your account by calling (610) 758-6179 or through the self service page at go.lehigh.edu/housing. For more information on your meal plan and how it works, visit www.lehighdining.com.

MEAL PLAN	MEAL PLAN DETAILS
Carte Blanche	<ul> <li>Unlimited meals in student restaurants per semester</li> <li>Up to 10 meal credits per week in retail locations</li> <li>\$100 Dining Dollars per semester</li> </ul>
225 Block Plan	<ul> <li>225 meals per semester</li> <li>Unlimited meal credits per week at retail locations (until 225 meals are used)</li> <li>\$300 Dining Dollars per semester</li> </ul>
200 Block Plan	<ul> <li>200 meals per semester</li> <li>Unlimited meal credits per week at retail locations (until 200 meals are used)</li> <li>\$350 Dining Dollars per semester</li> </ul>

Information above is subject to change.

# Arrival Information

## FIRST-YEAR STUDENT CHECK-IN:

Thursday, August 22, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at lacocca Hall

In order to pick up your residence hall room key, you will need a government-issued photo ID to confirm identity. Driver's license, state ID or passport will be accepted.



# PRELUSION ... Lehigh's Pre-Orientation Experiences

PreLUsion, a collection of ten optional pre-orientation programs, is designed to jump-start your college experience! With a variety of programs offered, preLUsion welcomes you to campus before Orientation begins and allows you to connect to Lehigh by engaging with a smaller community of students and staff who share similar interests.

#### Participating in preLUsion will help you:

- Make friends before Orientation begins
- Become familiar with campus and the local community
- Explore an area of interest and how to get involved at Lehigh
- Meet upper-class students, staff and faculty members

PreLUsion begins on Monday, August 19, 2024, three days before the rest of the first-year class arrives. While each program is different, they do share some common elements. During the day, faculty, staff and upperclassmen will lead you in a variety of activities based on your program theme. At night, all participants whose program stays at Lehigh attend social events to meet the students in the other preLUsion programs. PreLUsion programs have been intentionally planned by Lehigh staff, faculty and students, so **participants will need to make arrangements to attend the entire program**. And honestly, you won't want to miss any of the action!

Please visit **go.lehigh.edu/prelusion** for the most up-to-date information on available preLUsion programs.

## preLUsion Move-In

Students who register for a preLUsion program will receive a confirmation with specific program details and move-in information. **Please don't make travel arrangements until you receive your confirmation email.** Check-in will be at lacocca Hall from 8:00am–10:30am. You will move into your fall housing assignment in the morning and your program will begin at 12:00pm. Your schedule will be packed, so you'll say goodbye to family and visitors then.

## Early Arrival Programs

Students participating in International Student Orientation, the Lehigh University Summer Scholars Institute (LUSSI), ROTC, and the Marching 97 Band Camp CANNOT participate in preLUsion due to conflicting dates. Please refer to your program director for details on your arrival timeline.

## Registration

**PreLUsion registration will go live May 14 at 3:00pm EDT and will close on June 30.** The link can be found on the Summer Checklist and our website. Each preLUsion program has a limited number of spaces and sign-up is on a first-come, first-served basis. To register you will need your Lehigh ID Number (LIN).

To find your LIN:

- Log into Self-Service Banner at go.lehigh.edu/ ssbstudent with your Lehigh credentials
- Click on Personal Information
- Your LIN is the ID Number located under your name on the left-hand side

## **PreLUsion Costs and Scholarships**

Program costs vary based on the activities each program hosts. If you need assistance in covering the cost of a preLUsion program, scholarships are available based on financial need. Scholarship applications will open May 1 and are available at go.lehigh.edu/prelusion.

If your plans change over the summer, refund requests must be made in writing to fye@lehigh.edu before June 30. No refund requests will be accepted after June 30.







## **ARTS ALIVE**

Do you consider yourself an artist? Do you love visual arts, music, and theatre? Or, are you just looking to explore your own creativity and find a new community? Then Arts Alive is the program for you! Visit Zoellner Arts Center, Lehigh's home to the Presenting Series, the Lehigh University Art Galleries, the Departments of Music and Theatre, and much more. You'll meet with Zoellner's Campus Engagement Manager and student leaders to get a full picture of the arts scene at Lehigh and find new ways to engage with the arts in your new community.

During this three-day immersive arts experience, you will:

- Check out presentations from local arts leaders
- Get a sneak-peek backstage tour of Zoellner Arts Center
- Learn how you can get free tickets to shows at Zoellner
- Jump into on-your-feet games and improv activities
- Explore your own creative voice

Get ready for 3 days of fun and creativity as you make connections with other art-lovers at Lehigh!

