New Student Orientation

Spelman College, a historically Black college and global leader in the education of women of African descent, is dedicated to academic excellence in the liberal arts and sciences and the intellectual, creative, ethical and leadership development of its students. Spelman empowers the whole person to engage the many cultures of the world and inspires a commitment to positive social change (Spelman College Mission Statement).

The mission of the New Student Orientation Program (NSO) complements the College’s mission as it introduces new students to the academic, social, and cultural community of Spelman College.

The NSO Program seeks to
- facilitate the smooth transition of new students, including transfer, international, domestic exchange, and Pauline E. Drake scholars to the Spelman community;
- introduce all students to Spelman’s educational mission, history and unique opportunities;
- provide academic advisement and course registration;
- aid students in understanding their responsibilities as members of the Spelman College academic and social communities;
- provide all new students with opportunities for social and recreational activities that develop sisterhood and supportive networks and that foster a sense of school pride.
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You are expected to attend all programs and activities; they will help you successfully navigate the Spelman College experience. All changes to the New Student Orientation schedule will be posted on the mySpelman portal under the tab New Student Orientation and in the NSO Guidebook.

*Note: There may be some pre-orientation events on August 7th. These events will be optional. More information to follow.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

7:00 am Gate on Lee Street Opens

7:00 am - 4:00 pm Check-in
Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, Atrium
ID Photos and Registration for the Spelman Alert System (Lower Level Cosby Academic Center)

Representatives from the following offices are available.
Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, Atrium and various locations on campus
• Counseling and Disability Services
• Financial Aid Office
• Housing and Residence Life
• Spelman Technology Services (STS)
• Office of Undergraduate Studies
• Student Accounts/Cashier
• Office of Inclusion
• Student Health Services
• Mail Services

8:00 am - 10:00 am Breakfast
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
Spelman students may enter with Spelman ID.

11:00 am - 2:00 pm Lunch
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
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2:00 pm – 4:00 pm  Granddaughters Club Welcome Reception
Living and Learning Center II, Auditorium
The Granddaughters Club is comprised of students whose grandmothers, mothers, aunts, sisters and cousins attended Spelman.
Meet and greet…take a break from the summer heat! We know it’s move-in day, so come as you are. Come sip a cool drink and have a bite to eat with the Granddaughters of Spelman College.
The Granddaughters Club, the oldest student organization on campus, celebrated its 106th anniversary in 2016.

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm  Dinner
Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
Spelman students may enter with Spelman ID.

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm  When and Where I Enter
Sisters Chapel
Dr. Mary Schmidt Campbell will officially welcome new students into the Spelman community during this exuberant, opening program, which illuminates the history, traditions and talents of Spelman students and the Spelman College standards of excellence.

9:00 pm - 10:00 pm  Meet your PAL
Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, Auditorium
Peer Assistant Leaders (PALs) will engage new students in an interactive discussion of important student questions and concerns. This time will also be used to discuss the College’s history and traditions and to learn the Spelman Hymn in preparation for Induction Ceremony. Students will also receive updates about New Student Orientation schedule changes, and they will be able to communicate any needs and/or challenges. New students are encouraged to check the mySpelman portal for information regarding their Peer Assistant leader, contact information and assigned classrooms for future meetings.

10:00 pm - 11:00 pm  Living the Spelman Sisterhood Community Builder
Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, Auditorium
The motto for the Office of Housing & Residence Life is "Living the Spelman Sisterhood Every Day." Via fun and interactive community builders, student leaders in the Spelman Residence Hall Association (RHA) will share information on how you can get involved within your residential community and help you initiate friendships and sisterly bonds.

Thursday, August 9, 2018

7:00 am - 10:00 am  Breakfast
Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
Spelman students may enter with Spelman ID.

9:00 am - 11:00 am  Late Arrivals Check-in
Cosby Academic Center Atrium

9:00 am - 11:30 am  Mathematics Placement Examinations (designated students)
The math placement exam is required of all first-year and transfer students who are not transferring mathematics’ credits. Exceptions to this policy include Summer Science students (WISTEM); Spelman’s Early College Program students with college math credit;
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students who scored 4 or higher on the AP Calculus Examination; students who score 5, 6, or 7 on the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program Higher Level Examinations; and students earning a score of 50 on the mathematics exam from CLEP. Students taking the test will need their College ID Card to take the test. Please visit the checklist for your designated time and location.

9:00 am - 10:30 am Woodruff Library Orientation
***Students not taking the Math Placement Exam
Library staff will provide a tour of the Robert W. Woodruff Library and assist students with establishing their library accounts, which will enable students to check out materials and access electronic resources remotely.

