MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

February Orientation

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FEBRUARY 5–9, 2020
Welcome to Middlebury College!
Orientation is the first of many opportunities students and families will have to explore Middlebury and all that goes on here. This guide will serve as your go-to resource for information throughout orientation.

Please note that information is designated by the following icons:

- **FY** First-Year Students
- **TE** Transfer and Exchange Students
- **F** Families
Information
Contact your orientation team at 802-443-2128 or orientation@middlebury.edu.

Mobile App and Daily Email
Download the free Middlebury College mobile app via the Apple or Android App Store. In the app, select “February Orientation” to get the schedules and information right on your smartphone, tablet, or computer. The February Orientation app will provide updates to the schedule that might not be included in this guide. Detailed information is available at go.middlebury.edu/feboapp.

Please check both your Middlebury email account and the February Orientation app throughout the week, as we will send out reminders, notifications, and last-minute changes as necessary.

Commons Offices
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Brainerd 802-443-3320
Cook 802-443-3330
Ross 802-443-3340
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<td>Receive orientation packets, meet orientation leaders, and more! If you arrive at Middlebury after 2 p.m., please go directly to your Welcome Meeting, which begins at 2 p.m., for your orientation.</td>
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<td>10 a.m.–5 p.m.</td>
<td>Student Employment Office Drop-In Hours</td>
<td>Get information regarding on-campus employment, work-study opportunities, and what to do when you get a job. Open Wednesday–Friday of orientation (closed from noon to 1 p.m.).</td>
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<td>Lunch</td>
<td>Enjoy a complimentary drop-in lunch. Or other options include the Grille, located in the McCullough Student Center, or local restaurants. <a href="http://go.middlebury.edu/wheretoeat">go.middlebury.edu/wheretoeat</a></td>
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<td>Welcome Meetings: Get to Know Your Team</td>
<td>Meet Middlebury students, staff, and faculty who are here to welcome you during orientation and support you throughout your years at Middlebury. <strong>PLEASE CHECK THE FEBRUARY ORIENTATION APP FOR MEETING LOCATIONS.</strong></td>
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7–9 a.m.

**Breakfast with Orientation Groups**
First-year students meet at 7 a.m. and transfer and exchange students meet at 8 a.m.

**PROCTOR DINING HALL**

7:30–9 a.m.

**Breakfast**
Families are invited to enjoy a complimentary breakfast in the dining hall.

**PROCTOR DINING HALL**

8:30–10:30 a.m.

**First-Year Seminar Meetings**
This meeting is your first opportunity to meet your academic advisor, who is also your first-year seminar instructor of the one academic class you have during orientation. You’ll be introduced to academic life at Middlebury and discuss course selection and registration, as well as schedule an individual session with your advisor. For scheduling purposes, it’s a good idea to bring this handbook to class, along with your other note-taking materials. **PLEASE CHECK THE FEBRUARY ORIENTATION APP FOR MEETING LOCATIONS.**

9–10:15 a.m.

**Meet with the Registrar’s Office:**
**Transfer and Exchange Students**
Join fellow students for a brief introduction to Middlebury’s degree requirements and information on advisors.

**HILLCREST 103**

9–10 a.m.

**Meet the Deans**
Come to a panel discussion to learn more about our residential communities and meet the deans who will be supporting your student through the highs and lows of their college journey.

**McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL**
10–11 a.m.  
**Coffee Break**  
**CROSSROADS CAFÉ**

10:30 a.m.–1:45 p.m.  
**Pre-Advising: Looking at Spring Course Possibilities**  
Drop-in session for all new students to attend before meeting with their advisors. Students should consult the placement-exam chart to determine if they need to take any exams and attend this pre-advising session around any placement exams they need to take.  
**ATWATER:** Allen 153B and Allen Lounge  
**ROSS:** Ross Commons Office Conference Room (RCD 004)  
**WONNACOTT:** Wonnacott Commons Office (Battell South, First Floor)

11 a.m.–1 p.m.  
**Placement Exams**  
Check [go/placementexaminfo](http://go/placementexaminfo) for complete information. Students who need to take computer-based exams can use public computers reserved in the basement of Axinn, Room 105, for this purpose.

