

UNIVERSITY OFFICES

University offices are open and operational during Bearcat Days. For visitors with questions about need-based financial aid, please visit the Financial Aid office between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. located on the first floor of Waller Hall.

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WELCOME TO Bearcat Days







BEARCAT DAYS Parent Schedule





THURSDAY

2–3 p.m. Check-in (Bearcat Cavern, 2nd floor University Center)

All visitors please check in for Bearcat Days.

3–4 p.m. Welcome Address (Hudson Hall, Mary Stuart Rogers Music Center)

President Steve Thorsett will be joined by members of the Willamette community to welcome you and your student to campus.

4–5 p.m. Parent Address: The Value of a Liberal Arts Degree and Picking the Perfect College (Hudson Hall, Mary Stuart Rogers Music Center)

While your student is off meeting other students, you will hear from Sarah Kirk, Associate Dean for Faculty Development, Professor of Chemistry, and Ed Whipple, Vice President for Campus Life.

5–5:30 p.m. Meet Overnight Hosts (Bearcat Cavern, 2nd floor University Center)

You may meet your student's overnight/evening hosts (your student will need to grab their personal items before they settle into their home for the night).

5:30–7 p.m. Parent Reception (Hallie Ford Museum of Art)

While your student is off to dinner and evening activities with their hosts, you are invited to visit the Hallie Ford Museum of Art for hors d'oeuvres, local wines and the chance to speak with Willamette community members.

OVERNIGHT GUESTS should be certain to remove all belongings from their host's room Friday morning. The Office of Admission is happy to safely store any belongings for the day.

FRIDAY

With the exception of class visits, parents and family members are welcome to join in all activities scheduled during Bearcat Days.

7:30–9 a.m. Parent Breakfast with Current WU Parents (Willson-Hines Rooms, Goudy Commons)

We invite you to join current Bearcat parents for breakfast. You'll have the opportunity to ask your burning questions and they'll be ready to listen, share their experiences and perspectives with you.

9:10-10:10 a.m. Tours/Breakout Sessions

- 1. **Campus Tours** (approximately one hour, depart from Jackson Plaza)
- 2. Attend one of the following breakout sessions:
- The First Year Experience, Cone Chapel, 2nd floor, Waller Hall
- Bearcat Life, Montag Den
- Student Research/Internships, Hatfield Room, 2nd floor, Mark O. Hatfield Library

10:20-11:20 a.m. Tours/Breakout Sessions

- Campus Tours (approximately one hour, depart from Jackson Plaza)
- 2. Attend one of the following breakout sessions:
- The First Year Experience, Cone Chapel, 2nd floor, Waller Hall
- Bearcat Life, Montag Den
- Pre-Professional/Dual Degrees, Hatfield Room, 2nd floor, Mark O. Hatfield Library

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Lunch/Tours/Activities Fair

- 1. **Campus Tours** (approximately one hour, depart from Jackson Plaza at 11:40 a.m.)
- 2. Goudy Commons and Kaneko Café are open for lunch 11 a.m.–2 p.m. Weather permitting, a BBQ option will also be available on the Goudy patio. You are welcome to purchase lunch at these venues (complimentary meals are provided for your student).
- 3. Activities Fair (2nd floor balcony, Putnam University Center, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Rain Location: 3rd floor) Student organizations, groups and clubs give you a sense of the many ways in which your student can be involved in co-curricular activities at Willamette.

1:45–2:45 p.m. Campus-Wide Reception (Bearcat Cavern, 2nd floor University Center)

Faculty and student representatives from across disciplines, staff and administrators from the Willamette community will be available to answer any final questions before you depart campus.

2:30–3:30 p.m. Last Minute Tours (*Jackson Plaza*)

Haven't had the chance to tour campus yet? Join our ambassadors for a walk through campus to wrap up the event.

READY TO DEPOSIT? Drop by the Office of Admission to submit your student's enrollment deposit and join in our tradition of ringing the enrollment bell.