YOUR FIRST
100 DAYS
WELCOME! This calendar represents a compilation of events and activities for Your First 100 Days. Each item has been selected to provide you with the opportunity to make connections and develop skills that will help you experience the five core values of Gustavus—Excellence, Community, Justice, Service, and Faith.

YOU HAVE BEGUN YOUR JOURNEY TO THIS DESTINATION!
Know that you are not alone in this journey—faculty, staff, Gustavus alumni, and your fellow students are here for you. Have a great first year at “dear old G-A-C!”
Hollywood actors, including Peter Krause '87 (Six Feet Under; Dirty Sexy Money; Parenthood) and Steve Zahn '80 (You've Got Mail, Employee of the Month), professional athletes, including Eric Butorac '03 (professional tennis player) and Ryan Hoag '03 (2003’s “Mr. Irrelevant”); Grammy Award-winning jazz vocalist Kurt Elling '89; TV news anchor Allison Rosati ’85 of NBC5 in Chicago; and chemist Patsy O’Connell Sherman ’52, co-inventor of 3M Scotchgard?

Gusties are developing games at Nintendo and working on the newest iPhone at Apple; one served as assistant press secretary to First Lady Michelle Obama; plus, they are working as costume designers, tree climbers, construction managers, trademark lawyers, zookeepers, bed and breakfast owners, missionaries, teachers, pastors, vice presidents, farmers, lawyers, inventors, and more.

A Gustie worked on the Apollo 13 flight. Gusties make their lives count.

The best part is that all these amazing alumni are Gusties, just like you! They want to help you with an internship or a research project, they want to hear your stories, and they are supporting your time at Gustavus with their financial contributions. Contact the Office of Alumni and Parent Engagement at x7511 or alumni@gustavus.edu to learn more.

EXPERIENCE GUSTAVUS

Gustavus Adolphus College expects students to attain their highest potential. By aspiring to the College’s core values, students develop a capacity and passion for lifelong learning and lives of leadership and service.

EXCELLENCE

In the words of Eric Norelius, founder of the College, “Whatever we do, let us do it well.”

- 72 majors, 14 with honors
- Academic assistantships
- Student research opportunities
- International education
- Internships
- Honorary and professional organizations
- Dean’s List
- Leadership within student organizations
- Nobel Conference
- Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa

COMMUNITY

Gustavus has always been marked by a pervasive sense of connectedness among all members of the community.

- Residential college with more than 80% of students living on campus
- Over 110 student organizations with 99% of students involved in at least one organization
- 12 fraternities and sororities
- Gustavus Ambassadors
- Substance-free living options

JUSTICE

The College strives to be a just community in all of its actions and to educate students for morally responsible lives.

- Peace Studies minor and other social justice courses
- Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week
- Student-led “Our Story” and “Building Bridges” conferences
- More than a dozen social justice and multicultural student organizations
- Mayday! Peace Conference

SERVICE

We embrace the notion that true leadership expresses itself in service to others.

- Award-winning Community Service Programs
- More than 10 service-centered student organizations
- Spring Break Work Trips
- Leadership opportunities as a Gustie Greeter, Peer Assistant, or Collegiate Fellow
- G.O.L.D. Leadership Program

FAITH

Faith enriches learning, and we encourage an honest exploration of faith without expecting conformity.

- College firmly rooted in its Lutheran heritage
- Daily Sabbath
- Observance of other faith celebrations like Ramadan, Yom Kippur, Diwali, and Higan-e
- Taizé and Proclaim worship services
- Gustavus Youth Outreach
- Chapel Apprentice Program
- Vocational Reflection
EXPLORE YOUR IDENTITY—INVEST IN OTHERS
You have joined a community of persons from diverse backgrounds who respect and affirm the dignity of all people. As a new student at Gustavus, this means truly knowing who you are and investing the time to learn about others.

