FALL 2023

YOUR HBCU
NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9: “MOVE-IN DAY”/CHECK-IN & ORIENTATION

CAMPUS CHECK-IN BY RESIDENCE HALLS
9AM-11AM Truth Hall & Williams Hall
(Please arrive on or before 10AM)
11AM-1PM Earle Hall
(Please arrive on or before 12PM)
1PM-3PM Battiste Hall and Mitchell Hall
(Please arrive on or before 2:00PM)

>>> PARENT INFORMATION SESSION <<<
Session One: 11AM-12 Noon
OR
Session Two: 2PM-3PM
Location: Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium

4PM-5:30PM Legacy Drop-In (Fine Arts Center)
President Alexander Conyers and First Lady Conyers
5:30PM-7:30PM Dinner
Dinner with family or in the J. Irwin Washington Dining Hall
7:30PM-8PM Residence Halls Meeting (Required)
8PM-10PM Bulldog Connection Networking Mixer (SOL’s, CA’s, and ELC’s)
Location: Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10: “MOVE-IN DAY”/CHECK-IN & ORIENTATION

CAMPUS CHECK-IN BY RESIDENCE HALLS
9AM-12 Noon Hugine Suites
(Please arrive on or before 10AM)

>>> PARENT INFORMATION SESSION <<<
Session One: 2PM
Location: Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium

4PM-5:30PM Legacy Drop-In (Fine Arts Center)
President Alexander Conyers and First Lady Conyers
5:30PM-7:30PM Dinner
Dinner with family or in the J. Irwin Washington Dining Hall
7:30PM-8PM Residence Halls Meeting (Required)
8PM-10PM Bulldog Connection Networking Mixer (SOL’s, CA’s, and ELC’s)
Location: Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium

Panelists for Parent Information Sessions

COL (Ret.) Alexander Conyers
President, South Carolina State University
Dr. Frederick Evans
Provost and VP of Academic Affairs
Dr. Gerald Smalls
VP of Finance and Administrations/CFO
Dr. Tamara Jeffries-Jackson
VP for Student Affairs
Dr. Manicia Finch
VP of Enrollment Management
Chief Timothy Taylor
Campus Police
Ms. Pinkey Carter
Nurse Administrator, Brooks Health Center
Mr. Tyron Clinton
Director of Student Success Center & TRiO Programs
Dr. Lisa Sparks
Executive Director of First Year Experience
Ms. Christian Jackson
Director of Counseling and Self Development
Mrs. Felicia L. McMillan
Registrar

NEW AND TRANSFER STUDENTS’ REGISTRATION
IF YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH REGISTRATION, PLEASE VISIT THE SMITH–HAMMOND–MIDDLETON MEMORIAL CENTER (SHM).

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MANDATORY ORIENTATION WEEK

You must sign-in at the start of ALL ORIENTATION EVENTS EACH DAY.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

7:45AM – 8:45AM  SOL Dorm Storm
BREA Fleat with Student Orientation Leaders

9AM – 9:30AM  Finish-In 4 and No More: Academic Success Coaches
Mr. Tyron Clinton, Director of SSC
LOCATION: Martin Luther King Auditorium
- General Session
- Week Overview
- SSC Groups By Colleges
- University 101
- Campus Resources

9:30AM – 9:50AM  Financial Aid
Mrs. Tangar Young
Director, Financial Aid

10AM – 10:30AM  Student Portal & Username/Password – IT Computing
Ms. Dionne Summers
Facilitator: Ms. Shaunte Jones
Session: Students need laptops or electronic devices (live demonstration)
LOCATION: Engineering and Computer Science Complex, Auditorium

10:30AM – 11AM  Counseling & Self Development Center
Mrs. Christian Jackson
Facilitator: Mrs. Gwendolyn Breeland
Location: Bulldog Lounge

11AM – 11:30AM  What College Professors Expect from In-coming Freshmen
Dr. Lisa Sparks
Facilitator: Student Orientation Leaders
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

11:30AM – 12 NOON  Safety and Security
Mr. Timothy Taylor, Chief of Police, Campus Police
Facilitator: Ms. Naseema Moore
LOCATION: Fine Arts

