



NEW STUDENT SPRING ORIENTATION LANDMARK COLLEGE

NOTES & INFORMATION

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"Action is the fundamental key to success." Pablo Picasso

Opportunity lives in every corner, every classroom, and every decision you make. As a college student you will experience excitement, frustration, illumination, and exhaustion. And, this is as it should be because your world will be spinning on its axis, and your brain will be creating new neural pathways every day. This planner is your glue. It will help you see what you are doing, what you need to do, and where you are going. Intentions are great; actions are better. Planning affords you the opportunity to be thoughtful in your decisions and predict outcomes. Use this planner every day as a guide, a reminder, a resource

for information. This will help you become the person in charge of your academic experience.

Welcome to Landmark College. We are so glad you have joined this wonderful community. May your journey be filled with discovery, friendships, and newfound confidence.

Kelly O’Ryan

Dean of Students



Welcome to the Landmark community!

As stakeholders in this community, you have a rich opportunity to help define and uphold the values that make this place so special. We hope you navigate each day with respect, compassion, and empathy for yourself, your peers, and the larger community. We also hope you will seek out opportunities to strengthen and share your passions and creative talents, or perhaps develop some new ones in your time here.

You’ve undoubtedly heard a great deal about college life and the importance of being independent; don’t let that deter you from the value of celebrating interdependence and seeking support when you need it. You have a strong safety net around you eager to support where you need it, rest comfortably in that knowledge and let that spur you to take risks in exploring new endeavors.

Please feel free to be in touch - I’d welcome the opportunity to connect.

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Student Affairs Suite; 2nd Floor of Student Center

PRE-ARRIVAL

January 18th-27th

New student orientation Canvas site

Please check your Landmark email for an invitation to join the Canvas site which will be accessible beginning on Monday, January 18th. Prior to your arrival, please check out the site and review posted content. You'll find several helpful modules to support your packing and planning process, as well as information to support you in making strong connections to peers and programming.

It will be helpful to complete the following modules prior to your arrival:

- ✓ Technology Guide for Students
- ✓ Meet the Residential Life Team

**January 19th
7 pm EST**

Arriving to Campus: Panel for new students and families

Join members of the Student Affairs team to learn more about the on-campus registration process, room & campus quarantine logistics, and orientation programming. This is a great opportunity to ask any questions you may have about your arrival to campus!

Check your email for a link to join!

SUNDAY JANUARY 31ST

1:00 pm

Welcome to New Student Orientation

Join Michael Luciani, Vice President of Student Affairs & Kelly O'Ryan, Dean of Students, for your official welcome to New Student Orientation. We'll provide an overview of the schedule and help answer any questions you may have. In this workshop we'll also talk more about the shift from room quarantine to campus quarantine and the additional programming available to you.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

1:30 pm

Virtual Icebreakers

Peer Orientation Leaders will be facilitating a series of virtual ice breakers; this energetic gathering will cover a range of topics and help facilitate broad connections. Please note per platform guidelines students will have to log- into the game using their Google credentials – please have at the ready to join on time!

To Join: Your Orientation Leader will be sending you an Outlook invitation with instructions on how to join; please open that appointment and join through the link provided

2:30 pm

Welcome from Residential Life

This will be a great opportunity to also meet your roommate and new neighbors, as well as to ask any questions you may have about life in the residence halls.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

3:30 pm

Nuts & Bolts: Food deliveries & Packages

Need to purchase some additional items for your room organization? Interested in learning more about how to order food or groceries to campus? We'll walk you through how to order.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

DINNER

Each night you'll find a selection of programming offered by our Student Affairs staff and Peer Orientation Leaders. We encourage you to check out a sampling of what is typically offered throughout the semester to get sense of what type of clubs and programs you'd like to join this fall.

Questions about Student Activities?