EXPLORE YOUR IDENTITY
■ What is your ethnic/cultural heritage?
■ How does your heritage impact who you are today?
■ What role has faith/religion/spirituality played in your life?
■ How is your family alike or different from that of others?
■ What have your experiences been with people who are different from yourself?
■ How does who you are now, and what you believe today (your identity), impact others?
■ Why do you believe what you believe?
■ How do you imagine yourself to be the same or different four years from now (values, beliefs, traditions, opinions, etc.)?

INVEST IN LEARNING ABOUT OTHERS
■ Discuss families, heritage, faith, etc. with other students.
■ Visit with students, staff, and faculty in The Diversity Center—everyone is welcome!
■ Attend E Pluribus Gustavus, Daily Sabbath, Diwali, Day of the Dead Celebration, Mixed Blood Theatre, I Am We Are, events sponsored by the Crossroads Program, Kwanzaa.
■ Take a class focused on a topic different from your background/experiences (ethnic/cultural heritage, faith tradition, gender, and so on).
■ Join a student organization that sounds interesting (and is different from what you have done in the past).
■ Ask others why they believe what they believe.
■ Volunteer to do community service.

Collegiate Fellow (CF) - Collegiate Fellows are carefully selected upperclass students who receive extensive training in peer counseling techniques, activity and program development, and academic and campus resources. The CF’s primary role is to help facilitate a positive living environment and act as your number one resource for information. The best part is they live right down the hall!

Counseling Center (x7027) - The Counseling Center works with Gustavus students to enhance their personal development and academic achievement. At times, students experience relational, emotional, social, or academic difficulties that they cannot fully resolve on their own, and find it helpful to talk to a professional counselor. The Counseling Center provides a variety of free, confidential services, including individual and group counseling, consultation, programs and workshops, training, and referrals to off-campus mental health resources.

Health Service (x7630) - The Student Health Service provides care and/or referral for acute medical injuries and illnesses, performs preventive health examinations, and promotes health and wellness through health maintenance, health education, and public health initiatives to maximize the lifelong health and learning of students.

Wellbeing Peer Assistants (PAs)/ Wellbeing Center (x7607) - The Wellbeing Peer Assistants (PAs) are certified peer health educators who promote healthy, balanced lifestyles for the College. They help create a campus environment in which students feel empowered to make choices that contribute to their individual and community wellbeing. In addition to providing students with educational workshops, awareness, activities, and referral to on- and off-campus resources for a range of topics—chemical health, nutrition, and healthy relationships, to name a few—the PAs offer important perspectives about wellbeing-related topics across the campus community.

Your Roommate! - Getting along with a roommate and sharing a living space are two of the key issues new students worry about. You have been assigned a room where you will sleep, study, relax, and entertain friends—and you are sharing this space with someone you most likely just met. Take the time now to get to know your roommate!

CONNECT WITH GUSTAVUS ONLINE
Options include Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, YouTube, & Flickr.
ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Academics are an important part of the college experience. Here are 10 study tips to help ease the transition from high school to college. Make sure to check out all of the activities that celebrate Gustavus.

- Go to class. Skipping class is the #1 reason why students fail.
- Study at least 25 hours a week. College is a full time job. You should be in class, studying, or doing homework 40 hours per week.
- Schedule “goof-off” time. Everyone needs down time, but students need to manage their “goof-off” time.
- Know the last day to withdraw. After this date, you cannot withdraw from a class. Look for an email from the Registrar regarding withdrawing from classes.
- Start your assignments early. The unexpected happens—you get sick or your computer crashes. Start assignments with plenty of time for the unexpected.
- Visit your advisor. Students need to meet with an advisor (usually in October or November) to plan for next semester.
- Go to your professors’ office hours. Professors like to help students. Visit your professor during office hours.
- Take advantage of the tutors. Check with the Academic Support Center for specific information.
- Form a study group. Studying complex material is more efficient with a study group.