## Cost: \$250 Capacity: 20



## C.L.I.M.B.

Are you ready to elevate your Lehigh experience? Join us for the C.L.I.M.B. Mentor Program preLUsion, a unique opportunity designed specifically for incoming students who are passionate about mentorship, leadership, belonging and the fraternity and sorority community!

During this experience, you'll have the chance to:

- Connect with Peers: Meet incoming students interested in mentorship and leadership in the fraternity and sorority community. Forge lasting connections as you embark on this journey together—whether you decide to join an organization or not.
- Engage with Leaders: Learn from experienced student leaders active in fraternity and sorority life. Gain insider tips and guidance for navigating college and building meaningful connections.
- Explore Mentorship: Discover the benefits of having a mentor within the fraternity and sorority community. Learn about fraternity and sorority life traditions and history while receiving support and guidance.
- Commit to Mentorship: Establish a lasting mentorship by meeting monthly with your mentor. Receive ongoing support and opportunities for personal and professional growth.
- Discover Resources: Familiarize yourself with campus services, especially within fraternity and sorority life. Navigate events and programs to enhance your college experience.

Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to join the C.L.I.M.B. Mentor Program preLUsion experience!

Cost: \$260 Capacity: 20











## **CSB CONNECT**

As an incoming CSB (Computer Science and Business) honors program student you may have questions about how an intercollegiate program works. Throughout your 3 day PreLusion experience, we will introduce you to the ins and outs of CSB as well as resources available to make your time at Lehigh successful. You will also embark on a journey that will help you get acclimated to college academics and college life.

- Connect with fellow incoming CSB students as well as more seasoned current student mentors that will become your support system for years to come.
- Engage in hands-on activities in Computer Science, Business and many other areas of the University that will help build foundations as you transition into college life.
- Meet the Leadership teams and some faculty from both colleges as well as other important people and resources across campus.
- Navigate Lehigh during a campus wide scavenger hunt where you can win prizes and various other activities.
- Enjoy a variety of cuisine from local off campus restaurants, attend a local minor league baseball game in our own private party pavilion and learn about the surrounding community.

During first year orientation, you will be paired with other incoming CSB first year students who did not attend CSB Connect and asked to share with them the knowledge and experiences you gained over the past few days.

For more information please contact Andrea Goff, CSB Academic Advisor at ahg212@lehigh.edu.

Cost: \$300 Capacity: 20

## **DISCOVER LEHIGH**

Set off on a discovery of your new hometown! On this expedition, you'll learn how Lehigh came to be, familiarize yourself with all that Lehigh has to offer including the campus and the surrounding area. Explore Bethlehem sites and restaurants and learn the city's history. Current students will teach you all the ins-and-outs of Lehigh and the secrets they wish they knew sooner! Let's get to know each other, explore the area, and have fun. After this 3-day adventure, you will start the year with a community and an excitement for all there is to still discover.

As a part of this three-day experience:

- Explore North and South Bethlehem with city representatives
- Discover Bethlehem Steel and ArtsQuest
- Enjoy different dining experiences in Bethlehem and the surrounding areas
- Connect with peers through activities like a local escape room and a minor league baseball game!

Explore this area, make connections, and think about how you can make the most of your experience at Lehigh. Join us and we will help Lehigh and Bethlehem feel like home in just three short days!

Cost: \$265 Capacity: 20







## GLOBALEHIGH

GlobaLehigh takes you on a three-day journey across many cultures, cuisines, and critical global topics (such as climate change and immigration), and culminates in a private tour of the United Nations in New York City, where you will meet with a UN Diplomat. As you experience your first few days in college, these activities will open doors for you that you may have never before imagined.

Here are just a few of the activities awaiting you:

- Network with Lehigh alumni working in international careers
- Solve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals in 90 Minutes
- Explore the many different views of Globalization
- Eat your way across three continents in three days

This journey will be led by the Lehigh University/United Nations Partnership staff and current students highly involved with all things Global. See for yourself why Lehigh University is truly a Global community!

## Cost: \$380 Capacity: 25

Looking for a more extensive and immersive dive into digital fabrication and electronics? Check out maker Bootcamp from August 5th-21st. For more info and to apply visit go.lehigh.edu/ makerbootcamp.

