

XULA Frequently Asked Questions

What is Orientation?

At XULA, Orientation is the official welcome and kick-off to your college experience. You will meet faculty, staff, as well as new and current students. You will learn your way around campus while making connections that will set you up for success both inside and outside of the classroom!

What are the dates for Orientation?

Save the date: August 11th will begin move-in day, Orientation and Welcome Week. Parents will only need to attend orientation up to August 13th. After the activities for that day have been completed, parents will be able to travel back home while the orientation will continue for the first-time freshmen students.

How do I sign-up for Orientation? Am I automatically registered?

Although you have been accepted and paid your deposit, you are not automatically registered for Orientation. In order to register, you must fill out the Orientation Registration form found in your XULA email inbox. Complete this process and you will receive a confirmation email once you are registered.

Do I have to attend New Student Orientation?

Yes, all new first-year and transfer students are required to attend the entire New Student Orientation.

If I am “fiscally cleared,” should I attend Orientation?

Yes, you should attend Orientation!

Being fiscally cleared at Xavier means you have made arrangements with the university regarding your bill (tuition, fees, room, board, etc.).

Although you have completed this process, there are other sessions and activities that will aid you with understanding the campus and what it means to be a Xavierite.

When can I move into my residence hall for Orientation and the school year?

In order to secure your move-in time, you must submit your housing deposit of \$100.00 (<http://www.xula.edu/admissions/payment.php>) and complete the housing application (https://xula.datacenter.adirondacksolutions.com/xula_thdss_prod/security/xula_login.cfm). To complete the housing application, you must first log into the application itself. The username is the primary part of your Xavier email address (everything before the “@” symbol) which was assigned to you after you were accepted. The password is “Xav” and then the last 5-digits of your Xavier ID number (this number can be found on your acceptance letter; “900#####”). Once this has been completed, Housing and Residence Life will send your official move-in information to you over the summer. Move-In Day for First-Time Freshmen is scheduled for August 11, 2017.

Could I submit documents to Financial Aid or Fiscal Services at Orientation?

We encourage you to submit all requested documentation prior to Orientation. However, these offices will be available during Orientation to accept these documents. Please keep in mind that late documents and/or payments will prevent you from being able to move into your residence hall.

What is the cost to attend Orientation?

There is no cost for Orientation. However, we encourage you to bring spending money for events and other things you may want to do.

Do I have to pay for food during Orientation?

In the spirit and tradition of "southern hospitality"....we have you covered! New Orleans is known for our food and what a better way to welcome you home than by providing you with breakfast, lunch and dinner throughout Orientation..

Do I have to attend all sessions and activities for Orientation?

Yes! We encourage you to attend all sessions, activities, and events for New Student Orientation. We have worked to put all of these elements together to ensure you have the best possible experience with your transition. If you miss a portion, you won't receive the full experience.

Why is Orientation "so" long?

Our Orientation process is more than just a program of speakers. As the official kick-off of Welcome Week, you will find a variety of activities to introduce you to Xavier. Our philosophy is to do all we can on the front end to ensure you are successful on the back end (Graduation).

Can my parents or family member(s) attend Orientation?

Yes, parents/guardians and family members are more than welcome! In fact, we strongly encourage parents and family members to attend. We will have sessions, programs and activities for parents/guardians as well as guests. Each student is able to bring a maximum of three guests to Orientation.

Where do my parents or family members stay if they are attending Orientation?

The Xavier family has worked with local hotels to provide accommodations. The following hotels have been informed of our Orientation and are offering discounted prices for families of students attending orientation:

Holiday Inn Downtown Superdome 330 Loyola Avenue New Orleans, LA 70112 1-800-535-7830 \$99/night Reserve by: July 21, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University Orientation *Parking Fees: \$25/Night*	Holiday Inn Metairie New Orleans Airport 2261 N. Causeway Blvd. Metairie, LA 70001 1-800-465-4329 \$95/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier Orientation Fall *Parking Fees: Complimentary*
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<p> Courtyard Marriott New Orleans Metairie 2 Galleria Blvd Metairie, LA 70001 1-800-321-2211 \$105/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University 2017 Orientation *Parking Fees: Complimentary* </p>	<p> Courtyard Marriott New Orleans Metairie 2 Galleria Blvd Metairie, LA 70001 1-800-321-2211 \$105/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University 2017 Orientation *Parking Fees: Complimentary* </p>
<p> Sheraton Metairie New Orleans 4 Galleria Blvd. Metairie, LA 70001 1-800-325-3535 \$115/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University Aug 2017 *Parking Fees: Complimentary* </p>	<p> Hampton Inn & Suites Convention Center Hotel 1201 Convention Center Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70130 1-866-311-1200 \$89.00, standard/double & \$99.00 triple/quad per room, per night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University Orientation *Parking Fees: \$39.00/night* </p>
<p> Hampton Inn & Suites Downtown French Quarter Hotel 226 Carondelet St New Orleans, LA 70130 1-866-311-1200 \$119.00/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University Orientation *Parking Fees: \$39.00/night* </p>	<p> Hampton Inn & Suites Garden District Hotel 3626 St Charles Ave New Orleans, LA 70115 1-866-311-1200 \$149.00/night Reserve by: July 10, 2017 Discount Code: Xavier University Orientation *Parking Fees: \$15.00/night* </p>

What do I need to bring to Orientation?

Prior to Orientation, you want to make sure you've completed the following items from your checklist. Once complete, all you need to bring is an open mind and a valid ID (Driver's License, State I.D., Passport, etc.)

To make sure your Orientation is the best experience possible, first ask yourself these six questions:

1. Have you received your official letter of acceptance from the Office of Admissions?
2. Have you confirmed your admissions via your Admissions deposit?
3. Has Xavier received your final, official transcript(s)?
4. Have you submitted your record of immunization to Health Services?
5. Have you already accessed your XULA email?
6. Have you logged into Banner and accepted financial awards posted to your account?

Will I register for my classes at Orientation?

Your academic schedule is created for you prior to your arrival for Orientation. During Orientation, you will meet with your academic adviser to review your courses and discuss any changes you would like to make.

I have a disability how can I make accommodations?

Accommodations for students with disabilities are available upon request. Please notify the Office of Disability Services of your need for accommodations at (504) 520-7315.

What if I have questions that are not found on this page?

Feel free to contact us at orientation2017@xula.edu and our staff will be more than happy to answer any of your questions!