ROOMMATES 101

- Discuss habits and schedules. Do you stay up late or get up early? What about housekeeping? Some are neat & some are not (you might need to relax a bit) but negotiate who does what when.
- Talk about social & personal expectations. Discuss expectations regarding loud music, significant others, other guests (overnight or otherwise), parties, time to “have the room to myself” and revisit expectations often.
- Respect & compromise are KEY! Value differences—in interests, friends, appearance, religion, values. Respect and learn about your roommate and chances are he/she will respect you.
- Talk before problems become big (NOT Facebook, E-mail, or Text—TALK IN PERSON!) As issues come up, brainstorm together to find ways to compromise . . .
- Not working out? First, talk with your roommate about your concerns. Also discuss your concerns with the CF and if necessary, schedule a mediated conversation.

GUSTIES ARE BUDDIES

- GUSTIES STICK TOGETHER when they go out! Never leave a friend alone—travel together in a group. Arrive together—stay together—leave together!
- Tell someone where you’re going if you have to work in an isolated lab, practice room, or study lounge.
- Don’t walk alone, especially after dark. Take a buddy and stay on populated, well-lit paths. If you need an escort, call Campus Safety.
- Take care of your stuff. Lock your dorm room, or practice room, or study lounge.
- Have the practice room, or study lounge.
- If you witness any suspicious behavior or if someone is in trouble, call Campus Safety immediately.
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- Buddies watch out for each other—stay together—never leave a friend alone.
- Visit with your CF about
### September 2014

**31**  
- E-Pluribus Wrap Party  
  D-Center | 10-11:30 p.m.

**1**  
- New Student Orientation  
  FY-Pre Health Professions Advising  
  Heritage Room | 9-11 a.m.

**2**  
- Fall Semester Begins

**3**  
- Beginning September 25th  
  Check out free exercise classes in Lund

**7**  
- Hall Council Info Sessions  
  in all residence halls

**8**  
- Involvement Fair  
  Ekman Mall | 4-4:50 p.m.

**9**  
- FY-Pre Health Professions Advising  
  Heritage Room | 9-11 a.m.

**10**  
- Men's Soccer vs. Martin Luther College | 5 p.m.

**11**  
- Reading in Common Lecture  
  Alumni Hall | 7:30 p.m.

**12**  
- Men's Soccer vs. College of St. Scholastica | 4 p.m.

**13**  
- SNL Dueling Pianos  
  Lund | 8-10 p.m.

**14**  
- Men's Soccer vs. UW-Oshkosh | 7 p.m.

**15**  
- Registration Deadline

**16**  
- Hall Council Elections

**17**  
- Men's Soccer vs. Gustavus Adolphus College | 7 p.m.

**18**  
- Scott Wesley  
  Courtyard Café | 8 p.m.

**19**  
- Nobel Conference & Service Fair

**24**  
- FY Kits Available Starting Today

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**26**  
- Outdoor Movie:  
  Godzilla: King of the Monsters | 9 p.m.

**27**  
- Men's Soccer vs. St. John's University | 7 p.m.

**28**  
- Career Education Days

**29**  
- Careers Possible  
  Heritage Room | 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**30**  
- Nobel Conference & Service Fair

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**IMPORTANT PEOPLE & IMPORTANT OFFICES**

**Academic Support Center (x7027)** - Along with your academic advisor, Collegiate Fellow, and professors, the Academic Support Center staff offers advising and academic support services, as well as providing for the needs of students with disabilities. Conversations about how to take good notes, manage your time, and majors all happen at the Academic Support Center.

**Academic Advisor** – Your faculty academic advisor is your number one resource for all of your academic questions and concerns. At Gustavus, advising goes beyond simply prescribing courses. Faculty and students talk about course choices, the integration of coursework and co-curricular choices, possible majors, and developing an academic program that will lead to further study or interesting careers. Visit your advisor early and often.

