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.

During orientation you will learn these principles in greater detail, and they are vital to the health of the Brown community. In addition, 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.

This schedule provides information about your arrival on campus and events during orientation. Please review this carefully. Your TVRUE student counselors will reach out to you in mid-July. They are eager to connect with you during the summer and answer any questions you have about your arrival and your first semester at Brown.

For information about placement tests, administrative offices’ hours and locations, or other campus information, please refer to the general orientation schedule online.

We look forward to welcoming you to campus in the fall! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 401.863.3057.

All the best,

Your Transfer Deans
ARRIVAL INFORMATION (Photo ID Required)

All incoming TVRUE students are invited to move in to campus on Saturday, September 1.

When you arrive, please go directly to the Residential Life Office located at Graduate Center E (mapping address is 42 Charlesfield Street, Providence, RI 02912). The office will be open between 8:30am-10pm. TVRUE counselors will be available at the Residential Life Office to welcome you and to assist you with checking in and finding your residence hall.

You will pick up your key and ID at the check in. Remember to bring a photo ID with you.

For RUE students who are living on campus and plan to arrive on Thursday, August 30th, please contact Renee Morse at renee_morse@brown.edu by August 1, 2018 to make an arrangement.

Late Arrivals: If you arrive after 10:00pm on Saturday, contact Brown Public Safety at 401.863.3322 to be admitted to your room; you will then need to pick up your key and ID on Sunday between 8:30am and 8:00pm at the Office of Residential Life. The Residential Life telephone number is 401.863.3502.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Saturday's events are optional. The day is structured to allow TVRUE students and families time to visit campus, move in and get their bearings.

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
(G)(P) University Resource Fair
College Green, Sayles Hall
An opportunity for arriving students and families to speak to University staff, ask questions and learn more about the many services Brown has to offer. Students can expect plenty of campus swag!

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm
(P) TVRUE Campus Welcome Tours Option #1
Leave from Faunce Arch
Student Counselors give TVRUE students and parents a tour of Brown. Tours leave promptly at 2:30 pm beginning next to the bear statue near Faunce Arch.

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm
(P) TVRUE Campus Welcome Tours Option #2
Leave from Faunce Arch
Student Counselors give TVRUE students and parents a tour of Brown. Tours leave promptly at 4:00 pm beginning next to the bear statue near Faunce Arch.

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
(G)(P) FLi Center Information Session
Petteruti Lounge
The First-Generation College and Low-Income Student Center (FLi Center) is a communal support space for members of the Brown community who identify as undocumented, low-income, and/or a first-generation college student (U-FLi). Julio Reyes ’12, Program Director for the FLi Center, will lead a panel of students, faculty and staff who are active in this community. Panelists will share their general insights and experiences on how they navigated the initial transition to Brown as well as the support services available to U-FLi students.

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
(G)(P) Accommodations and Services for Students with Disabilities
Building for Environmental Research and Teaching, Room 130, 85 Waterman Street
Brown’s Office of Student and Employee Accessibility Services (SEAS) coordinates accommodations and services for students with disabilities. In this session, you will meet SEAS staff and hear from a panel of students registered with SEAS. An overview of services will be given, and the accommodation process will be discussed. SEAS staff will also provide suggestions about getting the most from your Brown experience. Students and parents are encouraged to attend.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 Cont..

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Dinner with TVRUE Student Counselors: Topic: Counselor Introductions/Getting Your Bearings
(For students not dining with their families)
Sharpe Refectory, Rooms 8&9
New students will meet their student counselors and other incoming students over dinner. This will be a great opportunity to get acquainted with one another and life at Brown.

7:30 pm - 10:00 pm
TVRUE Scavenger Hunt and Dessert with Student Counselors
College Green (Rain site: Watson Institute, McKinney Hall)
Enjoy getting to know the campus and one another through this fun activity. Dessert will be served.

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(G)(P) Welcome Reception for All Parents and Families
Ruth J. Simmons Quadrangle
Join President Christina Paxson and key senior administrators for formal greetings and casual conversation about academics and life at Brown.

10:00 pm - 12:00 midnight
(G) Ice Cream Social
College Green
Get ready to unwind and celebrate your first night at Brown with your fellow classmates under the stars on the College Green! Cool down from the summery weather and grab some free ice cream, then grab a spot on the Main Green! Not interested in hanging out on the Main Green? Join us in the Stephen Robert ’62 Campus Center for some board games, Speed Friending and more. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
Mandatory Events Begin!

