



New Brunonians NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Welcome to Brown University

Every part of our campus community—the faculty, staff, and a legion of students including the Orientation Welcoming Committee (OWC)—is looking forward to greeting you and assisting you. Orientation provides a unique opportunity for you to learn about Brown's extraordinary academic and cocurricular opportunities while meeting fellow members of the Class of 2025 and new transfer and Resumed Undergraduate Education (RUE) students.

Orientation is planned with three primary goals in mind:

To introduce you to Brown's expectations about how to live and learn in your new community. A series of mandatory meetings will introduce you to the Principles of the Brown University Community, which define the context for all of our interactions, both academic and cocurricular.

To help you learn about the nature of liberal education at Brown. You will participate in various meetings and seminars designed to help you understand your role in crafting your education and building advising partnerships.

To assist you in connecting with the community of your peers and the larger campus and local communities, including the various offices, clubs and centers that are here to expand your co-curricular horizons. To this end, you are invited to a host of open houses, forums and the Activities Fair, as well as a broad range of social activities.

During Orientation, look for students in Orientation Welcoming Committee T-shirts. These students are here to help you in your first few days on campus. They are joined by a host of other student leaders, Meiklejohn peer advisors, Residential Peer Leaders (RPLs) and many other returning students. All will be happy to guide you and answer your questions. If we don't know the answer, we will refer you to someone who does.

We wish you all the best, and look forward to meeting you in the coming days.

Sincerely,

The New Brunonian Team 2021

Before You Begin...

The Principles of the Brown University Community declares:

"Brown accepts and encourages individuality while also affirming the community dimensions of college life...The Brown community therefore depends on individual self-discipline and mutual respect to further the well-being of all its members."

Individual integrity and self-respect, respect for the rights and concerns of others, respect for property and respect for the integrity of the academic process are the fundamental tenets of Brown. The mandatory events that take place during Orientation, under the umbrella "Foundations and Values," will cover these principles in greater detail, which are vital to the health of the Brown community. In addition, there are a number of other mandatory events, such as meeting with your academic advisor, that will help you navigate your first days at Brown.

Administrative Office Hours

BROWN CARD OFFICE

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Page-Robinson Hall, 5th floor, corner of Brown and Waterman streets

All Bear Bucks deposits should be added via the GET portal https://card.brown.edu/bear-bucks/get or may be made at any ValuePort machine on campus.

MAIL SERVICES

MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

SATURDAY: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

Page-Robinson Hall, 1st floor, corner of Brown and Waterman streets

With the exception of Orientation weekend, Mail Services is closed on Sundays and holidays.

Bookstore & Technology Center

BOOKSTORE

TECH CENTER AND TEXTBOOK DEPARTMENT

The Bookstore offers all required course materials (with online ordering and rentals available). One-stop textbook shopping is available by accessing Shop Textbooks at Brown, which allows students to order textbooks directly by term and class. The Bookstore provides a broad assortment of school supplies, health & beauty aids, gift, and apparel items from vendors including Five Star, Roaring Spring, Moleskin, Nike, Champion, Apple, Lenovo, and more. The general book department is a full line bookstore offering a wide variety of best sellers, faculty/alumni authors, literary arts, academic titles, remainders and a dynamic author/speaker program.

An extensive assortment of school supplies as well as dorm supplies (including bedding, towels, pillows, fans, storage solutions, and much more) are provided through a full-line shop located on the mezzanine level of the Bookstore.

The Bookstore's Technology Center (inside the Text Department in the Bookstore Basement) is home to all your technology needs. With Apple and Windows (Lenovo) computers, tablets and iPads at low academic pricing along with a computer trade-in program, the Bookstore offers students the equipment they need at exceptionally low pricing. The Technology Center's online store offers thousands of computer products and supplies with specs, comparisons and reviews at Brown Technology Center. Certified Apple, Dell, and Lenovo technicians are available to answer questions and repair students' computer equipment

Bruno Beginnings | Wisr

<u>Bruno Beginnings</u> is a program coordinated by the College and the Office of Residential Education. We want to engage first year students with a series of events, discussions, and peer to peer connections that promote community building throughout the orientation program. We are dedicating this virtual space for you to explore the Brown community through scheduled and asynchronous events during orientation.

The Bruno Beginnings site will kick-off September 2nd! All you have to do is activate your Brown account and follow the sign in link that will be sent to you by your Bruno Leader and you will have access to a community of Brunonians eager to connect with you. Once you get a special invitation to your small group community, you will have the opportunity to chat with your neighbors, ask your Bruno Leader a question and find specific events for your community. If you are having trouble logging in to the <u>site</u>, please reach out to orientation@brown.edu.

