

OBERLIN

**ORIENTATION
SCHEDULE
FALL 2024**



NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION BEGINS VIRTUALLY AUGUST 12, 2024

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Orientation Goals:

To provide you with essential information, fun activities, and socializing opportunities! Specifically, you will:

- Build social connections and friendships to help with your sense of belonging and fun at Oberlin.
- Develop an understanding of academic advising, learn more about your courses, and navigate your course registration.
- Learn more about your new home in Oberlin and the nearby city of Cleveland while exploring Northeast Ohio.
- Understand Oberlin's historical and current commitment toward equity while learning the tenets of an inclusive community.
- Learn important policies and expectations meant to encourage a safe and vibrant community.
- Develop a deeper understanding of the campus and learn about important offices and resources to encourage a smooth first semester.

VIRTUAL PRE-ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

AUGUST 12-23, 2024

- All programs are Eastern Time.
- Required programs are in **RED** with “Required” after the program title.
- Links for remote sessions will be added closer to the event.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12

7:30 p.m.

Accommodations in College: Information for Students with Disabilities and Their Families

Did you receive accommodations in high school? Join us to learn about accessing, requesting, and documenting potential accommodations. We will also cover the significant differences between high school and college accommodations. We look forward to meeting you. Please register for the webinar using this [link](#). A recording of this session will be available after August 12. If you have difficulty entering the meeting, please contact Victoria Colella at 440-775-5588.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

7:30 p.m.

Financial Aid Information Session

This event is recommended for all new students who are first-time recipients of financial aid (federal work-study, loans, grants, etc.). Parents are encouraged to participate. Please register for this webinar using this [link](#). A recording of this session will be available after August 13. Presented by the Office of Financial Aid.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

5:30 p.m.

Student Employment New Hire Information Session

This event is recommended for all students who anticipate seeking and obtaining student employment on campus. Join us to learn about the job application process, Federal Work Study (FWS) and non-FWS jobs, required new hire documentation, federal I-9 requirements, and the college's timekeeping system. We encourage you to submit questions in advance via the [Student Employment New Hire Questionnaire](#). Please [register](#) in advance for this session. A recording will be available here after the session. Please visit the [Student Employment website](#) for additional information.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

8:00 p.m.

Making Languages Work for You at Oberlin

English is only one of the many world languages we speak at Oberlin. Learn how gaining linguistic proficiency and transcultural competence will work for you at Oberlin and beyond. Find out about academic departments offering Chinese, French, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Spanish, and Russian languages and cultures. Information about the Office of Study Away, Oberlin Shansi, international student organizations, and more will be shared. [Zoom link](#). Please find a recording of this session [here](#).

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

7:30-9:00 p.m.

Double Degree Peer Advising (Strongly suggested for Double Degree students)

Incoming double-degree students are invited to meet one another and hear tips from older double-degree students on exploring the opportunities and navigating the challenges of earning two degrees. Please use this [Zoom Link](#) to join. Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu or Sara.Gaines@oberlin.edu

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

7:30-9:00 p.m.

PAL Welcome (Required)

The Peer Advising Leaders (PAL) program's motto is "Every new student has a PAL." PALs are older students trained to guide cohorts of new Obies through the transition to Oberlin life and learning. During this session, you will meet your PAL and learn how they will support you during New Student Orientation and the fall semester. You'll also participate in icebreaker activities to get to know your fellow cohort members, so you'll have a group of familiar faces once you get to campus. This session is required for Arts and Sciences and Double Degree students. Please use this [Zoom link](#) to join.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

2:00-3:00 p.m.

Chemistry Placement Advice

Drop in remotely during this window for advice from chemistry and biochemistry faculty on the appropriate first CHEM course. If you are considering taking CHEM 101 or CHEM 102, please take the [required General Chemistry Entrance Survey](#) before this session. Zoom link: [Zoom link](#): Meeting ID: 891 7988 0315, Passcode: 912670.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

7:30-8:30 p.m.

PAL: Building Skills for College Success (Required)

Spend more time getting to know your cohort and hear from your PAL, who will provide insight into what you can expect when you arrive on campus. PALs will cover topics such as time management and organizational strategies and will share their own experiences in finding approaches that work best for them. This session is required for Arts and Sciences and Double Degree Students. Your PAL will provide the Zoom link for this program during the welcome session.

ON-CAMPUS ORIENTATION AND WELCOME WEEK SCHEDULE

(See dining hall hours at the end of this document.)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

7:30-10:00 a.m.

Breakfast
STEVENSON DINING HALL

9:00 a.m.-noon

**Move-In
(Required)**
ASSIGNED RESIDENCE HALL

Use your Mobile ID Card to access your residence hall room and make it your own. Staff will be stationed around each residence hall to help with any questions you may have during this process. The Office of Residence Life in Stevenson Hall (155 N. Professor Street) is also open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. for support.

- 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Fresh Swap**
 FREE STORE: ASIA HOUSE, BASEMENT
 Find gently used (free) residence hall essentials—lamps, fans, hangers, bedding, school supplies, wastebaskets—collected from departing students at the end of the year. Sponsored by the Resource Conservation Team (RCT) and the Office of Energy and Sustainability.
- 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Lunch**
 STEVENSON DINING HALL
- 12:00-3:00 p.m. Welcome Programming**
- Campus tours (Meet in Wilder Hall Lobby on the half-hour)
 - Informal musical performances (Tappan Square)
 - Lawn games (Tappan Square)
 - Residential room decoration/crafting (Wilder Main Lounge)
 - Voter Registration (Wilder Bowl, in the event of rain, moved into Wilder Lobby)
- 12:00-2:00 p.m. Center for Student Success Open House**
 STEVENSON HALL, STEVENSON GREEN
 Meet-and-greet with the Center for Student Success (CSS). Meet your Success Coach; discover co-curricular learning opportunities; learn about your natural talents; and get acquainted with first-generation and income-eligible (FGIE) support. You'll also have the chance to grab a sweet summer treat. In inclement weather, the event will move to Mudd Center, Moffett Auditorium.
- 12:00-1:00 p.m. First-Generation & Income Eligible (FGIE) Reception**
 HOTEL AT OBERLIN, BALLROOM
 First-generation and income-eligible (FGIE) students and their families are invited to join the Center for Student Success for a light lunch and fellowship with the FGIE Oberlin community.
**Please note that this event is reserved for first-generation and Income-eligible students. Family members are welcome to attend.*
- 2:00-3:00 p.m. Double Degree Reception**
 PETERS GREAT HALL
 Double Degree students and their families are invited to gather for light refreshments. Please drop by the first floor of Peters Hall to meet other double-degree students as well as staff and faculty.
- 4:00-5:00 p.m. President and Deans' Welcome (Required)**
 FINNEY CHAPEL
 Manuel Carballo, Vice President and Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid, will present the Class of 2028 with remarks by Bill Quillen, Dean of the Conservatory; David Kamitsuka, Dean of Arts and Sciences; and Karen Goff, Vice President and Dean of Students. Followed by a special welcome by President Carmen Twillie Ambar. Air-conditioned overflow seating is available in Warner Concert Hall.
- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Orientation Welcome Picnic Sponsored by AVI**
 WILDER BOWL
 All new students and their families are welcome. (Rain plan: Stevenson Dining Hall.)

North Campus residents at 5:00 p.m.; South Campus residents at 5:45 p.m.)

7:00-8:00 p.m.

Conservatory Orientation Recital

FINNEY CHAPEL

Celebrate the start of the season with the annual opening concert of the year. Conservatory students and faculty members will collaborate to present a collage of musical styles. Student attendance is strongly recommended. Family members are welcome. Air-conditioned overflow seating is available in the Conservatory, Warner Concert Hall.