8:30 am - 10:00 am
Welcome Breakfast for Incoming RUE and “RUE-Like” Students and Student Veterans
Sharpe Refectory, President’s Dining Room
RUE and “RUE-Like” students will meet deans and student leaders. Students will review the orientation schedule, and discuss important information about the RUE program and getting ready for the first semester.

9:45 am - 10:00 am
(P) TVRUE Student Counselors Greet Incoming Students and Families
Light Refreshments Served (Sharpe Refectory Open at 7:30 am for full breakfast)
Salomon 001
Arrive and enjoy light refreshments with your TVRUE Counselors before the Welcome Meeting begins.

10:00 am - 11:30 am
(P) Welcome Meeting for Transfer, Visiting, and Resumed Undergraduate Education Students and Families
Salomon 001
Deans and Student Counselors will provide an introduction to Brown for students and parents.

Student Forums (11:00 am)
Salomon 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 question 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 (11:00 am)
Salomon 001
Deans will offer a Q&A session for parents.
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
Lunch with TVRUE Student Counselors
Sharpe Refectory, Dining Rooms 8&9

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm
Engaging Diversity: Sharing Our Stories
MacMillan Hall Room 115
Each student joining the Brown community arrives with a personal story: the people, places, events and identities that make each of us who we are. This session will give you the opportunity to hear some of the stories of current Brown community members. It will also introduce you to one set of tools that can be used to share your own story and to listen to the stories of others. We’ll begin a conversation that we hope, like your story, will continue to evolve throughout your time at Brown and beyond.

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
TVRUE Engaging Diversity: Sharing Our Stories
Small Group Sessions
Immediately following “Engaging Diversity”, you will join a break-out TVRUE group discussion about the topic.

Please go to the following location for your small group session:
If your last name starts with: A-J  Barus & Holley 153
K-Z  Barus & Holley 159

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Dinner with TVRUE Student Counselors: Topic: Community Engagement
Sharpe Refectory, Rooms 8&9
During this “mini” activities fair over dinner, you will learn about some of Brown’s student organizations and campus activities through your counselors’ own experiences.

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm
Ice-Breakers with TVRUE Student Counselors
J. Walter Wilson, 3rd and 4th Floors
This will be a fun group activity to get acquainted with other new students. Check in with your TVRUE Counselor for your specific group’s room number. Dessert will be served.

12:00 midnight - 1:30 am
(G) Midnight Organ Concert
Sayles Hall, College Green
In this Brown tradition, University organist Mark Steinbach performs on Brown’s remarkable Hutchings-Votey pipe organ. Built in 1903, the organ is the largest of its type in the world, with over 300 pipes and more than 100 miles of wire. Bring a pillow, a blanket and relax and clear your mind with new friends. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

TVRUE First Readings Seminar
Session 1: 9:00 am - 10:20 am
Session 2: 10:30 am - 11:50 am
See info in your ASK profile (ASK.brown.edu). You are assigned to either session 1 or 2.
The academic seminar on the First Readings selection, Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City, offers a different kind of introduction to Brown. Exchange ideas in an open setting, meet other new students and, perhaps most importantly, reflect on the new phase of life you are entering. The seminar leaders who have volunteered to discuss this book with you are drawn from Brown’s faculty, administration and upper-class student leaders.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 Cont...

Pre-Registration and Course Selection Support with TVRUE Counselors
Session 1: 9:00 am - 10:20 am
Session 2: 10:30 am - 11:50 am
J. Walter Wilson, Room 203
During these drop-in hours, student counselors will share information about selecting courses and registering for the fall semester. You can attend the session that doesn't conflict with your First Readings Seminar.

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm
TVRUE Academic Nuts and Bolts with Lunch
Sharpe Refectory, Rooms 8&9
Beginning at 12:30 pm, Deans present an overview of academic life at Brown: degree requirements, course registration, academic advising, academic resources, and opportunities, followed by Q&A.

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm
(G) Academic Expo
Sayles Hall, 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.

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
TVRUE Dinner with Student Counselors
Sharpe Refectory, Rooms 8&9

8:00 pm - 9:15 pm
TVRUE Promoting a Culture of Consent and Community Care
Salomon Center, Room 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 now, we hope to move everyone toward 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 with a 75 minute peer-led small group discussion on Tuesday evening.

10:30 pm - 1:00 am
(G) The Annual Orientation Dance
Alumnae Hall, Pembroke Campus (Meeting Street)
Come join your classmates in Alumnae Hall for the Annual Orientation Dance! It's a great chance to show off your moves and have fun with your new classmates! Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee. Brown ID is required for entrance.

