

ORIENTATION

A student's introduction to student life at Monmouth begins even before classes start. All new students participate in orientation programs designed specifically for their needs.

First-year Students

All new first-year students, commuters and residents, are expected to attend a Hawk Welcome & Advising Day, taking place in late June/early July, as well as New Student Orientation, taking place in late August/early September. During Hawk Welcome & Advising Days, students will come to campus to meet with an academic advisor and register for fall classes. Students attend workshops aimed at preparing them for both their academic and social transition to Monmouth. During New Student Orientation, students will participate in a variety of interactive programs designed for them to meet fellow first year students and assist with their transition to Monmouth.

Throughout the academic year, many programs are offered to continue the transition process.

Families of first-year students have the opportunity to learn about the student experience both inside and outside the classroom at Family Orientation, which runs concurrent to Hawk Welcome & Advising Day. In the fall semester, families are invited to participate in a variety of workshops, programs, and activities during Family Weekend.

Transfer Students

In January, First Year transfer students (under 18 credits) will participate in activities to help them transition academically, socially, and personally. Students will have the opportunity to get acquainted with other new students, to learn more about Monmouth from student leaders and administrators, and to get connected to the campus resources that will help make the college experience successful and satisfying.

The Center for Student Success (CSS) coordinates the connections between transfer students (with eighteen or more credits) and their academic departments to ensure a smooth transition to Monmouth University. In addition to their assigned faculty advisors, the CSS serves as another level of support for their transition to Monmouth University. We encourage all incoming transfer students to attend transfer orientation, which is coordinated by the CSS prior to each semester. Orientation programs afford new transfer students the ability to connect with their peers and to learn about resources to guide their progress toward graduation and life after Monmouth.