8:30-10:00 p.m.

Res Life Community Meeting 1

(Required)

RESIDENCE HALLS

Meet your Resident Assistant (RA) and the people in your community. You'll learn about events, how to get involved, policies, procedures, and how to be a good neighbor. Members will discuss and complete a community agreement during the first community meeting. Make sure to come so your voice is heard! Wait for an email from your RA with information about where your meeting will occur.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

7:30-10:00 a.m.

Breakfast

STEVENSON DINING HALL

9:00-9:45 a.m.

Faculty Panel: Making the Most of Your Oberlin Education

(Required)

FINNEY CHAPEL

Faculty members offer advice on a variety of academic and extracurricular topics. This session is for students and their families.

10:00-11:00 a.m.

PAL: Building Group Dynamics

(Required)

ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS

During this session, students will meet with their PAL and cohort (for the first time in person!) to revisit the group norms developed by each cohort to foster effective communication and respect.

10:00-11:00 a.m.

ConPAL: Bonding with Your Cohort

(Required)

ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS

The ConPAL program is intended to allow Conservatory students from different performance major areas to form relationships outside their studios and instrument groups. Meet your cohort members and your ConPAL in person and learn about what this programming offers you. This session is required for Conservatory students.

Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu

10:00-11:00 a.m.

Navigating the College Transition as a Parent

(Parent Program)

FINNEY CHAPEL

Parents and family members are critical components of success for college students as

they transition to young adulthood and greater independence. Learn more about that transition from Oberlin parents, who have already navigated this process. We'll share information about communicating with the college and strategies for guiding your student toward independence and resilience.

11:00-11:45 a.m.

Pre-Med Career Advising Overview

MUDD CENTER, MOFFETT AUDITORIUM

If you are considering a patient care-directed health career such as medicine, nursing, or physical therapy, join in this overview of how to best plan for these career paths. Helpful pointers and resources will be shared, and you'll be introduced to the pre-med/health program director.

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Academic, Community and Music Resource Fair

WILDER BOWL

- Students and parents can drop in to meet faculty members from the Conservatory of Music and the College of Arts and Sciences and ask questions about fall course offerings, the first-year seminar program, and our variety of majors, minors, and integrative concentrations.
- Meet staff members from various campus offices supporting the student outside the classroom.
- Learn how to get involved in Oberlin's world-class Conservatory of Music. Students and families are encouraged to drop in to learn about classes, lessons, and ensembles in the Conservatory and beyond.
- In inclement weather, the event will be moved to the Heisman Fieldhouse.

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Mudd Center Open House - Terrell Library and the Center for Engaged Liberal Arts Open House

MUDD CENTER

- Make your library work for you. Come alone or bring a friend to explore the Mudd Center. Scope out the best study spaces, learn how to step up your research, writing, speaking, and tech skills, and meet the staff from Terrell Main Library to discover all the library has to offer.
- Visit the Center for Engaged Liberal Arts (CELA), Oberlin's hub for experiential learning, to learn about Study Away, Undergraduate Research, Internships, Community-Based Learning, Fellowships, Winter Term, Career Exploration, and more.
- Drop by Moffet Auditorium for the Allen Memorial Art Museum's celebratory kick-off of the Class of 2028 Shared Art program. Learn about Art Rental and the museum's reopening in early fall, hear from other students about their favorite works of art, create a craft project, and play games.
- Enjoy refreshments, pick up sweet swag, and stay for as short or as long as you want.

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Lunch

STEVENSON DINING HALL

1:30-2:00 p.m.

Sweet Goodbyes

WILDER BOWL

Saying goodbye to your student can be difficult. Join us for an afternoon dessert as you provide those hugs and parting words of wisdom.

FAMILY ORIENTATION CONCLUDES

- 2:30-4:00 p.m.** **PAL: Academic Advising Overview**
(Required)
ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS
Debrief about your orientation experience so far and turn your attention to setting yourself up for a successful fall semester. This session will help you envision goals for the fall and prepare you to meet with your pre-major academic advisor.
- 2:30-4:00 p.m.** **ConPAL: Navigating Online Tools, Registration, & Preregistration**
(Required)
ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS
Confused about which courses are pre-registered for first-years? Trying to select a liberal arts course for the fall, or figure out if you have room for one? Your ConPAL will advise you on registration using online resources such as Overview and your required courses for the semester. This session is required for Conservatory students. Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu
- 4:00-5:00 p.m.** **CliftonStrengths**
(Required)
ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS
In support of the Center for Student Success, Oberlin employees will introduce CliftonStrengths in this highly interactive program for all first years. Be sure to bring a hard copy of your report or your phone.
- 5:00-6:30 p.m.** **Auditions: Collegium Musicum**
KOHL BUILDING, ROOM 310
The Collegium Musicum, an early-music choir, has openings for singers in all voice parts. Auditions will take place in Professor Plank's office, Kohl 310. To schedule a time, please email Professor Plank, at splank@oberlin.edu.
- 5:00-7:00 p.m.** **Auditions: Oberlin College Choir**
CONSERVATORY, BIBBINS HALL, ROOM 219
Learn more about Oberlin College Choir and sign up for an audition at <http://bit.ly/oberlinchoir>. Contact gregory.ristow@oberlin.edu with any questions.
- 5:00-8:00 p.m.** **Dinner**
STEVENSON DINING HALL, CLARITY AT FAIRCHILD
- 7:30-9:30 p.m.** **Belonging at Oberlin**
(Required)
BAILEY FIELD
Join your fellow new Obies in a field day competition focused on fun, making meaningful connections, and exploring what it means to belong at Oberlin College.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

- 9:00-10:00 a.m.** **Conservatory Deans' All Student Welcome**
(Required)
CONSERVATORY, WARNER CONCERT HALL

Mandatory meeting for all new Conservatory and Double Degree students.

9:30-11:00 a.m.

Auditions: Collegium Musicum

KOHL BUILDING, ROOM 310

Collegium Musicum, an early music choir, has openings for singers in all voice parts.

Auditions will take place in Professor Plank's office, Kohl 310. To schedule a time, please email Professor Plank at splank@oberlin.edu.

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Arts and Sciences Academic Advising Appointments

(A&S and DD Students Only)

(Required)

FOR YOUR SCHEDULED TIME AND LOCATION, REFER TO THE "ORIENTATION SESSIONS AND ADVISING INFORMATION" EMAIL YOU RECEIVED IN YOUR OBERLIN.EDU ACCOUNT.

Meet your academic advisor one-on-one to discuss your fall semester plans. You are required to bring a laptop or tablet to your meeting.

10:00-12:00 p.m.

Conservatory Registration 101/Divisional Meetings

(Required)

LOCATION: REFER TO YOUR PERSONAL ACADEMIC ADVISING SCHEDULE

Conservatory and Double Degree students will meet with faculty and staff in divisional groups to discuss registration, courses, and performance-based requirements.

Conservatory Individual Advising Appointments

At the conclusion of the divisional meetings, Conservatory students will be instructed to schedule an individual appointment with their advisor to confirm their plans for the fall semester. Please coordinate a time with your advisor for this afternoon that fits your orientation and registration schedule. You are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet for this session.

1:00-2:30 p.m.

Auditions: Oberlin College Choir (Voice Majors)

CONSERVATORY, BIBBINS HALL, ROOM 219

Required for all incoming voice majors. Learn more about Oberlin College Choir and sign up for an audition at <http://bit.ly/oberlinchoir>. Contact gregory.ristow@oberlin.edu with any questions.

