

BENEDICTINE COLLEGE

SOAR



**May 31 -
June 1, 2024**

OR

June 7-8, 2024



Welcome to SOAR and the Raven Family!

We are thrilled your Benedictine College journey is beginning! This weekend you will become more familiar with campus, meet future classmates, and finalize your first-year academic plans. Please use this program as your weekend roadmap and connect with our staff if you have any further questions.

Weekend Notes

Staying Overnight & Key Return

Students: If you are scheduled to stay overnight Friday in a residence hall, you will receive your room key/key card at check-in. Please keep your key with you at all times. The designated residence hall for women is St. Scholastica Hall; the hall for men is Courtney S. Turner Hall. Return your room key/key card to the desk in the lower level of St. John Paul II Student Center during Saturday morning check-in.

Parents: If you are scheduled to stay overnight on campus, you will receive your room key/keycard at check-in. The designated residence hall for parents is St. Gabriel Hall. Please return your room key card to the desk in the lower level of St. John Paul II Student Center during Saturday morning check-in.

Transportation to and from Campus

The Office of Admission has arranged airport transportation for students traveling alone through 5 Guys Transportation. Your check-in packet includes the departure time for your return trip to the airport, which will depart from the Haverty Center. It is critical that you are aware of and adhere to the departure times and locations from campus. If you have any questions or are delayed, please call Assistant Director of Admission Mary Margaret Mulvaney at 913.360.0288.

Parking

Feel free to park in any available parking space on campus.

Meals

All meals through Saturday lunch are complimentary.

Campus Security

If you have additional needs, please contact campus security at 913.360.8888.

Murphy Recreation Center

Guests (ages 17+) are welcome to utilize our 42,000-square-foot recreation center which includes basketball courts as well as strength equipment.

- **May 31:** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM; 5:00 - 7:00 PM
- **June 1:** CLOSED
- **June 7:** 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM
- **June 8:** 7:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Campus Tour

Depart from Haverty Center

Friday: 5:00 PM

Saturday: 11:30 AM

Room Viewing

You are invited to view the residence halls on your own on Saturday between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM.

- Turner Hall, Room 001
- St. Scholastica Hall, Room 100
- St. Martin Memorial Hall, Room 101
- Newman Hall, Room 107

Mass Times

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

- **Friday:** 12:10 PM
- **Saturday:** 12:10 PM
- **Sunday:** 10:00 AM; Confession: 9:00 AM

St. Benedict Parish Church

- **Saturday:** 5:00 PM (Vigil for Sunday); Confession: 4:00 PM
- **Sunday:** 7:00 AM; 9:00 AM; 11:00 AM



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June 1 **June 8**
 10 AM - 3 PM 10 AM - 4 PM

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Unless otherwise noted, students and family members are welcome to attend all events.

Note: O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium is located in the St. John Paul II Student Center.

Day Schedule

11:00 AM

Walking Tour of Campus

(Optional)
Depart from St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

12:10 PM

Mass (Optional)

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

1:00 PM

Check-in

St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

1:30 PM

Welcome

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

1:45 - 2:30 PM

Your Academic Life

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

2:45 - 3:15 PM

Academic Session I

Various Campus Locations

3:30 - 4:00 PM

Academic Session II

Various Campus Locations

4:15 - 5:00 PM

Student-Athlete Meeting

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
Mandatory for Varsity Athletes, including Marching Band, Cheer, and Dance.

5:00 PM

Walking Tour of Campus

(Optional)
Depart from Haverty Center

5:00 - 7:00 PM

Dinner

Dining Hall

5:15 - 6:45 PM

Placement Exams (Optional)

St. Benedict Hall Computer Lab, Room 332
Calculus I (see page 8 for details)
Foreign Language (see page 9 for details)

Student Schedule

7:00 PM

Sand Volleyball, Yard Games, and Refreshments

Sand Volleyball Courts, Turner Lawn and Schroll Lounge

Parent Schedule

7:00 - 8:30 PM

Parent Reception

Cray Seaberg Hall, Benedetto's

Relax and connect with fellow Raven parents at a reception in your honor! Complimentary adult beverages and coffee provided.

