New Student Orientation
Saturday, August 29 – Tuesday, September 1
Gustavus Adolphus College
#gusties24
VÄLKOMMEN, TUAJ LOS, BIENVENIDOS . . .

No matter how you say it, welcome! We are pleased to receive you as the newest members of our campus community. As you have likely realized already, Gustavus is a stimulating and supportive environment where people both challenge and care for one another. Our “welcome” to you, therefore, is much more than an extension of hospitality. It is an invitation to active participation in the conversations, events, and relationships that bind us together.

I urge all of you to make a personal investment in Gustavus. Get to know faculty members and staff; reach out to fellow students; share with us your talents, insights, experiences, and dreams; in so doing, contribute to the vitality of our campus and local community. In other words, accept the many challenges to grow now before you, confident of our support and sure of our assistance.

We’re delighted you’ve joined us!

JoNes R. VanHecke ’88, PhD
Dean of Students

New Student Orientation is dedicated to facilitating each student’s transition to life at Gustavus Adolphus College. The program is designed to provide incoming students and their families with a set of shared experiences and information that will establish the foundation for continued academic success, personal growth, and meaningful connections. The program is designed to reflect the College’s five core values of Excellence, Community, Justice, Service, and Faith.

If you have any questions regarding Orientation 2020, contact the Campus Activities Office at 507-933-7598 or ajunso@gustavus.edu.

Persons requesting accommodations in accordance with ADA should contact Accessibility Services as far as possible in advance of the event. Additional information is available from the Academic Support Center at 507-933-7227 or cwiebusc@gustavus.edu.
Gustavus Core Values

EXCELLENCE
First among the College’s shared values is a commitment to high quality and excellence in all that we do. Commitment to excellence calls on all of us to achieve to the very best of our capabilities and exceed our own expectations. Our distinctive heritage demands nothing less than excellence.

COMMUNITY
Gustavus has always prized community. Civility, mutual respect, cooperation, shared governance, and a pervasive sense of concern for every member of the Gustavus community are hallmarks of the College. Freedom to express a broad range of ideas is central to our sense of community.

JUSTICE
Our Swedish and Lutheran heritage leads us to hold up justice as a primary institutional value. We strive to be a just community in all of our actions and to educate our students for morally responsible lives. “Education for the common good” is our objective, and integrity must be one of our defining characteristics.

SERVICE
The College highly values service as an objective of life and education. We embrace the notion that authentic leadership expresses itself in service—the classical ideal of a truly liberating education. Education frees us to serve God and humanity to the best of our abilities.

FAITH
Conviction that religious faith enriches and completes learning is the foundation of community, ethics, and service. We are compelled to excel in a divinely ordered world. Without expecting conformity, we encourage an honest exploration of religious faith and seek to foster a mature understanding of the Christian faith.

Welcome to Gustavus

The orientation program is focused on helping you with the transition to Gustavus and establishing a sense of belonging in this new college community. We know that feeling connected as a Gustie takes a different amount of time for each person. However, we hope that with the assistance of many members of our community, you will begin to see this as your home.

Consider this booklet your syllabus for the next few days. It contains a complete orientation schedule with descriptions of activities, as well as pieces of crucial information and a few random bits of fun facts. You are strongly encouraged to take part in all orientation activities. You are a college student now, and you’ll quickly find that what you get out of college is in direct correlation with what you put into the experience. The orientation schedule is carefully laid out to maximize your first few days here socially, emotionally, and academically. We know it’s a busy, stressful time and you may feel tired and overwhelmed. There will be plenty of time (more than you can imagine!) for you to arrange your room and just “hang out” once classes begin. On behalf of the Gustie Greeters and Campus Activities Office, we sincerely hope your orientation experience is positive and affirming of your choice to become a Gustie!

Music Auditions

Monday, August 31
- Strings 11 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
- Winds 8 a.m.–1 p.m.
- Brass 2–5 p.m.
- Percussion 12–2 p.m.
- Voice 11 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Jazz 11 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 1
- Remaining Voice Auditions 11–3 p.m.
- Vocal Jazz 6–7:30 p.m.
- Guitar/Electric Bass 12–1 p.m.

Wednesday, September 2
- Handbells 7 p.m.