11:30 am - 3:00 pm Lunch
Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
Spelman students may enter with Spelman ID.

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Mathematics Placement Examinations (designated students)

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Woodruff Library Orientation
***Students not taking the Math Placement Exam

4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner
Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall
Spelman students may enter with Spelman ID.

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm My Spelman Sister: Sister to Sister Dialogue
Various Locations
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7:00 pm - 7:45 pm Closing Celebration: And Now Her Journey Begins
Oval
Each student enters the gates of Spelman to begin the next phase of her journey into adulthood. This program will celebrate the parent and student’s transition to Spelman College. Parents and families will participate in a ceremonial commitment that proclaims their support of their Spelman student as she journeys to become a Spelmanite, a woman of excellence.
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8:00 pm - 9:00 pm   **Sisterhood is Global**
   **Sisters Chapel**
The Class of 2022 has representatives from all over the globe. Take this time to show your new Spelman Sisters a little bit about where you are from while learning about where they are from.

9:30 pm - 11:00 pm   **Residence Hall Building Meetings**
   **Locations Posted in your Residence Hall**
Attending college as a new student can be an overwhelming experience. It will probably be the first time in your life that you live away from home. It may also be the first time you have had to share a room with someone else. For these reasons and more, adjusting to college life can often be a difficult task. This session will provide helpful advice for becoming accustomed to residence hall life and making the transition a little easier to the Spelman sisterhood. You will also learn about opportunities for leadership and involvement within your residence hall community.

Friday, August 10, 2018

7:00 am - 9:00 am   **Breakfast**
   **Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall**

7:00 am – 9:00 am   **Transfer, PEDS, and International Student Welcome Breakfast**
   By Invitation only

9:00 am – 9:45 am   **Sexual Assault Prevention and Response**
   **Sisters Chapel**
This introductory session is designed to educate and raise awareness about sexual violence and other related issues on college campuses. Students will also learn how to report violations and where to get support and assistance.

10:00 am – 12:00 pm   **Academic Departments and Academic Support Services Fair**
   **Manley Student Center - Upper and Lower Levels**
The Fair provides an opportunity to meet faculty in academic departments and learn more about the requirements, benefits and opportunities related to your area of interest. Additionally, representatives from academic support services (the Language Resource Lab, Student Success Center, Comprehensive Writing Center, Mathematics Lab, and Counseling and Disability Services) will be available.

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm   **Honors Program Students “Meet and Greet” Luncheon**
   **Giles 106**

11:00 am – 2:00 pm   **Lunch**
   **Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall**

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm   **Advising (Group)**
   **Advisor Designated Locations**
Meet your academic advisor to learn valuable information about core and divisional requirements and to discuss your individual course schedule.
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2:30 pm – 4:30 pm  Language Placement and Oral Examinations
Only for students who wish to take their placement exam in Japanese, Latin, or Portuguese (report to Cosby Academic Center Room 103) and for students who are required to take an oral exam in their respective language (designated location on portal).
All students with one or more years of foreign language study who did not take an online exam are required to take the foreign language placement exam at this time. Students who receive an exceptional score online or onsite may be asked to return for an oral interview and possible exemption. The time and location of the oral exam will be provided in an email.

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm  Glee Club Auditions
Fine Arts Building 107
The Spelman College Glee Club is the premier performance organization for the College and sings for most campus events. Students who are interested in becoming a member of the Spelman College Glee Club must audition. Auditions are evaluated by the Director of the Glee Club, as well as selected music faculty.

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm  Computer Literacy Exemption Examination – INTERESTED STUDENTS ONLY ADVANCE SIGN-UP REQUIRED
Tapley 226
***Please sign up in advance in Tapley Room 326
All students interested in testing for computer literacy exemption should be familiar with vocabulary, concepts, word processing, and spreadsheets (e.g., Microsoft Suite, including Access).

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm  Introduction to the Health Careers Program
Science Center 134
This session will provide information on the prerequisites for the diversity of health professional schools and the health science major. Learn about early acceptance programs with affiliate graduate and professional schools.

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm  Dinner
Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

5:30 pm  Commuter Student Check-in for Sleepover
Check mySpelman portal for location
Commuter students will participate in a special program designed to connect them with other commuter students and to raise awareness about the College’s programs and resources for commuters.

