FALL 2024

WELCOME GUIDE



PATRICK HENRY COLLEGE for Christ and for Liberty

Welcome to PHC!

This packet contains instructions and forms that will prepare you for Patrick Henry College this fall. As you read each section, pay particular attention to the deadlines. **Not all deadlines are the same.** Be sure to double-check when each item is due.

For your convenience, we have included a Pre-Orientation Checklist near the end of this guide to help you keep track of when to submit various items. If you are unable to find the answers to your questions, please reach out to Bill Alger at 540-441-8130 or blager@phc.edu.

You are also welcome to contact the Office of Admissions with any questions. You can reach us by phone at 540-441-8110 or email at admissions@phc.edu.

We look forward to seeing you on campus **August 19-23** for Orientation!



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PRE-ORIENTATION FORMS

New on-campus students will need to complete both On-Campus Forms as well as Enrollment Items. Students transitioning from Distance Learning to on-campus will need to complete the On-Campus Forms as well as the Transitioning to Campus form. All forms can be found at www.phc.edu/orientation-forms.

Once students complete all forms they will receive access to their housing assignment, class schedule, semester bill, and more. Housing placements and class schedules are assigned on a rolling basis, students who submit forms and official documents early will receive priority consideration.

On-Campus Forms

Housing Form (due by May 1st)

- Fill out your housing preferences and requests so that we can place you in a dorm room.
- A \$275 housing deposit must be paid via your student portal to receive housing.
- If you are a commuter student, please fill out the specified Commuters Only Housing Form. Commuters do not submit the housing deposit.

Insurance Information Form (due by May 1st)

Please fill out and upload proof of health insurance coverage or proof of enrollment in a health care sharing program.

Student Activity Participation Agreement Form (due by May 1st)

Please fill out this form for your participation in campus activities and your understanding of the regulations regarding the Student Handbook.

Student ID Photo (due by May 1st)

Submit a nice photo of yourself that will be used on your student ID.

Health Forms (due by August 1st)

Print and mail completed forms to the Office of Student Life. The forms must include an ink signature from a doctor. If you cannot complete this form before the deadline, please contact Bill Alger at 540-441-8130 or blalger@phc.edu.

Enrollment Items

Pre-Registration Form (due by June 21st)

- Patrick Henry College wants to ensure you have the smoothest possible transition into college. To this end, please complete this form with your preferences for your class schedule. The preferences you provide will act as a guide for the Office of the Registrar who will develop the best possible schedule for you, based upon availability of courses and the Recommended Course Sequence. Note that even if you are a dual-enrollment student, the Registrar will still create your schedule for your first Degree-Seeking semester.
- Current Degree-Seeking Distance Learning students, who are transitioning to on-campus, need to fill out the Transitioning to Campus form only and can ignore all other enrollment items.

Final Official High School Transcript (due by June 21st)

To be final and official, this transcript must include a dated ink signature from your school administrator, a graduation date in MM/DD/YYYY format, all final grades for all courses, and must be mailed in hard copy to the Office of Admissions or sent via a third-party transcript service (i.e. Parchment, Naviance, National Student Clearinghouse) from your school administrator directly to the Office of Admissions.

Final Official College Transcript (due by June 21st)

If you completed any college-level courses outside of Patrick Henry College, a final official transcript must be mailed in hard copy to the Office of Admissions or sent via a third-party transcript service (i.e. Parchment, Naviance, National Student Clearinghouse) from the academic institution directly to the Office of Admissions.

Official AP Test Score Report (due by July 26th)

- If you took any AP tests in high school, request that your official results be sent to the Office of Admissions. PHC's school code for the AP exams is 2804.
- College Board requires students to indicate which schools they would like score reports sent to by June 20th.

ORIENTATION

Mandatory for all On-Campus Incoming Students

New Student Orientation begins Monday, August 19th with Check-In. Family members are welcome and encouraged to attend Orientation with their student through Tuesday evening. You will receive a more detailed Orientation schedule, but plan to spend Monday morning and most of Tuesday on campus.

Move-In

After completing Check-In, you will move into your dorm room. For unloading purposes, you may temporarily park in any of the dorm parking spaces as well as along the street in front of your dorm. Please move your vehicle as soon as you finish unloading. A move-in crew will be available to help you carry your belongings into your residence hall.