All of the information was sent to the students that already registered, but for additional information they can email mbierer@gustavus.edu for more details.
SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

8 a.m.–5 p.m.  New Student Check-In and Move into Your Residence Hall
Please check in at the main entrance of your residence hall.

11:30 a.m–
3:30 p.m.  Lunch  
*Eckman Mall*
We encourage all new students and family members to grab a sack lunch to enjoy together. Please pick up your complimentary tickets when you check in at your residence hall.

All Day  Traditional “Sign” Pictures
*Gustavus Adolphus College Sign and Old Main*
Make sure to save some time throughout your day to take a traditional photo at the Gustavus sign.

5 p.m.  Gustie Greeter and Orientation Group Meeting  
*Orientation Group Meeting Room*
For those who are on campus, join your Gustie Greeter (Orientation Leader) for some meet and greet activities before you head to dinner.

5:45 p.m.  Groups 1–22 Dinner  
*Jackson Campus Center, Evelyn Young Dining Room*
Join your Gustie Greeter and Orientation Group for dinner.

6:15 p.m.  Groups 23–44 Dinner  
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7 p.m.  Playfair  
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86919985753?pwd=ejVucUd4O0hhOEticmJmeFNwT004UT09  
**Meeting ID:** 869 1998 5753  |  **Passcode:** 209950
Playfair is totally unlike anything else you have ever experienced. It’s entertainment! It’s fun! It’s the perfect way to make new campus friendships! Playfair is a team-building experience that has a long lasting effect on the members of your class. All first year students are welcome to join virtually.

9 p.m.  Fun with your floor/section  
Get to know your neighbors and the Collegiate Fellows you will be living with. Check your Collegiate Fellows door and/or your email for more information!
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

7 a.m.–2 p.m. Evelyn Young Dining Room open
Jackson Campus Center

8 a.m.– New Student Arrival
12:30 p.m.
10:30 a.m.– Sacred Spaces Open House
12:30 p.m. Bonnier Multi Faith Center and Christ Chapel
Stop by Christ Chapel and the Bonnier Multifaith Center (in Anderson Hall) to start your week off with sabbath rest. Meet the Chaplains, Interfaith Program Coordinator, and student leaders, and engage in optional self-led stations for reflection and centering.

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12:30 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting
Meet in Orientation Group Meeting location
Join your Gustie Greeter, President Rebecca M. Bergman, Vice President of Student Life and Dean of Students JoNes VanHecke, and Director of Health Service and Assistant Dean of Students Heather Dale, to kick off your New Student Orientation experience.

1:30 p.m. Groups 1–22: Orientation Group Activities
Spend time with your Orientation Group exploring the Arboretum, completing GooseChase challenges, exchanging social distancing hellos and contact information, or taking a walk around campus.

1:30 p.m. Groups 23–44: Campus and classroom tours with your Greeter Group
Meet at your Orientation Group Meeting Room

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New Student Orientation

For New Student Orientation we are utilizing the app Guidebook to be your one stop shop for everything Orientation related. The app will be populated with your Orientation schedule, a campus map, and all of Gustavus’ wonderful resources. We are excited to use this new platform to better connect the new students with the Orientation program, and save a few trees in the meantime.

Orientation Group Activities

We are so excited to introduce the virtual game GooseChase to the Gustavus New Student Orientation. GooseChase is a collaborative scavenger hunt. You'll team up with your Gustie Greeter group to try and complete all the 'missions' on the GooseChase app. Every mission is worth points and the more you complete the more points you get, but keep an eye out there are a number of opportunities to earn some bonus points. Missions will range anywhere from checking into a location on campus to writing a song about why you love fried chicken. At the end of Orientation the team with the most points will be crowned GooseChase champions! We can’t wait to see all the fun you’ll have when you’re on your wild GooseChase!
3:30–4:15 p.m. Theatre/Dance Orientation & Audition Information Session
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/82532973798?pwd=Y29tZlVoS2xRY3lXUEryMTFpnekthUT09#success
Phone: (301) 715-8592 | Passcode: lp7CRyXB
Find out more about the many opportunities to participate in productions at Gustavus. This orientation is open to anyone interested in any aspect of theatre and dance at Gustavus. Information on how to audition can be found at gustavus.edu/theatre-dance/DanceCompanyAuditions2020.php. Please also note on the listing that videos need to be submitted by 6 p.m. on Monday, August 31.