Late Night Schedule

9:00 PM

Walk-in Movie

St. Scholastica Hall Classroom



2:45 - 4:00 PM

Academic Overview

Take this time to visit with two academic departments of your choosing to learn more about specific majors and programs. Sessions begin at 2:45 PM and 3:30 PM.

Architecture

Bishop Fink Hall, 505

Art and Design

(May 31 only)
Bishop Fink Hall, 406

Biology & Pre-Med/Health

Westerman Hall, 218

Business

Includes: Accounting, Finance, International Business, Management, Marketing
Ferrell Academic Center, 108

Chemistry & Biochemistry

Westerman Hall, 403

Classics/Great Books

Ferrell Academic Center, 307

Economics

(May 31; 2:45 PM session only)
St. Benedict Hall, 403

Education

Ferrell Academic Center, 220

Engineering

Includes: Chemical, Civil, Electrical, Mechanical
Westerman Hall, 401

English

(2:45 PM session only)
St. Benedict Hall, 406

Health, Wellness, & Exercise Science

Includes: Athletic Health Care
St. Benedict Hall, 417

History

St. Benedict Hall, 408

Journalism &

Mass Communications

Ferrell Academic Center, 323

Math & Computer Science

Ferrell Academic Center, 207 & 208

Music

(June 7 only)
Ferrell Academic Center, 307

Nursing

Mother Teresa Center, 201-202

Philosophy

Ferrell Academic Center, 308

Physics & Astronomy

Westerman Hall, 317

Political Science

(May 31; 2:45 PM session only)
Ferrell Academic Center, 218

Psychological Sciences

Ferrell Academic Center, 124

Sociology & Criminology

Ferrell Academic Center, 324

Theatre Arts & Dance

St. Benedict Hall,
Mabee Theatre (lower level)

Theology

St. Benedict Hall, 401

Undecided

Ferrell Academic Center, 219

World Languages & Cultures

(June 7 only)
Ferrell Academic Center, 125

Study Abroad

Interest Session
Westerman Hall,
Murphy-McPhee Auditorium



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COURSE CATALOG AT
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PROGRAMS.](http://BENEDICTINE.EDU/PROGRAMS)

Saturday, June 1 / June 8

Day Two



Student Schedule

- 8:30 AM** **Check-in**
-9:00 AM St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level
- Breakfast**
Dining Hall
- 9:00 AM** **Welcome**
-9:45 AM O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
Stephen D. Minnis, President
Dr. Kim Shankman, Dean of the College
- 10:00 AM** **Orientation Groups**
-10:15 AM Various Campus Locations
- 10:15 AM** **All Grown Up**
-2:00 PM Westerman Auditorium
- Lunch**
Dining Hall
- Student Photo ID**
St. John Paul II Student Center, Student Life Office
- Academic Advising**
Ferrell Academic Center, 207 & 208
- Intro to RavenZone**
Westerman Hall Computer Lab, Room 135
- 1:30 PM** **Placement Exams (Optional)**
-3:00 PM St. Benedict Hall Computer Lab, Room 332
Calculus I (see page 8 for details)
Foreign Language (see page 9 for details)
- 2:00 PM** **Marching Band Meet and Greet**
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
All new members of the Marching Band are encouraged to attend.

Parent Schedule

- 8:30 AM** **Check-in**
-9:00 AM St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level
- Breakfast**
Dining Hall
- 9:00 AM** **Welcome**
-9:45 AM O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
Stephen D. Minnis, President
Dr. Kim Shankman, Dean of the College
- 10:00 AM** **Money Matters**
-11:15 AM O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
Office of Financial Aid & the Office of Student Billing
- 11:30 AM** **Walking Tour of Campus (Optional)**
-12:30 PM Depart from Haverty Center
- 11:30 AM** **Raven Life Forum**
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
College Ministry, Student Life, Dining Services, Student Success, Residence Life, IT, and Student Health
- 12:30 PM** **Helping Your Student Launch a Successful Career**
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium
- 12:30 PM** **Lunch**
-2:00 PM Dining Hall

Academic Advising

FAQs



Academic Advising at SOAR

May I speak with a faculty member about my class schedule during the Friday Academic Sessions?

