

# WELCOME WEEK 2013

## DAILY SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

#### Move-In Begins

9:00 a.m.  
Residence Halls

Bring your driver's license or your AU ID to the front desk of your residence hall to check in and get your room key and move-in parking pass. You may park in front of your residence hall for 30 minutes to unload your car, but then you'll need to move your car to the Nebraska Avenue lot across from main campus.

#### Use Your EagleBucks Today

Use your EagleBucks to eat in the Terrace Dining Room (TDR), located in the Mary Graydon Center; at any on-campus food vendor; and at many off-campus locations. Meal plans go into effect starting with dinner on Sunday, August 18.

#### International Student English Proficiency Test (Optional)

8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.  
School of International Service Building, Room 120  
All international students whose native language is not English are encouraged to take AU's English Proficiency Test. Your results will help us support your academic success at AU. Questions? Contact International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) at x3350 or perla@american.edu.

#### International Student Orientation Check-In for Undergraduate and Graduate International Students

1:15 p.m.  
Ward Circle Building Lobby  
Learn about immigration rights and responsibilities, become familiar with the U.S. academic system, and meet your new international classmates and people on campus here to support you. Questions? Contact International Student and Scholar Services at x3350, or visit american.edu/ocli/ssss. (Note: details about the Abroad at AU orientation are listed below. There are separate orientations for the Washington Semester Program and Washington College of Law.)

#### Parent and Family Reception and Q&A

3:00 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center, Room 200  
Enjoy light refreshments and meet other parents of first-year students. Representatives from Housing and Dining Programs, the Office of Information Technology, and the Office of the Dean of Students will be on hand to answer questions.

#### Mandatory Floor Meetings

10:00 p.m.  
Your floor  
Join fellow new students on your floor and your resident assistant (RA) to review details about living on campus. Required for all residents who have moved in as of this date.

#### Late Night Breakfast

10:30 p.m.-Midnight  
Terrace Dining Room  
Enjoy a great (and free) late night breakfast and DJ-powered music in TDR.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

#### University College Opening Reception

3:00-4:30 p.m.  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (Rain Site: University Club)  
University College (UC) students and parents: help launch the 2013 UC program by joining us for refreshments and welcome remarks. Meet professors, other UC students, and program associates.

#### Meal Plans Begin with Dinner

Terrace Dining Room  
This is the first day that you can use your new AU meal plan in TDR.

#### Bobby McKeys Dueling Piano Show

9:00-11:00 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center, Tavern  
Sing along to your favorite tunes with D.C.'s finest piano players and hear mash ups of chart-topping hits.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 19

#### Eagle Summit: First-Year Fundamentals Check-In

8:00-9:00 a.m.  
Bender Arena Lobby  
If you are a first-year student who did not attend one of the summer orientation programs, this program will help you prepare for the coming semester. Meet other new students, find out about AU resources, and more. If you haven't yet registered but plan to attend, please contact New Student Programs at x3303.

#### Parent and Family Eagle Summit Check-In

8:00-9:00 a.m.  
Bender Arena Lobby  
Parents and family members of first-year students: if you preregistered but did not attend a parent and family orientation over the summer, this program is for you.

#### Playfair

9:30-11:30 p.m.  
Bender Arena  
Form new campus friendships at Playfair, an entertaining team-building experience with long-lasting possibilities.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

#### Eagle Summit: First-Year Fundamentals Continues

All Day  
Various Locations

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#### Welcome Week Program Check-In

11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center Lobby  
Participating in the Freshman Service Experience, Discover DC, or Explore DC programs? Come by the Welcome Week check-in desk to pick up your materials, get important information about kick-off events, and ask any questions you may have.

#### Abroad at AU Orientation

1:00-5:00 p.m.  
Butler Boardroom  
This orientation is mandatory for all fall 2013 and spring 2014 Abroad at AU students.

#### International Student Health Insurance

1-to-1 Hour  
2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Student Health Center, McCabe Hall  
Speak privately with a health insurance professional from the Student Health Center about health insurance coverage. For more information, contact ISSS at x3350.

#### Kay Spiritual Life Center Open House

7:30-9:00 p.m.  
Kay Spiritual Life Center Lounge (Lower Level)  
Join us for a fun introduction to AU's many faith-based communities and to meet university chaplains and students from the Interfaith Council. Refreshments will be served.

