Thursday, August 18

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Residence Hall Check-In, Whitaker Campus Center
Students pick up their keys and orientation packets. Representatives from Alumni Relations, Campus Health Services, the Counseling Center, Dining Services, Information Technology and local banks will be available in the Whitaker Campus Commons.

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Information Technology Support
Whitaker Campus Commons
Members of the information technology staff will be available to provide network and account information, and to help students connect their computers to the network.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Refreshment Tent, Smith Hall Lawn

10 a.m. - Noon International Student Orientation
Whitaker Campus Center, Room 220
A chance for international students to meet their international classmates and review available campus resources.

11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch, Coblentz Dining Hall
Free for new students, $6.95 for family members and guests, $4 for children ages 3-10.

2:30 - 3:45 p.m. Commuter Check-In, Whitaker Campus Center
Students pick up their orientation packets. Representatives from Alumni Relations, Campus Health Services, the Counseling Center, Dining Services, Information Technology and local banks will be available in the Whitaker Campus Commons.

3 p.m. Honors Program Panel and Open House, Marx Center
A chance for students in the Honors Program and their families to meet Honors Program students and faculty.

4 p.m. Opening Session for New Students and Families, Coffman Chapel
Welcome for new students and their families.

4:30 p.m. Orientation Groups, Residential Quad
Students will meet in their Fall Orientation groups. Group assignments are on nametags.

5:15 p.m. Class Photograph and Heritage Scholarship Recipients
Photograph, Steps of Coffman Chapel
New students will meet for the Class of 2015 picture. Heritage Scholarship recipients and their families will also have their photos taken.

5 - 7 p.m. Picnic, Residential Quad
Complimentary for all new students and family members.

6:15 - 7:15 p.m. Commuter Student and Family Meeting and Dessert, Coblentz Seminar Room
Free for new students and their families. A chance to meet other new commuter students and an important introduction to commuter life at Hood.

7 p.m. Residence Hall Meetings, Residence Hall Lounges

7:15 p.m. Residence Life Meeting, Hodson Auditorium
An important introduction to residence life at Hood.

7:45 p.m. Orientation Groups, Residential Quad
Students will meet in their Fall Orientation groups.

8:30 p.m. Something Fun and the Ice Cream Extravaganza, Coblentz Dining Hall
Interactive session where students will have the opportunity to meet their entire class.

Friday, August 19

7:30 - 9 a.m. Breakfast, Coblentz Dining Hall

8:30 a.m. Orientation Groups Meet, Residential Quad

The following sessions are required for new students.

9:15 a.m. Orientation Kickoff, Hodson Auditorium

9:30 a.m. Orientation Group Rotations
Groups 1 - 5 Academic Support Services Exploration
A chance to explore the Career Center, Library and the Center for Academic Achievement and Retention.

Groups 6 - 10 A Thousand Splendid Suns, Whitaker Commons
Discussion in small groups with Hood faculty and staff to discuss the themes, issues, and conflicts that are evoked from “A Thousand Splendid Suns.”

Groups 11 - 15 Student Support Services Exploration
A chance to visit the Dean of Students, Wellness Center and Dean of the Chapel.

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11:30 a.m. Academic Advising Overview, Hood Auditorium
Introduction to academic advising and the first-year/sophomore advising team.

11:45 a.m. Meetings with Academic Advisers, Faculty Offices
Students will meet with their academic advisers.

12:15 p.m. Lunch with Academic Advisers, Coblentz Dining Hall

1:30 p.m. Orientation Groups, Residential Quad

1:45 p.m. Orientation Group Rotations
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2:45 p.m. Orientation Groups with Treats!, Residential Quad

3:30 p.m. Commuter Student Campus Safety Overview, Hodson Science and Technology Building, Room 131
The chief of campus safety will share important information about campus policies, safety procedures and Hood Alert, Hood’s emergency notification system. This is a required session for commuter students.

3:45 p.m. Commuter AlcoholEdu, Hodson Science and Technology Building, Room 131
An online, science-based course that will empower you to make well-informed decisions, regardless of your current choices about alcohol.

4 p.m. CIRP Survey, Hodson Science and Technology Building, Room 131
Participate in a survey that will help us tailor services to the Class of 2015.

5 - 7 p.m. Dinner, Residential Quad
Enjoy frisbee, volleyball, kickball, music and hanging with other members of the Class of 2015.