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Optional Drop-in Hours for Course Registration Support

MUDD CENTER, TERRELL MAIN LIBRARY, FIRST FLOOR ACADEMIC COMMONS

Staff from the Office of the Registrar, academic advising professional staff, and Peer Advising Leaders can answer questions about course registration and any other academic concerns you may have.

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Auditions: Collegium Musicum

KOHL BUILDING, ROOM 310

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2:45-4:30 p.m.

Auditions: Oberlin College Choir

CONSERVATORY, BIBBINS HALL, ROOM 219

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<http://bit.ly/oberlinchoir>. Contact gregory.ristow@oberlin.edu with any questions.

3:00 p.m.

Course Registration and Schedule Adjustments Begin

This is your opportunity to add and drop courses to complete your academic schedule for the fall semester.

3:00-3:30 p.m.

Swag and Shanks Tour

3:45-4:15 p.m.

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, LOBBY

See all that Shanks offers, including the spin studio, Carr Pool, the fitness center, and more. Anyone on a tour will get a free Yeofit & Rec Swag Bag!

4:30-5:30 p.m.

Campus Safety 101

(Required)

FINNEY CHAPEL

Join us for an overview of Campus Safety. We will discuss Campus Safety as an organization and safe campus best practices for everyday campus living. We will discuss residence hall safety, fire safety, internet safety, safety escorts, and having a car on campus. Attendance will be taken.

5:30-6:00 p.m.

First Year Photo

TAPPAN SQUARE

Gather in Tappan Square for the Class of 2028 photo.

5:00-8:00 p.m.

Dinner

STEVENSON DINING HALL, CLARITY AT FAIRCHILD

7:00-8:00 p.m.

Israel/Palestine, Current Events, and the Liberal Arts

STUDIOC

As you try to make sense of troubling world events, including the Israel-Gaza war, what is the role of liberal arts courses? Zeinab Abul-Magd, professor of history and chair of Middle East and North African Studies, and Matthew Berkman, assistant professor of Jewish studies, will reflect on their approaches to discussing charged political subjects in the classroom.

8:00-8:30 p.m.

PAL/ConPAL: Connect Cleveland Overview

(Required)

ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS

On Wednesday, August 28, all new students will travel together to Cleveland for a day of exploration and fun. To ensure the day goes smoothly, you'll meet briefly with your PAL or ConPAL cohort to check in, cover important information about the Connect Cleveland program, and collect your t-shirt, which will be your ticket for lunch and museum admission. This session is required for Arts and Sciences, Double Degree, and Conservatory students.

9:00-10:30 p.m.

Bike-In Movie: *Monsters University*

WILDER BOWL

Since he was a kid monster, Mike Wazowski (Billy Crystal) has dreamed of becoming a Scarer. To make his dream a reality, he enrolls at Monsters University. During his first semester, he meets Sulley (John Goodman), a natural-born Scarer. Sulley and Mike

engage in a fierce rivalry that ultimately gets them both kicked out of MU's elite Scare Program. To make things right, Mike and Sulley—along with a bunch of misfit monsters—will have to learn to work together. (Rain space: Hales Gym)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28

- 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.** **Connect Cleveland**
(Required)
GATHER IN FINNEY CHAPEL, LOCATIONS IN CLEVELAND
Connect Cleveland is an opportunity for new Obies to learn about Cleveland and greater Northeast Ohio, build connections with other students, meet Oberlin alums, and identify future internships, service, and employment possibilities. In the morning, you will participate in service or visits to organizations throughout the City of Cleveland in small groups. Later in the day, we will enjoy lunch together and explore the University Circle area.
- 5:00-6:00 p.m.** **Auditions: Collegium Musicum**
KOHL BUILDING, ROOM 310
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- 5:30-7:00 p.m.** **Ultimate Frisbee Meet and Greet**
NORTH QUAD
Do you like ultimate frisbee? Have you no idea what a "disc" is? No Matter! Meet the Oberlin Flying Horsecows and Oberlin Praying Manti. We are the men's (Open) and women's and non-binary ultimate frisbee teams on campus. Our open program has been nationally successful, making D3 nationals in 2021 and 2023 (placing 5th in 2021), and our women's and non-binary program won D3 nationals in 2019. We welcome all skills and encourage newcomers.
- 7:00-10:00 p.m.** **Bowling and Billiards**
HALES ANNEX, COLLEGE LANES
Meet fellow new students for a free bowling night, billiards, and fun. Up the ante with glow bowling from 8:00-10:00 p.m. for an even bigger challenge.
- 7:00-10:00 p.m.** **Game Night**
HALES ANNEX, CAT IN THE CREAM COFFEEHOUSE
Enjoy playing board or card games? Meet like-minded Obies and let your competitive streak fly. Games provided.
- 7:00-9:30 p.m.** **Create with Bob Ross**
WILDER, DIONYSUS DANCE CLUB
Paint with Bob Ross on the video *Happy Accidents*. Everyone is welcome; supplies are provided.
- 7:00-8:30 p.m.** **Conservatory Large Ensemble All Student Meeting**
(Required)
CONSERVATORY, WARNER CONCERT HALL
Mandatory meeting for classical instrumentalists enrolling in a large ensemble.

7:00-8:30 p.m.

Sound Painting

WARNER CENTER, MAIN DANCE STUDIO

Join us for a fun jam session and intro to the Soundpainting language for musicians, dancers, theater, and writers. Bring all of your own amps, cables, and equipment. Learn more about Soundpainting [here](#). The Dance Studio requires “shoes off,” please plan accordingly. Contact Drew Pattison at dpattiso@oberlin.edu with any questions.

9:00-10:30 p.m.

Observatory and Planetarium

PETERS HALL, 4TH FLOOR OBSERVATORY

Learn about the autumn sky from our Observing Deck. Rain or shine. During inclement weather, the planetarium will be open instead of the observatory.

WELCOME WEEK SCHEDULE

(Activities open to new and returning students)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

9:00 a.m.

Classes Begin

4:30-6:00 p.m.

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7:00-8:30 p.m.

Music and Poetry in Many Languages

SCIENCE CENTER, DYE LECTURE HALL

Join us in enjoying poetry and songs in Oberlin’s many languages. This gathering celebrates linguistic diversity through the arts. Stay after the program for a fun mixer (with refreshments) to meet other students interested in languages, poetry, and music and faculty members who teach language.

7:00-8:15 p.m.

Naturalist Club Arb Welcome Walk

AJ LEWIS ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER SOUTH ENTRANCE

Join the Naturalist Club for a sunset walk to the Oberlin Arboretum. We will meet at the stone wall/bench next to the AJLC pond and then make our way to the Arb. Relax after the first day of classes and chat with new people. All are welcome.

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Oberlin Club Volleyball Callout Meeting

WILDER HALL, ROOM 320

Join Oberlin’s two volleyball clubs, Oberlin Men’s Club Volleyball and Oberlin Women and Non-binary Club Volleyball, for a short interest meeting and casual outdoor volleyball. The club is open for members of all skill levels (even total beginners), and there are opportunities for varying levels of commitment.

8:30-9:30 p.m.

Res Life Community Meeting II
(Required for non-FYRE residents)

NON-FYRE RESIDENCE HALLS

(All halls except Barrows, Dascomb, Fairchild, Kahn, or Price.)

Meet your Resident Assistant (RA) and the non-first-year people in your community. During the first community meeting(s), the community members will discuss and complete a community agreement together. Make sure to come so your voice is heard! Wait for an email from your RA with information about where your meeting will occur.

9:00-10:30 p.m.