## **LEADERSHIP ADVENTURES**

This experience is uniquely designed to help you learn more about your leadership potential and strengths while having lots of outdoor fun!! You'll have the opportunity to engage in activities, both indoor and outdoor, that are designed to help you transition into your new identity as a college student and learn more about yourself. As a group, we will also travel to the beautiful Blue Mountain Resort for an opportunity to be in nature and participate in whitewater rafting, while getting the opportunity to familiarize yourself with the Lehigh campus to make you feel at home in just three short days!

As a part of this three-day discovery:

- Discover more about your leadership potential by participating in various team-building activities.
- Gain leadership skills through experiential learning activities at Lehigh and at off-campus destinations, such as the beautiful Blue Mountain Resort, located in Palmerton, PA.
- Enjoy the fun-filled adventures of white-water rafting with your peers and upper-class students.
- Most of all, get a chance to have fun and embrace your new college adventures!

\*Please note that some activities may be physically demanding and tiring for some students. We would love for everyone to participate in all activities but encourage the challenge by choice model and prioritize the wellness of all students.

Cost: \$375 Capacity: 50











## **LEHIGH 360: FIND YOUR WHY**

Do you want to make an IMPACT with your life, with your career and during your time here at Lehigh? Lehigh 360 will introduce you to all of the incredible high-impact, beyond the classroom learning opportunities that Lehigh has to offer—opportunities in creative inquiry, entrepreneurship, global engagement, the arts, community service, peer mentoring, research, leadership and beyond! We'll explore the wide variety of options together and help you connect your passions & interests with specific opportunities to make an impact, both locally and globally, here at Lehigh. We'll also discuss how these opportunities, alongside your academics, can help you discover your reason for being (IKIGAI)—the space where what you love, what you are good at, what the world needs and what you can be paid for all intersect!

Over the three days, you will:

- Visit local social enterprises around the Lehigh Valley making an impact in crucial spaces such as anti-human trafficking, mental health, affordable housing, restorative justice, disability rights, etc.
- Learn about all of Lehigh's signature high-impact, beyond the classroom learning opportunities including timelines for each opportunity and how to source funding to participate
- Through a campus-wide scavenger hunt, personally meet the staff and offices that facilitate highimpact programs across campus
- Engage in individual and group activities to better understand yourself, your strengths and values, and what you have to offer the world
- Walk away with a personal roadmap of how you will weave high-impact opportunities into your time here at Lehigh—and with a network of peers, upperclassmen and faculty/staff who share a similar passion for utilizing their skill sets to tackle critical world challenges!

## **LEHIGH WOMEN ENGINEERS**

As an incoming woman engineer, you may be wondering about the dynamic, creative, exhilarating and rewarding field that you are about to enter. With many of Lehigh's top engineering students being women, you are joining an impressive and elite group. To begin college with a leg up, come join us as we learn the ins and outs of Lehigh Engineering! During your three days with Lehigh Women Engineers, you will engage in guided lab activities that will offer hands-on experiences to help you get acclimated to academic study at the college level. You will also be given the opportunity to visit various engineering departments, research centers, and other parts of campus as you are introduced to the multitude of programs, clubs, and resources here at Lehigh, all of which are dedicated to your success in Lehigh Engineering.

Our LWE fall reunion will help you continue to feel connected with the women you meet during PreLUsion as well as help you finish off a successful fall term and start an enriching spring term.

Highlights:

- Participate in hands-on activities in the various engineering fields and labs at Lehigh
- Get a head start on making lifetime friends with your peers and mentors
- Meet the Dean and selected faculty members in the P.C. Rossin College of Engineering and Applied Science
- Work with current women engineering students who will guide you through your Lehigh experience
- Explore the areas around campus and within walking distance.

Cost: \$300 Capacity: 30





## LehighMED

Join fellow students who share an interest in the field of medicine for a 3-day inside look in the field from medical experts and world renowned healthcare networks. This program is led by Lehigh University Emergency Medical Services (LUEMS), a group of over 40 volunteer students that respond to on-campus medical emergencies. Meet current LUEMS members and get connected to an incredible network on-campus and in the local community while you get settled on campus.

This program provides an excellent opportunity for students to:

- Meet and network with like-minded students
- Learn and practice real-world medical skills taught by doctors, paramedics, and other clinicians
- Experience hands-on training with administering electrocardiograms (EKGs), performing intubation, and initiating intravenous therapies
- Have early access to joining LUEMS and additional shadowing opportunities at a local hospital
- Be well-groomed for possible paid employment at Lehigh Valley area ambulance services
- Participate in a valuable experience that will impress future employers or professional schools

Join us for the ultimate medical experience! More information can be found at lehigh.edu/ems.