ORIENTATION DRESS CODE

You are welcome to dress casually on Monday when you arrive. Starting on Wednesday of that week, students are expected to wear business casual during business hours (8:30am - 5:00pm). Please refer to the Student Life Manual on the student portal for the complete dress code.

For more comprehensive guidelines related to campus life, students should read the Student Life Manual before coming to campus. It is located on the student portal under "College Publications" in the navigation menu on the left.



CAMPUS LIFE

RESIDENCE HALLS

To receive your dorm room assignment, complete and submit the Housing Form with the required \$275 housing deposit by May 1st. Housing assignments will not be released until your housing deposit is received. Payment can be made on your student portal under "Housing Deposit" in the navigation menu on the left. You can also mail a check to the Office of Admissions with "housing deposit" in the memo line. Housing assignments are processed in the order in which students confirmed and are subject to change up to the beginning of Orientation.

Patrick Henry College requires all incoming first-year students to live on campus. If you are married or living locally with your family, you may be exempt from this requirement; simply fill out the Commuter Only Housing Form. On-campus housing for students under the age of 17 and over the age of 24 is not guaranteed and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the Office of Student Life.

PHC will provide an extra-long twin bed, chest of drawers, desk with shelves, desk chair, and mini blinds in each room, along with a plastic shower curtain for each shower. Laundry facilities are available in each residence hall and are operated with either credit or debit cards. An ironing board is also provided in each laundry room.



WHAT TO BRING

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twin be	Mattress pad/cover XL twin sheets Blankets Bedspread Pillows	Bath:	Basket or bag Detergent Bath towels Hand towels Washcloths Toiletries		School supplies Alarm clock Hangers Headphones Power strips Surge protector
OPTIONAL					
	Iron (must have automatic shut-off) Shower curtain Stackable shelving unit(s)		Room décor items (e.g., art, posters, pictures, curtains) Lamps Calendar Dry erase board and markers		Mini refrigerator Coffeemaker Hot pot Crock pot Dishes Small microwave
What Not to Bring					

- × Candles
- × Halogen lamps
- × Electric blankets or Heating pads
- × Space heaters
- × Toasters or toaster ovens
- × Hot plates or Griddles
- × Grills
- × Camp stoves
- × Anything that can cause a fire
- × Weapons (including Firearms of any kind or knives over three inches in length)

BOOKSTORE

The PHC Bookstore is devoted to meeting the College's needs for textbooks, PHC-branded merchandise, school supplies, and food and health items. The store's focus is on keeping your cost of attendance low by providing the correct, faculty-chosen textbooks that are price matched. In addition, over 80% of textbook titles carried are in the discounted used format. Qualifying textbooks may be sold back to the Bookstore during finals week each semester. Phone and email pre-orders for textbooks are accepted.

The Fall 2024 Textbook Price List and ordering instructions will be released before the start of classes. The book list will be published on your student portal, and you will be notified via your PHC student email.

Contact the Bookstore at 540-441-8860 or <u>bookstore@phc.edu</u> with any questions.

MEALS

All first-year resident freshmen are required to purchase the 21-meals-per-week meal plan. (Firstyear resident sophomores and above and returning students may purchase either a 15-meal or 21meal plan.) Meals are served in the Dining Commons located on the first floor of the Barbara Hodel Center. Meal plans begin Saturday, August 17th.

If you have any allergies or special dietary needs, please alert the kitchen staff by emailing Michele Del Mundo at mddelmundo@phc.edu prior to Orientation.

COMPUTERS AND TECHNOLOGY

All Patrick Henry College students are required to own and maintain a fully functional laptop computer. The Helpdesk is available to troubleshoot and assist with any technology problems that you may experience. The Office of Information Technology strongly recommends purchasing a preconfigured "Student Computer Bundle" available on your student portal. These computers come with a four-year warranty covering any failure of accidental damage. You are not required to purchase the package computer; however, they are fully supported (hardware and software) by the campus Helpdesk.

Contact the IT Department at 540-441-8920 or helpdesk@phc.edu with any questions.

MAIL

Due to security reasons and space/storage issues, the mailroom is unable to accept any packages for incoming students before August 10th. At check-in, students will be assigned a mailbox number that should be included on all mail and packages addressed to the student.

