Embark Schedule

New Scots Orientation

- student event  - parent & family event  - student & family event

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16 – THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

International Student Orientation

Students who are not U.S. citizens need to attend International Student Orientation to learn about visa maintenance, complete paperwork, and receive information about being a student at Covenant. Students from missionary, military, and business ex-pat families are welcomed to attend. Contact marie.fennema@covenant.edu in the Office of Admissions for further information.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.  Move in & Unpack for all varsity soccer players, varsity volleyball players, and cross country runners

Athletes will receive a detailed schedule for the week ahead from their coaches.

Residence Halls

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  Athletes’ Family Orientation

Families who will not be returning to campus on the 19th are invited to attend a special orientation session.

Brock 118/120/122

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Move in & Unpack

Come directly to your assigned residence hall. Students, faculty, and staff will be available to help you move into your room. If you are unsure of your room assignment, come to the Welcome Desk in Carter Hall Lobby first. Staff will be stationed there to help direct you to your residence hall. All Commuters should come directly to the Welcome Desk in the Carter Hall Lobby to pick up their orientation packet.

Residence Halls

For Your Convenience

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.  Orientation Welcome Desk open

The Orientation Welcome Desk will be open all day. Please stop by with any questions.

Carter Hall Lobby

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  Orientation Registration
College offices will be open all day to assist you in preparing for the semester. Please refer to the O-Week checklist that you will receive upon your arrival. This checklist can also be found in the O-Week app.

Various Locations

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Family Lounge
Families are welcome to stop by the President's Room to rest, refresh, and enjoy fellowship with one another as well as members of the Parents Council.

President's Room, Probasco 205

11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  Lunch
Student meal plan begins. Students will use their ScotsCard to swipe for meals. Meal tickets may be purchased in Carter Lobby with cash, check, or credit. Cost is a special Move-In Day rate of $5.00 per person – no charge for children age 3 and under.

Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.  Financial Aid & Accounting Office Informational Session for Families
Childcare provided in Maclellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room
Learn about financial aid, account balances, and paying student bills.

Sanderson 215

2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.  Transfer Student Meeting
Students transferring from other institutions should attend this meeting to receive information specific to transfer students and meet other transfers.

Sanderson 215

3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.  Intercultural Program Student Reception
This reception is hosted by the Multicultural Program, which works throughout the year in helping students from diverse cultures adjust to life at Covenant. Students in an ethnic or cultural minority, domestic and international, are strongly encouraged to attend.

Intercultural Program Center - Carter 50

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Class of 2025 Picture & O-Team Meetings
Students will gather for pictures and meet with their Orientation Team leaders to prepare for the week ahead. Students will need to bring their Orientation Folder to this meeting.

Chapel Steps
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  Family Orientation
Families are invited to come hear from Student Development staff and the Parents Council regarding the transition to Covenant.
*Childcare provided in Macellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room*

5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Student-Athlete Family Meeting with Athletic Director
Families of student-athletes are encouraged to attend this meeting with Tim Sceggel, Athletics Director.
*Childcare provided in Macellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room*

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  Alumni Reception
Covenant College Alumni are invited to an hors d’oeuvres reception.
*The Kirk*

5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Dinner
Students will use their ScotsCard. Family members may purchase tickets in Carter Lobby with cash, check, or credit. Cost is a special Move-In Day rate of $5.00 per person – no charge for children age 3 and under.
*Craig M. Lyon Great Hall*

7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.  Welcome Meeting with President Halvorson and Prayer with Rev. Grant Lowe
Dr. Derek Halvorson, Covenant College President, will welcome new students and families to the college. Join other new students and families for a time of prayer led by Grant Lowe, Covenant College Chaplain.
*Childcare provided in Macellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room*

9:00 p.m.  Hall Meetings
Students will meet in their halls with their Resident Assistants and their hallmates for an opportunity to get to know one another.
{Off-Campus students will meet Saturday morning at 11:45 a.m. in Brock Hall 214.}
*Residence Halls*

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20**

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Breakfast
Students use Scots Cards. The cost is $8.00 per adult and $4.00 for children ages 4-12. No charge for children under the age of three. Pay at Great Hall Register.
9:00 a.m.- 10:30 a.m. Opening Christian Mind Lecture with Dr. Derek Halvorson
Students and their families will come together for a time of worship followed by Dr. Derek Halvorson, Covenant College President, delivering the first lecture of the Christian Mind course.
Childcare provided in Maclellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room

10:50 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Q & A with Student Development
Student Development Staff will answer your questions!
Childcare provided in Maclellan/Rymer Hall Caudle Room

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch
Students use Scots Cards. The cost is $11.00 per adult and $6.00 for children ages 4-12. No charge for children under the age of three. Pay at Great Hall Register.