11–11:30 a.m.  
**Family Breakout Sessions: Block 1**  
Families are invited to choose from a variety of short informational sessions hosted by campus partners.  
**AXINN CENTER**  
**Disability Resource Center: Get Connected! (AXINN 220)**  
*Disability Resource Center Staff*  
**Exploration, Career Planning, and Prep (AXINN 219)**  
*Center for Careers and Internships Staff*  
**Restorative Practices: Building Community (AXINN 229)**  
*Community Standards Staff*  
**Violence Prevention Advocacy (AXINN 232)**  
*Health and Wellness Education Staff*
11:30 a.m.–Noon

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Noon–1:45 p.m.

**Farewell Lunch**

Families and students are invited to enjoy a complimentary drop-in lunch. This concludes our family orientation program.

**PROCTOR DINING HALL**

1–5 p.m.

**Individual Meetings with Advisors**

Use this time to plan your first semester of courses. Please bring your placement-exam results and class-registration materials.

**ATWATER DINING HALL**

1–2 p.m.

**Families Depart**

2–3 p.m.

**Academic Forum**

This is your opportunity to explore Middlebury’s wide array of academic departments before you register for spring courses. Representatives from the departments will be available at individual tables to answer your questions.

**ATWATER DINING HALL**

5–6 p.m.

**Academic Integrity Panel**

Review resources, expectations, and policies around academic integrity and the Honor Code. You will also each sign your name on the Honor Code pledge page.

**DANA AUDITORIUM**
6–7:30 p.m.  
**Transfer and Exchange Dinner with Faculty**  
Transfer and exchange students will dine with members of the Middlebury College community.  
**BRAINERD COMMONS HOUSE:** 132 Blinn Lane

6–8:30 p.m.  
**Dinner with Faculty Heads**  
Dine with your faculty head(s), dean, coordinator, CRD, and FebYC.  
**ATWATER:** 275 Weybridge Street  
**ROSS:** 26 Blinn Lane  
**WONNACOTT:** 115 Franklin Street

9–11 p.m.  
**Trivia!**  
Join your orientation leaders and Public Safety staff in a round of trivia!  
**McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, THE GRILLE**
Day 3
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7–8:30 a.m.  Breakfast  
PROCTOR DINING HALL

8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.  Individual Meetings with Advisors  
This session is for those who did not meet with advisors on Thursday.

8:30–10:40 a.m.  Student Breakout Sessions  
Choose from a series of interactive workshops hosted by various campus partners to build skills, explore interesting topics, and be successful at Midd!  
AXINN CENTER

8:30–9:10 a.m.  Student Breakout Sessions: Block 1  
Choose one workshop to attend. Please check the February Orientation app for the most updated list of breakout sessions and locations.

Caring for Yourself (AXINN 109)  
Health and Wellness Education

Communicating Effectively with Faculty (AXINN 219)  
Commons Office

Community Connections: Getting Involved! (AXINN 103)  
Student Activities Office and Center for Community Engagement

It’s Your (Sex) Life (AXINN 232)  
SPECS: Sex Positive Education College Style

Money 101: Saving, Spending, and Budgeting (AXINN 104)  
National Bank of Middlebury

Navigating New Relationships (AXINN 220)  
Health and Wellness Education

Résumé Crash Course (AXINN 229)  
Center for Careers and Internships

Time Management: Start Off Strong! (AXINN 100)  
Center for Teaching, Learning, and Research
9:15–9:55 a.m.

**Student Breakout Sessions: Block 2**
Choose one workshop to attend. Please check the February Orientation app for the most updated list of breakout sessions and locations.

*Caring for Yourself (AXINN 109)*  
*Health and Wellness Education*

*Community Connections: Getting Involved! (AXINN 103)*  
*Student Activities Office and Center for Community Engagement*

*Design Your Midd (AXINN 219)*  
*Center for Community Engagement*

*It’s Your (Sex) Life (AXINN 232)*  
*SPECS: Sex Positive Education College Style*

*Money 101: Saving, Spending, and Budgeting (AXINN 104)*  
*National Bank of Middlebury*

*Navigating New Relationships (AXINN 220)*  
*Health and Wellness Education*

*Résumé Crash Course (AXINN 229)*  
*Center for Careers and Internships*

*Time Management: Start Off Strong! (AXINN 100)*  
*Center for Teaching, Learning, and Research*

10 a.m.–10:40 a.m.

