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 the Maywood Street Parking Lot, where you will check-in.

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.
Transfer & Commuter Student Welcome
Commuter and Transfer students and their families may join Peer Advisers 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 for all thing orientation! They will be eagerly waiting to meet outside of the Kneler. We highly encourage you to take a moment before the Clark Welcome to find your PA in the Kneler; 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.

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!

Schedule subject to change. All changes made will be communicated.
FAMILIES DEPART

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.

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

See your PA for specific time and location.

Individual Meetings with Peer Advisers  
Meet one-on-one with your PA to get to know each other better, ask questions, and talk all things Clark!

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.

11 a.m.–1 p.m.  
On-Campus Student Employment Fair  
Come learn about Clark student employment and speak directly with departments about their open positions.
FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

1:15–3:15 p.m.
Kneller Athletic Center & Alden Quad

**Building an Inclusive Community: 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.

3:15–3:30 p.m.
See your PA for locations

**Group Meeting with Peer Adviser**
Check-in with your PA and walk over to trivia together

3:30–5:15 p.m.
See your PA for locations

**Clark U Trivia**
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.
Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Room

**College Life Talkback: Diversity and Inclusion on Clark’s Campus**
Join some PAs for dinner to debrief and/or ask questions about what diversity and inclusion looks like at Clark.

6:15–8:30 p.m.
Meet at Red Square

**Brief Worcester Tour and Dinner with Transfers**
Take your pick between several Worcester restaurants — Hacienda Don Juan, Fantastic Pizza, Saigon, Worcester Pizza Factory — and get to know surrounding Worcester while on the way to dinner!

6–7 p.m.
Higgins University Center, Grace Conference Room

**Shabbat**
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.

9-11 p.m.
Higgins University Center & Kneller Athletic Center

**A Night for U to Chill**
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

9:15–9:30 a.m.
PA Check-In
See your PA for locations

9:30–11 a.m.
Transfer Q&A with Academic Advising
Dana Commons, Fireside Lounge

9:30–11 a.m.
Join your PA to go over the day’s events!

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

1:15-1:45 p.m.
Kneller Athletic Center

**Wellness Resources at Clark**
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.
See your PA for location

**Consenting Communities**
This student-led program focuses on respectful relationships and the importance of consent in our community.

3:30-5:15 p.m.
The Grind, Atwood Hall, Alden Quad, University Park

**Taste of Clark**
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
**5:30–7 p.m.** Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Room

**College Life Talkback: Interpersonal Relationships and Mental Health**
Join some PAs to discuss what college relationships and friendships look like and self-care regarding mental health.

**Transfer and Commuter Student Panel**
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.

**Peer Adviser Check-In**
Check in with your PA to debrief the day, receive your wristband for social activities, and find out what there is to do!

**Orientation Presents: Your Fierce, Fabulous, and Final Night**
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!

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**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

**College Life Talkback: Q&A and Orientation Drop-In**
Fellow students will be available to answer questions and give advice about what to expect for the rest of the day, how to prepare for classes, and any other aspects of the transition to college life.

**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.
Higgins University Center (tours leave every 30 minutes)

**Campus Tours**
Peer Advisers will show you around campus and answer questions. Be sure to bring your class schedule!

**Neighborhood Walking Tours**
Peer Advisers will show you around Worcester and answer questions!

**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

12:15–1 p.m.
Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Hall

**Campus Tours**
Peer Advisers will show you around campus and answer questions.

12:15–1 p.m.
Higgins University Center, Winton Dining Hall

**dinner**
Use your meal plan for the first time! Students who are not enrolled in a plan will have to pay or dine.

5–7 p.m.

**Atwood Hall, Daniels Theater**

**Mandatory for student-athletes**

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**6–7 p.m.**
Atwood Hall, Daniels Theater

**Student-Athlete Assembly**

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**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!

**Dinner**
Use your meal plan for the first time! Students who are not enrolled in a plan will have to pay or dinner.

6–7 p.m.

**Atwood Hall, Daniels Theater**

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**2–3 p.m.**

**See your PA for location**

**Group Photo**
Find your PA to get your new Clark T-shirt and walk over to the Dolan to take a group photo!
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.
Sunday: 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.