HEALTH INSURANCE

All Patrick Henry College students taking classes on campus must be covered by health insurance, or be enrolled in a healthcare sharing plan. Proof of insurance coverage or enrollment in a sharing plan is required. If coverage is provided through an HMO, you may not have access to in-network treatment in Northern Virginia. HMOs typically do not cover out-of-network treatment unless it is a life-threatening emergency. Complete and submit the Insurance Information Form with a copy of the front and back of your insurance card or documentation from your healthcare sharing plan.

Contact Student Life at 540-441-8600 or slife@phc.edu with any questions.

PARKING

All student vehicles on campus must be registered through Patrick Henry College. To purchase a vehicle parking permit, visit the student portal under "Payments." The necessary information and fees will appear on the student portal closer to the beginning of the semester. Registration is required for each semester. All students must acknowledge the Vehicle Terms and Conditions, even if you are not bringing a vehicle on campus.

Those who wish to keep a bicycle on campus must purchase a bicycle parking permit through your student portal. Registration is required for each semester. All bicycles on campus are required to have a working lock mechanism.

Contact the Office of Public Safety and Campus Services at 540-441-8802 or payancey@phc.edu with any questions.

MUSIC PARTICIPATION

PHC offers a variety of opportunities for students to use their musical gifts in service to the campus community. Our ensembles include the PHC Chorale, Chamber Orchestra, Harp Ensemble, and Chapel Guild. Applied lessons are also available on strings, piano, voice, and flute. Check the corresponding box on your Pre-Registration Form should you wish to register for Chorale or Chamber Orchestra. You can sign up for private music lessons or join an ensemble during Add-Drop period each semester.

Contact PHC's Music Coordinator Rebekah McCormick at remccormick@phc.edu with any questions.

PHC SOCCER TEAMS

If you are interested in playing on PHC's soccer team or want additional information about PHC's athletic program, please contact Student Life at slife@phc.edu. Soccer players have an earlier movein date (tentatively August 12-13th) in order to begin pre-season training.



ACADEMICS

STUDENT PORTAL

Your Student Portal provides access to information including online registration for returning students, degree audits, transcripts, financial aid, online documents, course content, grades, general announcements, computer purchasing information, and more. Please note that new degree-seeking students will not use the online registration function in the Student Portal for their first semester.

Prior to the beginning of each semester, every student must read and acknowledge the terms, conditions, and policies put forth by Patrick Henry College. All these acknowledgements can be found on the home page of your Student Portal.

Contact the IT Department Helpdesk at 540-441-8920 or helpdesk@phc.edu with any questions.

CLASS REGISTRATION

To receive your class schedule prior to check-in, you must complete and submit the New and Former Student Pre-Registration Form at phc.edu/orientation-forms. You must also submit your final official high school transcript, final official college transcripts (if applicable), and any official AP score reports (if applicable) to the Office of Admissions. These documents are required in order for the Registrar to create your class schedule for the upcoming term. Your class schedule will be emailed to you shortly before the beginning of Orientation.

Contact the Office of the Registrar at 540-441-8050 or registrar@phc.edu with any questions.

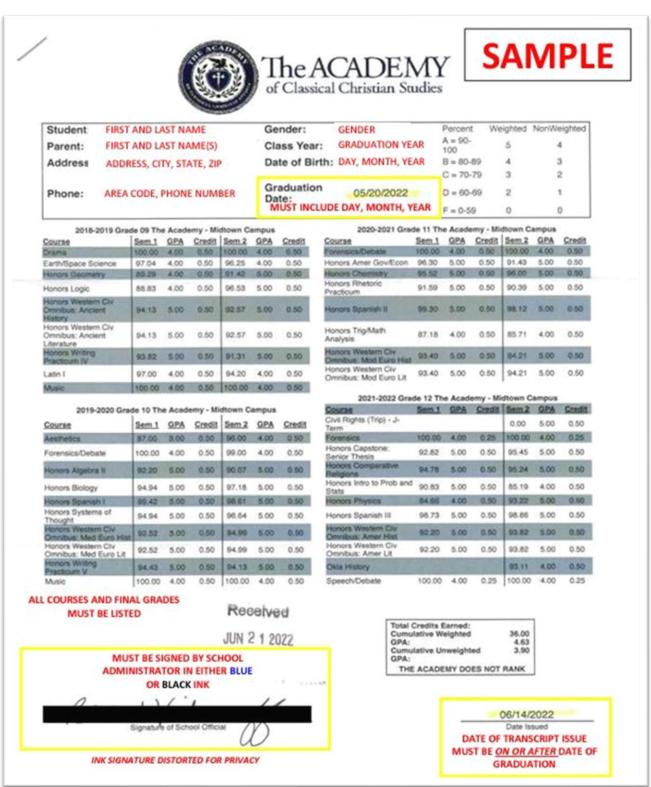
FINAL OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

All final official high school transcripts must be mailed or sent via a 3rd party transcript service (i.e. Parchment, National Student Clearinghouse, etc.) to the Office of Admissions. Your transcript(s) must include your name, GPA, names and final grades for all courses taken, your graduation date (in mm/dd/yyyy format), an ink signature from a school administrator, and be dated on or after the high school graduation date.