Contact Emily North, Director of Student Activities at enorth@landmark.edu

7:00-8:00 pm

Virtual Residential Duty (Optional)

Students on-campus who want to check-in, or students currently off-campus who have questions for the Residential Life team, are encouraged to reach out:

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

8:00-9:00 pm

Virtual Community Connections (Rotating)

Resident Dean & Assistant Director of Student Conduct, Fabio Arnaldo Ayala, and Sallie Banta, Assistant Director of Social Pragmatics, will be hosting a series of small group conversations to help facilitate connections among incoming students. Each night this is offered we will be inviting a small cohort to join on a rotating basis. Check your email to see which night you'll be invited! Questions? Contact fabioarnaldoayala@landmark.edu

9:00 pm

Cards Against Humanity

Orientation Leaders will host Cards Against Humanity. Join for a hilarious good time!

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

M O N D A Y F E B R U A R Y 1 S T

9:30 am

Living in Community

Join Kelly O’Ryan, Dean of Students, Fabio Arnaldo Ayala, Assistant Director of Student Conduct & Community Standards & Resident Dean of Alumni Hall, and Nicole Pacenka, Assistant Director of Housing & Resident Dean of Aiken Hall, for this grounding and interactive overview of life at LC and the importance of respectful citizenship. We’ll be reviewing the cornerstone of our community standards, our R.U.S.H principles, and how to incorporate them into your daily interactions.

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10:45 am

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11:30 am

Introduction to Advising

Your academic advisor plays a pivotal role in supporting you throughout your journey at Landmark. Join Dr. Eric Moschella, Director of Academic Advising and Support, and Nevada Bromley, Advising Coordinator, for this initial session which will review the role of the advisor. There will be additional 1:1 check-ins with your advisor scheduled throughout the New Student Orientation program; your advisor will contact you directly through your Landmark email to set-up a virtual appointment.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

LUNCH

1:30 pm

Academic Support @ Landmark

Join Dr. Eric Moschella, Director of Academic Support & Advising, and Anna Habib Coordinator of Academic Support, for this interactive overview on academic support at Landmark. This will include a review of how to set up appointments at the Drake Center for Academic Support **and ordering your books for the upcoming term.**

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

2:30 pm

Chartwells Connection

The Chartwell's team is an integral part of the campus community. They are responsible for providing (excellent!) food service on-campus and are excited to welcome you into the community. This session will help introduce you to key members of that team, preview some of the updated health procedures in place this spring and answer any questions you may have.

Check out this video on the Dining Hall & COVID Procedures:

[Alumni Dining Hall COVID Procedures](#)

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

4:00 pm

Wellness Block: Zoom Zumba (Optional)

Exercise is an important part of a student's routine and helps promote overall wellness. Each day during orientation we'll be previewing several wellness-oriented activities that are offered throughout the semester. We encourage you to check them out and identify which ones you'll incorporate into your fall routine. First up – **Zoom Zumba!** Join Resident Dean and Assistant Director of Housing Nicole Pacenka for her popular Zumba class.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

DINNER

Mail packages and Target to Go orders will be available for pick-up between 4-7 pm each evening outside of Stone Hall Coffeehouse; you'll receive an email if you have a package ready for pick-up!

7:00-8:00 pm

Virtual Residential Duty (Optional)

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- 7:00 pm** **Stone Hall Bonfire Social (Optional)**
Join Matt Ingram, Resident Dean of Stone Hall, for an informal gathering outside Stone Hall. Come dressed for the weather and enjoy an opportunity to meet and interact with your new peers in a non-virtual setting. Snacks will be provided.
- 8:00 pm** **Bro Talks (Optional)**
Join Marc Thurman, Coordinator of Centers for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI), and Kenny Cooper, CDI student leader, for this popular student program. This is open to all male identifying students and is an excellent space to seek connection, support, and talk about current events. This is a great chance to connect with returning students! Questions? Contact marcthurman@landmark.edu
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 9:00 pm** **Trivia Night (Optional)**
Join your Orientation leaders for a fun night of Trivia (+prizes!)
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
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T U E S D A Y F E B R U A R Y 2 N D

