Welcome to New Student Orientation!
We are very excited to finally welcome you in person.

Are you ready for liftoff?
Over the next few days, you’ll get to know the Clark community and start adapting to life on campus. You’ll attend programs and activities to help you settle in and feel comfortable; hear about issues you may encounter during your college experience, and the resources available to help you address them; and begin your journey toward embracing intellectual life at Clark — both in and out of the classroom.

While you learn your way around, you’ll meet future classmates and friends, discuss your academic and cocurricular interests with faculty, staff, and peers, and begin creating your Clark adventure.

You have chosen to attend an institution with a rich, vibrant history, where extraordinary students and scholars have illuminated the path to discovery, challenged convention, and truly changed the world. We encourage you to take advantage of the people and offerings that make Clark truly memorable — and get ready for liftoff into your Clark journey.
GET TO KNOW YOUR NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION TEAM

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

9 a.m.–Noon
Move-in and Explore Campus
Residence Halls
Please go to your residence hall, where you will check in to both your dorm and orientation.

9:30 a.m.–1:15 p.m.
Brunch
No charge for new students (show your Clark ID). Meal tickets will be provided for families at check-in.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

Noon–1:30 p.m.
Commuter Student Welcome Reception
Commuter students and their families may join Peer Advisers and fellow commuter and transfer students for an informal gathering prior to the Clark Welcome.

1:30–2:15 p.m.
Clark Welcome
President David Angel, along with other administrators and Student Council President Emma Dinnerstein ’20, welcome you to the Clark community and help you kick off New Student Orientation 2019.

2:30–3:30 p.m.
Group Meeting with Peer Adviser
Peer Advisers are your guides to all things orientation! They will be eagerly waiting to meet outside of the Kneller. We highly encourage you to take a moment before the Clark Welcome to find your PA in the Kneller; your PA’s name is listed on the back of your name tag.

3:30–4:45 p.m.
Meetings with Resident Advisers
Meet with your Resident Adviser (RA) to discuss life in the residence halls/houses and on campus.

3:30–4:45 p.m.
Commuter Student Meeting
Meet other commuter students and ask any questions you might have about being a commuter.

4:45–5:30 p.m.
Family Reception
Bring your family and enjoy refreshments with other new students and their families. There will be some booths and games for you to play, too!

Programs in RED are required activities for all incoming students.

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Schedule subject to change. All changes made will be communicated.
**THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 CONTINUED**

- **5–7 p.m.**
  - **Dinner: Friends, Food, & Areas of Interest**
    Mingle with fellow students by sitting at a table that has a prompt you're interested in.
    Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

- **5–7 p.m.**
  - **College Life Talkback: College Jitters**
    Join some PAs upstairs for dinner and to chat about your transition so far.
    Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Room

- **7:15–7:45 p.m.**
  - **Campus Safety**
    Join University Police to learn about security on campus, the safety program, crime prevention team, and Clark's Rapid Response Squad.

- **8–9 p.m.**
  - **Remove The Lid: How to Release Your Inner Leader and Have Your College Career Take Off!**
    If you want to maximize your college experience, you need to first remove your "lid," the subconscious barriers that keep students from soaring in college and life. In this high-energy program by Bert Gervais, our keynote speaker, you'll learn practical steps to stay motivated inside and outside the classroom, the importance of using your resources, and how to take yourself to the next level.

- **9–9:30 p.m.**
  - **Group Meeting with Peer Adviser**
    Meet with your PA group to discuss your day, programming, and the fun social activities for the night!

- **9:30–11:30 p.m.**
  - **Res Hall Crawl**
    Take a trip through Bullock, Dana, Dodd, Hughes, and Wright halls, all of which will have a fun activity and, of course, food! There will be karaoke, DIY plant making, a pool competition, board games, and performances from the wonderful a cappella groups here at Clark! When you’re tired of running around all the halls, sit back, relax, and watch a movie under the stars.

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 23**

- **7–9 a.m.**
  - **Breakfast**
    Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

- **9:15–10:15 a.m.**
  - **Academic Prelude & the LEEP Experience**
    A ceremonial welcome to your academic journey. Deans and professors will discuss Clark's academic programs and describe their expectations and hopes for you, and students will share their experiences with our networks of academic and career development support.

- **10:15–11 a.m.**
  - **Academics, Resources & LEEP, Oh My: PA-led Conversations about Clark Resources & Academics**
    Debrief with your PA about the LEEP experience, academics at Clark, and resources available to you.

- **11 a.m.–1 p.m.**
  - **Lunch**
    Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

- **11 a.m.–1 p.m.**
  - **College Life Talkback: Academics**
    Join Clark faculty and some PAs for lunch and to debrief or ask questions about academic life at Clark.