## Cost: \$399 Capacity: 16

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Begin your journey at Lehigh through service! As a participant of VE, you will spend three days interacting with the local Bethlehem community, engaging in meaningful conversation and service, with local agencies and your fellow first years. During the evenings, participants will take part in fun events with other volunteers to get to know your new home and new friends. We will also be going on a special outing on the 2nd night.

VE is hosted by the Community Service Office and provides a great pathway to continue serving throughout your time at Lehigh. Trips are led by community-oriented, upper-class students who have experience in the South Bethlehem community. They will be there to answer any questions you may have about their experience as students, classes, and fun things to do in the area.

Some issues/community initiatives you may work with include:

- Food Insecurity
- Environmentalism
- Local schools in the Bethlehem Area School District
- Homelessness
  - **Cultural Centers**

Cost: \$275 Capacity: 25



## ORIENTATION ... your introduction to Lehigh

## **Moving In**

First-year students will move in on Thursday, August 22, 2024 between 8:00am-11:30am. First, you will check-in for Orientation at Iacocca Hall on the Mountaintop Campus and receive your Orientation materials, group information, and directions to your residence hall. You must keep all of these materials with you throughout Orientation. Each residence hall will have specific directions to take you down the mountain to unload your belongings. You then must check in for Orientation first at lacocca in order to receive your room keys at the entrance of your residence hall. Specific directions to lacocca Hall are on the OFYE website and will be emailed to you later this summer. Go light on the packing. It's easier to add things to your room after you are settled than to have a tower of belongings stacked next to your bed!

## **Orientation**

You will be assigned to a small group led by one of our 90 upper-class Orientation Leaders (OLs). You can meet the OLs on the OFYE Instagram this summer! The OLs represent all that Lehigh has to offer, including a variety of different majors, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, and student involvement opportunities. They will lead discussions on the transition from high school to college, introduce you to all the resources available to you as a Lehigh student, and share their experiences navigating the college environment.

During Orientation, you will:

- Learn about college course requirements
- Explore South Bethlehem during Faux Friday
- Attend a multitude of social events
- Learn about campus resources
- Discuss Lehigh and community expectations

While the schedule is packed, there will be times that you will be able to make decisions as to what is important for you to learn. You only get one college Orientation, so come with a positive attitude and be ready to learn about your new home.

## International Students\*

You are also required to attend the International Student Orientation which begins on Monday, August 19, 2024. This orientation program is designed to help you:

- Learn about your immigration responsibilities
- Learn campus resources and services specific to international students
- Get tips from current international and domestic students to build a support network on campus

More information on the date and time of this orientation program is available on the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) website at global.lehigh.edu/oiss.

\* U.S. Citizens Living Abroad are encouraged to attend. Email intnl@lehigh.edu for information.



## **Faux Friday**

Faux Friday is an Orientation tradition that allows students to eat off-campus at one of the many tasty South Bethlehem restaurants on Friday, August 23rd. The program and the name were inspired by South Bethlehem's very own **First Friday** event where restaurants and shops open their doors to celebrate the community on the first Friday of every month. Since our program occurs on the last Friday, we call it "Faux" Friday!

Over the summer, you will be asked to select your restaurant through the Orientation registration form. Cuisine options range from Italian to Mexican, Irish, African, Asian, and more!

Some restaurants will offer to-go options so you can join us on the South Bethlehem Greenway for ice cream, live music, games, and fun.

## **Reading is cLUtch!**

We partner with elementary and middle schools in our neighborhood and want to create a community of readers TOGETHER! We are asking all incoming students to bring with them a new (or gently used) copy of their favorite book from their childhood or adolescence. Write an inspirational message inside the front cover and we will collect these during Faux Friday to share with South Bethlehem kiddos.

## **Orientation Schedule\***

A detailed hard copy of the schedule will be provided upon arrival. Once you receive your Orientation group information, you will be able to find your customized Orientation schedule using the smartphone app, Guidebook.

The following schedule should give you a good idea of what kind of fun is in store for you that weekend.

