

New Student Orientation 2024



VITERBO UNIVERSITY

Transfer Student Schedule

Thursday 8/22 is required for on-campus transfer students and anyone taking a VUSM100 this fall. Friday 8/23 is required for those and all other new transfer students.

Thursday, August 22

Welcome & Hospitality

WHEN

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8A-12P



MOVE-IN AND VIC'S CHECKLIST

Orientation staff will greet new students as they pull up to get room keys and move-in instructions from Residence Life staff. **Vic's Checklist** contains reminders for students to complete.

[CURVE IN FRANCISCAN WAY](#)
[CLICK HERE FOR MAP VIEW](#)

This is for on-campus transfer students. For anyone who did not have their student ID photo taken, visit the Physical Plant before 1:30p.

[CAMPUS MAP](#)

8A-2P



VECTOR MODULE COMPLETION

All new students must complete the 3 healthy living Vector Modules before arriving on campus. Failure to complete modules may cause registration holds. **Directions in Viterbo email!**

MURPHY CENTER 316*
(COMPUTER LAB)

*computer lab available through weekend.
• Computers also available in Student Union lobby & Hawk's Nest 24/7

11A-2P

LUNCH: UNPACK & EXPLORE

VITERBO'S CAMPUS AND LA CROSSE COMMUNITY

Food trucks available in Assisi Courtyard from 11a-1:30p
[Dave's Pizza](#), [Five Star Egg Roll](#) and more!

Use this time to complete **Vic's Checklist!**

11:30A-1:30P

VITERBO RESOURCE FAIR

ASSISI COURTYARD

Viterbo employees will be ready to connect between food truck deliciousness. Learn about student services and ways to get involved across campus in DEI, Fine Arts Center, Recreation, and more!

Under the big tent!

12:30P-1:30P

MARY OF THE ANGELS CHAPEL TOURS*

Our [FSPA partners](#) & Sr. Carrie have opened their doors to give tours for our new Viterbo students and their families on move-in day.

MEET AT CHAPEL ENTRANCE
(FACING ASSISI COURTYARD)
TOURS DEPART AT 12:30P & 1P

1:30P-2P

DIETARY CONCERNS MEETING

NURSING CENTER
ROOM 196

Havin and our Aramark team will be sharing dining resources and answer questions about meal plans, dietary accommodations, and employment/engagement opportunities!



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OFF-CAMPUS STUDENT CHECK-IN

NURSING CENTER
1ST FLOOR LOBBY

Staff and students will be available to check in new students, distribute keys, and answer questions. **Vic's Checklist** contains reminders for students to complete.

This is for off-campus transfer students taking a VUSM100 this fall.

[CAMPUS MAP](#)

2P-2:55P



THRIVE @ VU: ORIENTATION GROUP #1

ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS

Connect early with people by VUSM100 class, guided by 2 Orientation Leaders. Spark relationships you can continue into your first year and beyond!

Rooms on nametags
at check-in.

3:15P-4P



WELCOME AND BLESSING CEREMONY

FINE ARTS CENTER
MAIN THEATER

A Viterbo tradition for a meaningful transition. We welcome you and yours to our Viterbo community!

4P-4:30P



ORIENTATION LEADER WELCOME

FINE ARTS CENTER
MAIN THEATER

Meet your Orientation Leader Team and receive info for the rest of the day!

4:30P-4:45P



CLASS OF 2028 GROUP PHOTO

ASSISI COURTYARD

Capturing core memories on the courtyard with Vic the V-Hawk!

4:45P-6:15P



BREAK & NEW BEGINNINGS DINNER

ASSISI COURTYARD

Families/guests are invited to stick around for a last meal before departing. Tables will also be reserved for students looking to meet new people right away!

6:15P-7P



THRIVE @ VU: ORIENTATION GROUP #2

ASSIGNED CLASSROOMS

Circle up with your Orientation Group post-dinner to set the stage for the weekend and semester!

Rooms on nametags
at check-in.

7P-8P



COMMUNITY @ VU: "INSIDE SCOOP"

STUDENT UNION LOBBY

Time and space for off-campus first-year students to meet with each other over ice cream!

***FOR OFF-CAMPUS
FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS***



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COMMUNITY @ VU: HALL CONNECTIONS

RESIDENCE HALL
FLOOR

On-campus students will have a floor program hosted by their RAs to get to know their neighbors and learn about some essentials before staying overnight on campus!

RAs will share meeting location.



8P-9:30P

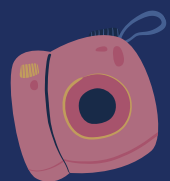


S'MORE FUN!