Thursday, September 2

Key and ID Pick-Up Times: 8:00 AM-12:00 PM 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

Photo ID required.

New students are welcomed to Brown on Thursday between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Please arrive at the time you were assigned. Check-In Locations

Students should check in at their assigned Residence Hall to receive keys and begin their move-in. To find information on locations, please click <u>here</u>.

Residential Life at Brown website

Late Check-in (5pm - 10pm)

A limited number of time slots will be available for students arriving from 5pm - 10pm. Students who arrive during this time will check in at the Residential Life Key Office located on the 3rd floor of Grad Center E (42 Charlesfield Street).

Overnight Check-in (10pm - 6am)

A limited number of time slots will be available for students arriving overnight. Students who arrive during this time will check in at the Residential Life Key Office located on the 3rd floor of Grad Center E (42 Charlesfield Street)

Thursday, September 2 continued

Welcome Reception for Parents and Families

6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Ruth J. Simmons Quadrangle

Join President Christina Paxson and key senior administrators for formal greetings and casual conversation about academics and life at Brown.

Women's Soccer vs. University of Rhode Island

11:00 AM-1:30 PM

Stevenson-Pincince Field

Come watch the Brown University Women's Soccer team take on the University of Rhode Island.

Neighborhood Meeting #1

8:30 PM-9:15 PM

In Residence Halls

As an undergraduate, one of the most important communities in your first year is your residential community. Each first year residence hall is divided into neighborhoods, and your first neighborhood meeting is an opportunity for you to meet your neighbors and your Residential Peer Leaders. Together, you will begin to envision the community you would like to build and discuss expectations you have of yourselves and one another.

Ice Cream Social

9:00 PM-10:30 PM

Main Green

Get ready to unwind and celebrate your first night at Brown with your fellow classmates under the stars on the College Green! Cool down from the summery weather and grab some free ice cream, then grab a spot on the College Green! Not interested in hanging out on the College Green? Join us in the Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center for some board games, Speed Friending and more. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

Friday, September 3rd

*See ASK.brown.edu for your assigned information on time and location. All students will alternate between the Advising Meeting and First Readings Seminar time blocks.

Welcome to the Open Curriculum, Live Webinar* 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Dean of the College Rashid Zia will discuss how students succeed in Brown's open learning environment. Students will learn strategies for selecting courses, building relationships with faculty advisors and planning pathways through the Open Curriculum. This esteemed member of Brown's faculty will inspire you to reflect on how you can get the most out of your Brown education.

Advising Meetings* 10 am - Noon OR 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Meet with your advising team for a conversation about the Brown curriculum and advising resources. You will then receive an individual appointment to take place within this time block to explore your interests and goals and review your primary cart. This is an initial conversation, and we encourage you to meet again with your advising team as you finalize your schedule.

First Readings Seminar* 10 am - 11:30 OR 1:30 - 3:00 pm

The First Readings program provides incoming students with a common intellectual experience — introducing you to the University and to the pleasures and rigors of undergraduate academic life. During your faculty- or staff-led seminar, you will have the opportunity to discuss the selected text, the 2006 Report of the Brown University Steering Committee on Slavery and Justice with a group of your peers. These discussions will allow you to confront the past, understand the present, and consider how to transform the future.

*See ASK.brown.edu for your assigned time and location.

Friday, September 3rd continued

Lunch with your Bruno Leader

12:00 PM- 1:15 PM Various Locations

Meet your Bruno Leader in person and connect about the day's activities!

Course Registration

4:00 PM

Registration for new students begins at 4 pm and remains open through 11 am Sunday, September 5 (maximum of 4 credit hours). Register for fall semester courses using your own computer or a computer in one of Brown's computer clusters. Meiklejohn peer advisors will be available from 3:30 pm - 5 pm in the Friedman Study Center (in the Sciences Library) and the Rockefeller Library to assist with registration.

Dinner at the Ratty

5:30 PM-7:00 PM

Sharpe Refectory

Confused about pre-registration? Still don't know what courses you want to take? Grab a meal in Sharpe Refectory with your RPLs and Meiklejohn peer advisors from different areas of study. Get advice from fellow students on departments, courses, professors, and TAs!

BRCC Ice Cream Social

7:00 PM-8:00 PM

Catholic Center

Come meet your BRCC community and find a place of welcome! Enjoy ice cream, deep conversations, and plenty of laughs.

