

WELCOME PANTHERS

Dear New Student:

It's time to arrive for Fall 2009!

If you plan to attend Claflin University in the Fall **you must attend New Student Orientation August 15, 2009 – August 23, 2009**. Here you will find all the information you will need to prepare for your entry into the campus. Full details on New Student Orientation will be posted on this web page, so be sure to check the site as your arrival day approaches.

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE FINANCIALLY CLEAR BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2009.

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What is New Student Orientation?

These days are designed for all new students, and transfers with less than 30 hours transferring into the University. New Student Orientation introduces you to the campus. You will learn about CU's academic programs, meet faculty members, register for Fall classes with your advisor, learn about all of our support services, and make new friends with other incoming students.

Orientation Arrival Instructions

New Student Orientation “**Check In**” will take place in the Jonas T. Kennedy Gymnasium from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Enter as follows:

- ✓ Students who attended Early Registration and have an “APPROVED” stamp should enter using the side door, for express Check In.
 - ✓ All other students enter using the front door and follow the instructions below:
- ❖ IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID THE \$365 CONFIRMATION FEE YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PROCEED UNTIL THE FEE IS PAID.
 - ❖ Enter Tullis Arena through the front doors. You will be directed to check-in tables by the first letter of your last name. At the check-in table you will receive registration and orientation week materials as well as a CAMPUS PASS. Please be sure you know which residence hall to go to; go to the residential life table if you are not sure or have not received this information.
 - ❖ When you are ready to leave the gym area, please place the CAMPUS PASS on the dash of your vehicle on the driver’s side so that it will be visible when you approach the front gate and residence hall unloading areas. WITHOUT THIS PASS YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO DRIVE YOUR VEHICLE ON THE CAMPUS.
 - ❖ When you arrive at the residence hall:
 - ✓ The student should go to the desk to sign-in
 - ✓ Family & friends should begin to unload the vehicle to the curbside area
 - There is a 20 minute unloading period. We will have individuals available to assist with curb-side unloading and moving possessions to assigned rooms
 - All vehicles must be moved after 20 minutes to available campus parking areas. Vehicles may not be left unattended.
 - One member of the group should always be with the unloaded possessions
 - ✓ If you attended Early Registration and have taken a picture for your Claflin University Panthercard, your card will be included in your Orientation Packet that you will receive during check - in
 - ✓ If you did not take a picture for your Panthercard you will *take your picture* during the scheduled time in the Campus Center
 - ✓ Panthercards will be delivered to your residence hall in the evening
 - ✓ Off-campus students will be allowed to receive their Panthercards once they have received an “APPROVED” stamp

PLEASE SPEND THE DAY

- ✓ Getting your room set up
- ✓ Getting to know your roommate
- ✓ Getting any supplies that you need
- ✓ Getting to know your Resident Manager
- ✓ Getting to know your Resident Assistants
- ✓ Asking questions:
 - Ask residential life staff
 - Ask Freshman College staff
 - Ask staff and faculty working to assist you
 - Ask Student Leaders
- ✓ Reading through the Orientation Week Schedule
 - Students **MUST** attend all events & activities
- ✓ Reading through the Student Handbook
- ✓ Purchasing books
- ✓ Getting your Panthercard
- ❖ Financial Aid, Business Office, and Cashier will be available Saturday, August 15, 2009, and Sunday August 16, 2009, to assist you in Tingley Memorial Hall
- ❖ Late arrivals should report to the Campus Center for check - in

Where can Parents park during Orientation?

Parking for New Student Orientation is permitted in the lots listed below:

Lot 1 – Kleist Hall

Lot 3 – Infirmary

Lot 6 – Magnolia Gravel Lot

Lot 9 – High Rise

Lot 13 – Millwood Grass Lot

Lot 14 – West Gravel Lot

Lot 16 – Goff Avenue Gravel Lot

Lot 17 – Goff Avenue Gravel Lot

Note: Towing is strictly enforced in unauthorized areas.

What are some of the Activities?

Upon arrival, you will receive a schedule of activities for New Student Orientation which will include:

- Academic advisement
- ID card pictures
- Academic policies and procedures
- Payment arrangements (ALL STUDENTS MUST BE APPROVED BY TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2009)
- Student organizations, community service and other ways to become involved to enhance your experience here

Whom may I bring to Orientation?