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Accounting, Financial Aid, Technology Services, and Health Offices are open

11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Off Campus Student Meeting
All students living off-campus are required to attend. This is a great opportunity to hear about ways to be involved in the campus community. Families are invited to attend.

11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Family Farewells
Students are encouraged to say their farewells to their families Saturday afternoon.

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Dinner with Your Hall
Students will fellowship with their RA and other students living in their hall over dinner.

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. O-Fest
Students are invited to enjoy food trucks and outdoor activities.

Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

Chapel

Brock 214

Brock Lawn and Chapel Lawn
SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.  Breakfast  
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  Worship at a local church  
Directions to churches are available in the lobbies of the residence halls. RAs, O-Team members, and other upperclassmen are eager to give rides as needed.  
Various Locations

11:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Lunch  
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

4:30 p.m.  Dinner in Faculty and Staff Home  
Students will meet with their Orientation Team leaders and travel to have dinner in the homes of Covenant Faculty and Staff members.

8:15 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  Student-led Prayer & Praise  
Chapel

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  Breakfast  
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.  Worship & Devotional  
Join the new student class in the chapel for a time of worship. Additionally, hear announcements about the orientation schedule.  
Chapel

8:45 a.m. - 9:35 a.m.  Theology Basics  
Dr. Hans Madueme will provide some foundational information about Theology.  
Chapel

9:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.  Christian Mind Discussion Groups  
See your orientation folder for individual times.  
Various Locations

11:15 a.m. -11: 25 a.m.  A Word from Student Senate  
Hear from the Student Body President and Vice President about opportunities to lead and serve on campus.  
Chapel

11:25 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.  Covenant College Traditions  
Learn about special traditions and songs.  
Chapel
12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Lunch
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  Advising & Schedule Verification
See your orientation folder for individual times
Mills 130, 150, & 160

4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  Chattanooga Night
You'll soon find Chattanooga to be your new home away from home. Enjoy eating dinner downtown with your O-Team and exploring Chattanooga.
*Bring money for dinner.
Meet at Ashe Gym

9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  Game Night
Prizes, refreshments and fun.
Brock 118

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  Breakfast
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.  Worship & Devotional
Chapel

9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.  Christian Mind Lecture
Brian Fikkert will speak on "Creation-Fall-Redemption and the Kingdom of God"
Chapel

9:55 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.  Library Orientation
Chapel

10:20 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.  Presentation of the Mark 10:45 Service Project
Chapel

10:50 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.  Christian Mind Discussion Groups
See orientation folder for individual times.
Various Locations

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  Lunch
Craig M. Lyon Great Hall

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  Mark 10:45 Service Project
Meet your Christian Mind small group at your respective location before being dispersed to your assigned service opportunity. This service project is an opportunity for new students to serve the Chattanooga-area community.
Various Locations
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  Breakfast  
_Craig M. Lyon Great Hall_

9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.  Worship & Devotional  
_Chapel_

10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.  Christian Mind Lecture  
_Chapel_

11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Carter Tower Tours & Lawn Games  
Orientation groups will have the opportunity to participate in a Covenant College tradition. O-Team leaders will communicate an assigned time for each group to tour the tower.  
_Carter Hall Lobby_

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  Lunch  
_Craig M. Lyon Great Hall_

_Students are encouraged to use the remainder of Wednesday to finish unpacking, complete paperwork, and rest before classes start on Thursday._

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.  The Blink* Opens!  
The Blink is offering a special orientation discount.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

8:00 a.m.  Classes begin

11:00 a.m.  Opening Convocation  
_Chapel_

9:30 p.m.  The Late Show  
Mandatory Residence Hall Meeting  
_Meet in your residence hall_

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.  The Blink*  
The Blink will open for snacks.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  Covenant Community Picnic & Concert
There will be dinner and live music as students have the opportunity to fellowship with faculty and staff and their families.

*Brock Lawn*

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.  The Blink*

    The Blink will open for snacks.

Reminder: Accounting, Financial Aid, Technology Services, and Health Services will be open from 11:30 am - 2:00 pm on August 20.
Normal operating hours for college offices are:
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

*The Blink*
(Student café and snack bar located on the first floor of Carter Hall)

Hours of Operation:
Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m and *8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. (*Begins Wednesday, August 24)
Saturday & Sunday 7:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Shuttle Service
Shuttle Number: (929) 390-1458
Shuttle Stops: Green flags at Carter Circle, Ashe Activity Center (Gym), and Shadowlands
Hours of Operation: Friday, August 20 - 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
    Saturday, August 21 - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*This schedule is subject to change.