Commons Website

First-year students should be familiar with Commons social media sites and the Commons website, a communications hub for all ten Houses, with information about House and Commons-wide events and all Commons programs.

Learn more

CommonVU

The required CommonVU Orientation offers roughly a week of activities and events for first-year students to introduce them to the living-learning communities of their houses and The Ingram Commons; the faculties and academic classes of their
schools; the norms and values of the Vanderbilt community; upperclass students and their organizations; and Nashville.

Vanderbilt Visions

Vanderbilt Visions is a required university core program that meets during the fall semester through Thanksgiving Break. All first-year students are assigned to one of 92 Visions groups. Teams of upperclass peer mentors and faculty members (Student and Faculty VUceptors) facilitate these small groups as they explore the always challenging and exciting transition from high school to university life.

Visions groups and scheduled times became available on your student’s YES (Your Enrollment Services) schedule in mid-July. Faculty and student VUceptors began contacting students in their groups at the end of July.

Community standards

Students are asked to complete the Be Smart–Be Safe online modules that are designed to provide critical information and reinforce our community’s expectations. The five modules include AlcoholEdu, Haven, Campus Safety, Fire Safety, and Protection of Minors. Students should have received email notifications with instructions and links for each of the modules. The deadline for completing all five modules is August 15.

Anchor Link

Anchor Link is Vanderbilt’s student engagement platform that helps students become involved on campus and manage their experiences outside the classroom. It serves as the central calendar for student life and has sites for more than 400
registered student organization, and co-curricular programs across the university.

Upcoming dates and deadlines

**Late July–August 15:** Be Smart–Be Safe mandatory online modules available

**July 19–August 30:** Open enrollment/student change period

**August 10:** Packages may begin being shipped to campus for Move-in Day

**August 23:** First day of classes for all undergraduate schools

**August 31:** Deadline for payment of fall tuition, fees and other charges

Family Weekend registration

**Registration is now open for Family Weekend – September 15 – 17, 2017!**

This annual fall tradition brings over 3,500 family members to Nashville for a weekend of catching up with their students and experiencing campus life. Family Weekend is the ideal opportunity to spend time with your student, meet his or her friends, visit with administrators and faculty, and learn more about the services and resources available on campus.

Registration is $40 per person; Vanderbilt students and children 12 and under are free.

Important Links

[Parents and Family Programs](#)  [Housing](#)  [Dining](#)  [Commodore Card](#)  [Student Health](#)  [Student Accounts](#)