We encourage parents and guardians to come; as we have a fantastic schedule prepared involving special informational events just for them. Please see the Orientation Schedule at-a-glance. You will receive a detailed schedule of events when you check in.

At CU, we realize that families are in transition when students leave home for college. Orientation to CU life is important to help parents, guardians, or other guests understand and support their student. Orientation activities are offered to both students and their guests.

Do I need to prepare for the Accuplacer Test?

If you did not attend Early Registration Day (ERD) you will take online Accuplacer tests in reading comprehension, sentence skills or writing, and elementary algebra or other mathematics. We will use your Accuplacer test results, in conjunction with your high school record and test scores, to advise you in selecting a course schedule suited to your declared major, if you have one, or your interests. Students that miss placement testing will be unable to attend the University during the Fall semester.

Calculators, dictionaries, books, and notes are not permitted. Relax! Just get a good night's sleep before you come. You really shouldn't have to study. If you want to review some algebra, go ahead. For online information and sample test questions, visit www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/accuplacer.

New Student Checklist

Before the excitement of Student Orientation, please take the following action steps to ensure your successful transition as a student at Claflin University. This checklist will assist you in the orientation process and help avoid time-consuming delays in the fall.

To ensure that your Orientation visit goes smoothly, please read the following instructions carefully. If you have further questions, please contact the Freshman College (803) 535-5282 or email mgreene@claflin.edu

Step 1: Complete the Financial Aid Process

- If you have not done so already, please complete the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) immediately. **Many scholarships require the completion of the FAFSA in order to qualify, so ensure that this step is completed.** The application is filed at www.fafsa.ed.gov. The Claflin's school code: 003424. Electronic Signatures are required for this process. To obtain your PIN and the PIN for a parent visit www.pin.ed.gov.

- Please bring copies of the student and parent Federal tax return(s) and /or proof of income, verification worksheet and untaxed income form.
- You may apply for your Federal Stafford loan(s) though either of the following web sites: www.opennet.salliemae.com or www.scstudentloan.org
- Maintain records of all documents and correspondence related to your financial aid.
- Contact the Financial Aid Office at (803) 535-5334, if you have further questions.

Office of Financial Aid

1st Floor, Corson Hall

(803) 535-5334

Step 2: Student Accounts

You will be registering for your Fall 2009 courses (12 or more credit hours). A bill will be generated once you have selected, registered, and your schedule has been approved. After you have selected your courses, log on to www.claflin.edu and click on MY CLAFLIN to view your account summary by selected term.

If you are not able to make a full payment, you can make satisfactory payment arrangements with the Business Office. You must continue to communicate with the Offices of Student Accounts, Financial Aid to gain clearance to attend classes (and move into the residence halls if applicable).

Please Note: See the last page of the New Student Orientation booklet for a "[Cost to Attend Claflin worksheet](#)". The worksheet should only be used to estimate the cost of attendance. Please keep in mind that costs may vary based on each student's unique situation.

Methods of Payments Accepted at Claflin

- Cash
- Cashier's/Certified Check
- Credit Card (Discover, Master Card, Visa)
- Debit Card with Logo

Note: Claflin will not accept personal checks.

Satisfying your Financial Obligation means:

1. All financial aid, scholarships, grants and loans have been completed and posted to your account.
2. The Business Office has received the enrollment fee and first installment payment for the deferred payment plan (as determined by Business Office) if applicable.
3. Your account is paid in full or payment arrangements have been made.

Office of Student Accounts

2nd Floor, Tingley Hall, Suite 4
(803) 535-5415

To Make Payments:

Cashier Office
(803) 535-5409/ (803)535-5432

Step 3: Student Health Services

All full-time students must submit a [completed health form](#) to the Office of Student Health Services. All Students are encouraged to submit a completed Student Health Form by the time they attend New Student Orientation. Students will not be permitted to move into the residence halls in the fall without a completed health form on file in the Office of Student Health Services. The health evaluation and required immunization/screening section of the form must be completed and signed by a health care provider (refer to the Student Health Services pamphlet for requirements).