Welcome Back, Late-Night Breakfast

STEVENSON DINING HALL

Stop in, enjoy a late-night breakfast, say hello to the Student Affairs staff, and enjoy some music.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Eco Scavenger Hunt Kick-Off and Registration

STEVENSON DINING HALL

The Eco Scavenger Hunt runs from Fri., August 30 - Mon., September 2. Test your knowledge of locations around campus that contribute to our sustainability efforts (i.e. LEED-certified buildings, SIP, solar generation, rain gardens, composting, etc.). Can you successfully find all 11 locations? Participants who find at least nine locations will be entered to win various prizes, such as drying racks and shower timers. Start your hunt by [reading the clues](#) and answering one question about each location. Stop by our table outside Stevenson on Friday at noon to get your questions answered. Good luck!

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Center for Intercultural Engagement (CIE) Open House

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLAR SERVICES: WILDER 208

MULTICULTURAL RESOURCE COMMONS: WILDER 217

GENDER & ATTRACTION INITIATIVES: WILDER 217

OFFICE OF DISABILITY AND ACCESS: WILDER 112

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL LIFE: WILDER 208

All students, especially those from marginalized and underrepresented social identities, can join us for light refreshments at our open house. Staff in the above-listed offices will be present to meet students.

4:00-6:00 p.m.

OSwing Interest Meeting and Dance Lessons

HALES GYM

An introductory swing dance lesson from the teachers of the Beginning Swing Exco. Come with a friend or yourself to learn the basics of 6 count swing dance and get ready for the Fall OSwing Dances. The lesson will be from 4:30-5:30, with tunes playing until 6:00 to practice dancing.

4:30-6:00 p.m.

TGIF

WILDER BOWL

Join fellow Obies for the traditional TGIF celebration with beverages and music.

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Shabbat Services

TALCOTT DINING HALL

Oberlin Hillel invites you to join student-led, pluralistic Shabbat services. Kabbalat

Shabbat services around an hour and draws from our student population's traditions and customs. Shabbat dinner will follow. All are welcome.

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Dinner

TALCOTT DINING HALL

A free, kosher Shabbat dinner is open to all college community members. Join us to create community and enjoy a delicious meal.

7:00-10:00 p.m.

Bowling and Billiards

HALES ANNEX, COLLEGE LANES

Meet fellow new students for a free bowling night, billiards, and fun. Up the ante with glow bowling from 8:00-10:00 p.m. for an even bigger challenge.

7:00 p.m.

Men's Soccer Match

SCHULTZ FIELD

Cheer on the men's soccer team as they take on John Carroll University.

7:30-8:30 p.m.

Ice Cream Social with Oberlin Christian Fellowship

WILDER BOWL, NEAR THE FRONT STEPS OF WILDER

The Oberlin Christian Fellowship exec team welcomes all first-years to learn about OCF, ask questions, and enjoy ice cream and popsicles. In inclement weather, we will move to Tappan Square, Bandstand.

9:00-10:30 p.m.

Observatory and Planetarium

PETERS HALL, 4TH FLOOR OBSERVATORY

Learn about the autumn sky from our Observing Deck. Rain or shine. During inclement weather, the planetarium will be open instead of the observatory.

10:00 p.m.

Concert: Wishy

WILDER HALL, DIONYSUS DANCE CLUB

Initially, Wishy's music oscillated between hazy dream-pop and heavier alt-rock. After prior monikers and iterations, Wishy was born as a kaleidoscope of alternative music's semi-recent history, with traces of shoegaze, grunge, and power-pop swirling together. Eventually, a full band lineup cohered with guitarist Dimitry Morris, bassist Mitch Collins, and drummer Conner Host joining Kevin Krauter and Nina Pitchkites.

Sometimes gorgeous, sometimes festering, and always cathartic, Triple Seven, their debut album, became a vibrant and exhilarating document not only of messiness and change but of new beginnings and self-discovery.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Oberlin Public Health Society (OPHS) Interest Meeting

SCIENCE CENTER, ROOM A154

Oberlin Public Health Society (OPHS) is a student-run organization that works to create and provide students with health service opportunities. This includes CPR training, blood drives, and MedWish, a non-profit organization that supplies and repurposes medical supplies for clinics in need. Reach out with any questions to ophs@oberlin.edu. We look forward to seeing you there.

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

ConPAL: Racial and Social Justice in Music

(Required)

ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS

As an Oberlin Conservatory student, you are part of a legacy of inclusivity and activism around the role of music in promoting social change. In particular, a new generation of musicians and thought leaders are working to make classical music more inclusive. Explore concepts of diversity and inclusivity in music and learn how to use your musical training to improve the world. Pizza provided. This session is required for Conservatory students. Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu

1:30-3:00 p.m.

PAL: Thriving in Diverse Communities

(Required)

ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS

A vital part of the transition to college is building the skills to thrive in diverse living, learning, and working communities. In a supportive environment, your PAL will guide your cohort through a conversation about how identity impacts daily life, both at Oberlin and more broadly. This workshop is designed to engage all students, regardless of previous experience with similar conversations. This session is required for Arts and Sciences and Double Degree students.

2:00-4:00 p.m.

ExCo Fair

TAPPAN SQUARE

The ExCo Fair allows students to learn about the many Experimental College (ExCo) courses taught this fall. Classes are taught by students and community members about topics they are passionate about and can be taken for credit (1-2) or can be audited. Meet with instructors and learn more about all 73 courses being offered! (Rain space: Science Center, Bent Corridor)

3:00-6:00 p.m.

Bowling and Billiards

HALES ANNEX, COLLEGE LANES

Meet fellow new students for a free bowling afternoon, billiards, and fun.

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Video Game Cover Collective (VGCC)

KING BUILDING, ROOM 101

Want to perform video game music with Oberlin musicians? Join the Video Game Cover Collective in our Fall semester welcome meeting. We will discuss repertoire plans, rehearsal schedules, and chamber ensembles in preparation for a live performance late in the semester. All skill levels and instruments are welcome.

5:30-7:00 p.m.

Double Degree Peer Advising

(Required for new Double Degree students)

CONSERVATORY, WARNER CONCERT HALL

Grab pizza and meet your fellow incoming Double Degree students. You'll meet up in Warner Concert Hall and will be joined by the older Double Degree students who you already had a chance to meet via Zoom, then move to Bibbins classrooms, where they will walk you through some resources that will help you choose a major and navigate Con and College course requirements. Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu

8:00 p.m.

Concert: Molly Grace

HALES ANNEX, CAT IN THE CREAM COFFEEHOUSE

Nashville-based pop-funk starlet Molly Grace is quickly blazing on the scene one platform heel at a time. Taking inspiration from artists like Reneé Rapp, Chappell Roan, and Remi

Wolf, Molly, along with her band, masterfully blends pop with funk and disco, performing with an infectious groove that feels fresh yet timeless.

8:30 p.m.

Ice Cream Social and Havdalah

TAPPAN SQUARE BANDSTAND

Join members of Hillel for a welcome-back ice cream social and Havdalah celebration under the stars. Havdalah marks the end of Shabbat, when the sun has fully set, and stars begin to shine. Our student leaders will lead us in song while we enjoy ice cream and mingle. Dairy-free and gluten-free options are available. All are welcome. (Rain space: AJLC Lobby)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Oberlin Buddhist Fellowship Weekly Sunday Sit

LEWIS HOUSE

Oberlin Buddhist Fellowship hosts a group meditation and discussion every Sunday. Please join us for our first meeting of the semester.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Queer Stem Picnic

WILDER BOWL

Queer and Formal Reasoning (QFR) is a student organization for LGBTQ+ students in STEM. Meet the officers and learn what our organization is about. Bring some snacks, meet new people, and get advice from seniors on classes, EXCOs, and college life. Look for the people with a bunch of pride flags. Rain location: Wilder 215.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Introduction to Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu (BJJ)

HALES GYMNASIUM

A friendly introduction from the Oberlin Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Club featuring our eminent brown-belt instructor and certified chiller, Brian. Warm up with unique movements and learn ground-based grappling and the safe application of joint locks and chokes while sharing in the camaraderie. All skill levels are more than welcome.