- 9:30 am** **Taking Care of Your Wellbeing**
Join Jeff Huyett, Director Health Services, Jacala Mills, Director of Health, Counseling, and Wellness, Rob Lutz, Resident Dean of Frost Hall, and John Wood, Resident Dean of Chumley-Bridges, for an overview of wellness and related supports at Landmark College.
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 10:30 am** **Wellness @ LC**
Join Todd Miller, Assistant Professor of physical education, as he leads an important conversation about wellness in terms of biology and evolution. Attendees will leave the session with a better understanding of the difference between our current environment and the one we are designed to live in, and ways to develop habits that result in the best from our bodies and brains.
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 11:30 am** **Centers for Diversity & Inclusion**
Join Marc Thurman, Coordinator of Centers for Diversity & Inclusion, as well as student leaders from the centers, to learn about virtual and face to face

programming and leadership opportunities available to students interested in social justice and equity.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

LUNCH

1:30 pm

Athletics, Fitness, and Recreation @ LC

Join Kari Post, Director of Athletics, Fitness, and Recreation, and Josh Ascani, Assistant Director of Recreation and Outdoor Programs, for an overview on programming available throughout the term.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

2:30 pm

Transgender & Gender Non-binary Support Group (Optional)

This is a support group for transgender, non-binary, and gender non-conforming Landmark College students that meets regularly throughout the term. Facilitated by Jeff Huyett, NP, (Director of Health Services) this group provides a supportive environment for students to discuss issues related to gender non-conformity such as pronoun usage, being mis-gendered, living with bio family, concerns about their bodies, and what transition might look like.

Email JeffHuyett@landmark.edu if you would like to attend.

3:00 pm

Welcome from Academic Affairs

Please join Dr. Gail Gibson-Sheffield, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Jill Hinckley, Dean of School of Education, as they formally welcome you to the community.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

3:45 pm

Wellness Block: Campus Trail Exploration (Optional)

Join the Athletics, Fitness & Recreation team for some on-campus fun! Students who have completed room quarantine are invited to join for a walking tour of on-campus trails. We have a beautiful network of accessible trails, come get oriented!

To Join: Meet in front of Alumni Dining Hall by 3:40 pm; masks are required, Yak-traks available for borrowing to support trail walks if icy!

DINNER

- 7:00-8:00 pm** **Virtual Residential Duty (Optional)**
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[Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 8:00 pm** **Girl Code (Optional)**
Join Sonia Shohet (Assistant Coordinator of Center for Women & Gender) and Katlyn Brooks (Resident Assistant) as they hold space for all female identifying students to come together in virtual community, make connections, and talk about current events.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 9:00 pm** **Karaoke Night**
Join your Orientation Leaders for a fun night of virtual karaoke!

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

W E D N E S D A Y F E B R U A R Y 3 R D

- 9:30 am** **Beyond Campus: Getting to Know Putney & Southern Vermont (Part 1)**
Join Resident Deans Rob Lutz & Caden Dole for an introduction to Putney, and Windham County more broadly. In addition to a historical overview, they'll introduce some great local places that are fun to visit, even during COVID times. Part 2 of this workshop will be held on Wednesday, February 10th and include the option of joining for some local walking tours and orientation to downtown Putney.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 10:30 am** **Outdoor Recreation @ LC**
Join LC staff outside the Alumni Dining Hall to join in on some fun, outdoor options. Masks required; gear is available to sign-out.
- Skating
 - On-campus Hikes
- LUNCH**

1:00 pm

Consent, the Role of a Bystander, and Social Courage

Safe, healthy, and satisfying sexual experiences depend on our willingness to communicate openly with a partner. The ability to read social cues is crucial in both giving and understanding consent and helping peers make healthy choices. Join Cindy Pierce, local speaker, author, and comic storyteller, in this interactive workshop as she helps students work through their own values and understanding of sex, sexuality, and healthy relationships. Cindy's direct, open, and humorous approach creates a supportive environment to dive into awkward topics and complicated issues.

To Join: Check your LC email for an appointment and link to join

3:15 pm

Transfer Student Workshop

Transfer students joining the LC community are invited to this special workshop with John Kipp (Chair of Core Education). Professor Kipp will discuss ways that Transfer Students can start the semester strong, review resources that will support your success, and answer any academic related questions.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

4:15 pm

Student Activities @ Landmark

Join Director of Student Activities, Emily North, and student club and organizational leaders for an overview of virtual and face to face programs at Landmark. This will be a great opportunity to learning about existing clubs and programs, as well as learn how to start your own club!