The Academic Sessions are designed as a broad showcase of our departmental programs, and so we ask students to reserve specific questions regarding individual class schedules for Saturday's Academic Advising session.

May I meet with a faculty member to discuss or change my class schedule?

There is an opportunity during the Saturday activities for students who have questions about or need to make changes to their class schedule to speak with an advisor.

When will I see the changes to my class schedule that I discussed with an advisor at SOAR?

Beginning mid-June, our Advising Team will address course conflicts. Changes are not instantaneous, however, and may take multiple weeks to finalize. Please be patient and check your RavenZone account during the summer months for your updated course schedule.

I am a parent. May I attend my student's meeting with an advisor?

The purpose of this meeting is for the student to establish a connection with a faculty advisor in a one-on-one setting. If there are specific concerns you would like to have addressed in the meeting, please discuss them with your student and have him or her be prepared beforehand.

Saturday, June 1 / June 8

Room Tours

Room Viewing

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St. Michael Hall is closed for the summer due to building renovation projects.



LEARN ABOUT ROOM DIMENSIONS AND HALL AMENITIES.

[benedictine.edu/student-life/residential/index](https://www.benedictine.edu/student-life/residential/index)





Calculus I Placement Exam

What is the Calculus I Placement Exam?

The Calculus I placement exam is an online assessment used to determine if a student is prepared to take Calculus I (MATH-1300) at Benedictine College.

Who is required to take the Calculus I Placement Exam?

The exam is required for any student who needs to take Calculus I at Benedictine for their degree plan but has not earned a grade of 'C' or better in a Pre-Calculus (MATH-1250) or transferred equivalent.

What if I have taken the AP Pre-Calculus exam?

We accept a score of 3 or higher on the AP Pre-Calculus exam for credit in Pre-Calculus, so you are qualified to take Calculus I without need for the placement exam.

What if I have taken the AP Calculus exam?

We award Calculus I credit for a score of 4 or 5 on the AP Calculus AB exam, AP Calculus BC exam, or AB subscore of the AP Calculus BC exam. You will not take Calculus I at Benedictine College, so you do not need to take the placement exam. Note: for a score of 4 or 5 on the overall score of an AP Calculus BC exam, we also award Calculus II (MATH-1350) credit.

What major programs require Calculus I?

Astronomy, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Engineering Physics, Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics, Mathematics with Secondary School Teaching Certification (Math Ed), and Physics require Calculus I.

I plan to major in Engineering, Mathematics, Math Ed, or Physics; is there any special advice for me?

You are encouraged to take the exam as soon as it is available, so that, if you do not pass, you may consider finding a Pre-Calculus class over the summer to transfer to Benedictine in order to enroll in Calculus I in the fall semester. Taking Calculus I in your first semester will help you avoid unnecessary delays in graduation.

I passed Pre-Calculus in high school. Do I need to take the exam?

Yes, high school level Pre-Calculus does not fulfill the pre-requisite curriculum to take Calculus I. High school Pre-Calculus curriculum is unregulated and varies drastically from school to school. Unfortunately, many students who earn a grade of 'A' in high school Pre-Calculus are under prepared for Calculus at the college level.

I took Pre-Calculus for college credit at another college/university. Do I need to take the exam?

You do not need to take the exam if you earned a grade of 'C' or better in an equivalent Pre-Calculus course at another college or university. The successful completion of an equivalent Pre-Calculus through dual credit, PSEO, or similar programs is also sufficient.

When is the Calculus I Placement Exam offered?