1:00 p.m.

College Radio Station (WOBC) General Interest Meeting

WILDER HALL, ROOM 215

Interested in college radio and gaining experience with a station, being a DJ, and more? Come to WOBC Oberlin College and Community Radio's interest meeting. Meet the current board and learn about how to apply for shows, be on staff, and other ways to get involved.

1:30 p.m.

Solarity General Interest Meeting

WILDER HALL, ROOM 101

Interested in being a part of organizing Oberlin's largest student-run concert? Join us as we discuss different talent booking, logistics, arts, media, or treasury roles you can fulfill within the Solarity team.

2:00-4:00 p.m.

Community Connection Ice Cream Social

TAPPAN SQUARE, BANDSTAND

Students, faculty, staff, and Oberlin community members are invited to enjoy ice cream and music while meeting your neighbors. Sponsored by Oberlin Community Connection.

- 4:00-5:00 p.m. Musical Theater Trivia**
KING/RICE COURTYARD
Join us for musical theater trivia, hosted by the Oberlin Musical Theater Association, and get to know people involved in student theater at Oberlin. Put your knowledge to the test solo or join a team of up to five players. In the event of inclement weather, we will meet in Wilder 101. Email us at omta@oberlin.edu with any questions.
- 5:30-7:00 p.m. Catholic Mass**
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
Join the student-run Newman Catholic Community for Sunday Mass, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. All belong, all are welcome.
- 8:00 p.m. First-year Variety Showcase**
FINNEY CHAPEL
All incoming first-year students are invited to share their skills or talents, such as music, comedy, dance, spoken word, juggling, or anything else. We invite the rest of the campus community to show support and see how talented the new Obies are—hosted by [The Obertones](#), Oberlin's only men's and nonbinary a cappella group. Use this [Google sheet](#) to register to share your talent.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 (LABOR DAY, NO CLASSES)

- 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Cedar Point Trip (\$30)**
BUS PICK-UP IN FRONT OF WILDER - 10:00 AM
If you like stomach-wrenching rides, this trip is for you. Visit the roller-coaster-filled amusement park on the shores of Lake Erie. The price includes admission and transportation. Buses leave Oberlin from in front of Wilder Hall at 10:00 a.m.; buses leave Cedar Point at 8:00 p.m. A limited number of tickets are available for Oberlin students only. Purchase tickets [here](#).
- 3:30-4:30 p.m. Concert: A Cappella Showcase**
CONSERVATORY, STULL RECITAL HALL
Come hear Oberlin's a cappella groups perform pieces from their repertoire, learn more about auditions, and see what makes each group unique (Rain location: Conservatory, Stull Recital Hall)
- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Club Kickboxing Kickoff**
HALES GYMNASIUM
Kick, box, and even knee with the Oberlin College Kickboxing Club. A potent combination of combat sport, exercise, and fun. No prior experience is required.
- 7:00-10:00 p.m. Bowling and Billiards**
HALES ANNEX, COLLEGE LANES
Meet fellow new students for a free bowling night, billiards, and fun. Up the ante with glow bowling from 8:00-10:00 p.m. for an even bigger challenge.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Auditions: Jazz Majors Auditions for OJE, OJL, and Sonny Rollins Ensemble**

KOHL BUILDING, ENSEMBLE ROOM 104

This annual audition is required for all jazz majors for placement in large jazz ensembles and the Sonny Rollins Ensemble. Please [sign up electronically](#) for your audition. Contact Julie Baker (jbaker@oberlin.edu) with any questions.

12:15-1:15 p.m.

QuestBridge Meet & Greet

PRICE HALL, OBIEXING

Are you a QuestBridge student? Come meet other Oberlin Questies for refreshments to make new friends.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Pilates

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This class incorporates Pilates-based exercises that effectively and efficiently address the entire body. A focus on posture and alignment helps to build strength, flexibility, and overall body coordination.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Open House for Student Health and Wellbeing

WILDER BOWL, SOUTHWEST

We care about the overall well-being of everyone on our campus. Swing by, meet our dedicated staff, and learn more about our comprehensive programs that address personal health and well-being resources to help you thrive.

1:00-5:00 p.m.

Auditions: Jazz Majors Auditions for OJE, OJL, and Sonny Rollins Ensemble

KOHL BUILDING, ENSEMBLE ROOM 104

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3:00-4:00 p.m.

Green Orientation: How to be an Eco Obie!

A.J. LEWIS CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES HALLOCK AUDITORIUM

Did you know that Oberlin College and Conservatory is committed to being carbon-neutral by 2025? Please join the Office of Energy and Sustainability staff and partners as we share information about the many exciting and cutting-edge sustainability initiatives on campus and how you can help us reach our goals. Topics covered will include current and planned recycling and composting programs, local transportation options like the electric car share program and shuttle services, the campus Free Store, the Eco Box program for to-go dining, the ground-breaking Sustainable Infrastructure Program for heating and cooling campus, and much more!

4:30-6:00 p.m.

OBurlesque Welcome Picnic

TAPPAN SQUARE, SW AREA

You are invited to OBurlesque's welcome picnic. Swing by anytime to enjoy snacks, chat, and meet this year's board. We hope you will join us to kick off another amazing year of OBurlesque.

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Brenda Grier Miller Scholars Meet and Greet

NORTH QUAD

Swing by to meet the other Brenda Grier Miller Scholars on campus. Refreshments provided. In the event of inclement weather, the program will be in Stevenson Hall, Room 106.

- 5:00 p.m.** **YeoFit: Boxing**
 PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107
 A high-energy class that incorporates boxing moves such as jabs, punches, and rolls to increase your cardiovascular fitness, improve your strength, and burn your core. Boxing gloves and stand-up bags will be used, and basic punches, including the jab, cross, hook, and uppercut, will be taught. All fitness levels are welcome.
- 6:30-8:00 p.m.** **Soccer Club Practice**
 NORTH FIELDS
 Join us for our first soccer practice of the year. We welcome everyone of all skill levels into our safe and fun playing environment.
- 7:00-9:00 p.m.** **Plant Bingo**
 HALES ANNEX, CAT IN THE CREAM COFFEEHOUSE
 Play bingo and win plants to spruce up your room.
- 7:00 p.m.** **YeoFit: Slow Flow**
 PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107
 Need a way to relax before hitting the books and bed? This slow-flow, 60-minute yoga offers an invitation to drop into the body through slow and intentional movement and calming breath work.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

- 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** **Poster Sale**
 WILDER BOWL
 Are you looking to deck out your room? College Poster Sale Company of New York offers art prints for sale. Most cost around \$10. (Rain Site: Wilder Hall, Main Lounge.)
- 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** **Chill Out with Career Exploration and Development (CED)**
 MUDD CENTER, A LEVEL
 Obies are one-in-a-melon! Lemonade, watermelon, and tons of fun! Come join us for a melon-infused welcome at Career Exploration and Development.
- 12:15 p.m.** **YeoFit: Spinning**
 PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H108
 Spinning is an indoor group cycling workout that will take you on a visual bike ride, complete with motivating music and different themes to keep you entertained and inspired. If you are looking to burn calories check out a spinning class where you can burn up to 600 calories in a 45-minute ride.
- 12:30-1:30 p.m.** **Pre-Law Society Welcome Event**
 SCIENCE CENTER, A154
 An opportunity to learn more about the Pre-Law Society and its goals throughout the year. Welcome to anyone interested in pursuing a career in law or trying to get a feel of what this path could look like.
- 3:30-6:00 p.m.** **Auditions: Non-jazz Majors for OJE and/or Small Ensembles**
 KOHL BUILDING, ENSEMBLE ROOM 104
 This annual audition is required for all non-jazz majors interested in playing with the Oberlin Jazz Ensemble (OJE), small ensembles, or both. [Audition sign-up](#) is completed

electronically, with audition results emailed by the Jazz Division Administrative Assistant upon completion of all auditions. Contact Julie Baker (jbaker@oberlin.edu) with any questions.