**Campus Activities Office (x7598)** - The Campus Activities Office serves the campus as a resource for student leadership and programming, working with student organizations to develop high-quality programs for students. Looking for something to do? Want to join or start a student organization? The Campus Activities Office is a great place to start.

**Campus Safety (x8888)** - Campus Safety is on duty 24 hours a day to provide the safest environment possible. The uniformed officers are responsible for residence hall, academic building, and grounds security, and respond to health and safety concerns. Each officer is also a trained First Responder.

**Career Development (x7272)** - One third of students come to Gustavus as open majors and half of the rest will change their minds and ALL will want to use their education in the world after graduation! Career Development helps students with figuring out what majors and careers are of interest (individual career counseling), how to plan your Gustavus years to be competitive for health professions programs, using social media to learn about careers, how to write effective résumés (which you will need to apply for campus and summer positions), and opportunities to meet employers who hire for internships and jobs. Start by meeting Peer Career Advisors during evening hours (5-8 p.m., no appointment needed) to get started moving toward your career goals.

**Center for International and Cultural Education (x7545)** - More than half of all Gustavus students study abroad before they graduate. Some students go on a January Interim off-campus program, others study abroad for a semester or academic year, and many students study away more than once. These students know that study away not only provides an opportunity for travel, helps you learn a language, and gives you experiences a classroom setting just cannot provide, but that it also enhances your employment prospects after you graduate. We are here to help you decide the best time and the best program for you!
**HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT...**

You are not alone on your journey at Gustavus, but you may wonder where to go to ask questions. Arranged by topic, here is a short list of people and places who are here to help you be successful.

- **Adding/dropping a class**—Course Instructor, Your Academic Advisor, Registrar’s Office
- **Complimentary Tickets**—Order your complimentary Nobel Conference and Christmas in Christ Chapel at gustavustickets.com
- **Culture & Diversity Opportunities**—Diversity Center, Campus Activities Office, Collegiate Fellow
- **Faith/Spirituality**—Chaplains’ Office, Diversity Center, Religion faculty, Center for Servant Leadership
- **Getting involved, Clubs and Organizations**—Campus Activities Office, Your Greeter, Diversity Center, Center for Servant Leadership, Collegiate Fellow, Crossroads Program
- **Grades, a bad test or paper**—Course Instructor, Your Academic Advisor, Academic Support Center
- **Illness or Medical Needs**—Health Service, Campus Safety, Collegiate Fellow
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- **Majors**—Your Academic Advisor, Center for Servant Leadership (Career Development), Academic Support Center, Fellow students

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*Chat with your professors about how your classes are going*
*Take a draft paper to the Writing Center*
*Attend a football game*
*Have a bonfire at Seven Mile Park*
*Take a picture with friends at the Gustavus sign*
*Listen to an entire Nobel Conference presentation*
*Schedule an appointment with your advisor before registration*
*Spend an evening visiting the homes of all the Gustavus ghosts*
*Attend & reflect during Daily Sabbath*
*Order Christmas in Christ Chapel tickets for family & friends*
*Take a career assessment and meet with career development staff*
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### NOVEMBER 2014

- Eat and shop at the Food Co-op
- Make snow angels in the Arb
- Eat at Whiskey River
- Go bowling on a Monday night
- Participate in the Homelessness Sleepout
- Contemplate the meaning of form in the Hillstrom Museum of Art
- Listen to KGSM
- Schedule a fitness assessment in the Human Performance Lab
- Really communicate—write for the Gustavian Weekly
- Make time for reflection—and give thanks

#### J-Term Registration

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#### Thanksgiving Break (residence halls close the 26th at 9 a.m. & re-open at noon)

### DECEMBER 2014

- Go for a winter walk in the Arboretum
- Enjoy jazz and food at Midnight Express
- Go for a winter walk in the Arboretum

#### Final Exams

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#### Christmas Recess (December 20–January 5)

- New Year’s Eve

#### Christmas Recess

- Winter Break