MARIAN COURTYARD

Continue conversations from the community sessions or join us for s'mores, glow in the dark volleyball, yard games, and board games!

Indoor: Student Union Lobby or Hawk's Nest



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Viterbo Academics and Support

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7A-7:55A



OFF-CAMPUS TRANSFER CHECK-IN

REINHART CENTER LOBBY

Check in to get your Orientation t-shirt, schedule, essential info, nametag, and to get your student ID photo taken. This is for all off-campus transfer students not taking VUSM100.

[CAMPUS MAP](#)

7:10A-7:55A



MILITARY STUDENT SUPPORT BREAKFAST AND CONNECTIONS

REINHART WELCOME CENTER LOBBY & VETERANS LOUNGE

Open invitation to all students!
Required for military-connected students.

Breakfast provided.

8A-8:55A



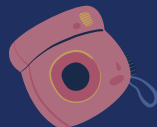
THRIVE @ VU: TECHNOLOGY

REINHART CENTER 134

Technology overview!
Students are encouraged to bring personal devices to explore VU software and resources to be successful.
[Click links to learn more](#) -->

Rooms on nametags at check-in.

[IIT Help Desk](#) - [Student Tech Guides](#)



9A-9:30A



THRIVE @ VU: CONNECTIONS

REINHART CENTER 134

Use this session to get to know other transfer students!

9:40A-10:20A



FIRST LECTURE: HEARTLAND

FINE ARTS CENTER MAIN THEATER

Presenters: Taylor Hanson & Dr. Matthew Bersagel Braley

Sit with Orientation Groups

Two professors recommended by May 2024 Viterbo graduates welcome our newest V-Hawks with a tone-setting First Lecture experience connecting to the Common Read.



[Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth](#)
by Sarah Smarsh



10:30A-11:30A



INCLUSION AT VU

FINE ARTS CENTER MAIN THEATER

At Viterbo, we connect purpose through serving the common good. One of the best ways to do that is to help create a culture where every person can be seen and celebrated for who they are through a lens of love and community.

Sit with Orientation Groups.

11:30A-11:45A



THE GIFT OF GIVING

FINE ARTS CENTER MAIN THEATER

Before we go our separate ways, reflect on the impact financial barriers have in our society. Service takes many forms and evolves over time. This exercise is designed to get you thinking about what that could look like for you now and in the future!



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11:45A-1P



LUNCH: ACADEMICS AT VU

Lunch:

Students will get lunch and meet in assigned classrooms with faculty from their major. Faculty will lead introductions, share advice, and explore major-related opportunities to get involved.

Major* room assignments on nametags.

Take lunch to your major room to eat with similar majors, meet/connect with faculty. [Click here for schedule/room assignments.](#)

Grab-n-go taco buffet in Fine Arts Center FSPA Lobby

*Undecided students will connect with Career Development Staff.

1:05P-2:20P



BRAVE SPACE: KEEPING YOUR CAMPUS SAFE

REINHART CENTER 134

This session emphasizes the importance of healthy, productive relationships in college, ensuring students are informed and ready to advocate for themselves and others. We will cover understanding consent, recognizing intervention barriers, and effective bystander strategies to protect peers and uphold university values.

Rooms on nametags at check-in.

2:25P-3:20P



THRIVE @ VU: SUPPORT AT VITERBO

REINHART CENTER 134

Support at VU: You're never alone at Viterbo. Connect with each other while learning about the support structures and services available. What will you take advantage of?

Rooms on nametags at check-in.

3:20P-4P



FINDING YOUR WAY @ VU

VITERBO CAMPUS

3:20p departure times with O Leaders & Transfer Mentors to find exactly where your classes are for Monday and where campus resources are located!

Options available:
Full campus tour or major-specific tours

4P-5:30P



WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

VARSITY ATHLETIC CENTER

Help us cheer on our nationally-ranked women's volleyball team and spread school spirit!

5:30P-7:30P



BREAK & DINNER

Bring Student ID to all meals!

THE CAF

7:30P-8:30P



MISSION IMPROV-ABLE*

FINE ARTS CENTER
RECITAL HALL



*The agents of **MISSION IMPROVable Comedy Team** are just a few audience suggestions away from creating a brand new and original production that's all about whatever you tell them!

8:30P-10:30P



NIGHT AT THE REC!

MATHY CENTER
TRIVIA STARTS AT 9P!

Activities and opportunities for students to have fun while learning what our on-campus recreation department has to offer! There will be snacks, trivia at 9p, volleyball, basketball, pickleball, open gym, crafts, games and a variety of ways to meet new people, not all active! Sign up for group classes, intramurals, and start a plan to prioritize your wellness!



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Saturday, August 24

Community Connections

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7A-8:10A



BREAKFAST

Bring Student ID to all meals!