If you have completed any college courses at an institution other than Patrick Henry College, an official transcript must be mailed or sent via a 3rd party transcript service directly from the institution to the Office of Admissions. **Hand delivered college transcripts will not be accepted.**

Contact Bill Alger at 540-441-8130 or blalger@phc.edu with any questions.

Below is an example of a final official high school transcript that would be acceptable.



Institutional Assessments

PHC is committed to providing you with a high-quality education which requires assessing the effectiveness of our current programs in order that we might make informed decisions and improvements. As part of the orientation process all incoming students will take a series of surveys and educational assessments. Although the results of these assessments integrate into your educational record, they do not count toward your GPA. Rather, they assist us in knowing how best to structure the curriculum and your course of study so as to ensure that you have the tools you need to succeed while at PHC.

Contact the Office of Institutional Effectiveness at 540-441-8060 or ie@phc.edu with any questions.



FINANCES

FINANCIAL AID

Upon confirmation of your intent to enroll, your Scholarship Package can be viewed in your Student Portal under the "My Financial Aid" tab from the Administration menu. If you confirm your enrollment prior to the awarding of all scholarships, then you will receive an updated award letter if a change is made. Please keep in mind that while merit scholarships are automatically renewable, annual submission of the Family Financial Profile is required in order to receive the Family Assistance Scholarship.

Contact the Office of Financial Aid at 540-441-8142 or financial aid@phc.edu with any questions.

STUDENT BILLING

When student bills are ready, the Student Billing Administrator will post an announcement on the Student Portal and notify students via email. Incoming freshmen will also receive a bill via mail for their first semester only. Thereafter the student must access future bills online.

Full payment for the Fall 2024 semester is due no later than Saturday, July 20th. To view your bill, click "My Ledger" from the Administration menu in your Student Portal. To pay your bill, select "Bill Payment" from the Payments menu. More detailed payment instructions, including the option to register for a payment plan, will be included in the Student Portal announcement and forthcoming email.

Contact Student Billing at 540-441-8761 or studentbilling@phc.edu with any questions.

ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT

If you want to work on campus, review the positions available on the Student Portal under "Campus Jobs" from the Career menu. Positions will be posted as the start of the semester approaches. If you are interested in applying for one or more jobs, submit a Student Employment Application form (found on the Student Portal under "PHC Forms" from the College Publications menu) to jobs@phc.edu. After your application is reviewed, you may be contacted to schedule an interview. Please submit your application before arrival on campus for Orientation.

Employment paperwork may be found under the Career menu in the Informational Bulletin on your Student Portal. Please bring your completed forms and appropriate identification as listed on page 3 of the I-9 Form to Orientation.

Contact the Office of Human Resources and Payroll at 540-441-8772 or <a href="https://hrendel.ncb.nlm. questions.



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Mrs. Kim Estep, Bookstore Manager

PRE-ORIENTATION CHECKLIST

$May \ 1^{st}$ ☐ Housing Form ☐ Housing Deposit ☐ Insurance Information Form ☐ Student Activity Participation Agreement and Release Form ☐ Student ID Photo June 21^{st} ☐ Pre-Registration Form ☐ Final Official High School Transcript(s) ☐ Final Official College Transcript(s) July 20th ☐ Pay your Student Bill (Check Student Portal for Payment Plan due dates) $July 22^{ND}$ ☐ AP Score Report August 1st ☐ Health Forms August 19th ☐ Order Textbooks from PHC Bookstore (if interested) ☐ Purchase student Laptop Bundle through your Student Portal (if interested) ☐ Send on-campus job application to jobs@phc.edu (if interested) ☐ Complete PHC Acknowledgements on your Student Portal ☐ Read the Student Life Manual on your Student Portal

CAMPUS MAP

