

The background of the entire page is a photograph of several young women walking through a brightly lit, modern hallway. The hallway has curved walls and large, circular light fixtures. In the foreground, two women are walking towards the camera. The woman on the left has dark, curly hair, wears glasses, a black long-sleeved top, and a red and black plaid skirt. The woman on the right has light brown hair, wears glasses, a grey diamond-patterned sweater, and a backpack. Other students are visible in the background, some wearing Hollins University sweatshirts.

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FIRST-YEAR ORIENTATION | FALL 2023

**HOLLINS**  
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All students are expected to attend all events.

Please note that Hollins University honors your commitment to your religious practices.  
Students' religious commitments and observations are an exception to participation in events.

# Saturday, August 26, 2023

## 9 A.M. – 12 P.M. | CHECK-IN

*Moody Center (#23 on campus map).*

This one-stop check in will include opportunities to take care of important business with many campus offices. You will receive your student ID, your student handbook, and residential students will receive their room keys. As soon as you have checked in, move in may begin!

## 9 A.M. – 2:30 P.M. | MOVE IN: TIME TO UNPACK

*Residence Halls.*

Housing information, tools, and supplies will be available.

## 11 A.M. – 2 P.M. | LUNCH / \$10 PER GUEST (optional)

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

Hollins students will be able to eat lunch in the dining hall for free with their student ID.

## 12 – 5 P.M. | ELEANOR D. WILSON MUSEUM (optional)

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center (#41 on campus map).*

Stop by and explore the three exhibits currently on display in the Wilson Museum. There is no cost for admission and all are welcome.

## 1 – 2 P.M. | COMMUTER STUDENT RECEPTION

*Main, Green Drawing Room (#21 on campus map).*

While residential students are moving into their rooms on campus, commuter students and their families are invited to get to know one another.

## 2:50 – 5 P.M. | LOOKING AHEAD: THE ROAD TO COMMENCEMENT

*Front Quad (rain location: Theatre, #37 on campus map).*

New students officially begin their journey at Hollins with family and friends (students, please meet on Back Quad; rain location will be the East Building front porch). President Mary Dana Hinton, Provost Laura McLary, Student Government Association President Israella Freidline '24, and Associate Vice President for Alumnae Engagement and Strategic Initiatives Lauren Walker '04 will speak at this welcoming ceremony. All first-year students will meet their Student Success Leader (SSL) and Orientation (O-Team) Leaders for the first time. The team leaders will then escort their students to the seminar classrooms. SSLs and O-Team Leaders are upper-class Hollins students who will help you with your transition into Hollins. Students should line up on Back Quad by 2:50 p.m.



## 5 – 6:30 P.M. | PICNIC DINNER / \$8.45 PER GUEST (optional)

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

Welcoming everyone to campus. Students will be able to eat for free with their student ID.

## 7 – 8 P.M. | DESSERT RECEPTION (optional)

*Botetourt Hall, Botetourt Reading Room (#6 on campus map).*

Parents/guardians/families and new students are invited. Dessert will be served.

## 8 P.M. | FAMILY FAREWELL

This is the time to say goodbye to your families.

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# Sunday, August 27, 2023

## **7:30–9 A.M. | BREAKFAST**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

Get your day started by meeting your SSLs and/or O-Team Leaders in the dining room.

## **10 A.M. – 12:15 P.M. | THREE CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

During this time, your SSL and O-Team Leader will escort you to these rotating sessions:

### **Residence Hall Meetings**

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center, Niederer Auditorium (#41 on campus map).*

Residential students will have the opportunity to meet their residence hall staff, professional staff, and learn more about what it means to live in community. Students who are commuters will participate in other activities with their O-Team Leader.

### **Here to Help: Safety and Support Resources at Hollins**

*Dana Science Building, Babcock Auditorium (#12 on campus map).*

This session will introduce intimate partner violence resources that exist for the campus community, explain the mandated reporting system, and identify for students various types of support from offices such as the Roanoke Sexual Assault Response and Awareness office, the Hollins Coalition Against Sexual Assault, and the Hollins University Safe Haven program.

### **Hollins Community Values and Honor Code**

*Bradley, Talmadge Recital Hall (#7 on campus map).*

The honor code is an imperative part of belonging at Hollins. During this session, you will gain a strong understanding and knowledge of the rich and important tradition of these two hallmarks. Participants will have the opportunity to sign the code.

