QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Registering for New Student Orientation at East Carolina University

ECU
Making the transition to college life presents many questions for new students:

- Where do I go?
- What classes will I take?
- Whom do I contact for help?
- What is it like at ECU?
- Will I meet new friends?

All these questions and more will be answered at New Student Orientation, a program designed to welcome you and your family to ECU.

**Session Dates**

- June 12 and 13 (Monday and Tuesday)
- June 14 and 15 (Wednesday and Thursday)
- June 19 and 20 (Monday and Tuesday)
- June 21 and 22 (Wednesday and Thursday)
- June 26 and 27 (Monday and Tuesday)
- June 28 and 29 (Wednesday and Thursday)
- July 5 and 6 (Wednesday and Thursday)
- July 10 and 11 (Monday and Tuesday)
- July 12 and 13 (Wednesday and Thursday)
- July 17 and 18 (Monday and Tuesday)
REGISTRATION AND FEES

There are 10 different orientation sessions in June and July. Sessions are on a first-come, first-served basis, and they do typically fill quickly.

Enrollment Verification
You must submit your $100 enrollment verification/tuition deposit by May 1 to secure your spot for the fall 2023 semester and prior to registering for orientation. This deposit is separate from the orientation and housing fee.

Registration
We recognize the importance of New Student Orientation in your transition to college. As a result, the associated fee will be included in your fall tuition bill. The fee covers the cost of attendance for the student and is still applicable if you attend orientation but decide not to attend ECU.

You will register online through PiratePort. You will need your PirateID (typically your last name, first initial and entering year at ECU, e.g., smith23) and your password. After completing the online registration, a confirmation will be emailed to your ECU email address.

The orientation confirmation will be emailed to the student’s ECU email address. Information about arrival and check-in procedures will be sent closer to your orientation session and will include where to park. This information will be sent to the student’s ECU email address.

WHAT TO EXPECT

During the day-and-a-half program, you will:

- Connect with an orientation assistant and other new students
- Find out what it’s like being an ECU Pirate
- Learn about campus resources and opportunities to help you succeed
- Learn about ECU traditions and student life
- Build a foundation for a smooth transition that sets you up for success at ECU
- Receive academic advising and finalize your first semester of college classes

WHAT TO BRING

- Comfortable clothes and shoes (there's A LOT of walking between buildings during orientation!)
- Alarm clock (if staying in the residence hall)
- Umbrella
- Sweatshirt or sweater (sometimes the air conditioning works a little too well!)
- Other Accommodations

Family members may choose to stay in a local hotel. A list of Greenville hotels may be found at visitgreenvillenc.com/places-to-stay.

Early Arrival
If students and families are traveling a considerable distance to ECU, they can make arrangements to stay in the campus residence halls the evening prior to their orientation session. You will be charged additional fees for housing for each night you stay in campus housing. Limited services are available for early arrivals.

FINANCIAL AID

New Student Orientation is required for all incoming undergraduate students because we believe strongly that your participation will significantly improve your transition to college life.

FAMILY PROGRAM

We encourage parents and family members to attend orientation. The family program runs at the same time as the student program but with a different format. Family sessions will cover topics such as supporting students through their first year of college, life on campus, academic policies, campus resources and more.

Family members and students will be together for some sessions and separated for others.

Pirate parents can expect to learn about:

- New Student Orientation sets you up for success at ECU
- Numerous support services available to students
- ECU’s academic and social programs
- Financial aid, housing, safety, and other programs and services

HOUSING

On-campus housing during orientation is available for students and families on a first-come, first-served basis.

Students
We strongly encourage students to stay on campus as part of the overall orientation experience and as an introduction to living in a residence hall.

Students staying in a campus residence hall during orientation will be assigned a roommate of the same sex. For a fee of $33, students will stay in one of our West End residence halls. The cost of housing includes linens, a pillow, towels and soap. You should bring an alarm clock.

Families
Family members can also stay in one of our residence halls during orientation. Please note that family members will stay in a hall separate from students, so please pack accordingly.

Standard linens will be provided, but the in-room amenities are limited, with no TVs or clock radios provided in the room. If you are interested in staying on campus, please reserve at the time of registration.

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Orientation Fees
Students
$155
Family Members*
$85
$140
$285

Student fees include ECU 1 Card, all activities and program materials, three meals and evening snacks, parking, shuttles, facility usage and staffing. Family member fees include all activities and program materials, two meals, a reception, parking, shuttles, facility usage and staffing.

Student Housing
$33 per night, per person
Includes linens, pillow, towels and soap

Family Housing
$66 per night
Includes linens, pillow, towels and soap

*There is no orientation fee for children under the age of 12 who attend the family program; however, meals and childcare are not provided.
OTHER IMPORTANT PROGRAMS

PIER (Pirate Introduction to ECU Registration)

At ECU, you will register for your fall 2023 courses prior to attending an orientation session. The PIER online tutorial will walk you through the class registration process.

Important Note: The course schedule that you create prior to attending an orientation session will be reviewed during orientation by an advisor who will recommend changes if needed.

Visit pier.ecu.edu online to learn how to register for your fall 2023 classes.

Camp P.I.R.A.T.E.S.

Pirate Olympics! S’mores and campfires! Staying in cabins! This three-day, two-night program – held August 14-16, 2023 – helps you develop new friendships, learn more about resources and organizations on campus, embrace Pirate spirit and traditions, and prepare for your first year as a Pirate!

Visit go.ecu.edu/camppirates online to register and get more information.

The Pirate Experience

Check out thepirateexperience.ecu.edu online for information on opening weekend events.

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