DEAR MASON FAMILIES,

We hope you are excited to begin your journey with us this semester! It is with great delight that we welcome you with all the excitement and learning that our Orientation program has to offer as you begin your transition into the Mason community.

As your student prepares for classes this fall, know the entire campus is available to support you and answer any questions you have. You have made a fabulous choice to attend Mason, and we are committed to supporting you even more in this current environment.

We look forward to seeing you in the fall and wish you the best as you embark on this next chapter.

With Patriot Pride,

Rick Gray

Director, New Student and Family Programs

NEW STUDENT AND FAMILY PROGRAMS (NSFP) OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION

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Wi-Fi

For students: Log into MASON Wi-Fi using your Mason ID and Patriot Password
For guests, follow the below steps:

Step 1: On your device, connect to the MASON Wi-Fi network
Step 2: Open your web browser. You’ll be redirected to the Guest captive portal.
Step 3: Follow the link to Create an Account
Step 4: Enter the required information and Register.
ORIENTATION INFORMATION TABLE
The Orientation Information Table, located on the ground floor lobby of the Johnson Center, will be open from 12 PM-6:45PM. If you need assistance, please ask an Orientation staff member.

PARKING AND SHUTTLES
Complimentary parking for all Orientation sessions will be provided in Lot K. Parking Permits are not needed in Lot K during your On-Campus Orientation session. Parking in any other lot or parking garages will be at the cost of the individual.

There will also be a free shuttle back to Lot K at the end of the orientation day.

SHUTTLE ROUTE AND TIMES:

- 4:30PM-8:30PM: HUB (3rd level) → Sandy Creek → Lot K
BOOKSTORE AND PATRIOT TECH
During On-Campus Orientation sessions, the Mason Bookstore and Patriot Tech will have extended hours of operation for all orientation participants! Both are located in the Johnson Center, Level 1.

• George Mason Bookstore: 10 AM–7 PM
• Patriot Tech: 12 PM – 7 PM

WHAT IS A PATRIOT LEADER?
A Patriot Leader, or PL, is a current Mason student who helps to guide you through your Orientation experience! Through providing their own personal and professional experiences, Patriot Leaders serve as a role model to new students by being a peer, resource, and guide to new students and their families as they transition into Mason.

Visit GreenPolo.gmu.edu to learn more about our awesome Patriot Leaders and all they contribute to the Mason community!
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<tr>
<td>8:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Check-in</strong> Begin your on-campus orientation by checking in to receive your name tags, schedule, and Mason swag!</td>
<td>Buchanan Hall, Lobby</td>
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<td>8:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Green &amp; Gold Showcase</strong> After checking in, enjoy a light breakfast while meeting with various university services.</td>
<td>Center for the Arts, Concert Hall Lobby</td>
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<td>9:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Patriot Welcome</strong> Discover the true meaning of Patriot Pride as our Patriot Leaders introduce you to the spirit of being a Mason Patriot! This session will also provide an overview of what to expect during your Orientation session.</td>
<td>Center for the Arts, Concert Hall</td>
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<td>10 AM</td>
<td><strong>Building Your College Education</strong> This session discusses the Mason Core and provides strategies for success as students move forward in their college careers.</td>
<td>Center for the Arts, Concert Hall</td>
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<td>10:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Funding an Education</strong> Student Accounts and the Student Financial Aid office will share resources available to help students and families navigate student loans, grants, scholarships, and the billing and payment process at Mason.</td>
<td>Center for the Arts, Concert Hall</td>
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<td>10:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Military Students/Families Dismissal</strong> Military Students will be dismissed to the Johnson Center Cinema. Any student and family member/guest utilizing a Department of Veterans Affairs education benefit should attend this session. Students with questions concerning tuition assistance and ArmyIgnitED should also attend.</td>
<td>Dismissal from Center for the Arts, Concert Hall</td>
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<td>11 AM</td>
<td><strong>Meet Your Patriot Leaders!</strong> Get a chance to meet who our Patriot Leaders are and be dismissed for Lunch!</td>
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<td>11:30 AM</td>
<td><strong>Lunch</strong> Enjoy lunch at Southside Dining Hall</td>
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<td>12:30 PM</td>
<td><strong>Academic Experience Panel</strong> Join one of our Faculty Members, an Academic Advisor, Learning Services, and a Success Coach on a panel supporting your student’s academic experience.</td>
<td>HUB Ballroom</td>
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<td>1:30 PM</td>
<td><strong>Living on Campus: Your Student’s Home Away From Home</strong></td>
<td>HUB Ballroom</td>
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<td>Come to learn more about what it means for your student to be a part of Mason’s residential community, what to bring with you (and what to leave at home) and get answers to your questions!</td>
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<td>1:30 PM</td>
<td><strong>Off-Campus Living: More than Finding Your Parking Spot</strong></td>
<td>The HUB, Meeting Rooms 3, 4, &amp; 5</td>
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<td>Is your student living off campus? This session will give information needed about university resources, answer questions about transportation, off-campus student life, and other success strategies.</td>
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<td><strong>Mason Family Connection: Navigating New Territories</strong></td>
<td>HUB Ballroom</td>
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<td>Families will receive an overview of what to expect over the course of the academic year, learn how to stay informed as a family member and gain tips on how to make their students transition as smooth as possible.</td>
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<td><strong>Student Rights, Responsibility, and Resources</strong></td>
<td>HUB Ballroom</td>
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<td>This session will address information related to student rights, responsibilities, and campus safety and support resources of particular importance to the Mason community.</td>
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<td><strong>Taking Care of Business</strong></td>
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<td>- Ask a Patriot Parent</td>
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<td>- Go on a Campus Tour</td>
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<td>- Visit offices in SUB I</td>
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<td>- Take a Break, visit the bookstore</td>
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<td>5:15 PM</td>
<td><strong>Mason Experience Rotations</strong></td>
<td>Johnson Center Lower Level, Various Locations</td>
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<td>Join us for a “choose your own adventure” style afternoon! Select from a variety of sessions during each time block that are geared towards helping you learn more about the Mason family experience. (View available sessions on page(s) 6–7)</td>
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<td>6:00 PM</td>
<td><strong>Dinner</strong></td>
<td>Johnson Center, Atrium</td>
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<td>Food lines will be in the Johnson Center Atrium, with dietary Johnson Center, Atrium accommodation located in the Atrium. Seating is available in the Atrium, 2nd and 3rd floor alcoves.</td>
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<td>6:45 PM</td>
<td><strong>Club Patriot</strong></td>
<td>The HUB, Corner Pocket</td>
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<td>Come participate in games, giveaways, and other activities while meeting and enjoying dessert with your fellow Patriots!</td>
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Join us for a “choose your own adventure” style afternoon and get to know your university resources! Select from a variety of sessions during each time block that are geared towards helping you learn more about the Mason student experience.