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7 p.m. “Can I Kiss You?”
Orientation Group Meeting Room
Presented by Mike Domitrz, founder of Date Safe Project
This one-person show shares how-to skills for: asking first (verbal consent), being a friend (bystander intervention), and opening a door (properly supporting survivors and helping more survivors come forward). The presentation takes an interactive and inclusive approach.

8:30 p.m. Orientation to Community Living
During this time you will have the opportunity to meet and interact with the Residential Life staff and your fellow floor/section residents. You will learn valuable information and discuss issues relevant to living on campus as community guidelines and standards for COVID-19.

Pittman | 8:30 p.m.–9:15 p.m.
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/87158939045?pwd=cUVma2h0d2M4bWJ6MXBKS3I1cnR4UT09

Sohre | 9:15 p.m.–10 p.m
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/81608733727?pwd=RjRiRmNvalJVaW1aTmtKYmdOLzhUZz09

Co-Ed | Virtual (Choose one)
Virtual Session 1 | 8:30 p.m.–9:15 p.m.
https://meet.google.com/ckt-uogk-chw

Virtual Session 2 | 9:15 p.m.–10 p.m
https://meet.google.com/nkz-ifbr-yjb
10 p.m.  Get to know other Gusties

Residence Hall Floor/Section
Get to know the other Gusties you’ll be living with this year during hall activities coordinated by your CFs. Meet on your floor/section to gather for a special event just for the residents in your building.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 31**

7 a.m.–8 p.m.  Evelyn Young Dining Room open
Jackson Campus Center

9:45 a.m.  Orientation Group Meeting Meet in regular location

10:30 a.m.  Learn to Live
Orientation Group Meeting Room
The Counseling Center and Health Service are pleased to share this free online service designed to help address the stress that accompanies life as a college student. Join us to learn simple but powerful tools to use throughout college.

11:30 a.m.  Groups 1–14: Lunch
Jackson Campus Center, Evelyn Young Dining Room

11:30 a.m.  Groups 15–29: Spiritual Wellbeing and Interfaith Learning
Orientation Group Meeting Room
Identifying and tending to your spiritual life boosts overall wellbeing, fosters a greater sense of meaning and purpose, and improves your resilience in the face of life’s challenges. Learning from others who embody religious and spiritual perspectives that are different from your own enhances learning and builds important leadership skills. Through this interactive virtual session, you will connect with resources.

11:30 a.m.  Groups 30–44: “Campus Life Kahoot” with the PAs
Orientation Group Meeting Room
This fun, interactive session is an opportunity to understand campus norms, expectations and resources at Gustavus related to healthy choices, policies, and implications related to alcohol use and sexual misconduct. Compete against other FTS groups for a chance to win big.

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2:30–3:30 p.m., 3:30–4:30 p.m., or 4:30–5:30 p.m.

*Dining Service student employment orientation*

*Johnson Student Union, Cec Eckhoff Alumni Hall*

Become familiar with the Evelyn Young Dining Room and Marketplace.

*Only for Dining Service student employees (must attend one of the three sessions)*
Sustainability at Gustavus

How do our actions and utilizations of resources affect not only ourselves in the here and now, but those around the world and in the future? Living sustainably is not only an individual effort, but a local, regional, and global community effort. Here at Gustavus, sustainability is an essential part of our College’s core values of excellence, community, justice, service, and faith.

WHAT DOES THIS LOOK LIKE AT GUSTAVUS?

Renewable energy sources: solar thermal, solar electric, and wind electric installations found at various buildings around campus

Recycling: Single sort bins in all academic buildings and dorms; discount when using reusable mugs/to-go containers in the Caf and Courtyard Cafe

Composting: All food waste and compostable containers are processed in our full composting facility, located at the Big Hill greenhouse

Big Hill Farm: Student-run garden, greenhouse, aquaponics, and hydroponics located on campus, fully functioning year-round and providing the Market Place with fresh produce.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

THINK before you throw—where should this go?

KNOW what energy you are using, make an effort to turn off lights/excess sources, and take advantage of energy-savers, such as Gusties on the Go bike rental

USE and REUSE the GustieWare containers available in the Market Place if you need food to go

REMEMBER that special items have specific recycling places—batteries to the library, cardboard broken down next to bins, compost in the Campus Center

CONNECT with campus departments and orgs such as the Environmental Studies program, Environmental Action Coalition, and Linnaeus Arboretum to learn more!