## Thursday, August 22

8:00am-11:30am

11:30am-1:30pm 1:00pm-1:45pm 2:00pm-2:30pm 2:45pm-3:45pm 4:00pm-8:00pm

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## Friday, August 23

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Orientation Check-In/ Residence Hall Move-in Welcome Lunch Commuter Student Meeting Orientation Kick-off Orientation Group Meeting Dinner, Campus Tour, and Health, Safety & Well-Being Fair Residence Hall Meeting Social Activities

## Breakfast

Orientation Group Meeting University Convocation College Welcome and Advising Lehigh 5x10 Symposiums Lehigh 'Faux' Friday Dinner and Residence Hall Meeting Social Activities

8:00pm-11:00pm

## Saturday, August 24

7:00am-9:00am	Breakfast
9:00am-4:45pm	Resource Rotation, Lunch & Free Time
5:00pm-7:00pm	Culture Fest Dinner & Orientation Group Meeting
8:00pm-8:45pm	First-Year Student & Alumni Rally
9:00pm-11:00pm	Social Activities

## Sunday, August 25

9:00am-2:30pm	Brunch, Resource Rotation,
	and Orientation Group Meeting
2:45pm-4:00pm	Work Study Job Fair

\* This schedule is subject to change. An updated schedule will be provided at Orientation.









## **Family Orientation**

Like you, we know that your family is going through a big adjustment. To help answer your family's questions and provide them some additional resources, we offer a one day Family Orientation. We strongly encourage families to attend. Even if your family has already attended orientation at a different institution, it's a great way to learn more about Lehigh and the resources we offer you. It is held on either:

- Monday, August 19–Ideal for families of students participating in the Marching Band, a preLUsion program, LUSSI, ROTC or International Student Orientation.
- Thursday, August 22—This program is open to all families.

The Monday Orientation will contain the same sessions and content, so there is no need to come back later in the week! Times will vary slightly from the Thursday schedule. Please see the Office of First-Year Experience website (go. lehigh.edu/FYfamilies) for the final schedule in July.

After Family Orientation ends around 5:30pm you can tell your parents and family they are welcome to leave campus and head for home! Your schedule is so packed during Orientation that you won't have time to hang out with them once you get started.

## Summer Webinar Series

The summer webinar series will occur throughout the summer starting in late May. It will be a virtual series to introduce families to a variety of campus resources, provide support on discussions that may be helpful before students' arrival, and to introduce campus partners and administrators who will be instrumental in a student's transition and success. The schedule will be released later in May on the website and through email.

## **Summer Emails**

In your application for admission to Lehigh, you likely gave us contact information for a parent or family member. They should receive emails approximately once per week from the Office of the First-Year Experience over the summer. They will not receive every email or be given access to your checklist, but we will try to keep them aware and informed throughout the summer as you get prepared for your college transition. For a family member to be added to this list, they can fill out the form at go.lehigh.edu/familyemail. Remember, this is your experience! You'll have to stay on top of your checklist and regularly check your Lehigh email address.

## **Family Weekend**

You can invite your family back for Family & Founders Weekend, Friday, September 20 to Sunday, September 22. More information regarding this program will be sent shortly.







## **NavigateLU**

Being a Lehigh student means you are involved, engaged, and active in your learning experiences. In this fall semester program, you will set goals, develop an action plan, and take the crucial first steps along your pathway to success. You will build purposeful connections—with people and to resources to enhance your Lehigh experience.

You set the course and direct where you are headed, and these individuals will collaborate with you by asking good questions and aiding you in finding the resources that will lead you to success.

## **Program Requirements**

- Meet individually with faculty/staff collaborators at least twice. Check-in, set goals, and reflect on your experiences and path at Lehigh. These meetings will encourage thoughtful reflection on the bLUeprint 5 Foundations and learning from firstyear programming.
- Meet with your Orientation Leader and group at least once. Connect with your peers to talk about the campus experience and how it's really going now that you've been here for a few weeks.
- Attend 5x10 programming. Choose 5 programs from a calendar of events that interest you and will enhance your success.

## The 5x10

To help begin your journey of curiosity and exploration, we created the 5x10 programming series. We expect all first-year students to attend five programs—one for each of the Five Foundations—in the first ten weeks of the semester. During the first ten weeks of college, you will begin to develop new routines, create new social connections and begin to establish your place at Lehigh. The 5x10 programming series is a way to expose you to the multitude of opportunities that exist at Lehigh, and encourage you to reflect on those opportunities so you can maximize your experiences. A few examples from last year include:

- Healthy Happy Living on Campus
- Welcome to the SouthSide
- Things I Wish I Knew as a First-Year
- How to Date (or Break Up) without Being Broken
- Talk Nerdy to Me: Giving Engaging Research Presentations

You will have a chance to complete a 5x10 program during the Friday of Orientation! The Lehigh 5x10 Symposium are hour long workshops where faculty will share their expertise and passions with students.

