TRANSFER WELCOME GUIDE | FALL 2024

Everything you need to Jump-Start your Lehigh Experience!
WELCOME TO LEHIGH!

In just a few months you will join the rest of the Lehigh Community, 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 at Lehigh, so the information in this Welcome Guide 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. 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).

After opening your account, you will be given access to new information on the portal. This page is just for transfer students and has been created to help you keep everything organized using the Summer Checklist.

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 Lehigh Student Portal for a complete list and to view item deadlines. The checklist will include informational links, required surveys, forms, and contracts.

LEHIGH EMAIL

You should have access to your Lehigh Gmail account which is available at lehigh.edu/google. All official university communication will ONLY be sent to your Lehigh email.

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 and 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
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 via email and can be found in your banner account when it is assigned and available later this summer.

CONNECT WITH US
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.

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
Any car parked on-campus must have a valid Lehigh parking permit. Parking permits for the 2024-2025 academic year will be available for purchase online later this summer for on-campus and off-campus student residents. All permits will be sold on a first come, first served basis. You will receive detailed emails with parking location options and pricing for permits with advanced notice of the dates permits will go on sale. Options will vary for residential permits and commuter permits. Permits will be available for purchase later this summer at parking.lehigh.edu.

To view transportation options and bus routes, visit transportation.lehigh.edu. You can utilize the goLehigh TRANSIT app for bus tracking - available online at bus.lehigh.edu and smartphone app via the Apple and Google Play stores.

For resources on getting to and from Lehigh, visit studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/ofye and click on the Resources link. In addition to bus services and airport information you'll find links to the LANTA free ride program and the free shuttle bus to the Lehigh Valley Mall and Walmart on selected Saturdays.

Move-In Information
On-campus students move in Thursday, August 22, 2024.
Check-in is from 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Iacocca Hall on Mountaintop Campus.
Directions to campus can be found on our website and more information will be emailed to you in August.

Please note: 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.
COURSE REGISTRATION

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.

TRANSFER CREDITS
Lehigh strives to give the best transfer credit experience possible. To ensure that students are set up for academic success, courses taken at other institutions are evaluated by the appropriate department at Lehigh for equivalent content and rigor. For each course that students wish to be reviewed for transfer credit, a syllabus from the previous institution(s) should be provided, to assist with the departmental review process. The Registrar’s office serves as the point of contact for the students and faculty during the transfer credit process, and encourages students to reach out with any questions: ras@lehigh.edu, 610-758-3200, or visit the Registrar’s website at ras.lehigh.edu for FAQs and a live chat.

SCHEDULE CHANGES
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.

WHAT TO DO WHEN...
Deciding which courses to take in fall?
Review your college requirements, check the portal and your email for additional information, and contact your advising unit.

Questions about transfer credits?
Contact the Registrar at ras@lehigh.edu or their live chat at ras.lehigh.edu/chat.

Have questions about utilizing the registration system?
Review the First-Year Enrollment website (fysenroll.lehigh.edu) for videos on how to utilize the registration system and contact the Registrar.

Having trouble during the registration period?
Use the Live Chat on the Registrar’s webpage to talk with someone in the moment.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT & RESOURCES
The Center for Academic Success is just one of the offices committed to helping all students reach their full academic potential. The Center for Academic Success provides peer tutoring services in many first and second-year courses (introductory and 100-level courses) and study skills assistance free of charge to Lehigh University students.

Some of their services include:
• Academic Success Workshops - enhance your academic skills and strategies in our bi-weekly workshop series
• Peer Academic Coaching - ongoing individual academic coaching from a peer
• Individual Study Skills Appointments - to receive assistance with many academic-related concerns such as study strategies, note taking, textbook-reading strategies, time management, test anxiety, and more
LIVE LEHIGH

HOUSING
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. Lehigh is your community now. So, meet your neighbors. Talk to your Gryphon. Grab a hot drink or a bite to eat with someone you haven’t met yet. Choose to Live Lehigh.

Learn about the housing contract and roommate selection process at go.lehigh.edu/trhousing. First and second year students are required to live on-campus. The transfer housing process opens May 29 and will be available to you a few days after your Lehigh email address is activated. It is due June 7.

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.

LEHIGH DINING SERVICES
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
Transfer students can choose from a variety of meal plans based on class year and housing assignment. Information about specific meal plans can be found at: lehighdining.com.

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 lehighdining.com.

GOLDPLUS
GoldPlus functions as an optional debit card and is accepted at all Lehigh Dining locations as well as many local off-campus restaurants and services. More information about GoldPlus can be found at: financeadmin.lehigh.edu/goldplus.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM
As an incoming Lehigh student, you are also joining the Bethlehem community, and we encourage you to explore and engage with South Bethlehem. The SouthSide Arts District is the Lehigh Valley’s central location for art, entertainment, shopping and dining. From our vast art galleries, unique boutiques, diverse restaurants, and special events, the SouthSide Arts District is one of the most eclectic places to live and visit in the Lehigh Valley. Learn more at: southsideartsdistrict.com.

For more information about the Housing Contract and roommate selection process visit go.lehigh.edu/trhousing
Prelusion... your pre-orientation experience

Prelusion

Prelusion, a collection of ten optional pre-orientation programs, is designed to jump-start your Lehigh 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.

Prelusion begins on Monday, August 19, 2024, three days before the rest of the incoming class arrives. Check-in will be at Iacocca Hall from 8:00am–10:30am. You will move into your fall housing assignment in the morning and your program will begin at lunch. Your schedule will be packed, so you’ll say goodbye to family and visitors by then.