The exam is available online June 1–July 25. In addition, we have reserved time at each SOAR Weekend (May 31-June 1 and June 7-8) to take the placement exam. You will receive instructions on the time and location when you arrive for SOAR.

How do I take the online Calculus Placement Exam?

You will receive a detailed email on June 1 with instructions on how to access and take the exam.

Is there a cost associated with the exam?

No. The exam is offered at no charge to the student.

Is there a deadline to take the exam?

The deadline to take the exam and still be placed in Calculus I in the fall semester is July 25. We strongly encourage you take the exam as early as possible.

What is the exam format?

The 70-minute exam is timed; you cannot pause it. Calculators are not allowed.

How do I prepare for the exam?

It is designed to test students without preparation, so there is no need to study for it.

When will I know my results?

Upon completion of the exam, your screen will indicate whether you passed or failed. This is the only notification you will receive. The Director of Calculus Placement will also receive a record of your result.

May I retake the exam if I do not pass?

No. The results of the placement exam are final.

What class will I be placed in if I do not pass the exam or do not take the exam?

Pending course availability, you will be placed in Pre-Calculus.

Who should I contact regarding questions about the Calculus I Placement Exam?

Contact Dr. Nickolas Hein, Director of Calculus Placement, at nhein@benedictine.edu or contact your Admission Counselor.

Foreign Language Placement Exam



Who needs to take the placement exam?

Students who have completed three or more years of a language in high school are required to take the language placement exam before taking a course in the same language. If you do not intend to continue studying the same language, the exam is optional. Students who received dual enrollment credit, AP credit, or transferred in college credit are not required to take the exam, but may take it if they want to continue studying the language and be assured of proper placement.

When is the language placement exam offered?

Placement exams are offered on both SOAR weekends and prior to the start of the fall and spring semesters. All dates are listed in the Academic Calendar. Exams are offered in Spanish, French, and Latin and take 20–60 minutes. Students receive their exam results immediately for French and Spanish. Latin results are usually available within a week.

How does placement work?

Any student who has taken three years of a language in high school must take the placement exam before enrolling in a course in the same language. If you place out of the course, your schedule will be adjusted accordingly to reflect the appropriate course level (e.g. SPAN-1020, 2010 or beyond).

What if I am placed into 1020 but am afraid it will be too difficult and want to take 1000?

This is not an option. Our placement guidelines are very carefully established. If you are placed into a second-semester level, you will be more than adequately prepared for succeeding in this course. If you enroll in 1000, you will be dropped from the course. If you are truly concerned that 1020 will be too difficult, the class (with instructor approval and space providing), but you may not take 1000 for a grade.

When should I take my foreign language courses?

We recommend completing your language requirement early in your college career. Be sure to consult with your academic advisor.

Who should I contact regarding questions about the foreign language placement exam?

Contact Dr. Julie Sellers for questions about the French and Spanish placement exams at jsellers@benedictine.edu and Dr. Edward Mulholland for questions about the Latin placement exam at emulholland@benedictine.edu.

2024 Fall Semester

Please support Raven Athletics throughout the year.

View schedules online at ravenathletics.com.