## **12:15 – 1:30 P.M. | LUNCH**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

## **1:45 – 2:30 P.M. | MEET YOUR ADVISOR / FIRST-YEAR FOUNDATIONS PROFESSOR**

*First-year Foundations Classrooms.*

At this time you will be introduced to basic information about the first-year foundations program and make any needed adjustments to your schedule.

## **2:30 – 4 P.M. | INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH ADVISORS**

This is a time reserved for individual student advising meetings to update schedules for the fall term as needed.

## **3 – 4:30 P.M. | CONNECTING WITH CLASSMATES (optional)**

*Across campus.*

Are you looking to connect with other new students who share your interests? Students are encouraged to select a topic of interest and join a group led by the Student Success and O-Team Leaders. Topics and locations will be shared with students during orientation.

## **4 – 4:30 P.M. | CHOIR INTEREST MEETING (optional)**

*Presser Hall, Choral Rehearsal Room, 211 (#26 on campus map).*

Do you like to sing? If so, we have a place waiting for you here in the Hollins choirs! We have three groups: Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, and Talmadge Singers. There's a spot for everyone from the most advanced performer to someone just joining their first choir. Everyone is welcome! Come to the interest meeting to find out more details. For more information, contact [choir@hollins.edu](mailto:choir@hollins.edu) or (540) 362-6541.

## **5 – 6:30 P.M. | DINNER**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

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**6:30 P.M. | NEW STUDENT GROUP PHOTO**

*The Rock (#31 on campus map).*

Please walk yourself over and meet your classmates at The Rock.

**7–8:30 P.M. | NEW STUDENT POOL PARTY** (optional)

*Athletic Complex, Northen Swimming Center (#2 on campus map).*

Join us for a pool party in the Athletic Complex featuring floaties and pool games. Not a swimmer? We'll have activities in the lobby as well.

## Monday, August 28, 2023

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**7:30–9 A.M. | BREAKFAST**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

**9–11:15 A.M. | THREE CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

During this time, your SSL and O-Team Leader will escort you to these rotating sessions:

**Academic Fair**

*Athletic Complex, Gymnasium (#2 on campus map).*

Faculty representatives from all departments, including education, pre-law, pre-med, and pre-vet, will be available to answer questions about classes and academic interests.

**Meaningful Connections with Alumnae/i**

*Dana Science Building, Babcock Auditorium (#12 on campus map).*

Hollins boasts the #5 alumnae/i network—but who are these alumnae/i and how do you connect with them? Come and learn about how to maximize on campus alumnae/i interactions and grow your Hollins community network. You'll hear from representatives from Career Development and Life Design as well as Alumnae Relations.

**Academics, Accessibility, and Personal Well-Being**

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center, Niederer Auditorium (#41 on campus map).*

What do YOU need to thrive in your academic and personal life? We will explore this and other questions as they relate to your short- and long-term success and well-being at Hollins. In addition to helping you identify your goals for your college experience, strategies that can help you pursue your goals will be shared.

**11:30 A.M. – 1 P.M. | LUNCH**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

Meet your O-Team Leader for lunch and conversation regarding getting involved with the Hollins community. Gain an understanding of all the opportunities to belong in different clubs and organizations on campus.

**1–2 P.M. | FIRST-YEAR FOUNDATIONS MEETING**

*First-year Foundations classrooms.*

Meet your SSL and FYF professor to review and discuss your summer assignment.

**2–4 P.M. | HOLLINS CRAFTING** (optional)

*Front Quad (rain location: Botetourt Reading Room).*

Any new student who is interested is welcome to join the office of student activities on Front Quad and create and decorate a Hollins pennant. You can come and go as you like.

**5–6:30 P.M. | DINNER**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*



**6:30 P.M. | MOCK SENATE** (optional)

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center, Niederer Auditorium.*

Senate is the legislative arm of the Student Government Association and is a good way to get involved in student government. Get a taste for how weekly student Senate meetings are conducted. Being an active member of student government is an important part of belonging to the Hollins community.

**7:15 P.M. | MONDAY BINGO BASH** (optional)

*Moody Center, Ballator Gallery (upper level).*

A staple in the weekly social calendar of many Hollins students, join the office of student activities and members of the Hollins Activity Board for the first of our weekly bingo games. It's a great chance to meet other Hollins students and to win Hollins apparel. This event is for new Hollins students only please.