All original forms must be mailed directly to the Office of Student Health Services. Do not mail health forms to other departments. Faxed copies will not be accepted. Students are advised to keep a copy of the health form for their records. Students bringing the health form with them to campus must bring all original forms to the Office of Student Health Services. If you have any questions concerning the health form, contact the Office of Student Health Services.

Student Health Services

Student Health Center
(803) 535-5328

Step 4: Residential Housing

For priority placement, [all applications](#) and deposits for Residential Housing should have been submitted by July 1, 2009. If you have any questions concerning the application, contact the Office of Residential Life.

Residential Life

(803) 535-5330

Important: You will not be permitted to move into a residence hall in the fall unless you have satisfied your confirmation fees (\$365) and submitted a [completed health form](#). Students will be allowed to move into the residence halls at 8:00 a.m. If you have not received a room assignment you will need to report to Residential Life.

Step 5: What do I need to bring

Useful Items to Bring:

- Linens and bedspread for single bed (36 x 80)
- Blankets
- Throw rugs
- Towels
- Clothes hangers
- Sewing kit and scissors
- Trash can

- Mop and bucket
- Broom and dust pan
- Cleaning supplies
- Mattress cover
- Pillow and pillow cover
- Curtains for windows
- Alarm clock
- Iron and ironing board (Table Top)
- Laundry bag and/or basket
- Shower cap and shower shoes
- Clothes rack
- Young ladies MUST bring a white dress with neutral or white hose, or white suit, shirt and white dress shoes
- Young men MUST bring navy, black or dark grey suits, coordinating tie and dress shoes

The following items ARE NOT ALLOWED:

Hot Plates
 Electric Heaters
 Crock Pots

Step 6: Claflin Student Identification Cards (ID's)

All Claflin University students are issued CU Panthercards. Panthercards serve as keys to the residence halls, debit cards for meal plans, and they are used to gain access to the campus. Photos for Panthercards will be taken during orientation, if you did not attend Early Registration.

Office of Residential Life

Campus Center

Kleist Hall
 (803) 535-5330

Step 7: Public Safety

Cars on Campus

Commuter students must register any motor vehicle that they park or drive on University property with the Office of Public Safety and purchase a decal. The Office is located beneath High Rise Residential Hall.

FRESHMEN WHO LIVE ON CAMPUS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO HAVE VEHICLES ON CAMPUS!

Office of Public Safety

Lower Level of High Rise
 (803) 535-5451

New Student Orientation Travel Information

We hope that the following information assists you in making your travel plans to attend New Student Orientation. Please feel free to contact the Freshman College at (803) 535-5282 should you have any questions or concerns.

Hotel Information

- Quality Inn & Suites
1415 John C. Calhoun Drive Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-531-4600
- Fairfield Inn
663 Citadel Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-533-0014
- Comfort Inn & Suites
3671 St. Matthews Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-531-9200
- Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites
118 Sleep Inn Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-536-2550
- Travelers Inn
3691 St. Matthews Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-531-2590
- Sleep Inn
3689 St. Matthews Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-531-7200
- Best Western
746 Citadel Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-515-9700
- Country Inn & Suites
746 Citadel Road
Orangeburg, SC 29115
803-928-5300

Tentative New Student Orientation Schedule At-A-Glance

Day One – Saturday, August 15, 2009

SETTLING IN

Time	Activity, Location and Presenter	Participants
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	<p>FIRST – NEW STUDENT CHECK– IN</p> <p>Jonas T. Kennedy Health and Physical Education Center, Tullis Arena (JTK)</p> <p>SECOND – Residential check– in Asbury, Corson, and Kleist – Women High Rise and Student Residential Center (SRC) South – Men</p>	Class of 2013 and Families
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	<p>FINANCIAL AID COUNSELING</p> <p>TINGLEY MEMORIAL HALL, FIRST FLOOR</p>	For students who have not completed the financial aid process

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	BUSINESS OFFICE OPEN Tingley Memorial Hall, Second Floor	Class of 2013 and Families For students who have completed registration
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	CAMPUS BOOKSTORE OPEN Laymen Hall, First Floor Panthercards– Campus Center Mailboxes – Campus Center, Lower Level	Class of 2013 and Families
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Family luncheon Students Free – Families \$5.75 per person Claflin University Dining Center	Class of 2013 and Families
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM	“An Old Fashioned Family Picnic” Hosted by President and Mrs. Henry N. Tisdale Panther Plaza/ Claflin University Dining Center	Class of 2013 and Families
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM	LATE ARRIVALS CHECK – IN Campus Center, Upper Level	Class of 2013 and Families
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Orientation Class Meeting	Class of 2013
8:30 PM – 9:30 PM	Residential Life Meetings Residence Halls	Class of 2013 Residential Students

Day Two – Sunday, August 16, 2009

PARTING and STARTING!

