



Welcome Weekend 2026

Thursday, August 20th

9:00 AM—3:00 PM	New Student Move In *Arrival time between 9am -12pm	
12:30 PM—2:00 PM	International Student Orientation (lunch provided)	Lyons 106
11:00 AM—2:00 PM	Lunch Families welcome \$9.75 at door	Gilmore
2:45 PM-3:45 PM	Education Majors Academic Session *teacher licensure track only	Simon Lawn
4:00 PM—4:45 PM	Convocation *Families Encouraged to stay and watch*	Simon Lawn
4:45 PM	Class Photo *Families depart *	Simon Lawn
5:00 PM- 6:00 PM	BBQ w/faculty advisors	Simon Lawn
7:00 PM—8:30 PM	Welcome to Pilgrim Nation Orientation Session	Putnam Center
8:30 PM—10:00 PM	First Night at NEC: <i>S'Mores Bar & Campfire, Make It Take It: White Boards Lawn Games</i>	Charter Lounge & Quad Lawn
8:30 PM—12:00 AM	Charter Lounge Open	Charter Lounge
8:00 PM- 10:00 PM	Esports Arena Open Play	Simon 5th Floor

Friday, August 21st

7:30 AM—9:00 AM	Breakfast	Gilmore
8:30 AM—9:00 AM	Iced Coffee & Donuts	Lyons
9:00 AM—9:30 AM	Orientation Group Meeting	Lyons
9:30 AM—10:45 AM	Technology (bring your devices)	Lyons
10:45 AM—12:15 PM	Swipe Right	Putnam
12:15 PM—1:30 PM	Lunch	Gilmore
1:30 PM -1:45PM	Orientation Group Meeting	
1:45 PM—3:00 PM	Campus Resources Scavenger Hunt—New Students Transfer Student Session	Campus CEI 110
3:00 PM—4:00 PM	Policies & Being a Good Community Member	Putnam



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4:15 PM	Honors Program Info Session	CEI 110
4:30 PM—5:30 PM	First Year Eats Student Mixer	Simon Grill
4:30 PM—7:30 PM	Dinner	Gilmore
5:30 PM—7:30 PM	Target Trip	Bus leaves from front of Simon
8:00 PM	Think Fast Game Show \$200 cash prize	Putnam
9:00 PM—10:00 PM	Dirty Soda Under the Lights	Putnam Patio
8:00 PM—10:00 PM	Esports Arena Open Play	Simon 5th Floor
8:30 PM—12:00 AM	Charter Lounge Open	Charter Lounge

Saturday, August 22nd

7:30 AM —9:30 AM	Breakfast	Gilmore
10:00 AM	Orientation Group Meeting	Lyons Lawn
10:15 AM—11:45 AM	Connection, Belonging, Embracing Community	Putnam Center
11:45 AM—1:30 PM	Brunch	Gilmore
1:45 PM—7:30 PM	Choose Your Afternoon: Sunapee Lake Cruise Meet at Simon Center @ 1:45 PM First 70 students Pat's Peak Hike Meet at Simon @ 3:30pm leave for hike Explore Henniker & Grab a free cone at Scoop's Stop by Simon Lobby for Scoops Coupon Disc Golf Discs available @ hole 1- adjacent to West Parking Lot	
4:30 PM—7:30 PM	Dinner	Gilmore
6:00 PM– 8:00 PM	Make it Take It: Succulent Planting	Charter Lounge
9:00 PM—10:00 PM	Late Night Breakfast and Bingo	Gilmore
8:00 PM– 10:00 PM	Esports Arena Open Play	Simon 5th Floor
9:00 PM—12:00 AM	Charter Lounge Open	Charter Lounge

Academic and Student Life Resources

Advising: SHIP Simon 1st
Courses and course scheduling

Campus Safety: Union Street
Parking Permits, Escorts, Lockouts

Career & Life Planning: SHIP Simon 1st
Services to identify a major and career preparation

Disability Services: Simon 4th
Disability support resources, academic and housing/dining accommodations

Mentoring: Simon 4th
NEC's fee for service mentoring program

Res Life & Housing: Simon 3rd
Housing, roommates

Student Engagement: Simon 3rd
Clubs and organizations, campus events, break shuttle

Student Financial Services: Admin Building
Billing, payment plans, student health insurance

Student Empowerment and Leadership: Simon 3rd
Leadership, Awareness and Empowerment Programs

Writing & Academic Support Center: Library
Study skills, exam prep, writing

Wellness Center: Hill House, Union Street
Medical services and counseling services



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Sunday, August 23rd

7:30 AM — 9:30 AM	Breakfast	Gilmore
9:30 AM — 10:30 AM	Starbucks Refreshers & Smoothies	Lyons
10:30 AM — 11:30 AM	Party on, Patty!	Putnam
11:30 AM — 1:30 PM	Brunch	Gilmore
1:30 PM — 2:30 PM	Thriving Through College Challenges	Putnam
2:30 PM — 3:30 PM	Preparing for Class Classroom Locations	Lyons
4:30 PM — 7:30 PM	Welcome Back BBQ & Carnival	Simon Green
8:00 PM	Residence Hall Meetings	Your Residence Hall
* Sessions in Blue are Mandatory		

Safety Tips

- Use sidewalks along Route 114 (the main road that splits campus)
- Do not prop open outside doors to the residence halls
- You can call campus safety for a safewalk/ride around campus



Campus Map



Emergency Alerts



Student Info Sharepoint

**Semester Mealtimes
Start on 8/24**

Gilmore Dining Hall

Monday – Thursday
Breakfast: 7:30am – 9:30am
Continental: 7:30am – 3:30pm
Lunch: 11:00am – 2:00pm
Late Lunch: 2:00pm – 4:30pm
(Salad, Deli, Soup, Waffles, etc)
Dinner: 4:30pm -7:30pm

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(Salad, Deli, Soup, Waffles, etc)
Dinner: 4:30pm -6:30pm

Saturday & Sunday
Brunch: 11:00am – 1:30pm
Late Lunch: 1:30pm -4:30pm
Dinner: 4:30pm – 6:30pm

Simon Grill

Opens 8/24
M-F 9:00am-9:00pm
Saturday 12:00pm-5:00pm
Sunday 4:00pm-9:00pm

Starbucks

Opens 8/24 8:00am
M-F 8:00am –4:00 pm

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