First-Year Festival

8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Ruth J. Simmons Quadrangle

You don't want to miss this Orientation tradition consisting of silly games (no one is too cool for 'donuts on a string'), karaoke and food! Make new friends, grab some food and leave with a temporary tattoo. Prizes will be given out for participating in the games! Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

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Midnight Organ Recital

10:00 PM-12:00 AM

Sayles Hall, College Green

In this Brown tradition, University organist Mark Steinbach performs on Brown's remarkable Hutchings-Votey pipe organ. Built in 1903, the organ is the largest of its type in the world, with over 300 pipes and more than 100 miles of wire. Bring a pillow, a blanket and relax and clear your mind with new friends. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee

Saturday, September 4th

Bruno Leader Small Group Meeting #1

10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Your Meeting Location

At **your meeting location**, engage with your neighbors and Bruno Leader in icebreakers and team building activities to get to know each other. This will be a great opportunity to get your questions answered about Orientation.

University Resource Fair 11:00 AM-2:00 PM Main Green

An opportunity for students to learn more about the many services Brown has to offer. Students can expect plenty of campus swag! Including but not limited to representatives from the Dean of the College, Residential Life, Dining, Health, Student Accessibility, and Financial Services. Also represented are Public, and Fire Safety, Brown's diverse identity centers, libraries, and many more! You'll be able to pick up your Class of 2025 shirt and tote bag to rock at Convocation!

Calculus Placement Advising Session 11:00-1:00PM

Zoom

The math department has online resources at https://www.math.brown.edu/calcplacement/ to help you decide what calculus or linear algebra course to take first, including a self-guided placement exam you can take on your own at any time. You can also send questions to calcplacement@math.brown.edu. The Calculus Placement Advisor (Dan Katz) will hold a Zoom session on Saturday, September 4 from 11am to 1pm for students who want advice in real time; the host will start with an overview of the curriculum and some answers to frequently asked questions, and then answer individual questions as time allows. We recommend looking at the online exam before attending this session.

Saturday, September 4th continued

Health Careers/Pre-Medical Career Planning 2:00 PM-3:00PM

Zoom

Interested in a health career after Brown? Careful planning and sustained engagement will enable you to make the most of your liberal arts undergraduate program while fulfilling pre-health/pre-medical career requirements. Join the Health Careers Advising team for an orientation session about meeting admission requirements for medical and other health professions training programs.

Neighborhood Rally 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

Residential neighborhoods will make banners and chants for the Block Party [9/12]; there will be bands playing live music at each location while banner/chant making is going on; we will have the bands come an hour before to set up and conduct sound checks;

Speed friending 5:00 PM- 5:30 PM

Various Locations set by your Bruno Leader

Take on Brown University's spin on finding your newest friends within your cohort! Meet up with your Bruno leader and get to know your peers.

The Annual Orientation Dance

8:00 PM-10:00 PM

College Green

Come join your classmates on the Main Green for the Annual Orientation Dance! It's a great chance to show off your moves and have fun with your new classmates! Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee and the Undergraduate Council of Students [UCS]. Brown ID is required for entrance. The Annual Orientation Dance will be MC'ed by DJ $R\Delta F\Delta$, a local Brown University talent with the latest and greatest hits.

Arts & Crafts

8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Kasper Room, Stephen Robert '62 Campus CenterClasses already hurting your brain? Before you make the full transition to college life, retreat to the comforts of childhood with some fun arts and crafts! Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

Sunday, September 5th

Yoga on The Green 8:00 AM-9:00AM

Main Green

Come relax and enjoy yoga with a special event hosted by Athletics!

Religious Life Welcome Breakfast

9:00 AM-10:00 AM

Under the tent on Ruth J. Simmons Quadrangle

Join Brown's multi-faith team of chaplains and students from many spiritual communities for a warm welcome over coffee and pastries. Learn how our chaplains are here to help care for you, what it means to be religiously literate and how we promote religious diversity on campus and beyond.

First Mass and Welcome Back Barbecue

10:30 AM-3:00

Manning Chapel

Come to the First Mass and experience what Manning Chapel has to offer! You are welcomed and invited to stay and connect with everyone at the welcome back barbecue hosted shortly after Mass.

Games on the Green and Tie Dye

11:00 AM-2:00 PM

College Green

College Green Come hang out with Bruno leaders & unwind with low-impact games like wiffle ball, croquet, four-square, Frisbee and Twister while listening to music and relaxing with new friends. You'll be able to tie-dye t-shirts for the Volleyball game on September 7th. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

Women's Soccer vs. Oklahoma State University

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Stevenson-Pincince Field

Come watch the Brown Women's Soccer Team take on Oklahoma State University and cheer on our home team!

Sunday, September 5th, Continued

Field Hockey vs. Merrimack

Goldberger Family Field 1:00 PM-3:00 PM

Check out back to back Brown University sports action with this exciting showdown against Merrimack!