## Tuesday, August 29, 2023

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**9:15 – 10:15 A.M. | PERCEPTION VS. REALITY: WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS?**

*Theatre (#37 on campus map).*

This fast-paced, humorous session will engage participants in thinking critically about what student life is really like at Hollins. Audience members will use anonymous polling software to answer questions about vaping, alcohol, sexuality, and other health issues relevant to Hollins students. Come prepared to laugh and learn.

**10:30 – 11:30 A.M. | ICEBERGS AND OPTICAL ILLUSIONS: WAYS WE DEFINE OURSELVES AND UNDERSTAND OTHERS**

*Theatre.*

Interacting with diverse communities can be like, hard and stuff! This workshop explores the "feeling" part of diversity and inclusion. Participants will discuss the emotions involved with learning about people who are different from us, identify challenges in communicating cross-culturally, and learn how our brains can trick us into behaving in ways we don't want to.

**11:45 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. | HOLLINS STUDENT EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (HSEP) ORIENTATION**

*Bradley, Talmadge Recital Hall (#7 on campus map).*

All new students who have been assigned a student employment position for the year must attend this orientation.

**12 – 1:30 P.M. | LUNCH**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

**1:15 – 2:45 P.M. | HU COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS OPEN HOUSE**

*Various locations on campus.*

All new students are invited to meet the staff of the Wyndham Robertson Library, Center for Career Development and Life Design, Center for Learning Excellence, IT Help Desk, Global Learning Hub, and the Eleanor D. Wilson Museum (Wetherill Visual Arts Center) in their areas to enjoy some snacks and learn more about their services.

**4:30 – 5:30 P.M. | OPENING CONVOCATION, HERE U BELONG** (optional)

*duPont Center, Jessie Ball duPont Chapel.*

Start the semester off with one of our great Hollins traditions. New students will be welcomed into the campus community, seniors will process in their robes for the first time, and President Hinton will officially open the academic year.

**5:35 – 7 P.M. | DINNER**

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*





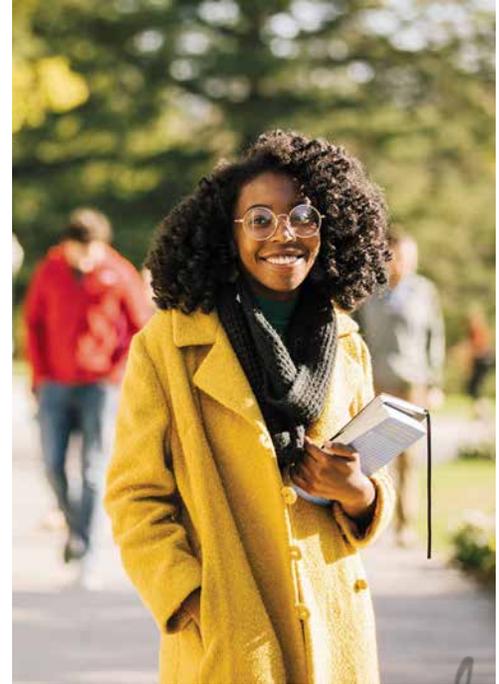
**7-8 P.M. | MENTALIST MARK GIBSON** (optional)

*Bradley, Talmadge Recital Hall (#7 on campus map).*

From the Magic Castle in Hollywood to *The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon*, Mark Gibson is very quickly becoming one of the most sought-after mentalists in America. This isn't a show you watch... it's a show you do!

**ON YOUR OWN THROUGH AUGUST 29 | REMEMBER... IT'S NOT 4 YEARS, IT'S 4 LIFE!** (optional)

The Hollins Institutional Advancement team welcomes the class of 2027. We invite you to begin to make your first memories at Hollins today and join in our fun contest which takes place August 26-29 as we welcome you and your classmates to campus. Be on the lookout for flyers on campus for how to participate.



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## Wednesday, August 30, 2023

### CLASSES BEGIN!

**5:15-6:15 P.M. | HOLLINS RIDING INFORMATION SESSION** (optional)

*Moody Center, Janney Lounge.*

Students interested in the Hollins riding program are welcome to attend. Please bring your dinner.