**Student Breakout Sessions: Block 3**
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10–11 a.m. Office of the Registrar Drop-In Hours
Get answers to questions regarding your transfer credits.
FOREST HALL

10:45 a.m.–Noon Student Services Fair
Meet Middlebury staff and faculty who oversee some of the most important aspects of student life on campus.
McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL

Noon–1:45 p.m. Lunch with Orientation Groups
You’ll have lunch in your orientation groups.
PROCTOR DINING HALL

1–2 p.m. Transfer/Exchange Student Spring Registration
Register online through BannerWeb in your orientation groups. You will receive instructions by email prior to registration.

2–3 p.m. First-Year Student Spring Registration
Register online through BannerWeb in your orientation groups. You will receive instructions by email prior to registration.
3:30–4 p.m.  **First-Year Feb Survey**  
Complete the first-year survey to help us better understand what you need from us to make your first year at Middlebury a success!  
**PLEASE CHECK THE FEBRUARY ORIENTATION APP FOR SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS.**

4-5:45 p.m.  **Restorative Practices**  
Learn more about Middlebury’s commitment to building an inclusive community and strong personal connections through Restorative Practices in this interactive session.  
**ATWATER DINING HALL**

6-7:30 p.m.  **Dinner**  
Enjoy dinner in Proctor Dining Hall.

9-11 p.m.  **Night at the Grille**  
Take part in an evening of homemade entertainment in which you and your orientation leaders are the starring players. **CROSSROADS CAFÉ**
Day 4
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7–8:30 a.m.  Breakfast with Orientation Groups
PROCTOR DINING HALL

8:30–9:45 a.m.  Free Speech: Effective Protests and Demonstrations
Learn more about Middlebury’s Open Expression policies and resources for activism on campus.
McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL

10 a.m.–Noon  Speak About It: Consent Education and Sexual Assault Prevention
Join us for a performance and discussions about consent, boundaries, and healthy relationships.
Engage in peer-led dialogues and learn ways you can help make our campus community safer.
McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL

Noon–1:45 p.m.  Lunch with Orientation Groups
You’ll have lunch in your orientation groups.
PROCTOR DINING HALL

2–3 p.m.  Living Well at Middlebury
Join our Health and Wellness Education team to learn some tips and tricks for self-care and personal wellness here at Middlebury.
McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL

3:15–3:45 p.m.  Class Photo
MEAD CHAPEL STEPS

3:45–5 p.m.  Orientation Group Meeting
LOCATIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY LEADERS
6-7:30 p.m.  
**Hear from Your Peers Dinner**  
Join staff and student leaders for a dinner discussion about what it means to be part of a community where people look out for each other. Learn more about sexual health, violence prevention, and advocacy here at Middlebury.  
**ATWATER DINING HALL**

9-11 p.m.  
**Winter Warm-Up Dance Party**  
Enjoy live music, new friends, and plenty of dancing.  
**KIRK CENTER**
Day 5
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7–8:15 a.m.  Breakfast with Orientation Groups
             PROCTOR DINING HALL

8:30 a.m.–Noon  Midd Uncensored
                   Join your classmates for an event that has been
described by students as powerful, inspiring, and
heartfelt. Peel back the layers of the get-to-know-you
conversations to engage in deeper exploration of the
stories you bring and who you are.
                   McCULLOUGH STUDENT CENTER, WILSON HALL

Noon–1 p.m.  Lunch with Orientation Groups
                    Have lunch in your orientation groups.
                    PROCTOR DINING HALL

1–4:30 p.m.  Optional Activities!
                    Check in with your orientation leaders for more
information about options and locations.

6–8 p.m.  Closing Dinner Celebration
               Join your fellow students and orientation leaders for a
final dinner celebration of your arrival at Middlebury.
               ATWATER DINING HALL
Placement Exam Info

Arabic
Oral and written exam. 15-minute interview and 45-minute written test. Contact Professor Usama Soltan at x5869 or usoltan@middlebury.edu. Voter Hall, Lower Level, Room 016.