## **How to Register**

NavigateLU exists to aid you in your success and is a mandatory program for all first-year students. However, we want you to have the agency to find programs, staff, faculty, and administrators who might best support you. All of our collaborators will share information about themselves that you can review over the summer. In August, you will be given access to a registration page where you can choose an individual who might best serve as a connection and guide for you. After signing up, you will receive email notification from your collaborator to sign up for meeting times.

## **Creating your bLUeprint**

At the end of this experience, our hope is that you've learned more about who you are and drafted the start of your bLUeprint—reflecting on and incorporating all that you've learned and how you've grown as an individual!



# CAMP HAWK ... sleep away camp for college students

## September 13-15, 2024

Whether you went to camp every summer of your childhood or have never been to summer camp before in your life, Camp Hawk is for you! Camp Hawk is Lehigh's version of camp for first year students AFTER classes have already started. It's the perfect opportunity for you to continue making new connections while you indulge your inner camper with classic camp games—like Gaga and the famous IronHawk Competition—and s'mores!

Transitioning to college can be surprisingly hard! Camp Hawk is a great place to talk about the transition, what your Lehigh experience has been like, and explore what it can be.

This two-night retreat experience takes place in the Pocono Mountains and is part of a larger off-campus experience called the Great Pocono Escape, which includes student leaders from various campus organizations. In addition to your fellow Camp Hawkers, you will have the chance to meet and interact with many upper-class student leaders. Over 200 students will depart Lehigh for the mountains to build connections and enhance their leadership skills.

"The people that went to Camp Hawk with me became my second family."

## When are we leaving and who's going?

We leave campus on Friday after classes end and return to Lehigh on Sunday around lunchtime. Students stay in cabins (and yes, there is hot water!) with other Camp Hawk participants and the Camp Hawk Counselors (CHCs). The Camp Hawk staff consist of 6 upper-class leaders

who will guide you through the weekend games and activities. We will bring the snacks if you bring your moves to the late night lipsync.



## So how do I sign up?

Registration for Camp Hawk will go live the first day of class Monday, August 26. Registration is FREE and operates on a first-come, first-served basis. Please email fye@lehigh. edu for more information or check out the OFYE website at go.lehigh.edu/camphawk.

"Camp Hawk was a great way to meet many people and was a great way to start my first year at Lehigh."









Scheduling your classes is one of the most exciting aspects of being a college student! You will be able to register for classes online beginning in mid-July. Throughout the month of June, important updates and information regarding the registration process will be posted on your student portal and will also be sent to your Lehigh University email address. All official correspondence is sent via email utilizing your Lehigh University issued email address. Students are expected to check their University email regularly.

## Advising

By the middle of June, a Lehigh staff member in your advising unit will reach out to you via your Lehigh email address. They will remind you of resources available to you and offer to assist you as you explore and decide which courses you should register for. There will be virtual advising sessions and webinars available during June. Check your Lehigh email address and the portal for specific details. Colleges and programs may approach advising differently over the summer, but there is always someone to help.

## **Preparing for Registration**

To prepare for the process, check out the university catalog (catalog.lehigh.edu), your college channel on the portal, and the First-Year Student Enrollment website available May 24, (fysenroll.lehigh.edu) for information and helpful links!

## **AP Scores**

Don't forget to send your AP scores! Your scores are needed in advance to help you register for the appropriate level of a course once registration is available. AP scores will not have a negative impact on your student record in any way, so please don't hesitate to send everything.

This is the best way to ensure that you receive all of the credit you deserve. You will be able to see which scores you requested to be sent to us by logging into your College Board account (collegeboard.org), and which scores we received by viewing your academic transcript through Banner. Scores are not released prior to July 1, and we anticipate having credit on student records within a week. More information on your AP scores will be provided as we get closer to starting the registration process.

## What To Do When...

- Deciding which courses to take? Review your course packet, check the portal and your email for additional information, see the first-year enrollment website for sample schedules, and contact your academic unit.
- Have questions about utilizing the registration system? Review the First-Year Enrollment website for videos on how to utilize the registration system and contact the Office of the Registrar.
- Having trouble during the registration period? Use the Live Chat on the First-Year Student Enrollment website to talk with someone in the moment.

## **Schedule Changes**

Still feeling nervous even after you've registered? Don't worry! You will have the opportunity to meet with a college representative on Friday, August 23 during Orientation for any last minute questions and course changes. Students can continue making schedule changes through the first week of the semester, so there's plenty of time to ensure that you have an appropriate course schedule.

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