10:30 pm - 1:00 am
(G) All Campus Games Night
Andrews Dining Commons
If you’re all danced out or were born with two left feet, come play some classic board games and video games. There’s nothing quite like a game of Apples to Apples or Mario Kart to make new friends. Board games and video games will be provided, but feel free to bring one of your favorites. Sponsored by the Orientation Welcoming Committee and the Brown University eSports Team.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:00 am - 9:30 am
RUE Student Meeting with First-Year Advising Group
See info in your ASK profile (ASK.brown.edu)
Incoming RUE and first-year students will meet in small groups with their academic advisors and their Meiklejohn peer advisors. The Brown curriculum and advising resources will be introduced so that you can begin to plan your individual course of study. At this meeting you will schedule an individual appointment with your advisor to occur between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm.

9:30 am - 3:00 pm
RUE Student Meeting with First-Year Advisor
See info in your ASK profile (ASK.brown.edu)
Students meet individually with their academic and Meiklejohn advisors to discuss their course plans for the fall semester.

12:00 noon - 1:30 pm
TVRUE Lunch with Deans, Directors, Faculty Advisors and Student Counselors
Brown Faculty Club, Huttner Room
This is a special brunch for new TVRUE students to meet the deans and directors of the College and to learn about various resources for academic and personal pursuits.

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Transfer Student Individual Academic Advising Meeting
See info in your ASK profile (ASK.brown.edu)
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.

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Concentration Declaration Support with TVRUE Counselors
Rhode Island Hall, Room 108
When you are not in your individual advising meeting, come talk with student counselors about what to consider in selecting a concentration and how to prepare for declaration.

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Visiting Students Group and Individual Meetings with Deans
University Hall, Room 305
Students will meet with deans in a group to review academic resources, course selection and registration information. Individual advising meetings will follow the group session.

3:40 pm PROMPTLY!
(G) Gather for Opening Convocation/Procession
Students Assemble at College and Prospect Street for Procession
Find your the TVRUE Counselors to assemble for line-up.

4:00 pm
(G) Opening Convocation
College Green (Rain site: Pizzitola Sports Center)
Convocation begins on College Street for the traditional walk through the Van Wickle Gates and proceeds to the College Green. President Paxson officially marks the beginning of the new academic year by introducing senior administrators and this year’s Convocation speaker, Professor of Anthropology Daniel Smith.

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Your Choice Dinner
Enjoy dinner in the Sharpe Refectory, or explore some of the many great options on Thayer Street and around campus.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 Cont...

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
TVRUE Banner Online Registration with Counselor Assistance
CIT, Room 265
Registration officially opens at 7:00 pm. Be sure to bring your list of courses and a laptop. TVRUE Counselors will be on hand if you have any questions or need any assistance.

8:00 pm - 9:30 pm
TVRUE Promoting a Culture of Consent and Community Care: Small Group Sessions
Metcalf Research Building, Friedman Auditorium

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5: FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
RUE, Osher Scholars, & Veterans’ First Day of Classes Dinner
Kabob and Curry, 261 Thayer Street
Welcome Dinner for new and returning RUE, Osher Scholars and Veterans to kick off the semester!

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (time is subject to change)
Sophomore Dessert Reception
Granoff Center Studio 1
Mark your calendars to join us and your classmates at the Sophomore Dessert Reception on the first night of classes, Wednesday, September 5, 7:00-8:00 pm, in the Granoff Center Studio 1. See your friends, meet deans and explore resources while enjoying pastries.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Fall Activities Fair
College Green (Rain site: Olney-Margolies Athletic Center (OMAC))
Over 400 recognized student organization and club sports gather to show their stuff. You’ll be amazed and maybe a little overwhelmed by all of the opportunities Brown has to offer. Joining a club sport or student group is a great way to meet people and contribute to the campus community. Sponsored by the Student Activities Office (SAO), Undergraduate Council of Students (UCS) and the Orientation Welcoming Committee (OWC). Visit Brown.edu/go/bearexc to take a look at the online directory of student organizations or brownrec.com/club_sports for club sports.

EVENTS TO FOLLOW

All other upcoming TVRUE and RUE specific events for the academic year will be communicated to you via email and Google Calendar.

SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT THE JEWISH HIGH HOLIDAYS

The start of the first full week of classes in 2018-19 coincides with the two-day Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah, which begins at sundown on Sunday, September 9 and ends at sundown on Tuesday, September 11. Brown is committed to the principle of religious freedom and we endeavor to accommodate the religious obligations of all members of our community.

Rosh Hashanah is a major holiday for a significant portion of the Brown community. Go to ask.brown.edu/home to learn more about the services and accommodations that will be provided to students who wish to observe the holidays.