



Hello, Clark families!

We hope you and your student are enjoying the summer as you prepare for their transition to Clark this August. This month, incoming students should be completing their course registration requirements and setting up meetings with their summer advisers; logging in to their Clark account to view their bill; preparing to upload their photograph for their Clark OneCard; voting on their class T-shirt (first-years only); and gathering their health forms and COVID-19 vaccine documentation to submit. Below are a few key dates and information for you; as always, if you have any questions, please [contact the Dean of Students office](#).

Save the Date for Orientation

Move-In Day and New Student Orientation take place the week before classes begin and provide all incoming students an opportunity to learn how to be successful at Clark, connect with members of their class, get to know their Peer Mentor, explore the campus and Worcester, and make friends. Students living on campus will have plenty of time to move into their residence halls, unpack, and become prepared for the academic year.

- **Incoming First-Year Students:** Move-In Day and Orientation begin **Thursday, August 19**
 - **Incoming Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Transfer Students:** Move-In Day and Orientation begin **Friday, August 20**
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Save the Date for Family Weekend

We are excited to invite all students, families, and friends to help us kick off a new school year during Family Weekend. Join us **October 15–17** for a weekend full of special events, tours, athletic competitions, and plenty of opportunities to explore the campus and Worcester. Registration will open in early September and a full schedule of activities will be available.

Looking for a place to stay? A limited number of discounted room blocks are available at:

- **Hilton Garden Inn in Worcester:** To receive the discounted Clark University rate, please book early using this [reservation link](#).
 - **Homewood Suites by Hilton, Worcester:** To receive the discounted Clark University rate, please book early using this [reservation link](#).
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COVID-19 Vaccine Documentation

COVID-19 vaccinations are [required](#) for all students, faculty, and staff who plan to live, work, and study on campus this fall. The deadline to submit vaccination documentation is **July 15**, but if you are fully vaccinated, we encourage you to upload it **now** through this [secure portal](#) developed by Clark ITS (you will need to log in with your Clark credentials). The portal also will allow you to request an exemption for health or religious reasons, or other well-documented reasons. [Email the Dean of Students office](#) with any questions, or [read our vaccination FAQs](#).

Stafford Loan Information

If your student is a first-time borrower of a Federal Direct Stafford Loan at Clark University, they must complete Entrance Loan Counseling and a Master Promissory Note before this loan can be paid to their student account. Later this month, your student will receive an email, in their Clark mailbox, with instructions on how to complete these requirements.

Affinity Housing Applications Now Open

Affinity housing is now open to first-year and upper-class students. A student-led initiative at Clark, affinity housing provides an opportunity to live, grow, and learn together for students who share a commitment to learning about and centering Blackness and fighting anti-Black racism on campus. Students who apply to live in affinity housing, located in the Johnson Sanford Center, will set community norms together, host educational and social events, and build community, centering the experiences of students of color. Students who want to learn more about affinity housing can [contact Drew Melendez](#). [Apply for affinity housing here](#) — applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis through the summer.

Incoming Student and Family Webinars

Join us all summer for our incoming student and family webinar series, where you'll learn more about the services Clark provides for its students. If you or your student are unable to attend, the webinars will be recorded and posted on the [New Student website](#) for viewing on demand.

- **Career Connections Center: Internships, Jobs, and More**
Thursday, June 24, at 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)
Representatives from the Career Connections Center will introduce you to Handshake, explain the many opportunities for resume support, and give you an overview of internships, career counseling, alumni connections, and more.
- **Academic Advising**
Friday, July 9, at 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)
Learn more about course options at Clark, acronyms, requirements, meeting with advisers, and get a general overview of registration from the Academic Advising team.
- **Student Employment**
Thursday, July 15, at 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)
Is your student thinking about getting a job on campus? Join the Career Connections Center for an overview of how to search and apply for on-campus jobs, set up payroll information, and learn how to market on-campus employment in future job hunting.
- **Creating Your Clark Experience**
Monday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)
Meet the Dean of Students Engagement Team and current students. Your student will learn how they can get involved on campus and build community across identities, and find out about Summer 2021 events that support their well-being, connections, and activities at Clark.
- **Supporting Students: Counseling, CARE, and Academic Support**
Monday, July 26, 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)
Meet the associate deans who lead the Center for Counseling and Personal Growth, Student CARE, and Office for Academic Support as they share resources and information about how Clark helps students be successful in and outside of the classroom.
- **Local and Global Learning Opportunities**

Wednesday, August 4, at 6:30 p.m. ET; [join via Zoom](#)

Learn from current students and members of the LEEP Student Success Network about the engagement opportunities available to Clark students on campus, in the Worcester community, and abroad.

Stay engaged and connected to other Clark families!

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