ORIENTATION PLAN – FALL 2020

Orientation for new students runs from August 20-23, 2020, and will include small-group bonding opportunities, introductions to academic life and Hamilton’s educational goals, and connections to campus resources. As always, students’ wellbeing and smooth transition to college life are top priorities. Orientation 2020 will follow a hybrid approach: in-person activities will take place exclusively within orientation groups. This year, residential cohorts will serve as orientation groups, and all new students will have the opportunity to explore campus, form connections, and talk about the transition to Hamilton within their residential cohorts and with the support of their orientation leaders. In a variety of virtual settings, students will learn about the academic advising process and meet with their faculty advisors, attend the faculty welcome lecture, and participate in traditions such as Matriculation and Convocation. Programming on community, campus resources, and policies -- including wellness, health and safety, and diversity, equity, and inclusion -- will be delivered virtually as well. More information can be found on the Orientation website: https://www.hamilton.edu/firstyear/orientation