While each of our programs 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!

Each Prelusion program has a limited number of spaces and sign-up is on a first-come, first-served basis. To maximize your experience, each program requires a minimum number of students in order for the program to run. 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.

For a full description of each Prelusion program visit go.lehigh.edu/preLusion.

Registering for Prelusion

Registration will go live on May 14 at 3:00PM EDT, and the link can be found on the Summer Checklist. 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

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, 2024.

Prelusion Costs & 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.
Orientation for Transfer students is designed to create a similar introductory experience that all new Lehigh students go through, while also fostering an environment for you to meet and get to know other students transferring into Lehigh University. We recognize that you have been to college before. We hope that these programs and conversations help distinguish Lehigh from your previous institution, while not to devalue the growth that has occurred along the way. Transfer students will be placed into a group with other transfer students. These groups will be led by our Transfer Orientation Leaders. The Transfer Orientation Leaders are upper class students that will help guide you through your four-day Orientation experience and can act as a resource as you navigate Lehigh.

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

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.

ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Thursday, August 22
8:00am–11:30am  Orientation Check-In/ Residence Hall Move-in
11:30am–1:30pm  Welcome Lunch
1:00pm–1:45pm  Commuter Student Meeting
2:00pm–2:30pm  Orientation Kick-off
2:45pm–3:45pm  Orientation Group Meeting
4:00pm–8:00pm  Dinner, Campus Tour, and Health, Safety & Well-Being Fair
8:15pm–9:15pm  Residence Hall Meeting
9:15pm–11:00pm  Social Activities

Friday, August 23
7:00am–9:00am  Breakfast
9:00am–9:45am  Orientation Group Meeting
10:00am–10:45am  University Convocation
11:00am–3:00pm  College Welcome and Advising
3:30pm–4:30pm  Lehigh 5x10 Symposiums
5:00pm–8:00pm  Lehigh ‘Faux’ Friday Dinner and Residence Hall Meeting
8:00pm–11:00pm  Social Activities

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. You will be able to find your customized schedule using the smart phone app, Guidebook, in August.
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.

OFYE PROGRAMMING
The OFYE offers a variety of programs and resources to support you in your transition to Lehigh after Orientation. Watch out for monthly newsletters with information about campus resources, important reminders, and exciting opportunities.

A few programs to look out for include:

- **Participate in NavigateLU**
  Meet individually with a staff member to set goals, learn about resources, and discuss your transition. This is a great way to get connected to someone who can be a sounding board and a resource for you as you navigate Lehigh. As challenges arise, you’ll have someone to turn to who can be a support network and enhance your Lehigh experience.

- **Attend 5x10 programs**
  This programming series will expose you to the multitude of opportunities that exist on campus to enhance and maximize your Lehigh experience. We encourage all students to attend 5 programs in the first 10 weeks of the semester - one for each of the Five Foundations. In the first ten weeks of the semester, you begin to develop new routines, create new social connections and establish your place at Lehigh. Get your semester started off on the right foot.

- **Register for Camp Hawk**
  Camp Hawk is Lehigh's version of summer camp for students AFTER classes have 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! It’s 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 takes place in the Pocono Mountains. Camp Hawk will be held September 13-15. Registration will open at go.lehigh.edu/camphawk on Monday, August 26 at 7:00 P.M.

Register for Orientation on your Summer Checklist by June 30!
FAMILY RESOURCES

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. This program is not required of families, although 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 preLLusion 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 August.

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 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.

UPCOMING SUMMER WEBINARS
- **Academic Advising Support for Students**
  Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 7:00 PM EDT
- **Talking with your Student About Alcohol**
  Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 7:00 PM EDT
- **Tech Talk for First-Year Students and Families**
  Wednesday, June 26 at 7:00 PM EDT

The full schedule along with registration and recordings can be found at go.lehigh.edu/webinars.

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 Weekend, Friday, September 20 to Sunday, September 22, 2024. More information regarding this program will be sent shortly.
2024 ACADEMIC CONTACTS

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STUDENT SERVICES

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Academic Life and Student Transitions
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/support
(610) 758-4159

Athletics
lehighsports.com | (610) 758-4300

Bursar’s Office
financeadmin.lehigh.edu/bursar
(610) 758-3160

Counseling and Psychological Services
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/counseling
(610) 758-3880

Dean of Students Office
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/dos | (610) 758-4156

Dining Services
lehighdining.com | (610) 758-6179

Financial Aid
lehigh.edu/financialaid | (610) 758-3181

GoldPLUS
financeadmin.lehigh.edu/goldplus
(610) 758-6169

Health and Wellness Center
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/health
(610) 758-3870

Housing Services
lehigh.edu/housing | (610) 758-3500

ID Office
financeadmin.lehigh.edu/content/id-office
(610) 758-5843

Office of International Affairs
global.lehigh.edu | (610) 758-4977

Office of the First-Year Experience
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/ofye | (610) 758-1300

Office of the Registrar
ras.lehigh.edu | (610) 758-3200

Parking Services
parking.lehigh.edu
(610) 758-7275

Post Office
financeadmin.lehigh.edu/mail-center
(610) 758-4193

Residence Life Office
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu/reslife | (610) 758-6598

Student Affairs
studentaffairs.lehigh.edu | (610) 758-3890

Transportation Services
transportation.lehigh.edu
(610) 758-4410
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