2:30–3:30 p.m., 3:30–4:30 p.m., or 4:30–5:30 p.m.
Student Employment Orientation
Meet with your new supervisor to learn the ins and outs of your student employment position. See your assignment card for assigned times and meeting places.

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7–9 p.m. “You. Me. We.” | Orientation Group Meeting Room
“You. Me. We.” provides new students with a forum to discuss the transition to college as it relates to social issues and pluralism. Through a performance presented by the GTC Dramatic Dialogues, you will have an opportunity to see how culture shapes our identities and to discuss how our common yet varied human spirits impact the lens by which we see the world.

9 p.m. Free Money Game Show | Virtual
https://eventgameshows.com/gustavus
Join the Campus Activities Board for their “Free Money Virtual Game Show.” It’s like a modern version of “Name that Tune” but with all of the best of pop culture! Using your phone, laptop, or tablet, log on to the link to listen to the host who is live-streamed to our device. When you know the song, movie theme, TV theme, or movie quote, then answer on your phone! Disney, Broadway, Rap, Rock, Netflix, Hip Hop, Nickelodeon, and Movie Franchises are just some of the categories involved in the game! At the end of the round, whoever has the most points wins free money! Come try your luck at winning $500!

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7 a.m.– 8 p.m.  Evelyn Young Dining Room open  |  Jackson Campus Center

9 a.m.  Final Orientation Group Meeting
 Orientation Group Meeting Room

10:30–11 a.m.  Academic Success Sessions
Select two of the following Academic Success Sessions and join in virtually.

Impressing Your Profs
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/86773273034?pwd=T293NnRJVW9UdDMwUU9LUGFnVmxQdz09
A panel of faculty will share their expertise about what it takes to do your best in college and answer questions about how to do well in your first semester.

“How I Get Good Grades”
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/85172767192?pwd=T05kc2JsV3Z0bS9OSndrTIBuTUkzQT09
An upperclass student panel of high achievers in the classroom will share tips and answer questions on how they maintain their commendable GPAs, balance schoolwork and a personal life, and survived their transition to college-level academics.

Organizing Your Time and Your Backpack
https://hellogustavus.zoom.us/j/83222918309?pwd=YVR1QjFRaThQcXJTQXpkeXBCdFRLQT09
Academic Support Center staff will teach you some practical time management tips and stress-reducing organization skills, building on what you have found works in the past and what upperclass students recommend.

Writing Your Way to Success
See Guidebook App for link
Writing papers can be difficult and frustrating for many students throughout their college careers. The Writing Center is here to help. Meeting the writing tutors, learn how to make appointments, and play games that will help you know what to expect for collegiate writing.

11:15– 11:45 a.m.  Academic Success Sessions (Repeated)
The same sessions are offered in the same locations (see above) so you can attend more than one.

Johnson Student Union was originally a gymnasium at the College, completed during the 1921-1922 school year. The current first floor was a regulation-sized basketball court. Above the court was a balcony for spectators and above that was a third level with a running track. A handball-squash court and swimming pool were in the lower level, currently The Dive, and portions of the original walls are still in place. Come and check out this piece of Gustavus history.
11:45 a.m.  Lunch: Norelius Towers A, C  
*Jackson Campus Center, Evelyn Young Dining Room*

12:15 p.m.  Lunch: Norelius Towers E, H  
*Jackson Campus Center, Evelyn Young Dining Room*

12:45 p.m.  Lunch: Pittman and Sohre Hall  
*Jackson Campus Center, Evelyn Young Dining Room*

1:30–6 p.m.  First Term Seminar and Three Crowns Curriculum Meetings & Advising  
FTS/CUR-100 faculty advisors will reach out via email with meeting format and location.

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**YOU MADE IT!**

Spend this evening relaxing and preparing yourself for classes tomorrow. Although orientation is over, your relationship with your Gustie Greeter is not. Continue to utilize them as a resource and friend throughout this first year. Your Greeter will stay in touch with you and will plan more activities for your orientation group to enjoy.