Schedule for Friday evening though Monday continues on reverse side
Friday, August 21 (continued)

7 p.m.  Commuter Leadership Opportunities, Whitaker, Room 220
Learn about leadership opportunities in the Class of 2015 and across campus.

7:15 p.m.  Commuter Students: The Hood Tradition, Whitaker, Room 220
Learn about Hood’s tradition of being a place of honor and respect, Hood values, founding principles and how those still relate to your collegiate experience.

7:45 p.m.  Commuter Lounge Open House and Classroom Tour, Whitaker, Room 220
Learn about commuter support services and commuter hangouts on campus. Don’t forget to bring your course schedule and familiarize yourself with your classroom locations.

8:30 p.m.  Orientation Groups, Residential Quad

9 p.m.  Think Fast, Coblentz Dining Hall
Join us for a fun, fast-paced interactive game show!

Saturday, August 20

9:45 a.m.  Orientation Groups and Continental Breakfast
Coblentz Dining Hall

10:15 a.m.  Harmony at Hood
An interactive session where participants engage in a series of experiential activities that examine culture, values, beliefs and behaviors in preparation for working and living together productively. This is a required session for new students.

Groups 1 & 2  Whitaker Campus Center, Room 220
Groups 3 & 4  Marx Center
Groups 5 & 6  Alumnae Hall, Room 305
Groups 7 & 8  Rosenstock Hall, Room 212
Groups 9 & 10  Commuter Lounge
Groups 11 & 12  Whitaker Campus Commons
Groups 13 & 14  Coblentz Seminar Room
Groups 15  Coblentz Game Room

Noon - 1:30 p.m.  Brunch, Coblentz Dining Hall

1 p.m.  Side Trips, Depart from Alumnae Hall
Explore Washington, D.C., the Smithsonian, National Zoo, National Gallery of Art and Georgetown.

5 - 7:30 p.m.  Dinner, Coblentz Dining Hall

8 p.m.  Orientation Groups, Residential Quad

8:15 p.m.  The Power of Choice, Hodson Auditorium
Explore social issues from the collegiate perspective, with a dynamic presentation by the orientation assistants. A session not to miss!

8:45 p.m.  Orientation Groups, Rosenstock Hall Classrooms
Students will meet in their Fall Orientation groups.

9:30 p.m. - Midnight  Whitaker Late Night, Whitaker Commons
Hang out with other members of the Class of 2015 while playing cornhole and volleyball, karaoke, winning prizes at the Hood Casino, hanging out and enjoying Root Beer Floats!

Sunday, August 21

9 a.m. - Noon  Local Worship Opportunities, Whitaker Atrium
A list of local houses of worship and times will be available at the information desk in the Whitaker Campus Center. Upperclass students will escort groups of students to houses of worship within walking distance.

11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  Brunch, Coblentz Dining Hall

Noon  “Essentials” Shopping Trip, Whitaker Campus Center Atrium
A chance to visit Target, Bed Bath and Beyond and the Francis Scott Key Mall. Bus leaves Whitaker at noon and returns at 2 p.m.

Noon  Downtown Frederick, Whitaker Campus Center Atrium
Take a walking tour of Downtown Frederick. Tour leaves from Whitaker Campus Center Atrium.

Monday, August 22

The following sessions are required for new students.

9 a.m.  Orientation Groups and Dinking Ceremony, Residential Quad
Participate in a time-honored Hood tradition and receive a Hood Dink, worn at all special Hood occasions.

10 a.m.  Convocation, Hodson Outdoor Theater
Celebrate the opening of the academic year.

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  Hood Community Fest, Residential Quad

11 a.m. - 4 p.m.  Information/Welcome Table, Whitaker Atrium
Stop by and get any questions answered by the Welcome Team.

1 p.m.  Classes Begin

Tuesday, August 23

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.  Information/Welcome Table, Whitaker Atrium
Stop by and get any questions answered by the Welcome Team.

Noon - 1:30 p.m.  Campus Employment Fair, Whitaker Campus Commons

9 p.m.  First Residence Hall Meetings, Residence Hall Lounges

Wednesday, August 31

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.  Information/Welcome Table, Whitaker Atrium
Stop by and get any questions answered by the Welcome Team.

8:30 p.m.  Orientation Groups, Residential Quad

9 p.m.  Student Organizations Fair, Whitaker Campus Center
A chance to preview all of Hood’s student organizations. Watch for more information.