12 NOON – 2PM  Lunch with SOL

2:15PM – 3:15PM  Financial Literacy
VP of A Wealth Management Company, Society for Financial Education & Professional Development
Mr. Marcus Creigton
Facilitator: Mr. Jeremiah McFadden
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

3:20PM – 3:50PM  Mr. Garion Williams, Store Manager
South Carolina State University Bookstore
Facilitator: Kayla Williams
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

5PM – 7PM  Dinner with SOL

7PM – 9PM  Meet & Greet Mixer
LOCATION: Student Plaza

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

7:45AM – 8:45AM  SOL Dorm Storm
BREAKFAST with Student Orientation Leaders

9:30AM – 10:15AM  Couch Convos: What to Expect in College, This Is Not 13th Grade
Facilitator: Ms. Amber Nelson
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

10:15AM – 11:30AM  Freshman Welcome Parade
Marching 101 Band, Spike & Cheerleaders
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

12 NOON – 2PM  Lunch with SOL

2:30PM – 4:30PM  Spike’s Splash Extravaganza
LOCATION: Staley Hall Field

5PM – 7PM  Dinner with SOL

8PM – 11PM  Silent Headphone Party
LOCATION: Dukes Gym

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

7AM – 9AM  SOL Dorm Storm
BREAKFAST with Student Orientation Leaders

9AM – 11:30AM  Spiritual Service (optional)
Speaker: Rev. Ricky White, Class of 2006, St. John Missionary Baptist Church, Pinewood, SC
Selection: United Voices of Christ Gospel Choir
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

12:30PM – 2PM  Lunch with SOL

2PM – 3PM  101 Black Men
Mr. Kenard Holmes
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

2PM – 3PM  Ladies First
Dr. Lisa Sparks
LOCATION: Engineering Auditorium

3PM – 5PM  Risque Business
All Freshmen
LOCATION: Martin Luther King, Jr. (MLK) Auditorium

5PM – 7PM  Dinner with SOL
MONDAY, AUGUST 14

7:45AM – 8:45AM  SOL Dorm Storm
BREAKFAST with Student Orientation Leaders

9AM – 11AM  College Tours (Find Your Classes) with the SOL's
LOCATION: Meet in front of the Washington Dining Hall

12 NOON – 2PM  Lunch with SOL

2PM – 3PM  Registrar Office
Mrs. Felicia L. McMillan, Registrar

Student Affairs
Dr. Tamara Jeffries-Jackson, Vice President
Ms. Phylis Walker, Residence Life & Housing
Ms. Christian Jackson, Director of Counseling & Student Development
Dr. Franklin Pressley, Director of Student Life & Leadership
Ms. Pinky Carter, Nurse Administrator, Brooks Health Center
Mr. Joseph Thomas, Director of the Career Center
Mrs. Eugenia Staley, Victims Advocate

LOCATION: Meet in front of the Washington Dining Hall

3:30PM – 4:30PM  Connect with your College!

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & INFORMATION SYSTEMS
Dr. Matthew Guah, Dean
Department of Accounting, Economics and Agribusiness
Department of Business Administration

Dr. Learie Luke, Director of International and National Exchange Students
LOCATION: Becher Hall 4th floor Auditorium

COLLEGE OF COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATHEMATICS AND TRANSPORTATION
Dr. Stanley Ihekweazu, Dean
Department of Biological and Physical Sciences
Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering, and Nuclear Engineering
Department of Industrial and Electrical Engineering
Department of Mathematics and Computer Science
LOCATION: Engineering Building Auditorium

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES
Dr. Evelyn Fields, Dean
Department of Education
Department of English and Modern Languages
Department of Social Sciences
Department of Visual and Performing Arts
LOCATION: Fine Arts Auditorium

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES
Dr. Lakeisa Tucker, Acting Dean
Department of Speech Pathology and Audiology
Department of Human Services
Department of Health Sciences
Department of Military Science
LOCATION: Bulldog Lounge

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
Dr. William Whittaker, Acting Dean
Department of Agriculture
Department of Family and Consumer Science
LOCATION: Staley Hall Auditorium

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