- **1:15–2:30 p.m.**
  - **Building an Inclusive Community and Engaging Dynamics of Diversity and Inclusion**
    The joining of your community to many different communities can feel overwhelming. This session, led by Sam Offer, helps you as an individual to better understand the dynamics of difference and how we can together use our identities and cultural lenses to foster greater inclusivity within our groups and on campus.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 23
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2:30–3:15 p.m.
Mix & Mingle: Multicultural and First Generation Student Support
Dana Commons
Are you a first generation student (the first generation in your family to go to get a 4-year degree)? Do you identify as a student of color and/or multiracial student? Come meet the Multicultural and First Generation Student Support staff and learn about the support services and resources available to you! This will also be a chance to meet other students and continue to foster a community of support.

3:15–3:30 p.m.
Group Meeting with Peer Adviser
See your PA for locations
Check-in with your PA and walk over to trivia together!

3:30–5:15 p.m.
Clark U Trivia
See your PA for locations
Are you ready? This interactive presentation will test your knowledge of all things Clark. In this trivia game, it's every PA group for themselves!

5:15–7:15 p.m.
College Life Talkback: Diversity and Inclusion on Clark’s Campus
Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Room
Join some PAs for dinner to debrief and/or ask questions about what diversity and inclusion looks like at Clark.

6–7 p.m.
Shabbat
Higgins University Center, Grace Conference Room
Please join Hillel to welcome the Jewish Sabbath (Shabbat) together over a delicious dinner. We’ll have brief welcoming Sabbath rituals, with full, student-led Friday night services resuming next week. All are welcome.

7:30–9 p.m.
Life of the Eye, the Ear and the Mind
Kneller Athletic Center
An academic program for New Student Orientation: The Alloy Orchestra is a 3-man ensemble that uses “racks of junk,” synthesizers, all sorts of other unusual instruments, found objects, and unlikely noisemakers. They will perform their exhilarating original musical score to the astonishing silent film, “Variete” (1925). Be prepared to discuss the film tomorrow.

9-11 p.m.
A Night for U to Chill
Higgins University Center & Kneller Athletic Center
Enjoy a chill night at Clark’s UC. If you’re looking to win, head over to Big Prize Bingo; if you want a good laugh, get ready to see Sheapod and Penanigans, Clark’s improv groups combined! There will be food from local places too, so don’t miss out! If you’d rather move and groove, head over to the Kneller for some sports.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

7–9 a.m.
Breakfast
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

9:15–9:45 a.m.
PA Check-In
See your PA for locations
Join your PA to go over the day’s events!

10–11 a.m.
Conversations on “Variete”
See your PA for location
Join your peers and faculty for a discussion and deeper appreciation of the historical, ideological, and social context of the film.

11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Lunch
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

1:15-1:45 p.m.
Wellness Resources at Clark
Kneller Athletic Center
Join Clark’s Center for Personal Growth and Title IX Office to discuss what Wellness looks like in college and the resources Clark has to offer.

2–3:30 p.m.
Consenting Communities
See your PA for location
This student-led program focuses on respectful relationships and the importance of consent in our community.

3:30-5:15 p.m.
Taste of Clark
The Grind, Atwood Hall, Alden Quad, University Park
Take a walk around campus and enjoy a variety of activities hosted by some of the clubs and groups of Clark’s student body.

5:30–7 p.m.
Dinner
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24
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5:30–7 p.m.
Dinner
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

7:15–8:30 p.m.
Issues on Stage
Kneller Athletic Center
Student leaders will be in the spotlight as they perform skits about issues you may encounter as a college student.

7:30–8:30 p.m.
Transfer/Commuter Student Panel
Higgins University Center, Grace Conference Room
A few transfer and commuter students are ready to answer questions and give insight on adapting to Clark and all of its inner workings, along with some tips and tricks for success.

8:30–9 p.m.
Peer Adviser Check-In
See your PA for location
Check in with your PA to debrief the day, receive your wristband for social activities, and find out what there is to do!

9:30 p.m.–Midnight
Orientation Presents: Your Fierce, Fabulous, and Final Night
Higgins University Center
Get ready for a big night full of food, dancing, singing — and even more food! Prepare for the dance happening in Dining Hall and for the photo booth and snacks in Tilton. If you don’t feel like dancing, enjoy some nice karaoke in the Grind or a never-before-seen event by Clark’s new LGBTQ+ group, Prism! There also will be glow-in-the-dark sports and a food truck. This night has a lot to offer, so be sure not to miss out!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Brunch
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

9 a.m.–1 p.m.
Office Drop-In Hours
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center (ASEC)
Financial Aid, Room 334
Student Accounts, Room 318
Tours of the LEEP Center, ASEC Lobby

10 a.m.–2 p.m.
Library Tours
Meet with library staff to learn about all the nooks, crannies, and resources available to you as a Clark student.

