



New Student and Family Programs

Orientation

Spring 2026 Downtown Transfer Schedule

**Please note: This Orientation will take place at UCF's Downtown Campus location in Downtown Orlando 500 W Livingston St., Orlando, FL 32801. All schedule components are required, unless otherwise stated. It is a university requirement to complete Orientation in full in order to be able to register for courses.*



ALL ATTENDEES

TIME:	SESSION:	DESCRIPTION:
8:30am – 9:00am	Downtown Orientation Check-In Dr. Phillips Academic Commons (DPAC), West Lobby	Welcome to UCF Downtown! Let's start your Orientation with some excitement! Students and families will check-in in the Dr. Phillips Academic Commons (DPAC) West Lobby.
9:00am – 9:45am	Welcome to UCF! DPAC, Room 106A	The official start of UCF Orientation! We will be discussing what to expect for the day, sharing some helpful advice for making the most of your experience, and teach you the important UCF traditions every new Knight and Knight supporter has to know. Get excited!
9:45am – 10:15am	Downtown 101 DPAC, Room 106A	Get the scoop about all things UCF Downtown from ways to get around to local attractions!
10:15am – 10:30am	Break DPAC, West Lobby	Take a break before we go to Breakout Sessions – you deserve it!

BREAKOUT SESSIONS - Rotation #1

10:30am – 11:00am	Financial Aid & Fee Payment DPAC, Room 106A	Transfer students may be familiar with paying their tuition bill from a previous institution but it's essential you know how to do that here at UCF! Learn more about paying tuition and fees, Florida Pre-Paid and other third-party payments, and the financial aid available and resources to assist you at UCF. This presentation will be presented by Student Account Services and Student Financial Assistance.
10:30am – 11:00am	Getting Involved on Campus DPAC, Room 108	Find out how your passions and interests intersect with opportunities to get involved on and around the Downtown campus!

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**Meals provided with Orientation reservation: Lunch*



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BREAKOUT SESSIONS - Rotation #2

11:00am - 11:30am	Transfer Student Success DPAC, Room 106A	Transferring to UCF is a big transition and comes with lots of questions! This presentation is designed with YOU in mind and will give you tips to be successful at UCF!
11:00am - 11:30am	Reach For the Stars: Career Development & Exploration DPAC, Room 108	Thinking about how to maximize your time at UCF and ensure you are career ready can be stressful. In this presentation, you will learn about resources to help you navigate the process of career exploration and develop key skills to live your dreams!
11:45am - 12:30pm	Lunch & Downtown Campus Safety DPAC, Room 106A	Enjoy lunch with your new friends and supporters while hearing from our UCF Downtown Police Department and Victim Services.
12:30pm - 1:15pm	Campus Tour Various Locations; Begins in DPAC, West Lobby	Take a guided tour of our three primary campus buildings and learn about all that UCF Downtown has to offer.

STUDENTS

TIME: SESSION: DESCRIPTION:

1:30pm - 4:45pm	Academic Success Coaching & Course Registration Respective Academic College, Various Locations	Time to start making moves! You will attend a presentation from Academic Success Coaches on your college's specific requirements, services, and expectations related to your academic program. Then, you will be coached on what courses to register for, and then officially register. Once done registering, you will follow the remainder of the Orientation program (see below). <i>Please note: families and guests are unable to attend Academic Success Coaching & Course Registration.</i>
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FAMILIES & GUESTS

TIME: SESSION: DESCRIPTION:

1:30pm - 2:00pm	Navigating UCF DPAC, Room 106A	Knowing the basics of a large institution can be overwhelming. In this session, you will learn all the essential things to frame the rest of your Orientation experience, like who's who at the institution, how things are structured, UCF systems, and important policies and processes.
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Charge On to Success DPAC, Room 106A	Learn more about how students can succeed academically while at UCF. This presentation will discuss success strategies and academic support programs and resources.
2:30pm - 2:45pm	Break DPAC, West Lobby	Take a break - you deserve it!

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TIME:	SESSION:	DESCRIPTION:	TIME:	SESSION:	DESCRIPTION:
		See above	2:45pm - 3:15pm	Student Wellness & Support DPAC, Room 106A	Discover the UCF Downtown wellness resources that are helping our students thrive.
			3:15pm - 3:45pm	Supporting Your Downtown Knight & What's Next DPAC, Room 106A	Having your student attend college can be an exciting time, but what is sometimes overlooked is the changing relationships between families and students. This session will describe common characteristics of this generation of students and their families, and the evolving role of families in their student's success.
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3:45pm - 4:45pm	Resource Fair DPAC, East Lobby	Meet a variety of university services and learn more about the resources available to UCF students!			
4:45pm - 5:00pm	Orientation Checkout Survey & Checkout DPAC, East Lobby	Complete the required Orientation Checkout Survey, grab your signature UCF Downtown swag, and pick up your UCF ID if you submitted your picture online ahead of your Orientation date.			

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