6:00-7:30 pm  Student Leadership Night: Civically Engaged, Academically and Socially Empowered
Sisters Chapel
An introduction to Class Council, Collaborative Greek Council, Miss Spelman and Her Court, PULSE Programming Board, Student Government Association (SGA), and Residence Hall Association (RHA) roles on campus.

7:45 pm - 10:00 pm  My Spelman Sister: Sister to Sister Dialogue
Various Locations
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10:00 pm
Commuter Student Sleep Over
Giles Hall Room 106
An opportunity for students to bond over food, fun, and other activities while engaging in a dialogue about what it means to be a commuter student at Spelman.

Saturday, August 11, 2018

12:00 am - 7:00 am
The Wake-Up
Peer Assistance Leaders will join new students for a special sunrise program. It could happen anytime during this period, so be prepared……

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

9:30 am – 12:00 pm
Campus Community Service Project
Living and Learning Center II, Auditorium
This session will provide a brief overview of the Spelman College Community Service requirement. Students will participate in an interactive workshop that emphasizes the importance of serving in the West End community.

11:00 am - 2:00 pm
Lunch
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Induction Performance Practice
Sisters Chapel
Student performers selected to perform at the Induction Ceremony will rehearse with a representative from SGA.

11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Glee Club Auditions (tentative)
Fine Arts Building 107
The Spelman College Glee Club is the premier performance organization for the College and sings for most campus events. Students who are interested in becoming a member of the Spelman College Glee Club must audition. Auditions are evaluated by the Director of the Glee Club, as well as selected music faculty

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Focus on Community, Crime, Safety and Security
Sisters Chapel
ALL NEW STUDENTS
This overview will address topics all new students need to know to be safe. Highlights include recognizing common dangers in the AUC community, traveling safely on MARTA, campus emergency procedures, combating sexual assaults and identity theft.
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2:30 pm - 3:30 pm  Spelman-ish: Understanding Spelman’s Diverse Community
Sisters Chapel
Did you think that everyone at Spelman would be just like you? Take some time to listen to a student panel discuss their identities and how they interact with the campus community.

3:00 pm - 5:30 pm  Dinner
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

5:30 pm - 5:45 pm  AUC Operation Olive Branch Processional
Students will line up for the processional with Clark Atlanta University to walk over to King Chapel for the start of the Olive Branch program.

6:30 pm  AUC Operation Olive Branch
King Chapel, Morehouse College
An empowerment program designed to introduce students to the unique history and pride of the Atlanta University Center Consortium institutions. All new students from Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse College, and Spelman College will have an opportunity to meet and hear from AUC Student Leaders while enjoying entertainment in a social atmosphere that encourages AUC unity, camaraderie and the ideals that we collectively value: advocacy, service, civility, and personal responsibility.

8:00 pm - 10:00 pm  Olive Branch
Spelman College host - New Students ONLY
The event will conclude with music, fun and dance. Food will be available for purchase.

Sunday, August 12, 2018

***PLEASE WEAR YOUR WHITE ATTIRE FOR ALL EVENTS TODAY***

7:00 am - 10:00 am  Breakfast
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

10:00 am - 11:30 pm  Interfaith Worship Service (optional)
Sisters Chapel
Students are invited to attend the Sunday worship service and enjoy the spiritual and intellectual engagement of the Sisters Chapel Assistants, musicians and Arts Ministry leaders. All who attend will be inspired by the spirit of worship in song, dance and the spoken Word. The sermon will encourage your hearts and minds as you seek God and enter this important moment in your life.
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11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
**Lunch**  
*Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall*

2:00 pm - 4:30 pm  
**History and Traditions**  
*Assigned PAL Classrooms*
Along with introducing new students to Spelman's history and traditions, these sessions provide a unique opportunity for alumnae to share generational experiences and lessons learned during their years as students and as alumnae.

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm  
**Dinner**  
*Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall*

7:05 pm - 8:35 pm  
**Induction Ceremony**  
*Sisters Chapel*
Students will be welcomed by the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College (NAASC). In addition, students will participate in an induction ceremony, which is a traditional ceremony developed by first-year students. The ceremony serves as the official induction into the illustrious Spelman sisterhood.  

***This program is for first-year, transfer, exchange, and PEDs students only.***

Monday, August 13, 2018

7:00 am - 9:00 am  
**Breakfast**  
*Albert E. Manley College Center Alma Upshaw Dining Hall*

9:00 am - 10:15  
**Student Health 101: Managing Your Personal Health and Wellness**  
*Sisters Chapel*
The Offices of Counseling and Student Access and Student Health Services are dedicated to providing the highest quality healthcare for Spelman students. Students will learn about the available services and how the staff and SHAPE, the student organization, serve Spelman students.