4:30-6:30 p.m.

Taste of Oberlin

TAPPAN SQUARE

The City of Oberlin is a great place to live and eat! Join us to sample cuisine from Oberlin's excellent restaurants, connect with great community organizations and partners, play games, and interact with thriving small businesses. Everything is free.

6:00-8:00 p.m.

A Sweet Evening with Res Life & Ribbon Cutting Celebration

STEVENSON GRISWOLD COMMONS, OFFICE OF RESIDENTIAL LIFE

Join the Office of Residence Life in celebrating their newly renovated office space with sweet treats, games, and giveaways! Watch for the new ResLife golf cart and catch a ride over.

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Queer Welcome Back Social

WILDER HALL, MRC LOUNGE, ROOM 220

Celebrate the new semester with the Oberlin queer community. Swing by and meet the Gender & Attraction Initiatives staff. Join us for music, games, food, and more in a welcoming space. We'd love to see you there.

7:00 p.m.

Men's Soccer Match

SCHULTZ FIELD

Cheer on the men's soccer team as they take on Grove City College.

7:00-9:00 p.m.

OCircus: Juggling, Tumbling, and more

WILDER BOWL

Meet our awesome Oberlin Circus group. We are a lot of fun and would love to hang out and get to know you. This is a fun, informal gathering where you can learn some fun circus skills like juggling, tumbling, and stilt walking while getting to know our circus community.

8:00-9:30 p.m.

La Alianza's Welcome Bonfire

TAPPAN SQUARE, FIRE PIT (ACROSS FROM THE CONSERVATORY)

La Alianza Latinx (LAL) has been the largest Latine student organization in Oberlin since the 70s. We welcome Latine students on campus by having smores under the cozy stars. This event will be an excellent opportunity to meet other Latine first-years and returning students, abrazos.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Auditions: Jazz Majors Auditions for OJE, OJL, and Sonny Rollins Ensemble

KOHL BUILDING, ENSEMBLE ROOM 104

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10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Poster Sale

WILDER BOWL

Are you looking to deck out your room? College Poster Sale Company of New York offers art prints for sale. Most cost around \$10. (Rain Site: Wilder Hall, Main Lounge.)

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Photo Pop-in at Career Exploration and Development (CED)

MUDD CENTER, A LEVEL

Show your Obie spirit! Wear your Oberlin swag and take a headshot photo with CED's new professional headshot photo boot. Learn how Career Exploration and Development programming can make your Oberlin experience POP while enjoying a fresh bag of popcorn.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Power Hour

PHILIPS GYM, WEIGHT ROOM

In this weight lifting class, you will learn the proper technique for the most common movements used in strength training, progressively adding resistance and increasing difficulty. You will also learn about creating your own workouts and training programs. Open to beginners that never lifted before, as well as experienced athletes. The exercises will be adjusted to your experience.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Yoga

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This ancient practice helps create a sense of union in the body, mind, and spirit. This class will include asana (postures and movement) and breath work. Each class will be unique depending on the instructor's training and influences. All fitness levels and experiences are welcome.

1:00-5:00 p.m.

Auditions: Jazz Majors Auditions for OJE, OJL, and Sonny Rollins Ensemble

KOHL BUILDING, ENSEMBLE ROOM 104

This annual audition is required for all jazz majors for placement in large jazz ensembles and the Sonny Rollins Ensemble. Please [sign up electronically](#) for your audition. Contact Julie Baker at jbaker@oberlin.edu with questions.

4:30-6:00 p.m.

Connections Fair: Student and Community Organizations

WILDER BOWL

Get involved on campus with the connections fair. Representatives from student and community organizations and campus departments will answer your questions about their programs and events. You'll also have an opportunity to learn about job opportunities in various campus departments and with off-campus nonprofit and public sector partners. Sponsored by the Office of Student Involvement and the Bonner Center for Community-Engaged Learning, Teaching, and Research. In the event of rain, the community organizations will move into the Science Center today, and the student organizations will be in Wilder Bowl tomorrow.

5:00 p.m.

YeoFit: Boxing

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

A high-energy class that incorporates boxing moves such as jabs, punches, and rolls to increase your cardiovascular fitness, improve your strength, and burn your core. Boxing gloves and stand-up bags will be used, and basic punches, including the jab, cross, hook, and uppercut, will be taught. All fitness levels are welcome.

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Peer Support Open House

SCIENCE CENTER, K100 or THE WRITING CENTER (1ST FLOOR TERRELL MAIN LIBRARY)

Learn about the peer support resources on campus who are here to support your academic and co-curricular success. Start in the Writing Center or K100 in the Science Center to get your Peer Support Bingo Card. Visit the locations where tutoring sessions will be held and meet the peer tutors and mentors. Resources include:

- Writing and Speaking Associates
- CLEAR
- Executive Functioning Tutors
- Peer Tutors/Drop-in Tutoring
- Research Ambassadors
- Winter Term Peer Mentors
- Study Away Peer Tutors
- CSCI lab helpers/Computational skills associate

Pizza will be provided, and students who visit many peer support locations will be entered in a prize raffle.

7:00-7:30 p.m.

Oberlin Pole Dance Interest Meeting

WILDER HALL, ROOM 101

Oberlin Pole Dance offers confidence and empowerment through dynamic classes and performances. Join us at our interest meeting to meet our fun officers and enjoy Lorenzo's pizza! Open to all students, regardless of gender or fitness level.

8:30-9:30 p.m.

Sex Trivia with the Sexual Information Center

HALES ANNEX, CAT IN THE CREAM COFFEEHOUSE

Join the Sexual Information Center (SIC) for some sex trivia! Test your knowledge on all things sex-related and compete for a chance to win SIC merch/goodies.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Photo Pop-in at Career Exploration and Development (CED)

MUDD CENTER, A LEVEL

Show your Obie spirit! Wear your Oberlin swag and take a headshot photo with CED's new professional headshot photo boot. Learn how Career Exploration and Development programming can make your Oberlin experience POP while enjoying a fresh bag of popcorn.

12:00-2:00 p.m.

Division of Student Affairs Open House

WILDER BOWL

Stop by and meet the Division of Student Affairs staff, pick up a snack, and learn more about the Dean of Students office, campus safety, career exploration and development, center for intercultural engagement (including international student & scholar services, multicultural resource commons, office for disability & access, and office of religious and spiritual life), center for student success, multifaith chaplaincy, office of student leadership and involvement, residence life, and student health and wellbeing. In inclement weather, the event will move inside to Wilder Main Lounge.

12:00-2:00 p.m.