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**Save the Dates**

**OUTDOOR MOVIE**  
Friday, September 4  |  8 p.m.  
Arboretum near the Borgeson Cabin  
Free popcorn and drinks!

**SATURDAY NIGHT IN LUND**  
Headphone Disco  
Saturday, September 5  
10 p.m.–1 a.m  
Lund Arena  
Free food and drinks!  
Various student groups sponsor fun, late-night activities in Lund Center on Saturdays.

A list of all participating organizations will be available on the student orgs website: [gustavus.edu/studentorgs](http://gustavus.edu/studentorgs)
During the COVID-19 pandemic we are all called to be committed to the safety, health, and wellbeing of every member of the Gustavus community. This year, we will rely on the Gustavus tradition of stepping up as a community to care for one another, to reduce the chance of a widespread outbreak on campus, and to protect those who are the most vulnerable amongst us. Participation in the Gustavus COVID safety expectations by every member of our community will allow us to be together this year. Following these expectations shows how Gusties will ROAR—Respect Others, Act Responsibly.

Did you pre-order your books online? Stop by the Book Mark during store hours to pick up your order.

### Health Service 
_Campus Center, Lower Level_

**Regular Hours** (Call x7630 or stop in to schedule appointments)
- Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

**Urgent and Emergency Services**
The River’s Edge Hospital and Clinic offers Urgent Care Services.

**Urgent Care Hours**
- Monday–Friday: 12–7:30 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

The St. Peter Clinic (Mayo Health Systems), the Daniels Health Center (Mankato Clinic), and River’s Edge Clinic are also available to see students. Appointments can be made at the St. Peter Clinic by calling 507-931-2110, or the Daniels Clinic at 507-934-2325, or River’s Edge Clinic at 507-931-2200. Students should be prepared to show their insurance card at any location.

### Student Employment

Look... for a Student Employment Assignment card in your P.O. Box. If the assignment card says you need to do an I-9 or W-4, see Financial Aid staff in the Jackson Campus Center during their regular business hours (8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. daily).

Meet... your supervisor on Monday, August 31 for further information and employment orientation. Dining Service employees must attend one of three sessions offered Monday.
Transportation Options

For a ride in Saint Peter:
The Saint Peter Transit provides service from campus to various stops within Saint Peter. Tickets are available to students. Stop by the Information Desk to learn about transit options.

For a ride to the airport:
Mankato Land to Air provides service to/from the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport with multiple shuttles daily. For more information or to reserve a seat, visit them online at landtoairexpress.com.

Landline offers non-stop ground transportation between the Mankato Regional Airport and the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport. Park for free while you travel on one of their luxury coaches. For more information or to reserve a seat, visit them online at landline.com or via their Landline app.

For a ride to the Twin Cities:
Use Landline or Land to Air services mentioned above to be dropped off at the airport. You don’t need to be flying to use these services. From the airport, catch mass transit or arrange for someone to pick you up!

Parking Permits
Campus Safety Basement of “A” Wing, Norelius Hall; ext. 8888
All students who wish to park on campus are required to register their vehicles and display a current parking permit. Never park in a visitor’s lot; you are a student now!
You will need your Gustavus email user name and password, and your vehicle license plate and description. Permits are $270 each. Permit parking enforcement begins 7 a.m. on the first day of classes, Wednesday, September 2. If you applied online for a parking permit, you will find it in your campus mailbox.
Campus Safety is reachable 24/7. Call (507) 933-8888 with any questions.
Gustavus is a tobacco-free campus.

Paying Fees
Student Accounts Office Jackson Campus Center
Regular business hours, including check cashing services
Monday–Friday 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Technology Services (computer) assistance
Gustavus Technology Services is here throughout orientation and beyond to help you with all your technology needs. Staff will be available by telephone helpline at x6111 or at 507-933-6111.
  Friday, August 28 8 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
  Saturday, August 29 8 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
  Sunday, August 30 12–4:45 p.m.
  Monday, August 31 8 a.m.–4:45 p.m.
  Tuesday, September 1 8 a.m.–4:45 p.m.

Banking
Saint Peter has four local banks in the downtown area. Mankato has branch offices of TCF, US Bank, and Wells Fargo among others. If you wish to set up a new account, you may visit any of the locations.

Mail Services Campus Center Lower Level
You have been assigned a campus post office box. Your post office box assignment and combination were emailed to you and are available through WebAdvisor.
Regular business hours, including package pick up:
  Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.
Make your life count.