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Family Schedule

New Family Orientation, Spring 2023

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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. **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 17th & 18th – 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'll 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

FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 19th, 2023

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration/Move into Residence Halls

Location: [Click Family Athletic Center](#), 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. Orientation Leaders and Residential Life Staff will be on hand to provide direction and answer any 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.

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Welcome Address

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

Presenters: Dr. Peter Eden, President; Dr. Gail Gibson Sheffield, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Michael Luciani, Vice President for Student Affairs; and Michael Stefanowicz, Vice President for Enrollment Management

Landmark College leadership welcomes you and your student 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: [Administration Building](#), Auditorium

Presenters: Dr. Gail Gibson Sheffield, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Michael Luciani, Vice President for Student Affairs; Jill Hinckley, Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Education, Nevada Bromley, Interim Director of Academic Advising, Anna Habib, Director of Academic Support and Placement, and Luis Rosa, Director of Counseling, Health and Wellness

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](#), check the posters to identify the classroom for 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. Staff will also be on hand to help families locate their students' advisors.

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5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Welcome Dinner

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

We welcome families to join members of our faculty, staff, and administration for a complimentary dinner.

7:00 p.m.

Families depart for the evening

Additional family sessions will continue Friday morning beginning at 9:30 a.m.

FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Friday, January 20th, 2023

7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast

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

We welcome families to join us for a complimentary breakfast.

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Coffee Station

Location: [Lewis Academic Building](#), Outside the Drake Center for Academic Support

9:30 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. Gail Gibson Sheffield, 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 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: Luis Rosa, Director of Counseling, Health and Wellness; Matthew Cherry, Counselor; Jeffrey Hawkinson, Counselor; Meg Spicer, Counselor; and Tori Tilson, 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.*

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Information Sessions, please choose one.

Wellness at Landmark College

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

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.

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Career Connections: Planning the Next Step

Location: [Nicole Goodner MacFarlane Science, Technology, and Innovation Center](#), Lewis Auditorium

Presenters: Jan Coplan, Director of Career Connections, and Dean Tzivanis, Assistant Director of Career Connections

It's never too early to plan for the next step! Learn about resources available to students, internship opportunities, and factors to consider when transferring or entering the workforce.

Building an Inclusive Community

Location: [Administration Building](#), Auditorium

Presenters: Marc Thurman '18, Director of the Centers for Diversity and Inclusion, and Dr. Craig Marcus, Dean of Students and Director of Student Engagement

Gain an overview of diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts that exist at Landmark College. Attendees will receive an overview of the Center for Women and Gender, the Pa'lante Center, the Stonewall Center, the Rise Up Center, and the Spirituality space, as well as the Reach One, Teach One mentoring program to provide Landmark students the opportunity to connect with fellow students seeking to learn more about themselves.

Social Pragmatic Programs & Services (For PEERS Families)

Location: [Davis Hall](#), Room #009

Presenters: Andy Donahue, Director of Social Pragmatic Programs and Services, and Mickey Cronin, Associate Director of Social Pragmatics

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.

Transition at College (TaC)

Location: [Lewis Academic Building](#), Classroom #102

Presenters: Dr. Eric Gobel-Lynch, Director of Transition Programs, and Angel Cintron, Resident Dean and Assistant Director of TaC

Join the TaC team for an overview of Spring programming and guidance on how to best support your student on their upcoming journey.

Please note: This session is specific to families in the Transition at College program.

4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

President's Family Reception

Location: [Nicole Goodner MacFarlane Science, Technology, and Innovation Center](#), Atrium

Musical Performance: Stephen Glover, Assistant Professor of Arts

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 21st, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Convocation

Location: [Click Family Athletic Center.](#) Gymnasium

Join us for the ceremonial start to the Spring 2023 semester as we officially welcome new students into the Landmark College community.

Family Farewell Brunch (Immediately following Convocation)

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

Immediately following Convocation, we invite our families to join us for brunch and enjoy in one of our outdoor seating areas on campus.

12:30 p.m.

Families Depart



Family Weekend February 17-18, 2023

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, and a reception to meet other Landmark families, and a fun-filled weekend of social events for families and students.

Come and spend some time with your student in southern Vermont at the start of sugaring season.

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

Other Important Dates:

March 4th — Residence Halls close for spring break at 11:45 a.m.

March 12th — Residence Halls reopen at noon

May 14th — Residence Halls close at 11:45 a.m. for the semester

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