10:30 a.m.–2 p.m.
Campus Tours
Higgins University Center
(tours leave every 30 minutes)
Peer Advisers will show you around campus and answer questions.
Be sure to bring your class schedule!

10:30 a.m.–1 p.m.
Meet at Red Square
Neighborhood Walking Tours
Peer Advisers will show you around Worcester and answer questions!

10:15 a.m.–11:15 p.m.
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Pre-Health Information Session
This session is for those planning on a career in the health professions, including but not limited to medicine (including physician’s assistants), dentistry, veterinary medicine, nursing, pharmacology, and more. Public health will not be covered in this session.

11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.
Jonas Clark Hall, Room 120
Pre-Law Information Session
This session is for those interested in careers in law or who want more information about Clark’s Law and Society minor or Mock Trial Team.

12:15–1 p.m.
Dining Services Dietary Needs Meet and Greet
Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Hall
Meet and Greet Clark Dining Services’ General Manager will be available to meet with students concerning their dietary needs (i.e., allergies, intolerances, or preferences), or to schedule a private meeting for a later date.

1–2 p.m.
Dolan Field House
Group Photo
Find your PA to get your new Clark T-shirt and walk over to the Dolan to take a group photo!

2–3 p.m.
See your PA for location
Final Group Meeting with Peer Adviser
This will be your last meeting with your PA group! You’ll wrap up Orientation and get ready to start an amazing year at Clark!

5–7 p.m.
Dinner
Use your meal plan for the first time! Students who are not enrolled in a plan will have to pay or dinner.
Higgins University Center, Dining Hall

6–7 p.m.
Atwood Hall, Daniels Theater
Student-Athlete Assembly
Mandatory for student-athletes
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

WHEN IN DOUBT
Ask your Peer Adviser, an Orientation Coordinator, Campus Life staff, a Resident Adviser, or someone in the Dean of Students Office.

STUDENT SUPPORT/INFORMATION HEADQUARTERS
PAs will be in Winton Dining Hall in Higgins University Center during most meal times to serve as a resource, someone to debrief with, and a friend!

COLLEGE LIFE TALKBACKS
A space to review, clarify, and hear about student experiences regarding issues addressed during orientation.

BANKS & CELLPHONE COMPANIES
Tuesday, 8/20, Wednesday, 8/21 and Friday, 8/23; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Representatives from local banks and cell phone companies will be will be stationed outside of the UC to assist students in opening accounts.
A TD Bank ATM is located directly to the right of Orientation Headquarters in the UC.

CAMPUS STORE
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, Room 106
The Campus Store carries an assortment of school supplies, Clark clothing, gifts, and memorabilia.
Orientation hours are:
Monday–Friday: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES
Once the semester starts, be sure to regularly check ClarkYou, clarku.collegiatelink.net, and the biweekly “What’s Happening @ Clark” email for the calendar of events! Follow Clark Campus Life on Snapchat (@clark_u) and Instagram (@clarku_campuslife) to find information about campus events, tickets, transportation, and local activities.

UNIVERSITY POLICE
If you have any safety concerns, please visit University Police (UP) in the basement of Bullock Hall or call 508-793-7575.

Keep up with the latest Clark news
clarku.edu/clarknow
you.clarku.edu

CLARK SAFETY ESCORT
Clark’s Student Safety Escort Service provides transportation to and from the Clark campus area, 4 p.m. to 4 a.m., 7 days a week during the academic year; call x7777.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS OFFICE
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, Room 318
Please visit this office if you have any general questions about your student account.
The Student Accounts Office is open:
Monday–Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (only for orientation)
The Cashier’s Office is open Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, Room 334
Stop by to ask any general questions about financial aid, to check on the status of an application, or to complete any additional paperwork.
Monday–Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (only for orientation)

CLARK ONECARD
Shaich Family Alumni and Student Engagement Center, Room 325
Your OneCard will be available for pickup with your key in your residence hall. If you did not submit your photo online prior to your arrival, you will be issued a blank, temporary card, and will need to visit the OneCard office to have your photo taken.
Orientation Hours:
Monday–Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Saturday: Closed
Sunday: Noon to 2 p.m.
Regular Hours (beginning August 26):
Monday–Friday: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

COMPUTER SUPPORT
Information Technology Services (ITS) staff will be at the ITS Help Desk in Academic Commons for computer support at these times:
Thursday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Be sure to bring your laptop and power adapters.