

August 2021 Orientation Schedule



All times are Central Time (the same as Chicago).

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

Residence Hall Move-In

5-7 p.m.

If you are living on campus this year, you can move into your residence area tonight before FOCUS tomorrow. Check in at the front desk of your residence hall when you arrive on campus between 5 and 7 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST), then move your belongings into your room. There are no orientation activities tonight, and not very many students moving in this evening, so you have time to settle into your room.

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

FOCUS Orientation

8-8:45 a.m.

FOCUS Check-in

Harre Union, Atrium

Pick up your FOCUS materials from the check-in table and proceed down the hall to Harre Union, Grand Lounge to get your OneCard ID. Submit your ID photo online before your FOCUS session. Have someone take a head and shoulders photo of you against a white background (like a passport photo) and upload your photo at apps.valpo.edu/idExpress (log in with your Valpo username/password).

9-9:30 a.m.

Opening Welcome

Harre Union, Ballrooms

Valpo staff and Orientation Assistants (OAs) officially welcome you to campus as we kick-off FOCUS together!

9:35-10:00 a.m.

Student	Parent/Family
Student Orientation Group Meeting Various Locations Leave Opening Welcome with your Orientation Group when your group number is called. Get to know classmates and discuss information you need for FOCUS.	Your Student's Life at Valpo, Things to Know Harre Union, Ballroom C The Vice-President of Student Life will join to share information about the Division of Student Life and current topics of importance at Valpo.

10:10-10:50 a.m.

Introduction to the Colleges

Various Locations

Now that your student has chosen Valpo, there are details to learn that are more in-depth than anything covered during a visit day. Representatives from the Colleges talk about curricular expectations, academic resources, and students' transition to academics at Valpo.

College of Arts and Sciences

Harre Union, Ballroom C

College of Business

Urschel Hall, Room 202

College of Engineering

Gellersen Hall, Room 120

College of Nursing and Health Professions

Harre Union, Brown & Gold Room

11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.

Student Account, Billing, and Payment Plan Overview

Neils Science Center, Room 234

Student Accounts presents an overview of Student Account Self-Service, billing information, payment plans, and more

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

All That We Share: Faith Life On Campus

Chapel of the Resurrection

What if there is more that brings us together than makes us different? Explore this and learn how Valpo can assist you on your spiritual journey whatever your faith background.

12:00 p.m.-12:45 p.m.

Lunch

Harre Union, Founders Table

12:45-1:15 p.m.

Students	Parents/Family
<p>Information Technology for Students Center for the Arts, Theatre Learn about the campus technology systems you will use regularly, what you should and should not bring to campus in the fall, and how to grant parent/guest access to your Valpo account information.</p>	<p>Parent Services Fair Grand Lounge, Harre Union Gather program information and talk with representatives from key campus services.</p>

1:25-2:25 p.m.

Students	Parents/Family
<p>Student Life Advising Center for the Arts, Theatre What do you want your time to look like at Valpo? At this session, your group will meet with a member of the student life team and begin to map out what some of your co-curricular experiences could look like during your journey at Valpo!</p>	<p>Supporting Your Student Harre Union, Ballroom C How do you support your student without doing things for them? Members of the Dean of Students team will share information about available supportive resources such as Counseling Services, Health Center, and Residential Life and engage families in a conversation about best practices and helpful advice.</p>

Create Your Afternoon, Choose from the following as needed:

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Financial Aid Drop-In Appointments

Harre Union, Center for Student Involvement, Room 230

Come and go as you are able. Financial Aid Counselors are available for quick consultations regarding financial aid. Financial Aid is also available any day before or after FOCUS; book online at vufinancialaid.youcanbook.me for non-FOCUS days.

Until 5 p.m.

Campus Offices and Bookstore Open

Various Locations

This is a good time to take care of any Valpo business you still need to do or get questions answered at offices around campus.

Complete Class Registration

College of Arts and Sciences Building, 236

If you have not yet registered for classes, please be sure to connect with your academic advisor and complete your registration.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

FOCUS Student Move-In

Residence Halls

Residential students who did not move-in last night can move in today between 5 and 7 p.m., after they complete class registration. The student checks in at their residence hall.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Dinner

Harre Union, Founders Table

Dinner is free if you show your FOCUS nametag.

Welcome Week 2021

Don't miss out on Welcome Week 2021! Valpo students are very involved in and out of the classroom. Plan to start your Valpo experience the same way by enjoying all the Welcome Week activities beginning Saturday, August 21, and Valpo will feel like home quickly!

See valpo.edu/registrar/calendar for 2021-22 dates including:

August 21-28	Required Welcome Week Activities
August 25	First Day of Classes
September 1	Noon Deadline to Drop/Add Fall 2020 Classes
October 14-15	Fall Break, No Classes
October 22-24	Family Weekend
November 20	Residence Halls Close for Thanksgiving Break
November 20-27	Thanksgiving Break
December 10	Last Day of Fall 2020 Instruction
November 11	Reading Day
December 13-17	Final Exams

Campus Offices

Campus offices are open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. If you need directions to a campus office, ask any FOCUS staff member or stop by the Harre Union Welcome Desk for assistance. Locations of frequently visited offices include:

Dining Services

Harre Union, Suite 170

One Card & Information Technology Service Desk

Christopher Center, Lower Level

Multicultural and International Programs

Gandhi-King Center, Harre Union 2nd Floor

Parking, and Transportation Services

Valparaiso University Police Department

Residential Life

Harre Union, Suite 250