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FIRST DAY
For Fall 2019 Freshmen:
Cajun Connection &
New Student Convocation

August 22, 2019

SOUL CAMP DATES:

SOUL Camp 337:

July 19-21, 2019

SOUL Camp A:

August 10-13, 2019

SOUL Camp B:

August 15-18, 2019

[Office of Orientation](#)

Buchanan Hall, 3rd floor

III Boucher St.

337-482-1391

orientation@louisiana.edu

[Office of First-Year Experience](#)

106 Lee Hall

230 Hebrard Blvd.

337-482-6599

ofye@louisiana.edu

Parent Orientation at UL Lafayette

School is out, summer is in, and orientation season is officially underway! Although not mandatory, we highly encourage all parents or guardians supporting First Time Freshmen to attend Parent Orientation. At Parent Orientation, you'll learn all about the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, our academic programs, and our many student services. Additionally, the Parent Orientation program is designed to help you understand your student's transition to college and how you can best support them through that transition.

Online registration for Summer & Fall 2019 Parent Orientation is available through the student orientation registration system. When your student registers for orientation online, they will have the option to register up to two guests to attend Parent Orientation. Not sure if you're registered? No problem! You can register on site when you get here or email orientation@louisiana.edu.

Visit the Office of Orientation's website for more information about [Parent Orientation](#) and [New Student Orientation](#).

SOUL Camp: Service, Outreach, Unity & Leadership

The transition from high school to college can certainly be a challenge, but SOUL Camp is here to help! SOUL Camp is an optional, extended orientation program that emphasizes leadership development and Ragin' Cajun® spirit. Through a combination of social activities, a community service project, educational speakers, interaction with faculty, staff, and upperclass student mentors, team building, and much more, students leave camp prepared to be an engaged member of our campus community. Spots fill up quickly, so register soon because this is an opportunity that your student will not want to miss!

Visit the [SOUL Camp website](#) to read about the benefits and cost, registration, and other important information. Questions? Contact soulcamp@louisiana.edu.

**Fall 2019
Academic Calendar**
(subject to change)

August 14

Deadline to pay tuition/fees

August 19

Student classes dropped for nonpayment of tuition/fees

August 22

First day for Freshman students:

Cajun Connection and New Student Convocation

August 26

Classes begin

August 30

Last day for dropping or adding classes

September 2

Labor Day Holiday

October 3 - 4

Fall Holiday (subject to change)

October 21 - November 1

Advising session for Spring 2020 begins

November 7

Last day to drop with a W

November 28 - 29

Thanksgiving Holiday

December 4 - 8

Dead days

December 6

Last day of classes

December 9 - 13

Final Exams

December 13

Semester ends

HOW TO'S

FIRST-YEAR ESSENTIALS

Transferring Credits to UL Lafayette

If students have dual enrollment, AP credit, CLEP credit, or any type of credit that could potentially transfer to UL Lafayette, make sure to follow the proper procedure to get the credits transferred.

College Credit—official transcripts must be sent to UL's Office of Admissions. To submit transcripts digitally, email them to etranscripts@louisiana.edu.

AP and CLEP Credit—must be provided by the organization itself, not students or parents. Visit their website in order to request the credit(s) to be sent to UL Lafayette.

Find out if your [credits transfer](#). Contact our transfer coordinator at transfer@louisiana.edu with questions.

Housing

Do not forget to sign up for Housing. Please visit the housing portal through [ULINK](#) today and pick your room! The on campus team is ready to help. Please email oncampusliving@louisiana.edu or call at (337) 482-6471 for assistance in this process. Visit the [Housing website](#) for more information.

Living Learning Communities

Freshmen have the unique opportunity to live in the residence halls with a group of students who have similar interests. LLCs allow students to take classes with this group AND live together. Visit [OFYE's website](#) to learn more and check availability. If a student has not applied for housing, they can apply for an LLC when the housing application is filled out through [ULINK](#). If a student has already applied for housing, please contact Dr. Beth Giroir directly at elizabeth.giroir@louisiana.edu.

LLC'S Offered:

- Darwin
- Engineering
- Gateway to the Arts
- Honors
- Lifetime Recreation
- Nursing
- Service and Leadership
- Taste of Business
- Travel, Language, & Culture

Share experiences together.
Live and Learn together.
Living Learning Communities



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Finances in College

Please visit the [Bursar's website](#) for payment information where you can learn about different methods of payment and how to become an authorized user so you can pay tuition. Any questions regarding TOPS or financial aid will be handled through the [Office of Financial Aid](#). The office can be reached by phone at 337-482-6506 or by email at fnaid@louisiana.edu. Any questions regarding scholarships should be handled directly through the [Office of Scholarships](#); their office can be reached at 337-482-6515 or by email at scholar@louisiana.edu.

University Bookstore

The [University Bookstore](#), located in the Student Union and at the intersection of Rex Street and St. Mary Boulevard, will offer any textbook required for a class at UL Lafayette. The Bookstore allows students to rent or buy used textbooks to help with the costs. We suggest using caution when buying textbooks prior to the first day of class, as some books are not required.

Academic Calendar

The University's Academic Calendar contains important dates including first day of classes, add/drop date, student holidays, and more. View the [calendar](#) for each semester.

Cajun Card

The Cajun Card will be the most important thing in your student's wallet during their time at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. First and foremost, it serves as their student ID. But the Cajun Card is also your student's free season pass to all Ragin' Cajun® home games (subject to availability), gives your student admission to campus events, is their library card, meal card, building, lab, and parking pass, and gets your student discounts

at tons of different stores and restaurants around campus.

In addition to all that, your student can load it up with Cajun Cash and use it like a debit card on campus and at a select list of off-campus favorite shops. Visit the [website](#) for more information. Students will receive their Cajun Card at Orientation.

Student Health Services

- Located on campus
- By appointment only (call 337-482-1293)
- Open during semester breaks and University administrative office hours
- Care for minor illnesses, injuries, or stable chronic conditions
- Some minor surgeries and procedures
- Physical exams
- Women's health
- Some immunizations
- Allergy shots
- IV Therapy
- Limited prescription medications

Call 337-482-1293 to make an appointment. See their [website](#) for more information.

Immunizations

In order to be fully admitted to UL Lafayette, all students must submit a [Proof of Immunization Compliance form](#). Failure to submit immunization records will hold students from scheduling classes for the fall semester at orientation. For immunization questions, please see the Health Services [web page](#). You may contact the Student Health Services by phone at (337) 482-1328 or by email at shs@louisiana.edu.