Muslim Student Association (MSA) Lunch and Jummah

WILDER HALL ROOM 208

Salaam and welcome all new and returning Muslim Obies. Please join us for our first Friday gathering of the semester, where we will have lunch and pray Jummah. Email

jzahurul@oberlin.edu to be added to the MSA mailing list for more updates.

12:15-1:00 p.m.

Small Jazz Ensemble Formation Meeting

HALES ANNEX, CAT IN THE CREAM COFFEEHOUSE

Students accepted into the pool of students eligible to participate in small ensembles must attend the formation meeting. Jazz majors are automatically admitted into this pool. Non-jazz majors must first successfully complete an audition on Wednesday, September 3. Students form their ensembles based on criteria established by the Jazz department. Groups that meet the criteria receive weekly coaching time. If you have questions, contact Julie Baker at jbaker@oberlin.edu in Kohl 200-A.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: AquaFit

PHILIPS GYM, CARR POOL

Are you ready to be challenged? This 45-minute high-intensity, low-impact class will increase cardiovascular endurance, strength, coordination, agility, and muscle toning. One will be challenged with aerobic, strength, and traditional lap swimming techniques using equipment to push you to the next level...goggles are required.

2:00 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

PHILIPS GYMNASIUM

Cheer on the women's volleyball as they play John Carroll University.

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Board Game Club Interest Meeting

WILDER HALL, ROOM 215

Join us to learn more about the Board Game Club (and play a few games!). We create a fun and inclusive environment to play board games. Have a board (or card) game that you like? Feel free to bring it, and we might play it. Drop in or out whenever you like. All are welcome.

4:30-6:00 p.m.

TGIF

WILDER BOWL

Join fellow Obies for the traditional TGIF celebration with beverages and music.

4:30-8:30 p.m.

Rock Wall Beginner Hours

PHILIPS GYM, ROCK WALL

Get introduced to the rock wall in a beginner-oriented environment. Free rental gear will be provided as always, and no experience is needed!

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Shabbat Services

TALCOTT DINING HALL

Oberlin Hillel invites you to join student-led, pluralistic Shabbat services. Kabbalat Shabbat services around an hour and draws from our student population's traditions and customs. Shabbat dinner will follow. All are welcome.

5:00-7:00 p.m.

Oberlin Medical/Pre-health (ObiePHI) Welcome Picnic

SCIENCE CENTER BOWL

Oberlin Medical/Pre-health (ObiePHI) student organization welcomes students to join us in celebrating the start of the semester with activities including bingo, suturing practice kits, and anatomy coloring books, along with food from Aladdin's and ice cream. Rain site: Science Center Atrium

- 5:30-7:00 p.m.** **Oberlin Christian Fellowship (OCF) Fall Kickoff**
 WILDER HALL, ROOM 101
 All are welcome to the Oberlin Christian Fellowship (OCF) fall kickoff. This will be an informational and social event for anyone interested in learning about OCF and meeting our returning members. We'll introduce our leadership team, share upcoming events, and announce more information about our weekly gatherings and Bible studies. Join us for games, pizza, and fellowship.
- 6:00 p.m.** **Women's Volleyball**
 PHILIPS GYMNASIUM
 Cheer on the women's volleyball team as they play Alma College.
- 6:00-8:00 p.m.** **A Fresh Start; Speed Friending**
 LORD SAUNDERS DINING HALL
 Join us at Afrikan Heritage House (A-House) for an evening of laughter and community building at our first-year speed friending event! Whether you're eager to make new friends or connect with community leaders, join us at Lord-Saunders dining hall to discover what A-House is all about. Have dinner and engage in quick, meaningful conversations with peers and mentors. Take advantage of this opportunity to forge friendships and community ties that will enrich your college experience. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing this memorable event with you. A collaboration among ABUSUA, Sisters of the Yam, Brotherhood, Black Student Athlete Group, AndWhat!?, and BIPOC Lenses
- 6:30-7:30 p.m.** **Shabbat Dinner**
 TALCOTT DINING HALL
 A free, kosher Shabbat dinner; open to all college community members. Join us to create community and enjoy a delicious meal.
- 7:30-9:00 p.m.** **Bike Co-op General Interest Meeting**
 BIKE CO-OP (BEHIND KEEP COTTAGE)
 Are you interested in bikes, bike repair, bike culture, or just goofing and learning something new? Then join us, where you can learn all about getting involved in the bike world at Oberlin. No prior experience is necessary or required. Hope to see you there.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** **ConPal: Beyond the First Semester (Required)**
 ASSIGNED COHORT MEETING ROOMS
 Now that classes have started and you're settling into a routine, there are more demands on your time than ever before, and it's critical to manage your time well in the short and long term at Oberlin. In this session, you'll discuss time management skills, develop strategies for dealing with different scenarios, and learn more about strategically choosing courses to add a Con/College minor or integrative concentration. This session will help you make the most of your time at Oberlin, and pizza is provided. Contact: Chris.Jenkins@oberlin.edu
- 11:30 a.m.** **YeoFit: Vinyasa II**

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This is a more advanced yoga class for those looking for a more challenging burn. This 60-minute class follows the one-breath-to-one movement style and features fast-paced sequences.

12:00 p.m.

YeoFit & Rec: Bike Ride

MEET BEHIND THE HOTEL AT OBERLIN

Bike ride to Scoops and More Ice Cream in Elyria. This is about 25 miles round trip. Bring your own bike and water bottle for the ride. Ice Cream will be our treat.

1:00-2:00 p.m.

Oberlin College Democrats Open Welcome Meeting

KING BUILDING, ROOM 101

The OC Democrats welcome everyone back to campus. We are looking for new members to help us get democrats elected and reelected this fall. All are welcome.

1:00 p.m.

Men's Soccer Match

SCHULTZ FIELD

Cheer on the men's soccer team as they take on Chatham University.

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Students for a Free Palestine Orientation

KING BUILDING, ROOM 306

Learn about the work Students for a Free Palestine (SFP) does and how you can get involved this semester! All are welcome, regardless of experience or prior knowledge.

3:00 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

PHILIPS GYMNASIUM

Cheer on the women's volleyball as they play Washington & Jefferson College.

3:00-5:00 p.m.

OCircus: Open Jam

HALES GYMNASIUM

Check out the OCircus Club. Learn a circus apparatus, meet cool people, and learn how to be a part of our circus community.

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Women's and Trans Rugby Open Practice/Info Session

WILLIAMS FIELD HOUSE

Join us to learn about Oberlin's women and trans rugby team, practice beginner rugby skills, and meet new friends. We will meet outside Williams Field House and head over to the North Fields rugby pitch together as it might be hard to find yourself. If you have questions, please email Natalie Becker-Stevens, at nbeckers@oberlin.edu. Wear athletic clothing and bring sneakers or cleats, a water bottle, and your questions. We welcome all skill levels; no experience is necessary.

4:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer Match

SCHULTZ FIELD

Cheer on the women's soccer team against Geneva College

6:00 p.m.

Playhouse Square: RuPaul's Drag Race All-Star Live (\$20)

BUS PICK-UP IN FRONT OF WILDER - 6:00 PM

Enter the Werk Room this Summer and get ready to experience the high kicks and low splits of RuPaul's Drag Race All Stars 9th Season unfolding LIVE on-stage. Be captivated

by the return of fan favorites Angeria, Gottmik, Jorgeous, Plastique Tiara, Roxxy Andrews, Shannel, and Vanessa Vanjle in this show-within-a-show highlighting the charisma, uniqueness, nerve, and talent it takes for a queen to be an All-Star. Order your tickets [here](#) beginning August 27.