Biology
For Biology 140 Ecology and Evolution, the exam is a paper-based exam and students may use a calculator. 60 minutes. Contact Professor Helen Young at x2556. Exam in McCardell Bicentennial Hall 104. For Biology 145 Cell Biology and Genetics, paper-based test, no use of any mobile device or calculator during the exam. Contact Professor Catherine Combelles at x5251. Exam in McCardell Bicentennial Hall 438.

Chemistry and Biochemistry
Computer-based written test. You may use a calculator. 60–90 minutes. Contact department coordinator Judy Mayer at x5451 or jmayer@middlebury.edu, or Professor Jim Larrabee at x5453 or jmayer@middlebury.edu.

Chinese
Interview, reading comprehension, and written test. 60 minutes. Contact Professor Hang Du at x5257 or hdu@middlebury.edu. Voter Hall 106.

Computer Science
Students wishing to enroll in Middlebury CS courses beyond the 100-level should go to to 75 Shannon Street, Second Floor East Lounge, on Thursday, February 6, any time between noon and 1 p.m., to meet with CS faculty and determine appropriate placement. Contact Professor Matthew Dickerson at x5460 or dickerso@middlebury.edu.

Economics
No placement exam is offered for economics. Contact department coordinator Amy Holbrook at x5327 or holbrook@middlebury.edu. Warner Hall 201.

French
Computer-based written test. 50 minutes. Contact Professor William Poulin-Deltour at wpoulin@middlebury.edu or department coordinator Jolene Newton at x5527 or jynewton@middlebury.edu.

German
Written test. 60 minutes. Contact Professor Florence Feiereisen at x5820 or ffeierei@middlebury.edu, or department coordinator Judy Olinick at x5532 or olinick@middlebury.edu. Freeman International Center, Cook 2.

Italian
Interview. 15–20 minutes. Contact Professor Stefano Mula at smula@middlebury.edu. Voter Hall 115.

Japanese
Interview followed by placement exam. 60 minutes. Contact Professor Masahiro Takahashi at x3251 or department coordinator Judy Olinick at x5532. Freeman International Center, Freeman Seminar Room 2.
Latin
Computer-based written exam. May use a dictionary. 45 minutes. Contact Christopher Star at x5910 or cstar@middlebury.edu.

Mathematics
No placement exam offered for mathematics; each student will receive an email describing his or her initial math placement and course options based upon review of high school transcripts. Students are invited to discuss placement in Warner Hall 309. Contact Professor Steve Abbott at x2256 or abbott@middlebury.edu, or department coordinator Jen Nuceder at x5565 or jmnucede@middlebury.edu.

Music
Written test. 30 minutes. Contact Professor Matthew Taylor at matthewt@middlebury.edu. Mahaney Arts Center 306.

Physics
No placement exam is offered for physics. Students wishing to enroll in physics courses at Middlebury should go to McCardell Bicentennial Hall 525 on Thursday, February 6, any time between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., to meet with physics faculty and determine their appropriate placement. Contact Professor Susan Watson at x5958 or pdc@middlebury.edu.

Portuguese
Contact Professor Mario Higa at x5877 or mhiga@middlebury.edu.

Psychology
Short test. 15-25 minutes. Contact Professor Matt Kimble at kimble@middlebury.edu or department coordinator Tanya Hershey at x5838 or tshershey@middlebury.edu. McCardell Bicentennial Hall 286.

Russian
Computer-based written exam and oral interview. 45-60 minutes. Contact department coordinator Judy Olinick at x5532 or Professor Tatiana Smorodinska at x2535 or tsmorodi@middlebury.edu.

Spanish
Computer-based written exam. 50-75 minutes. Contact Professor Mario Higa at x5877 or mhiga@middlebury.edu, or department coordinator Jen Nuceder at x5565 or jmnucede@middlebury.edu.

Instructions for computer-based exams
Computer-based exams can be completed from any computer on campus. The computer lab in Axinn 105 has been reserved for this purpose. Visit go/placementexaminfo for instructions.

All telephone extensions listed above are preceded by the College’s general number (off-campus only): 802-443-(4-digit extension).