Orientation Schedule

Dear Incoming Students,

The Principles of the Brown University Community, which Brown upholds for all members of the campus community, declare that “Brown accepts and encourages individuality while also affirming the community dimensions of college life... The Brown community therefore depends on individual self-discipline and mutual respect to further the well-being of all its members.” Individual integrity and self-respect, respect for the rights and concerns of others, respect for property, and respect for the integrity of the academic process are the fundamental tenets of Brown. The mandatory events that take place during Orientation, under the umbrella “Foundations and Values,” will cover these principles in greater detail, and are vital to the health of the Brown community. In addition, Orientation includes a number of other mandatory events, such as meeting with an academic dean, that will help you navigate your first days at Brown. Orientation provides valuable information about Brown’s extraordinary academic and co-curricular opportunities and introduces you to Brown’s expectations about how to live and learn in your new community.

Check-in, Key, ID & Orientation Packet Pick-Up (Photo ID required)
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
8:30 am - 10:00 pm
Check-in for new students
Do not feel it is imperative to arrive at 8:30 am. The line at check-in can be lengthy first thing in the morning, but there is often no line later on.

All transfer, visiting, and RUE students: Go to the Residential Life Office located in Graduate Center E (mapping address is 42 Charlesfield Street, Providence, RI 02912). Student Counselors will greet new students and families.

Late arrivals: If you arrive after 10:00 pm on Saturday, contact Brown Public Safety at (401) 863-3322 to be admitted to your room; you will then need to pick up your Orientation packet on Sunday between 8:30 am and 8:00 pm at the Office of Residential Life. The Residential Life telephone number is (401) 863-3500.

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Orientation Schedule for Transfer, Visiting, and Resumed Undergraduate Education Students

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

10:30am—12:00 noon First Brunch Meeting for Student Veterans, Other Scholars and RUE President’s Dining Room, Shape Refectory

Noon—1:00 pm OSVCP Meeting for Student Veterans (with Director Karen McNeil) J Walter Wilson, 3rd floor Conference Room

2:00 pm—3:30pm (F)J University Resource Fair Sayles Hall, Main College Green
An opportunity for students and families to ask questions, speak to University staff, and learn about many of the services Brown has to offer. Offices present include Academic Support & Dean of the College, Athletics/Recreational Sports, Brown Bookstore & Technology Center, Brown Center for Students of Color, Brown Student Agency (BSA), Bear Bucks and Brown Card, Brown University Library, CareerLAB, Computing & Information Services, Counseling and Psychological Services, Curricular Resource Center, Department of Public Safety, Dining Services, Graphic Services, Facilities Management, Fire Safety, Health Services, Millicent, John Carter Brown Library, LGBTQ Center, Office of International Programs, Office of Student Life, Office of Student Veterans and Commissioning Programs, Office of the Chaplains and Religious Life, Pembroke Club, Residential Life, Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA), Sarah Doyle Women’s Center, Student Activities Office/The Yearbook, Student and Employee Accessibility Services (SEAS), The Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Transportation Office/Zipcar, and the Writing Center.

3:30 pm—4:00 pm (P) TVRUE Student Counselors Greet Incoming Students and Families Salomon Center, Rooms 202 and 203
Before the TVRUE Welcome Meeting, you and your family members can drop in to meet your Counselor. Your counselor will email or text you to let you know how you can spot them.

4:00 pm—5:45pm (P) TVRUE Welcome Meeting for Students and Families (with light refreshments) Salomon Center, Rooms 202 and 203
Deans and Counselors provide an introduction to Brown for students and parents.

Student Forums (5:00 pm)
Salomon Center, Rooms 202 and 203
Incoming students will meet with Student Counselors in small groups for a general introduction and Q&A about academics and getting involved at Brown. Ask any questions you already have about campus and orientation. Your counselor is excited to ensure that your transition to Brown is as seamless as possible.

(P) Parent Forum (5:00 pm)
Salomon Center, Room 001
Deans will be on hand to answer any questions from families.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Remember Placement Exams & your Mandatory INDIVIDUAL ADVISING MEETINGS! Go to ASK, Incoming Students tab, then Orientation for the exact date and time of your advising meeting.

9:30 am—Noon RUE Student Individual Advising Meeting
1:30pm—3:30 pm Transfer Student Individual Advising Meeting
Go to the Incoming Students/Orientation tab in ASK for location and time.

Prior to registration, you will have an individual 20-30 minute meeting with an academic advisor. Your meeting will cover advising and resources at Brown, course selection, and registration. Come with questions and plan to discuss your course interests for the coming semester. If you must take a placement exam at the time you are scheduled for an individual advising session, please inform Renee_Morse@brown.edu to reschedule.

12:00 noon—1:30 pm TVRUE Lunch with Deans, Directors, Faculty
Advisors and Peer Counselors Brown Faculty Club, Huttner Room

1:30 pm—3:30 pm TVRUE Counselors Lead Walking Tours of Providence Ledge Point Founce Arch at 1:30pm, 2:00pm, and 2:30pm
Come learn more about Providence with a roughly 45 minute walking tour led by TVRUE Counselors. They will show you all the best places to eat and hidden gems within walking distance of campus. There are three departure times to ensure that everyone can make both their advising meetings and a tour.

1:30 pm—3:30 pm TVRUE Walk-In Consultation Hours with Counselors Student Counselors available in J Walter Wilson, Suite 310
When you are not on your walking tour or in your individual advising meeting, come talk with counselors about academics, registration, and whatever else may be on your mind.

1:30 pm–2:30 pm Group Meeting for Visiting Students University Hall, Room 305 Overview of advising and resources at Brown, course selection and registration.