**Rotation 1 (5:15 PM—5:35 PM) and Rotation 2 (5:40 PM—6 PM)** will feature the same topics at two different times so that you can choose the topic to learn more about!

**Textbooks & Technology** *(Cinema, Ground Floor)*

Hosted by: The Bookstore, Information Technology, Patriot Tech

Learn about Bookstore offerings, student discounts in Fairfax, technology, and more at this session.

**Campus Essentials: Your Guide to Dining, Parking and More** *(Dewberry, Ground Floor)*

Hosted by: Parking & Transportation Services, Mason Dining, MasonID Card Office, and ShopMason

Join us to discover essential campus services with shopMason! Learn about dining options, parking and transportation services, activating your Mason ID, and accessing exclusive student discounts through Patriot Perks. This presentation is crucial for your success at Mason, providing vital information to enhance your campus experience from day one.

**Health & Well-Being** *(Gold Room, Ground Floor)*

Hosted by: Student Health Services, Immunizations, Student Support & Advocacy Center, Disability Services, Counseling and Psychological Services

Learn about your opportunities to optimize and care for your mind and body while at Mason. You will also hear about student health immunization requirements.

**Getting Involved** *(Bistro, Ground Floor)*

Hosted by: Student Involvement, Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Office,

Learn about ways to get involved at Mason to build your campus community, make new friends, and try new activities!
Learning Services  
(JC Meeting Room B – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: Learning Services  

Learn about the many programs and experience-based learning opportunities at Mason, such as one-on-one academic coaching, academic success workshops, and online resources.

LGBTQ+ Resources & Community Building  
(JC Meeting Room C – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: LGBTQ+ Resources Center  

Join the LGBTQ+ Resources Center to learn more about identity-affirming programs, leadership development, resources and the communities of equity and allyship here at Mason.

Study Abroad  
(JC Meeting Room D – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: Global Education Office (GEO)  

Studying abroad makes you connected, experienced, and confident! Learn about the opportunities that await you with the Global Education Office.

Career Services  
(JC George’s Restaurant – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: University Career Services  

Career services has programs and resources available to assist you in developing your career plan. Join this session to learn about finding internships and building skills that will help you after graduation!

Transition to Mason – UNIV 100/300  
(JC Meeting Room E – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: University Studies  

“UNIV 100” is Mason’s transition to college course to learn about Mason, connect with peers and faculty, and learn take-away skills to benefit your classes and career.

Mason Recreation  
(JC Room A – Floor 3)  
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Hosted by: Mason Recreation  

Join the Mason Recreation team to learn more about intramural/club sports, the Aquatic and Fitness Center, and many more fitness programs!
TAKE THE POST–EVENT SURVEY

Heading home? Take the Post–Event Survey at the end of the day for a chance to win a care package for your student!

Take the survey at go.gmu.edu/familysurvey or scan the QR code below:
THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING OUR PROGRAM!
Hail to George Mason!
Don your green and gold!
We’re going to sing for George Mason,
Patriots brave and bold!
We’re going to cheer for George Mason,
Proud for the world to see!
We’ll prove our honor and might,
And we’ll FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT!
As we march onward to victory!