Fall Semester 2024

Saturday, August 10 Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM	Move-In Day #1 New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Football, Men's and Women's Soccer, and Volleyball
Saturday, August 17 Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)	Move-In Day #2 New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Cheer, Cross Country, Dance, and Marching Band New students in the Honors Program
Saturday, August 24 Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 2 PM Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)	Move-In Day #3 All new students: freshmen and transfers
Sunday, August 25 Arrive and check in: 12 PM – 3 PM	Move-In Day #4 All returning students
Saturday – Tuesday, August 24–27	ROC (Raven Orientation Camp)
Wednesday, August 28	Fall Semester Begins
Monday, September 2	Labor Day Classes in session
Tuesday, September 3	Opening All-School Mass & Convocation
Friday – Sunday, September 27–29	Family Weekend
Friday, October 4	Oktoberfest
Tuesday, October 15	Midterms (1st Quarter Classes End)
Friday – Sunday, October 19–20	Homecoming
Thursday – Sunday, October 24–27 Residence halls open with limited dining services	Fall Break No classes in session
Friday, November 1	All Saints Day, All-School Mass
Wednesday – Sunday, November 27 – December 1 Residence Halls close November 27 at 10 AM and reopen December 1 at Noon	Thanksgiving Break No classes in session
Tuesday, December 10	Last Day of Fall Semester Classes
Wednesday, December 11	Study Day
Thursday – Friday, December 12–13 Monday – Tuesday, December 16–17	Final Exams
Wednesday, December 18 – Sunday, January 12 Residence halls close December 18 at 10 AM	Christmas Break No classes in session

2025 Spring Semester



Spring Semester 2025

Sunday, January 12 Arrive and check in: 9 AM – Noon	Student Arrival and Check-in
Wednesday, January 15	Spring Semester Begins
Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Classes in session
Wednesday – Saturday, January 22–25	March for Life
Saturday, February 15	Mother-Son/Father-Daughter Banquet and Dance
Monday, February 10	Feast of St. Scholastica
Saturday, February 22	Annual Scholarship Ball
Tuesday, March 4	Midterms (1st Quarter Classes End)
Wednesday, March 5	Ash Wednesday, All-School Mass
Saturday – Sunday, March 8–16 March 8: Residence halls close at 10 AM March 16: Residence halls open at Noon	Spring Break
Friday, March 21	Feast of St. Benedict, All-School Mass
Friday – Saturday, March 21–22	Symposium on Transforming Culture
Friday – Sunday, March 28–29	Lil' Sibs Weekend
Wednesday, April 2	Discovery Day
Thursday – Monday, April 17–21 Residence halls open with limited dining services	Easter Break No classes in session
Friday – Saturday, May 2–4	Springfest Weekend
Tuesday, May 6	Last Day of Spring Semester Classes
Wednesday, May 7	Study Day
Thursday – Friday, May 8–9 Monday – Tuesday, May 12–13	Spring Finals
Wednesday, May 14 Students depart residence halls within 24 hours of completing their last final exam Residence halls close at 10 AM	Summer Break
Friday, May 16	Senior Brunch and Baccalaureate Mass
Saturday, May 17	Commencement
Sunday, May 18 Residence halls close at 10 AM	Graduates Depart Residence Halls



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Move-In Day: What to Expect

Arriving and Unloading*

Plan to arrive during the timeframe specified for your move-in day. (See below.) You'll be greeted upon arrival with helpful instructions for parking, checking in, and unloading belongings. Don't worry, you will experience warm Benedictine hospitality as teams of students, faculty, and staff help carry your belongings to your residence hall room.

Lunch, Loose Ends, Mass, & Goodbyes*

After moving in, you and your family are invited to cool off at a complimentary lunch in the Murphy Recreation Center.

At anytime before or after lunch, please visit the Ferrell Academic Center to meet with members of financial aid, student billing, student health, and information technology to tie up loose ends. Be sure to bring the student ID card that you received when you checked into your residence hall!

There will be time to shop for last-minute necessities before you attend a very special Family Send-Off Mass at 4:00 p.m. Finally, around 5:15 p.m., you'll say your goodbyes outside St. Benedict's Abbey Church before you join your fellow classmates for dinner in the Dining Hall.

**These expectations are for Move-In Day #2 and #3*



2024 Move-In Days

Saturday, August 10

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM

Move-in Day #1

New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Football, Men's and Women's Soccer, and Volleyball

Saturday, August 17

Arrive and check in: 9 am – 12 pm
Family Send-Off Mass: 4 pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Move-In Day #2

New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Cheer, Cross Country, Dance, and Marching Band
New students in the Honors Program

Saturday, August 24

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 2 PM
Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

Move-In Day #3

All new students: freshmen and transfers



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