Time	Activity, Location and Presenter	Participants
9:00 – 10:00 AM	Claflin University Family Worship Service (Last names beginning with A-K) James and Dorothy Z. Elmore Chapel	Class of 2013 and Families
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Claflin University Family Worship Service (Last names beginning with L-Z) James and Dorothy Z. Elmore Chapel	Class of 2013 and Families
10:00 – 12:30 AM	Family Brunch Students Free – Families \$5.50 per person Claflin University Dining Center	Class of 2013 and Families
11:30AM – 6:00 PM	LATE ARRIVALS CHECK – IN Campus Center, Upper Level	Class of 2013 and Families
1:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Family Information Sessions <i>Presenters will move from room to room. Students and families will remain in same location.</i> <i>Location assignments for students and families are by first letter of student's last name</i> A – H in W. V. Middleton Fine Arts Center I – P in Ministers' Hall Q–Z in the Grace Thomas Kennedy Auditorium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Affairs –Dr. George Miller, III, Vice President • Student Development and Services –Dr. Leroy A. Durant, Vice President • Fiscal Affairs -Mr. Joseph D. McDuffie , Jr., Vice President 	Class of 2013 and Families
3:30 PM	President's Welcome to the Class of 2013 The Freshman Parting Ceremony President Henry N. Tisdale Claflin University Faculty, Staff, Students , and Alumni W.V. Middleton Fine Arts Center Overflow: Claflin University Music Center Choir Room & Band Room <i>New students please wear Freshman College t-shirts with khaki or denim bottoms (no short skirts or shorts.)</i>	Class of 2013 and Families
4:30 PM – 6:00 PM	President and First Lady's Dinner Claflin University Dining Center	Class of 2013
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Orientation Class Meetings <i>Students should go to the same room as Saturday evening (See schedule on page 2)</i>	Class of 2013

The Freshman Retreat

August 19, 2009, students will be taken away from the campus to a retreat area. The retreat is a combined effort of The Freshman College and The Center for Vocational Reflection. The purpose of the retreat is to encourage the Class of 2013 to begin thinking critically about their self-identity, purpose in life, and their vocation.

In preparation, students should observe the following:

Leave Behind:

- Audio/ visual toys/ equipment
- TV, Radio, CD player, MP3 player, Gameboy, Walkman, Ipod
- Cell phone

Majors

<p>LIST OF MAJORS</p> <p><u>School of Business</u> Business Administration with a concentration in Finance with an open minor Marketing Management</p> <p><u>School of Education</u> Early Childhood Education Elementary Education Sport Management Human Performance and Recreation Middle Level Education</p> <p><u>School of Humanities and Social Sciences</u></p> <p><u>Department of Art</u> Art Education Art</p> <p><u>Department of English and Foreign Languages</u> English English Education</p> <p><u>Minors</u> American Studies English French Spanish Theatre Art</p> <p><u>Department of History and Sociology</u> African and African American Studies History Sociology Criminal Justice</p> <p><u>Department of Mass Communication</u> Mass Communication</p>	<p><u>School of Humanities and Social Sciences (continued)</u></p> <p><u>Department of Music</u> Music Music Education <u>Minor</u> Music Church Music</p> <p><u>Department of Philosophy and Religion</u> Philosophy and Religion with a concentration in Religious Studies or Philosophy <u>Minor</u> Philosophy and Religion</p> <p><u>School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics</u></p> <p><u>Dual Degrees</u> Engineering Engineering Technology Pre-Chiropractic</p> <p><u>Department of Biology</u> Biology Bioinformatics Biotechnology *Environmental Science</p> <p><u>Department of Chemistry</u> Biochemistry Chemistry *Can be advised in Chemistry Department or Biology Department</p> <p><u>Department of Mathematics and Computer Science</u> Mathematics Mathematics Education Computer Science Computer Engineering Management Information Systems</p>
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