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

5:15 pm

Wellness Block: Women's Workout Group (Optional)

Women's Workout is a group fitness class for female students, faculty, and staff. The groups meets face to face inside or in front of the Click Center when possible, and virtually at other times. For this session, please plan to join online:

Join Zoom Meeting

[Click here to join Zoom meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 834 6777 3246

Passcode: 0Ur6kE

- 7:00 pm** **Residential Life Check-ins (Optional)**
Students on-campus who need to check-in with a member of the Residential Life team can swing by the tent outside Alumni Dining Hall.
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 7:00 pm** **Social Pragmatics Game Night (Optional)**
Join Sallie Banta, Assistant Director of Social Pragmatics, and Ashlee Charette, Social coach, for a fun virtual game night!
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 8:00-9:00 pm** **Virtual Community Connections (Rotating)**
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THURSDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

- 9:30am** **Navigating the Roommate Relationship**
Join Resident Deans Caden Dole (Davis Hall) and Fabio Arnaldo Ayala (Alumni Hall) to learn more about helpful tips for communal living. They'll review the importance of proactive communication, conflict styles, and offer some helpful guidance on how to work through disagreements when they surface. This workshop will also review the Roommate Agreement and how to work through this important document with your roommate(s).
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)
- 11:00 am** **PEERS @ LC (Optional)**
Andy Donahue, Director of Social Pragmatics, and Sallie Banta, Assistant Director of Social Pragmatics, will be reviewing the PEERS curriculum and Social Pragmatics social programming available during the spring. All students interested in learning more about these programs should plan to join.
- [Click here to join the meeting](#)

LUNCH

12:30

COVID Day 7 Testing

Students who arrived on Thursday, January 28th should check-in with Health Services during this block at the Click Center for their Day 7 COVID test

1:00 pm

Open House with Tech Medic (Optional, though strongly encouraged!)

Still struggling to understand and access our systems introduced in the Technology modules in the NSO Canvas site? Drop in during this time to ask your questions and solve problems using Landmark systems. Professor Norma Willingham, creator of the LC Tech modules, will be happy to assist you.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

2:00 pm

Neurodiversity @ Landmark

Join Solvegi Shmulsky (Director of the Center for Neurodiversity (CND) & LC Professor for this important overview of the Neurodiversity paradigm and its connection to the LC community.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

3:00 pm

Career Connections Overview: Planning for the Road Ahead

It's never too early to plan for the next step! This session will provide an introduction to Career Connections. Topics highlighted will include services and resources available to students, internships at Landmark College, and factors to consider when making the transition to a transfer institution or into the world of work. This workshop will be facilitated by Jan Coplan, Director of Career Services, Jonathan Steele, Assistant Director of Career Connections, and Clark Johnson, Career Counselor and Academic Advisor.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

4:15 pm

Wellness Block: Campus Activities (Optional)

Join Kari Post (Director of Athletics, Fitness, and Recreation) and Josh Ascani (Assistant Director of Recreation and Outdoor Programs) for some tips on how to stay fit – even during isolation! No special equipment required.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

DINNER

7:00 pm

Residential Life Check-ins (Optional)

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7:00 pm

Love on the Spectrum, Australia, and Anime

Thomas Kuzma joins us from Australia for this interactive presentation. Thomas visited Landmark in 2018 and delivered a talk on living in Australia as a neurodiverse single person, dating, and finding your way socially. He works as an autism advocate, social mentor, and is a frequent guest on a variety of national broadcasting networks including television and radio. Recently Thomas appeared on the NETFLIX series "Love on the Spectrum", (episode 4).