- 7:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. Science Fiction & Fantasy Collective Game Night**
NOAH HALL LOUNGE, ROOM 225
A relatively small, inclusive game night hosted by the Science Fiction & Fantasy Collective (SFFC) to encourage incoming first years to meet fellow students. There will be couch co-op games on the Nintendo Switch, as well as board games and a variety of snacks. We hope to give new students an open, fun environment to get to know Oberlin campus and their peers, as well as introducing them to SFFC.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- 1:00-4:00 p.m. Africana Welcome 2024**
LORD SAUNDERS DINING HALL AND LOUNGES
Mix and mingle with the Africana Studies department faculty members, members of Black student organizations, and other Black students. Free food, drinks, and games will be provided.
- 2:00-3:00 p.m. Plum Creek Review General Interest Meeting**
WILDER HALL, ROOM 215
Oberlin's oldest literary and arts magazine welcomes anyone interested in becoming a member of the editorial staff. We'll eat pizza and discuss what the Plum Creek Review is all about.
- 3:00-5:00 p.m. Folk Music Jam**
TAPPAN SQUARE
Join the Folk Music Club for an afternoon music jam. Regardless of whether you're a musician or just a folk music fanatic; stop by to play or listen to some folk songs and tunes. Any level of musicianship and all instruments are welcome. If you're a non-musician, set up a picnic, pass us by on your afternoon stroll, or stop by to chat and meet folk club friends.
- 5:30-7:00 p.m. Barefoot Dialogue in the Square**
TAPPAN SQUARE
Join your peers in explorative conversation with a delicious meal catered by Lorenzo's, local wood-fired pizza. Led by trained student facilitators, Barefoot Dialogue offers a popular annual event that invites all students from across the campus to join us for a night of connection, reflection, shared dining, and a taste of vulnerability-based dialogue. In Barefoot, we center the human in the conversation. Our common commitments orient our groups to work towards understanding and meaning to develop caring and real relationships between peers. Those excited by this engagement can sign up for more Barefoot dialogues around student interest-formed topics! Please RSVP using this [link](#).
- 8:00-9:00 p.m. Kickoff Quaker Meeting**
SHANSI HOUSE
Oberlin Young Friends is the hottest Quaker student group on campus. Join us for our

fall semester kickoff meeting for Worship. CommuniTEA provided, BYO inner light. For more details on this "silent rave," check out our Instagram: @oberlin.young.friends.

8:30-9:15 p.m.

Magicians Club Meeting

FRENCH HOUSE LOUNGE

Join one of the best student organizations at Oberlin to learn extraordinary card tricks and mind blowing ability. There will be snacks.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Conservatory Library Open House Tours

CONSERVATORY LIBRARY

Need music for an audition? Wondering where you can find a book about music? Learn the basics of the Oberlin Conservatory Library by taking a tour. Stop in at any time during these hours and get some library swag—tours on the hours and half-hour.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Hiit It

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H104

This class will be a fun high-intensity interval class that will improve muscular endurance, strength, and cardiovascular endurance. Numerous HIIT formats such as Tabata, 40-30-20 Pyramid, 3-2-1 Circuit interval, and more are used to keep it exciting while challenging the body with a great caloric burn.

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Science Library Tours

SCIENCE LIBRARY

Scientists need journals, and we have nearly 120,000 titles online, plus some essential titles in print—right by our entrance—for your reading pleasure. Learn how to find them online and in the library, along with great books. Tours last 20 minutes and run continuously. Highly recommended for potential science majors.

5:30 p.m.

YeoFit: Spinning

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H108

Spinning is an indoor group cycling workout that will take you on a visual bike ride, with motivating music and different themes to keep you entertained and inspired. If you are looking to burn calories check out a spinning class where you can burn up to 600 calories in a 45-minute ride.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10:00 a.m. - Noon

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12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Pilates

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This class incorporates Pilates-based exercises that effectively and efficiently address the entire body. A focus on posture and alignment helps to build strength, flexibility, and overall body coordination.

3:00-5:00 p.m.

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4:30-5:30 p.m.

Sustainable Infrastructure Program (SIP) Tour

MEET AT THE WILDER STEPS

The tour will take participants around campus to see sites that have been part of phases 1-3 of the SIP. Participants will learn about the ongoing construction on campus and about how the geothermal system works for cooling and heating. Through this project, the college is taking significant steps towards energy efficiency and our carbon neutrality goal, setting an example for peer institutions.

5:00 p.m.

YeoFit: Boxing

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

A high-energy class that incorporates boxing moves such as jabs, punches, and rolls to increase your cardiovascular fitness, improve your strength, and burn your core. Boxing gloves and stand-up bags will be used, and basic punches, including the jab, cross, hook, and uppercut, will be taught. All fitness levels are welcome.

7:00 p.m.

YeoFit: Slow Flow

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

Need a way to relax before hitting the books and bed? This slow-flow, 60-minute yoga offers an invitation to drop into the body through slow and intentional movement and calming breath work.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Spinning

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Spinning is an indoor group cycling workout that will take you on a visual bike ride, complete with motivating music and different themes to keep you entertained and inspired. If you are looking to burn calories check out a spinning class where you can burn up to 600 calories in a 45-minute ride.

5:00-7:00 p.m.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Power Hour

PHILIPS GYM, WEIGHT ROOM

In this weightlifting class, you will learn the proper technique for the most common movements used in strength training, progressively adding resistance and increasing difficulty. You will also learn about creating your own workouts and training programs. Open to beginners that never lifted before, as well as experienced athletes. The exercises will be adjusted to your experience.

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: Yoga

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This ancient practice helps create a sense of union in the body, mind, and spirit. This class will include asana (postures and movement) and breath work. Each class will be unique depending on the instructor's training and influences. All fitness levels and experiences are welcome.

5:00 p.m.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

12:15 p.m.

YeoFit: AquaFit

Philips, Carr Pool

Are you ready to be challenged? This 45-minute high-intensity, low-impact class will increase cardiovascular endurance, strength, coordination, agility, and muscle toning. One will be challenged with aerobic, strength, and traditional lap swimming techniques using equipment to push you to the next level...goggles are required.

2:30-4:30 p.m.

Art Library Open House

VENTURI ART BUILDING, CLARENCE WARD ART LIBRARY, TOP FLOOR

The gathering place for art-loving Obies. Explore the art library and learn more about the collection.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

11:30 a.m.

YeoFit: Vinyasa II

PAT AND MERRILL SHANKS HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER, H107

This is a more advanced yoga class meant for those looking for a more challenging burn. This 60-minute class follows the one-breath-to-one movement style and features fast-paced sequences.

1:00 p.m.

Men's Football

DICK BAILEY FIELD

Cheer on the yeoman as they take on Anderson University.

7:00 p.m.

Women's Soccer Match

SCHULTZ FIELD

Cheer on the women's soccer team against Wilmington College.

DINING HALL HOURS

Breakfast

7:30-10:30 AM: Stevenson Dining Hall

Lunch

11:00 AM-2:00 PM: Stevenson Dining Hall
Clarity at Fairchild opens on Monday, August 26

Dinner

5:00-8:00 PM: Stevenson Dining Hall
Clarity at Fairchild opens on Monday, August 26

Late Night Hours (beginning August 29)

8:00-11:30 PM: DeCafe and Rat

Other Dining Areas Opening Days and Hours

- Tuesday, August 27 - **Wilder DeCafe** - *Hours:* 7:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 28 - **Talcott** - *Hours:* 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and 5:00-8:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 29 - Rathskeller, Late Night Meal, Lord Saunders, Sky Bar, and Azariah's normal hours

Visit the the AVI [website](#) for up-to-date menus and information.