Bruno Leader Small Group #2

3:00 PM-3:45 PM

Your Meeting Location

Come reconnect with your Bruno leaders and your group, talk about the great experiences you've had and share questions!

Speed Friending #2

4:00 PM-5:00PM

Various Locations

Your Bruno leaders will lead you in an activity to meet new people! Take on Brown University's spin on finding your newest friends within your cohort! Meet up with your Bruno leader and get to know your peers.

Hillel BBQ and Open House

4:00 PM-6:00 PM

Hillel, 80 Brown St.

Enjoy a kosher BBQ with great music in one of the warmest and most welcoming spaces on campus. Learn what Hillel and Jewish student life have to offer and how you can get connected.

Neighborhood Meeting #2

7:30 PM-8:30 PM

Your Residence Hall

Each residence hall is divided into neighborhoods, and your first neighborhood meeting is an opportunity for you to meet and get to know your neighborhood-mates and your Residential Peer Leaders. Together, you will begin to envision the community you would like to build and discuss expectations you have of yourselves and one another.

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Sunday, September 5th, Continued

Games Night

8:30 PM-10:00 PM

Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center, College Green

Come play some classic board games and video games. There's nothing quite like a game of Apples to Apples or Mario Kart to make new friends. Board games and video games will be provided, but feel free to bring one of your favorites. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee and the Brown University eSports Team.

Monday, September 6th

Creating a Culture of Consent & Community Care Class Meeting

10:00 AM-11:00 AM

Zoom

In this program, developed and presented by Brown students in collaboration with BWell Health Promotion, you will have the opportunity to learn about and begin to engage with the culture of consent and community of care that we are striving to create on campus. Returning Brown students will take you through how consent comes into play on a day-to-day basis and demonstrate how students can stand up and speak out to show they care. No matter what your knowledge of consent is now, we hope to move everyone toward a common understanding. This presentation will also introduce you to the varying ways in which alcohol affects Brown students and impacts our community. Learn about how to access support on campus for questions about substance use or abuse and resources should you or a friend experience sexual or relationship violence. The program will begin with today's Class Meeting (a webinar), followed by peer-led small group discussions on Saturday, September 11.

Dear World

Sayles Hall & Ruth Simmons Quad 11:00 AM–2:30 PM

This experience will highlight the uniquenesses of the individuals at Brown while also engaging our incoming class in an exploration of themselves and their shared experiences. Come prepared to grow, laugh, and find new meaning in your experience.

Lunch with your Bruno Leaders

12:00 PM-1:00 PM

Grab lunch with your Bruno Leader and talk about your day!

Monday, September 6th, Continued

Convocation

4:00 PM-5:00 PM

Main Green

President Christina H. Paxson will officially proclaim the opening of the academic year and welcome new students to campus at Brown's 258th Opening Convocation on Monday, September 6 at 4 p.m. on the College Green.

The 2021 Keynote Address, "Finding Joy in the Journey: Memory Laws and The Battle to Remember", will be given by Chair and Professor of Africana Studies Noliwe Rooks.

The Convocation procession of incoming students forms on College St. at 3:30 p.m. and steps off at 3:50 p.m. The ceremony and procession will be broadcast via livestream at https://www.brown.edu/web/livestream/.

Students who did not participate in a walkthrough as an incoming student this past spring are invited to join the Convocation procession of incoming students. Please note: It is tradition to walk through the gates only twice while at Brown — once at the start of your education and once at graduation.

Brown University abides by public health guidance and health and safety protocols to reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19. Event attendees, including visitors and guests, must comply with all University policies and protocols in place at the time of the event, including current University policy regarding face masks and coverings (see the University's COVID-19 Campus Activity Status page for the current policy for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals).

Movies on the Green:

7:00 PM-11:00 PM

Main Green

Bring your favorite blanket and sweatshirt and check out Marvel's Black Widow with your fellow classmates and the class of 2024! Enjoy the snacks while watching a new Marvel classic

Tuesday, September 7th

Language Panel

10:00AM -11:00AM AND 11:00AM-12:00PM

Metcalf Auditorium

Undergrads talk about continuing and starting languages, internship and study abroad opportunities, and how languages and intercultural competence help jump start careers. Presented by Language Ambassadors @CLS - Center for Language Studies

U-FLi Student Narratives Panel

11:00AM-12:00PM

Sciences Library, Rm. 520

Join us for a panel and conversation with returning students who fall under the U-FLi umbrella: undocumented, first-generation college, and/or low-income. Panelists will share their general insights and experiences on how they navigated the initial transition to Brown, as well as the support services available to U-FLi students. Student attendees will also have the opportunity to connect with the professional and student staff of the center. (RSVP)

Office of Sustainability

10:00AM OR 11:00AM tour

Meet outside Faunce Arch

Brown Campus Sustainability Tour! Description: Join Office of Sustainability student interns on a campus tour highlighting sustainability features and initiatives across Brown's campus. They will discuss ways to get involved, compost, local foods, green architecture, and more.