#### DC Improv

10:00-11:30 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center, Tavern  
What do lamps, qumballs, and calculators have in common? We don't know either, but come see the DC Improv troupe make a go of stringing them together. Launched in 1992, the troupe has showcased newcomers Ellen DeGeneres, Dave Chappelle, and Brian Regan and continues to feature the best comedic talent in the business today.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

#### Eagle Summit: Transfer Orientation

8:00-9:15 a.m.  
Ward Circle Building Lobby  
If you are a transfer student who did not attend a summer orientation, this program will help you prepare for the coming semester. Meet other new students, learn about the resources AU offers, and more. If you haven't yet registered but plan to attend, please contact New Student Programs at x3303.

#### Abroad at AU Orientation

1:00-5:00 p.m.  
Butler Boardroom  
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#### Quad after Dark

8:30-11:30 p.m.  
Friedheim Quad  
Enjoy this late summer evening when the quad is transformed into a carnival with inflatables, games, music, dancing, and more.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

#### Abroad at AU and Discover DC Day

9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and 5:30-7:00 p.m.  
This optional orientation is geared toward fall 2013 and spring 2014 Abroad at AU students. Together with other students, take a tour of D.C., followed by a reception for registered participants.

#### Pick Your Flick Movie Night

9:30 p.m.-Midnight  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (Rain Site: Tavern)  
An annual tradition! You chose the movie--now join us for the 2013 Pick Your Flick winner. Enjoy free popcorn, candy, prizes, and refreshments. (Bring a blanket.)

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

#### First-Year Students Assemble for Opening Convocation

10:00 a.m.  
Friedheim Quad (rain or shine)  
Gather on the quad for the convocation procession. Refreshments will be provided by the American University Alumni Association, and the official Class of 2017 T-shirt distributed. Show your school spirit by wearing your new T-shirt as bagpipers lead you to Bender Arena through Glover Gate at 10:30 a.m. Your AU academic journey begins with your passage through the gate and cheers from faculty and staff in Bender Arena.

#### Incoming Transfer Students Assemble for Opening Convocation

10:00 a.m.  
Battelle-Tompkins Atrium  
Assemble in the Battelle-Tompkins atrium for convocation festivities. Enjoy refreshments, meet other transfer students, and join the procession on the quad to Bender Arena through the Glover Gate at approximately 10:30 a.m. A limited number of Class of 2015 and 2016 T-shirts will be available.

#### Opening Convocation

11:00 a.m. (Faculty and staff gather at 10:30 a.m.)  
Bender Arena  
Open the academic year with a formal welcome for the Class of 2017 and incoming transfer students from President Neil Kerwin, the administration, faculty, and staff. Highlights of the ceremony also include remarks by Student Government president Patrick Kelly and Scholar-Teacher of the Year Robert Dinerstein.

#### School and College Academic Welcomes

2:00-5:00 p.m.  
Join staff and faculty from your school or college to start the academic year off right.

#### Kogod School of Business

2:00 p.m.  
Kay Spiritual Life Center  
Enjoy an afternoon of activities starting with remarks from an alumni speaker and a welcome from faculty and staff. Meet student club leaders, peer mentors, Business 1.0 TAs, and staff during team-building activities and a case study competition. Stay cool with Rita's Ice and pick up some Kogod gear.

#### School of Communication

2:00 p.m.  
Friedheim Quad, in front of Mary Graydon Center (Rain Site: Mary Graydon Center, First Floor Lobby/Front Steps)  
3:00-5:00 p.m.  
Media Production Center, TV Studio  
At 2:00 p.m., meet your SOC student ambassador mentor to learn more about life as an SOC student. At 3:00 p.m., head to the Media Production Center for the SOC welcome and free ice cream treats. Get to know Comm-100 faculty and student club leaders, win prizes, and pick up your 2013-14 course catalog.

#### College of Arts and Sciences

2:00 p.m.  
Katzen Arts Center, Rotunda  
Dean Starr and the CAS advising team and peer advisors greet you in the Katzen Arts Center for an afternoon of games and refreshments.

#### School of Public Affairs

2:00 p.m.  
Ward Circle Building, Room 2  
Hear Dean Barbara Romzek welcome new students to the School of Public Affairs. Afterward, join fellow classmates, faculty, and staff in Ward lobby for an ice cream social.

#### School of International Service

4:15 p.m.  
SIS Building Atrium  
Celebrate the start of the new academic year with Dean James Goldgeier and SIS students, faculty and staff. Discuss this year's theme, "The Great Challenges of Our Time Demand a Global Perspective," over ice cream sandwiches, get a free T-shirt, and participate in a collaborative art project.

#### All-American BBQ

5:00 p.m.  
Friedheim Quad (Rain Site: TDR, Tavern, and Marketplace)  
Meet President Kerwin and hang out with other students on the quad. Present your Class of 2017 T-shirt to receive a wristband for dinner.