THE CAF

[CAMPUS MAP](#)

8A-12:45P



ORIENTATION SERVICE SATURDAY: CLASS OF 2028

[Click here](#) to register project preferences
by Fri, Aug 16 at 12p!

This is for new first-year students and on-
campus transfer students only.

Wear Viterbo Orientation t-shirt and clothes/shoes you
don't mind getting dirty! Lunch included.

MATHY CENTER GYM

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT SERVICE
SATURDAYS AND TO
SAVE ALL 8 DATES FOR
THE YEAR!](#)

12:45P-1:30P



BREAK

Refresh after service or meet in Marian Courtyard for pickup volleyball/yard games or
Hawk's Nest for board games.

1:30P-4P



BUS SYSTEM 101

MEET IN STUDENT UNION LOBBY

Guided by O Leaders, this is a chance to learn the La Crosse
MTU system and stock up on any supplies needed after move in.
Bring your student ID!

[HELPFUL GUIDE HERE.](#)

2:30P-4:30P



EXPLORE DOWNTOWN LA CROSSE

GROUPS WALK FROM
CLOCKTOWER

[SCHEDULE POSTED HERE](#)

Different groups depart for different themed tours of
downtown. Meet people outside your O Groups for this
adventure!

Examples: coffee shop crawl, boutique/thrift store
shopping, Riverside Park/Friendship Gardens.

Orientation Leaders will lead groups. [Click here](#) for schedule



4:30P-6:30P



V-HAWK COOKOUT

ASSISI COURTYARD

Dinner in the courtyard as our returning Viterbo students join
us after their primary move-in day!

[CAMPUS MAP](#)

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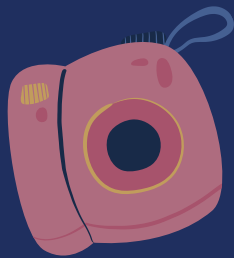
4:30P-8:30P



CHILDHOOD: ACTIVATED

ASSISI COURTYARD

Get excited to (re)live some of your childhood adventures! We'll have adult-sized inflatables, yard games, and plenty of crafts & conversation-based activities under the big tent!



9P-11P



INDOOR MOVIE & POPCORN

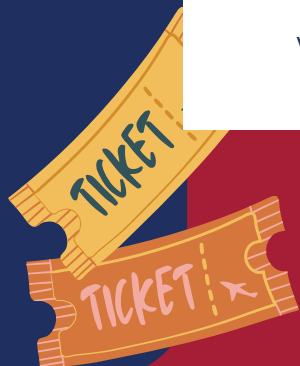
NURSING CENTER 196

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Instead of fighting the weather and mosquitos (Wisconsin's informal state bird), we'll be inside with all the popcorn and movie theater candy you could want. The first 5 students get Viterbo blankets!

Voting closed August 1st and the winner is....

The Fall Guy!



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Sunday, August 25

Contemplation and Rest

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8A-4P



CHORAL ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS

FINE ARTS CENTER 435

Sign up [HERE](#). Scholarships available for non-majors!

8A-9A



CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Bring Student ID to all meals!

THE CAF

9A



MORNING BLUFF HIKE

DEPART FROM
CLOCKTOWER

Shuttle bus provided to the bluffs. Wear closed-toe shoes and bring a sling bag with water. Long pants recommended!

9A



MORNING COFFEE CRAWL

DEPART FROM
STUDENT UNION LOBBY

Missed Explore Downtown La Crosse on Saturday afternoon? Join us with to explore with a group on Sunday morning!

11A-12P



CATHOLIC MASS

SAN DAMIANO CHAPEL

Catholic or not, all are welcome at historic San Damiano for services right here on campus!

11A-1P



SUNDAY BRUNCH

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THE CAF

1:30P-4P



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2P-4P



DANCE PLACEMENT

INCOMING THEATRE & MUSIC THEATRE MAJORS ONLY

FINE ARTS CENTER 129

3P



PICKUP KICKBALL GAME

ASSISI COURTYARD

4:30P-6P



SUNDAY DINNER

Bring Student ID to all meals!

THE CAF

5:30P-7:45P



**CONSERVATORY STUDENTS
WELCOME BACK**

5:30P - MUSIC (FAC 435 - CHOIR ROOM)
6P - THEATRE/MUSIC THEATRE (BLACK BOX)

8P



**MANDATORY RESIDENCE
HALL MEETINGS**

ORGANIZED BY YOUR RA

9P-10P



LAST MINUTE PREP

STUDENT UNION LOBBY

Class starts tomorrow. Stop down in the lobby to ask Orientation Leaders any questions you have!