Library Open House

Meet outside the Rock at 10, 10:30, 11 and 11:30

The Brown University Library welcomes all students to join us for tours of the Rockefeller and John Hay Libraries. Learn about prime study spaces, services, and the librarians available to help you locate and access materials, manage citations, and answer questions about the research process. Tours begin at the Rock at 10 am, 10:30 am, 11 am, and 11:30 am. We look forward to welcoming you in person. This is your Library. You belong here.

Tuesday, September 7th

Open House

10:00 AM-12:00 PM Various locations

Come visit campus partners in their centers and experience all the richness of their services!

Swearer center: 2 Stimson Avenue, Front Lawn

Career Lab: 167 Angell St.

LGBTQ Center: Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center Rm. 323

Global Brown Center for International Students: 310 Page Robinson

Nelson Fitness Center: 225 Hope St.

Office of International Programs: Page-Robinson Rm. 420

Office of Military-Affiliated Students: Vartan Gregorian Quad-A6

Academic Tutoring: Floor 3 Sciences Library OR login virtually via zoom!

Multimedia Labs: Granoff rm N320 Floor 3N: Multimedia Lab

Student Activities Office: Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center, Rm. 232 **Library**: Tours begin at the Rock at 10 am, 10:30 am, 11 am, and 11:30 am.

English Language Support, Writing Center, U-FLi Center: Sciences Library, Floor 5

Bruno Leader Small Group Meeting #3

1:30 PM-2:30 PM

Your Meeting Location

At **your meeting location**, engage with your neighbors and Bruno Leader in icebreakers and team building activities to get to know each other. This will be a great opportunity to get your questions answered about the Brown Campus community.

Academic Expo

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Ruth Simmons Quad, Sayles Hall

Come learn about the academic programs and initiatives we are developing at Brown University. Make connections with our academic partners and grow your advising community.

Tuesday, September 7th continued

Campus Center Bingo

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Kasper Room

Enjoy Bingo with some of our favorite campus partners and win fabulous prizes!

Women's Volleyball vs Bryant

7:00 PM-10:30 PM

Pizzitola Sports Center

Wear your tie dye & come cheer on our Women's Volleyball. Get excited & show your Bruno Pride!

Trivia Night

8:00 PM-10:00 PM

Alumnae Hall

Are you a trivia fiend? Do you enjoy being challenged to come up with answers to strange questions with people that you just met? Would you like to warm up your brain before classes start up? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, join us for bar-style Trivia Night! Come with friends or just bring yourself to show us your stuff and win prizes! Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

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Wednesday, September 8th

First Day of Classes

Campus Center Bingo

7:00 PM-8:30 PM Kasper Room, Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center Enjoy Bingo with some of our favorite campus partners and win fabulous prizes!

Thursday, September 9th

Campus Activities Fair

3:00pm-8:00pm Main Green

Come see the different clubs and organizations offered at Brown University! Unlock your next adventure, grab some swag, and sign up for some amazing experiences.

Campus Center Bingo

7:00 PM-8:30 PM

Kasper Room, Stephen Robert '62 Campus Center Enjoy Bingo with some of our favorite campus partners and win fabulous prizes!

Friday, September 10th

Brown's Got Talent

8:30 PM-10:30 PM

Salomon

Join your fellow first year's in the concert of the century! Brown's Got Talent will take place in the Salomon DECI auditorium on September 10th from 8:30 PM to 10:30 PM, and will feature the hottest talent from the class of 2025.

Saturday, September 11th

Culture of Consent: Neighborhood meeting

10:00 AM-11:15 PM 11:30 AM-12:45 PM 1:30 PM-2:45 PM 3:00 PM-4:15 PM

Classroom designated location

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Sunday, September 12th

Bruno Block Party

11:00 AM-2:00 PM

Pembroke Field

Bring your orientation experience to a conclusion with fun and games! Come see the whole community and block out to our Bruno Block Party! Join us for a series of friendly competitions with prizes for the winning teams – may the best neighborhood win!

Thank you for participating in New Student Orientation 2021 at Brown University!

Placement Exams

Any students intending on taking placement exams should refer to the course placement section of brown.edu. This link can be found at:

https://orientation.brown.edu/design-your-education/course-placement