#### Eric Dittelman: Comedic Mind Reader

8:00-9:00 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center, Tavern  
Ever wonder what it would be like to know what someone else was thinking? Eric Dittelman, a semifinalist on NBC's *America's Got Talent* and stand-up comedian, has been reading minds at colleges, comedy clubs, and private events across the country.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

#### Honors 101 Kick-Off

Late Afternoon  
Ward Circle Building, Room 1  
The session will introduce new Honors freshmen to their Honors 101 groups, upperclass student mentors, and Honors staff and will serve as an orientation to the University Honors Program.

#### SUB Concert featuring Lupe Fiasco with Travis Porter

9:00 p.m.  
Bender Arena  
Doors open at 8:00 p.m. for this first show of the year presented by the Student Government's Student Union Board. Admission is free to students with an AU ID. Visit facebook.com/AUSUB for more information.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

#### KPU Presents Capitol Steps

7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (Rain Site: Bender Arena, 8:00 p.m.)  
Enjoy this annual tradition of political satire from a group of current and former congressional staffers who poke fun at everything Washington. Sponsored by Student Activities, the Student Government's Kennedy Political Union, and New Student Programs.

#### Mandatory Floor Meetings

Various Times  
Your floor  
Review details about living on campus with fellow students on your floor and your RA. Required for all residents.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 26

#### Classes Begin

#### Celebrate AU!

2:00-4:00 p.m.  
Friedheim Quad (Rain Date: September 1, 2:00-4:00 p.m.)  
Celebrate the start of the new academic year with President Kerwin and members of the campus community, and greet new colleagues, get to know other students, and catch up with old friends. Enjoy music, hot dogs, ice cream, and more. Sponsored by the Office of the President.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

*Student Involvement Fair*  
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
Friedheim Quad  
(Rain Date: September 11)

*Check out the more than 200 different ways to get involved at AU. Meet leaders of student clubs, organizations, and various campus departments, while enjoying free, freshly made kettle corn. Sponsored by Student Activities.*

# ONGOING ACTIVITIES

### AUGUST 17

*RHA Lemonade and Cookies*  
11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Lobbies of Anderson, Congressional, Hughes, and Letts Halls  
Move-in can be hot and tiring... Come meet representatives from the Residence Hall Association (RHA) and relax as you enjoy cookies and quench your thirst at any of the above locations.

### AUGUST 17-22

*Information Booths*  
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
Letts-Anderson Quad and Hughes Hall  
Have a question or just want good conversation? Stop by one of our two information booths staffed by AU students, staff, and faculty.

### AUGUST 17-30

*Tech Fair 2012*  
10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., Weekdays  
11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Weekends  
Bender Library, First Floor  
Have your laptop configured for AU's wired and wireless networks, ask tech questions, request assistance, or attend a demonstration. Does your computer need troubleshooting? While our experts fix the problem, try out the do-it-yourself version of the library treasure hunt. Please bring your laptop and power cord.

*If you have questions about access or need to request sign language interpreters, please contact the Academic Support and Access Center (ASAC) at asac@american.edu or 202-885-3360.*



### AUGUST 20-22

*FRESHMAN SERVICE EXPERIENCE (FSE)*  
Students registered for FSE should plan to participate in the following activities.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

*Opening Ceremony*  
4:00 p.m.  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (Rain Site: Mary Graydon Center, Tavern)  
Team meetings, dinner, and team events follow the ceremony.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

*Off-Campus Community Service*  
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
*FSE Evening Programming*  
7:00 p.m. (Locations in the FSE brochure)  
Events include the Faces of Homelessness Panel, a documentary, and other cultural performances. All are welcome to attend.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

*Off-Campus Community Service*  
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
*Closing Ceremony*  
7:00 p.m.  
Bender Arena

### AUGUST 20-22

#### DISCOVER DC (DDC) and EXPLORE DC

Plan to participate in the following activities if you are registered for one of these programs. Get out there and discover the city!

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

*Opening Ceremony*  
6:30 p.m.  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (Rain Site: Ward Circle Building, Rooms 1 and 2)  
Dinner, activities, and a tour follow the ceremony.

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

*D.C. Neighborhood Visits*  
All Day  
*Evening Event and Discussion*  
7:00 p.m.  
Locations on the DDC Schedule  
Events include the Faces of Homelessness Panel, a documentary, and other cultural performances. All are welcome to attend.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

*D.C. Neighborhood Visits*  
All Day  
*Discover DC Closing Ceremony*  
6:00 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center, University Club

### AUGUST 22-SEPTEMBER 6

*Working at AU: Getting Your Hiring Paperwork Done*  
Noon-2:00 p.m.  
Mary Graydon Center