10:15 am - 11:15  
**Advising Q & A**  
*Sisters Chapel*
Dean Baxter will address any questions students may have regarding advising, their advisor and first year at Spelman College.

11:30 am - 1:30 pm  
**Lunch**  
*Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall*

1:15 pm - 5:00 pm  
**Transfer and Pauline E. Drake Student Orientation**  
*Science Center 233*
A special orientation session with the Dean to introduce transfer and PED students to the advising system, academic policies and procedures and the learning resources on campus.
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<td><strong>First Year Class Council Information Session</strong>  &lt;br&gt; <em>Science Center 134</em>  &lt;br&gt; All students interested in pursuing a leadership position with the Freshman Class Council are required to attend this mandatory information session. SGA’s Election Commissioner will provide students with important dates and campaign guidelines for the Freshman Class Council elections. Students will be provided the opportunity to speak with current SGA members and inquire about any additional campaigning concerns.</td>
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<td><strong>Music Department Auditions (majors and minors only)</strong>  &lt;br&gt; <em>Fine Arts Building 107</em>  &lt;br&gt; All interested music majors and minors are required to participate in the Music Department’s auditions. Auditions are evaluated by the music faculty and will generally last between 10-20 minutes.</td>
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<td><strong>Living the Spelman Sisterhood</strong>  &lt;br&gt; <em>Sisters Chapel</em>  &lt;br&gt; Connecting with students and cultivating friendships and sisterly bonds are a part of the college experience. Learning how to maintain positive relationships, value differences and respectfully disagree are critical skills for healthy relationships. Join Residence Life staff in sharing how to manage conflict and respond to the challenges positively and effectively while interacting in a college community. Residents of each first-year residence hall will work cooperatively with their Resident Advisors to develop behavior expectations for their living environments and set goals for their roommate relationships.</td>
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<td><strong>Career Planning Starts NOW</strong>  &lt;br&gt; <em>Sisters Chapel</em>  &lt;br&gt; Spelman’s Career Planning and Development Office offers a wide variety of career resources to help students jumpstart their career planning during their first year of college. This session will explore the career planning process and lifelong career management skills. It will help students identify resources to help them prepare for careers, summer internships and graduate schools.</td>
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10:05 am – 11:05 am  Design Your Spelman/Life
Various Locations
This session will help new students find their life’s purpose through academics, career exploration, and values.

11:00 am - 2:00 pm  Lunch
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

11:30 am - 1:00 pm  Get Engaged: Registered Student Organization Fair
Albert E. Manley College Center, Upper Concourse
Join us to learn about all of the campus organizations in which you can participate and make a difference.
Wear your Class T-shirt.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm  Academic Advising (as needed)
Advisor Designated Locations

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm  The Life of the Mind at Spelman College
Various Locations- Check the MySpelman Portal for titles and locations.
Faculty discuss their research and/or professional journey.

3:00 pm – 4:00 pm  Behind the Scenes at the Spelman College Museum of Fine Art
Spelman College Museum, Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, First Floor
During this interactive session students will be introduced to the Museum, objects in the Spelman College permanent collection, and learn about volunteer leadership opportunities.

3:15 pm - 4:15 pm  Transfer and PED Students Library Orientation
Woodruff Library
Library staff will provide a tour of the Robert W. Woodruff Library and assist students with establishing their library accounts, which will enable students to check out materials and access electronic resources remotely.

4:30 pm – 8:00 pm  Dinner
Albert E. Manley College Center, Alma Upshaw Dining Hall

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm  Contemporary Popular Music Ensemble Auditions
Fine Arts Building 109
Interested in playing or singing blues, jazz, hip-hop, fusion, or other popular music? The Contemporary Popular Music Ensemble is open to all students (music majors and non-music majors) with the musical capability to perform music from various stylistic periods and genres. Students who are interested in becoming a member of the Contemporary Popular Music Ensemble must participate in an audition evaluated by the director of the ensemble.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  Wellness Center Open House
NSO OFFICIALLY ENDS

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Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Fall Semester Classes Begin

Thursday, August 16, 2018

10:00 am - 12:00 pm  Opening Convocation featuring Dr. Mary Schmidt Campbell
President, Spelman College
**Required for first year students
**There is an abbreviated class schedule **
Classes that meet on Thursday from:  Will meet from:
8:00- 9:15 am  8:00- 8:50 am
9:25-10:40 am  9:00- 9:45 am
(Students should go promptly to Sisters Chapel)
10:00 -12:00 pm  Opening Convocation

Classes will resume at 1:00 pm

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm  “What in the World is Going On?”
Cosby Academic Center Auditorium
Faculty panel discusses the changing world and what it means to you personally.