**7:30-8:30 P.M. | TINKER DAY HAT DECORATING** (optional)

*Moody Center, Main Dining Room.*

Start preparing for one of our great traditions, Tinker Day, by decorating a Tinker Day hat (hats and supplies provided). All new students are invited and encouraged to attend!

## Thursday, August 31, 2023

**8:30 P.M. | C.A.S.A. OPEN HOUSE** (optional)

*duPont Center, C.A.S.A. Office (#1).*

The Coalition Against Sexual Assault invites all new students to meet the members of C.A.S.A. and discuss how they support the Hollins community.

## Friday, September 1, 2023

**4-10 P.M. | SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN ROANOKE, TARGET/REGAL CINEMA, AND VALLEY VIEW MALL** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Transportation service to the downtown Roanoke area, Target shopping plaza, and Valley View Mall. Shuttle departs on the hour.

**6:30 | STUFF A CRITTER** (optional)

*Front Quad.*

Make your own stuffed animal while supplies last. Sponsored by the Hollins Activity Board (HAB).

**7 P.M. | MOVIE NIGHT: SHE'S THE MAN** (optional)

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center, Niederer Auditorium.*

Enjoy a free showing of *She's the Man*. When her brother decides to ditch for a couple weeks, Viola heads over to his elite boarding school, disguised as him, and proceeds to fall for his school's star soccer player, and soon learns she's not the only one with romantic troubles.

## Saturday, September 2, 2023

**11 A.M. – 4 P.M. | ROANOKE ROMP!**

*Wetherill Visual Arts Center (front patio facing Moody).*

Meet your O-Team leader in front of the VAC for a fun-filled afternoon adventure in the Star City! Belonging to the Roanoke community is one of the great advantages of being at Hollins. Be ready to explore and learn about Roanoke by visiting popular locations. Stop at a restaurant to enjoy lunch provided for you. Please wear comfortable shoes to this event as there will be walking involved.

**11 A.M. – 10 P.M. | SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN ROANOKE, TARGET/REGAL CINEMA, AND VALLEY VIEW MALL** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Transportation service to the downtown Roanoke area, Target shopping plaza, and Valley View Mall. Shuttle departs on the hour.

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## Sunday, September 3, 2023

**12 – 5 P.M. | SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN ROANOKE, TOWNE SQUARE, AND VALLEY VIEW MALL** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Transportation service to the downtown Roanoke area, Towne Square shopping plaza, and Valley View Mall. Shuttle departs on the hour.

**1:30 P.M. | HIKE WITH HOP** (optional)

*Moody Lobby.*

Weather permitting, take a hike from Moody to Carvins Cove utilizing the Roanoke Greenway that is connected to Hollins property. (No flip flops. Tennis shoes or hiking boots recommended. Bring sunscreen and water.)

## Wednesday, September 6, 2023

**6 – 8:30 P.M. | VIEW THE VALLEY: PUTT-PUTT MINI GOLF** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Join your fellow students and new friends for a round of putt-putt mini golf. The shuttle will pick up students every 15-20 minutes in front of the Moody Center. Transportation and games of mini golf are free for students.

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## Friday, September 8, 2023

### **11 A.M.–1 P.M. | CLUB FAIR** (optional)

*Moody Plaza and Wetherill Visual Arts Center.*

Discover where you belong. Get to know student clubs and organizations that range from personal interests to those that supplement your course of study. You can also stop by and get some ice cream. This event is brought to you by the Student Government Association club coordinator and Student Activities and Organizations office.

### **4–10 P.M. | SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN ROANOKE, TARGET/REGAL CINEMA, AND VALLEY VIEW MALL** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Transportation service to the downtown Roanoke area, Target shopping plaza, and Valley View Mall. Shuttle departs on the hour.

### **7–10 P.M. | SILENT DISCO** (optional)

*Beale Garden (rain location: Botetourt, Botetourt Reading Room).*

Have fun with your friends and take control of your night as you choose one of three music channels on a pair of wireless headphones. Sponsored by Hollins Activity Board (HAB).

## Saturday, September 9, 2023

### **11 A.M.–10 P.M. | SHUTTLE TO DOWNTOWN ROANOKE, TARGET/REGAL CINEMA, AND VALLEY VIEW MALL** (optional)

*Moody Plaza.*

Transportation service to the downtown Roanoke area, Target shopping plaza, and Valley View Mall. Shuttle departs on the hour.

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