



**LANDMARK**  
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# **Family Schedule**

**New Family Orientation, Spring 2024**



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Dear Families,

We are delighted you have chosen Landmark College! These next few days are designed to empower your student to become an informed, confident, and engaged community member and to help you. We worked very hard to cultivate separate schedules for you and your student(s). **All student activities are required unless noted as optional, and attendance is integral to building your student's academic and social confidence.** *Family* events are optional, though strongly encouraged; please note that these workshops will complement our Family Weekend events (February 16 and 17 – save the date!).

Our Family Orientation schedule aims to inform and empower parents and families as valued community members and supporters of their students' increased independence. We honor the pivotal role you have played in supporting your student's journey to Landmark, and we hope these workshops will provide helpful guidance on how to navigate the journey ahead.

At the close of the Family Orientation, we hope you will feel confident about the following:

- Know whom to contact about what and when
- Know about our academic expectations and opportunities
- Know about our residential and social expectations and opportunities
- Feel confident in our ability to support your student

And we want to make sure your student:

- Knows how to access resources and supports
- Knows the layout of the campus
- Knows how to navigate buildings
- Knows what to expect from the academic programming
- Knows where to go and whom to talk with about social activities
- Had fun and made some new connections

Go Sharks!



Dr. Craig Marcus  
Dean of Students and Director of Student Engagement

# FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 18, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Registration/Move into Residence Halls**

**Location:** [Click Family Sports Center](#), Coach John Wood Gymnasium

Families and students arrive for registration. Students pick up their computers, get photo IDs, complete any missing paperwork, and receive their room keys. Students will be able to move belongings into their rooms **after** completing the registration process. Landmark Administrators, Residential Life Staff, and Orientation Leaders will be on hand to provide directions and answer questions.

11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. **Lunch**

**Location:** [Alumni Hall](#), Dining Hall

Families are welcome to enjoy complimentary meals in the dining hall during orientation.

*The student program sessions are **required** for all new students.  
The family program is **optional** for families.*

1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. **Welcome Address**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

**Presenters:** Dr. Peter Eden, President; Michael Luciani, Vice President for Student Affairs; Michael Stefanowicz, Vice President for Enrollment Management; and Dr. Karrie Kalich, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Landmark College leadership welcomes you and your student(s) to Landmark College. At the close of this session, students will depart with their Orientation Leaders for programming, and families are invited to attend family-specific orientation programming.

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Living & Learning at Landmark: A Program Overview**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

**Presenters:** Michael Luciani, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Karrie Kalich, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Jill Hinckley, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the School of Education; Nevada Bromley, Director of Academic Advising; Anna Habib, Director of Academic Support and Placement; and Tori Tilson, Director of Counseling

This program provides a brief overview of the academic and student life components of the Landmark College experience. There will be an opportunity to ask questions.

4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Advisor Meet & Greet**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Posters will be located in the Lewis Building entryway to identify the classroom in which to meet your student's advisor

**Presenters:** Academic Advisors

Families are invited to an informal meet and greet with their students' advisors. You can find your classroom by locating your student's name on the directory poster in the entryways.

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**Thursday, January 18, 2024**

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Welcome Dinner**

**Location:** [Alumni Hall](#), Dining Hall

We welcome families to join for a complimentary dinner.

7:00 p.m.

**Families depart for the evening**

Additional family sessions will continue on Friday morning beginning at 9:15 a.m.



## Break Shuttles

Will your student need to catch a flight or an Amtrak train to travel home during academic breaks?

- Utilize a Landmark shuttle to assist your student in making it home!

Do you live closer to Boston, Hartford, or New York City than Landmark College?

- Save time driving to Landmark around academic breaks by meeting your student at one of the shuttle destinations!

Shuttle Destinations:

- Logan International Airport in Boston, MA
- Bradley International Airport in Hartford, CT / Springfield, MA
- Amtrak and Greyhound Bus Stations in Brattleboro, VT
- Amtrak Station in Springfield, MA
- Moynihan Train Hall at Penn Station in New York City, NY



Visit <https://www.landmark.edu/student-life/shuttle-services> for additional information

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Friday, January 19, 2024

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7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast**

**Location:** [Alumni Hall](#), Dining Hall

We welcome families to join us for a complimentary breakfast.

8:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Coffee & Water Station**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **What to Expect in the First Year**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

**Presenters:** Michael Luciani, Vice President for Student Affairs, and Dr. Karrie Kalich, Vice President for Academic Affairs

The transition to college is an eventful one with many benchmarks and milestones along the way. This workshop will review the patterns of a student's transition to college and will make suggestions on how parents can support their students in making that transition.