5:15 pm - 6:30 pm  Interests Meetings

- Cooperative Education
  Cosby Academic Center, Room 326
The Office of Cooperative Education will use this session to discuss a unique pre-professional “Co-op” experience. Co-op is a structured method, which integrates academics and work experiences in a field related to a student’s major. Topics of discussion will include what is Co-op; what are the benefits; How do I qualify; Co-op Program eligibility; how do I prepare for a Co-op experience.
Sister Chapel Arts Ministry and Chapel Assistant Leadership

Sisters Chapel

All students interested in helping to provide religious and spiritual leadership on campus including Sunday morning worship services should come to the Sisters Chapel Campus Leadership interest meeting. During this time, you will have an opportunity to meet with student leaders and discuss becoming a Chapel Assistant and Arts Ministry Leader who help to facilitate spiritual and religious life programs throughout the Atlanta University Center.

The Chapel Assistants provide liturgical leadership on Sunday mornings and serve in various leadership roles during campus wide events. The various Sisters Chapel art ministries you can join include Manifest, praise team ministry; Anointed Vessels, mime ministry; Movements of Praise, liturgical ministry; Levitical Voices, chapel choir; and Sista Speak Up, spoken word ministry. You can also serve as a chapel musician.

Social Justice Advocacy

Camille Olivia Hanks Cosby Academic Center, Auditorium

Students will be introduced to the history of social justice advocacy at Spelman College. Current Social Justice Fellows and members of the Better Together: Walk on Water Campaign will explore ways to get involved in various social justice initiatives on and off campus.

Sustainable Spelman

Cosby Academic Center, Lower Level 28

This program has been created for students who are interested in “green” initiatives that are related to sustaining our environment. It will include topics such as health and wellness, recycling, food culture and environmental justice.

PAID Summer Internships, Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunities, and Campus Jobs

Cosby Academic Center, Lower Level 31

Spelman’s Career Planning and Development Office offers a wide variety of career resources to help students jumpstart their career planning during the first year of college. This session will explore how students can access PAID summer internships and summer undergraduate research opportunities with the over 600 companies and graduate/professional schools that visit campus each year. Additionally, students will obtain information on how to access Spelman HandShake, the on-campus recruiting database and job search engine. Finally, students will receive instructions on how to access the Student Employment database as well as how to apply for campus jobs (College Work Study and/or General College).

Civic Engagement at Spelman College - A Legacy of Service and Leadership

Cosby Academic Center Lobby

Staff from the Bonner Office of Civic Engagement will introduce students to the history of community service at Spelman College. They will be joined by 2nd, 3rd and 4th year students who are leading community projects and
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are excited to discuss the many ways that new students can connect to civic engagement and community service opportunities at Spelman College.

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm  
**AUC Orchestra Auditions**  
*Clark-Atlanta University Park Street Music & Arts Building*  
The AUC Orchestra is comprised of students from each of the undergraduate institutions within the Atlanta University Center - Spelman College, Morehouse College, and Clark-Atlanta University. Emphasis is placed on developing performance skills and study of a variety of styles and periods from the symphonic orchestra literature. Auditions are open to all interested students, regardless of major.

7:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
**Star Gazing: Astronomy Night at Spelman**  
*Upper Deck, Cosby Parking Deck*

**Friday, August 17, 2018**

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
**First Year Dance Auditions**  
*West End Laboratory*  
Shuttle service will be available.  
Students will learn and perform contemporary modern dance phrases from faculty during the two-hour audition process. Successful students will be asked for CALL BACKS.  
**NOTE:** This audition is mandatory for students who are declaring dance as a major or minor.

**Sunday, August 19, 2018**

10:00 am – 11:30 am  
**Joint Convocation with Morehouse College**  
*King Chapel, Morehouse College*  
Dr. David Thomas, President, Morehouse College, speaker  
First Year Students assemble at 9:30 am at designated locations.

**Thursday, August 23, 2018**

11:00 am – 11:50 am  
**First Year Convocation**  
*When and Where I Enter: Being a Part of an Intellectual Community*  
*Sisters Chapel*  
Attending a liberal arts college gives students an opportunity a wide breadth of disciplines as they prepare for careers and life after college. Provost and Vice-President for Academic Affairs Sharon Davies will discuss cultivating intellectual communities and valuing a liberal arts education.