1:45 pm–2:30 pm RUE, Other Scholars, & Veterans’ Academic Support Information Session J Walter Wilson, 3rd floor Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!

7:00 pm RUE, Other Scholars, & Veterans Post-Registration Dinner Kabob and Curry, 261 Thayer Street Campus Life discussion.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Foundations & Values:
TVRUE First Readings Seminar
Session 1: 9:00 am—10:20 am
Session 2: 10:30 am—11:50 am

Go to the Orientation tab in ASK for location.

This academic seminar to discuss the First Readings selection, *The Tsar of Love and Techno*, offers a different kind of introduction to Brown. Exchange ideas in an open setting, meet other transfer, visiting, and resumed undergraduate education students, and reflect on the new phase of life you are entering. Your seminar leaders are members of Brown’s faculty and administration.

TVRUE Advising Meeting With Student Counselors
Smith-Buonanno, Rooms G01, G12 and G18
Student counselors lead small group discussions on courses, concentrations, registration and academic tips.
Session 1: 9:00 am—10:20 am
Session 2: 10:30 am—11:50 am
You should attend the session that takes place when you are not in your First Readings Seminar.

5:00 pm—6:30 pm
TVRUE Dinner with Student Counselors
Sharpe Refectory, Dining Rooms 8 & 9
Have dinner with the TVRUE Counselors!

6:30 pm—8:00 pm
Pre-registration session with counselors
J. Walter Wilson, rooms 301 and 302

8:00 pm—9:15 pm
(G) Promoting a Culture of Consent and Community Care
Salomon 101
In this program, developed and presented by Brown students in collaboration with BWell Health Promotion, you will have the opportunity to learn about and begin to engage with the culture of consent and community of care that we are striving to create on campus. Brown students will take you through how consent comes into play on a day-to-day basis and demonstrate how students can stand up and speak out to show they care. No matter what your knowledge of consent is, we hope to move everyone to a common understanding. This presentation will also introduce you to the varying ways in which alcohol affects Brown students and impacts our community. Several Brown staff will introduce themselves so that you can learn about how to access support and resources on campus for questions about substance use or abuse or should you or a friend experience sexual or relationship violence.

The program will begin with a 75 minute large group session in Salomon 101 on Monday evening followed by peer led small group discussion on Tuesday evening. Check with your transfer counselor for the Tuesday evening discussion location.

9:30 pm—11:30 pm
TVRUE Game Night with Student Counselors
Petteruti Lounge

5:45 pm
(P) TVRUE Campus Tours
Student Counselors give TVRUE students and parents a tour of Brown. Tours leave directly from the Welcome Meeting.

6:30 pm
TVRUE Dinner with Student Counselors
(For students not dining with their families)
Petteruti Lounge

8:00 pm—10:00 pm
TVRUE Evening Activity with Student Counselors
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Movie & cookie decorating.

8:00 pm—9:00 pm
(P) Welcome Reception for Parents & Families
Ruth J. Simmons Quadrangle
Join President Christina Paxson and key senior advisors for casual conversation about academics and life at Brown.

10:00 pm—12:00 midnight
(G) Ice Cream Social
College Green
Meet other new students while eating free, delicious ice cream. Wear a t-shirt with the name of your previous college.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

3:00 pm—4:30 pm
(G) Academic Expo
Sayles Hall, Main College Green
The Academic Expo is a unique opportunity to learn about the wide variety of courses and concentrations available to you at Brown. Professors and concentration advisors from a full range of departments and programs will be on hand to answer questions and discuss various aspects of Brown’s curricular offerings. Academic deans will be available to discuss course selection, grading options, concentration choices, study away, and independent study.

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1:30 pm—2:30 pm
Group Meeting for Student Veterans with OSVCP Program Director (Karen McNeil)
J. Walter Wilson, Conference Room 340

10:00 am—11:15 am
TVRUE Academic Nuts & Bolts
List 120
Beginning at 10:00 am, Deans present an overview of academic life at Brown: course registration, academic advising, academic resources, and opportunities, followed by Q&A.

11:15 am—11:45 am
TVRUE Community Engagement
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During this "mini" activities fair, you will learn about some of Brown’s student organizations and campus activities through your counselors’ own experiences.

11:45 am
TVRUE Lunch with Student Counselors
Sharpe Refectory, Dining Rooms 8 & 9

1:00 pm—2:00 pm
(P) (G) Send-Off Reception
College Green (Rain Site: Pizzitola Sports Center)
Join campus life and academic administrators for casual conversation on the Main Green over lemonade and cookies. Brief remarks will be offered by Dean of the College Maud Mandel and Undergraduate Council of Students President Chelse-Amy Steele.

2:30 pm—4:00 pm
(G) Foundations & Values
Engaging Diversity: Sharing Our Stories
MacMillan Hall 115
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4:00 pm—5:00 pm
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Small Group Session
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If your last name starts with: A—J
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5:30 pm—7:30 pm
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Pembroke Field
(Leave from Barus & Holley after the small group session)
Get ready for fun and food at the TVRUE BBQ/TVRUE wars! There will be Capture-the-Flag, soccer, and a delicious picnic!

Food will be served beginning at 5:45 pm.
(Rain location: Sharpe Refectory, Rooms 8 & 9)

8:00 pm—10:00 pm
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12:00 midnight—1:30 am
(G) Midnight Organ Concert
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**Session 2: 10:30 am**

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Tougaloo Students’ Meeting with Financial Aid J Walter Wilson, Room 218

2:30pm—3:30pm
RUE, Osher Scholars, & Veterans’ Financial Aid Meeting Office of Financial Aid with Elias Baalbaki & Karen McNeil J Walter Wilson, 2nd floor Conference Room

The Sharpe Refectory is open for dinner before 6:00 pm and closes at 7:30 pm.

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