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **The Academic Rhythm of the Semester**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

**Presenter:** Jill Hinckley, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the School of Education

Wondering about the ebb and flow of academic expectations during the semester? Learn about the rhythm of an academic semester at Landmark College, including faculty expectations, workload, support programs, and how we facilitate communication between students and families regarding academic performance.

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

**Location:** [Alumni Hall](#), Dining Hall

1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **The Family Journey: More Helping, Less Rescuing**

**Location:** [Lewis Academic Building](#), Brooks O'Brien Auditorium

**Presenters:** Tori Tilson, Director of Counseling; Meg Spicer, Assistant Director of Counseling, Matthew Cherry, Counselor; Jeffrey Hawkinson, Counselor; and Sarah Yzkanin, Counselor

Learn communication and support tips to help your student be successful. To create a comfortable environment for all participants, we request that students not attend this session.

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Friday, January 19, 2024

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Information Sessions, please choose one:**

**Career Connections: Planning the Next Step**

**Location:** [Strauch Family Student Center](#), Café Court

**Presenters:** Jan Coplan, Senior Director of Career Connections, and Dean Tzivanis, Associate Director of Career Connections

It is never too early to plan for the next step. Learn about our unique approach to preparing students for the workplace including our career readiness workshop offerings, career exploration tools, and factors to consider when transferring to another college. We will also highlight work-based learning opportunities which include campus employment, our signature Employment Readiness Experience (ERE) program, and our campus internship program.

**Drake Center for Academic Support**

**Location:** [Administration Building](#), Auditorium

**Presenters:** Nellie Prior, Assistant Director of Academic Support

Did you know that your academic support model offers a variety of academic support in a variety of ways? Nellie Prior, Assistant Director of the Drake Center, will provide an overview of services and explain our support approach during this session.

**Social Pragmatic Programs & Services (For PEERS Families)**

**Location:** [Administration Building](#), Conference Room

**Presenter:** Mickey Cronin, Director of Social Pragmatics and Supports

Learn about our integrated model of support for students with ASD or social pragmatic challenges. Find out what support is available, how it is accessed, and how it can contribute to a positive college experience.

**Wellness at Landmark College**

**Location:** [Nicole Goodner MacFarlane Science, Technology, and Innovation Center](#), The Robert E. Lewis Family Auditorium

**Presenter:** Todd Miller, Assistant Professor and Physical Education Coordinator

Sleep hygiene and physical activity are the cornerstones of anxiety management and wellness. Join Assistant Professor Miller for an overview of the science behind this work and ways you can support your student from afar in developing healthy habits.

4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **President's Family Reception**

**Location:** [Nicole Goodner MacFarlane Science, Technology, and Innovation Center](#), The Nurjehan and Moaiz Daya Family Lower Lobby

Join Dr. Peter Eden and members of the Landmark College community for a reception welcoming you to the Landmark family.

5:30 p.m.

**Dinner in Town**

Families are encouraged to check out local options in Putney (VT), Brattleboro (VT), or Keene (NH) – feel free to ask a team member for their local favorite!

# FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 20, 2024

10:00 a.m.

## **Convocation**

**Location:** [Click Family Sports Center](#), Coach John Wood Gymnasium

Join us for the ceremonial start to the Spring 2024 semester as we officially welcome new students into the Landmark College community.

11:00 a.m.

## **Family Farewell Brunch**

**Location:** [Alumni Hall](#), Dining Hall

Immediately following Convocation, we invite our families to join us for brunch before departing your student(s).

12:30 p.m.

## **Families Depart**



## **Family Weekend February 16 & 17**

Family Weekend is a special and exciting time for families to connect with students, faculty, and staff, and to experience the excitement and expertise within the Landmark College community.

This weekend of events provides a snapshot of our community's academic and co-curricular excellence through panel presentations, meetings with faculty, staff, and administrators, workshops, a reception to meet other Landmark families, and a fun-filled weekend of social events for families and students.

For updated information about Family Weekend, please visit our [Family Weekend](#) web page (information will continue to be updated).

### **Other Important Dates:**

February 16 & 17: Family Weekend – No Classes

March 2: Residence Halls close at Noon for Spring Break

March 10: Residence Halls reopen at 1:00 p.m.

April 13–16: Student Long Weekend (No classes April 15 & 16)

May 11: Commencement

May 12: Residence Halls close at Noon for Summer Break

August 25: Residence Halls open for students returning for the Fall 2024 Semester



[Academic Calendar](#)



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