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

8:00 pm

Poetry Slam

Join LC's Writing faculty for a poetry slam.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

8:00 pm

Arcade Club- ToonTown Rewritten

We will be online for a welcome session during orientation where we will preview the upcoming semester's programming as well as welcome new members! For this program, we will also be playing ToonTown Rewritten which is FREE to download and play! You can download here: <https://toontownrewritten.com/>

Questions? E-Mail Daniel Molster, Arcade Club Coordinator.
(DanielMolster@landmark.edu)

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 5TH

9:30 am

Check-in with Residential Life Team

As you close out your first week on campus and campus quarantine period, your Residential Life team is available to check-in, answer any questions you may have, and help orient you to your weekend programming options.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

11:00 am

Safety on Campus: A community collaboration

Connect with members of our Campus Safety, Counseling, and Alcohol and Other Drug Committee to learn about proactive strategies for keeping yourself safe in your new home. You will leave knowing our policies and procedures, your campus support resources, and how to reach out for help at any hour.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

LUNCH

12:30

COVID Day 7 Testing

Students who arrived on Friday, January 29th should check-in at the Click Center with Health Services for their Day 7 COVID test.

2:00 pm

Sexual Respect & Relationships in College

In this session with Michael Luciani (Vice President for Student Affairs & Title IX Coordinator), you'll learn about the commitment and ideal that everyone in the community does their part to ensure that Landmark College is a safe environment that is supportive of all identities, and where sexual and gender-based misconduct is not tolerated by anyone. This session will also provide an overview of the College's policies and supports that relate to Title IX

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

3:00 pm

Academic Wrap-up

Jill Hinckley, Dean of School of Education, will discuss tips for a successful semester and provide time for students to ask questions and offer insights on their education experience.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

DINNER

6:00 pm

Wellness Block: Wildlife @ Night

Join Josh Ascani, Assistant Director of Outdoor Programs, for this nighttime campus hike. Come get acquainted with some of our furry nocturnal friends on-campus! Dress for the weather, masks required. Headlamps and yak-traks will be available for borrowing.

To Join: Meet outside the Alumni Dining Hall @ 5:50 pm; masks required

7:00 pm

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Check your Landmark email for an overview of virtual and on-campus programs available for new and returning students on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 6TH

12:30-3:30 pm

COVID Testing

Students who arrived on Saturday, January 30th will need to complete their Day 7 COVID test with Health Services. Testing is available at the Click Center.

MONDAY FEBRUARY 8TH

Academic classes begin! Please check your schedule (and check-in with your Academic Advisor with any questions). Orientation leaders will be available in the Alumni Dining Hall at mealtimes to check-in and provide support if you need it.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

10:30-11:30 am

Convocation

Join President Peter Eden and members of the community for this formal welcome in the FAB theater. The ceremony will be recorded and available for sharing after the event.

1:30 pm

Beyond Campus: Getting to Know Putney & Southern Vermont (Part 2)

Join Resident Deans Rob Lutz & Caden Dole, along with your Orientation leaders, for walking tour of Putney. This walking tour will include an orientation to various shops & food carryout locations in town, as well as some historical background.

To Join: Meet outside Alumni Dining Hall by 1:20 pm; masks required.

5:30 pm

Fireside Chat with Campus Safety

Come meet members of the Campus Safety team for an outdoor bonfire with treats. This is a great opportunity to meet critical members of your support team.

To Join: Meet outside of Davis Hall anytime from 5:30-7; masks required.



Virtual Scavenger Hunt

To help further orient you to your new community see how many of the following questions you can answer! Think you've got them all? Email your responses to Kelly O'Ryan, Dean of Students, kellyoryan@landmark.edu

- Name 3 places you can go and get coffee in Putney, VT
- What is the website for listening to Landmark's online radio station, WLMC?
- Which U.S. Senator from Vermont is a fan of comic books? What is his favorite character?
- What are the four Associate Degrees offered by Landmark College?
- What is the website for the Landmark Library catalog?
- What is the name of the other school in Putney for students with LD?
- Where did President Eden get his PhD?
- What was the population of Putney in the 2010 census?
- What average GPA do you need to become a member of Phi Theta Kappa?
- Name three destinations for recent or upcoming study abroad / study away programs
- What are the names of the two groups of indigenous people who inhabited who is now Vermont at the time it was settled?
- Name three places on campus for athletics / fitness activities
- If you want to start a club on campus, who should you reach out to on staff?