

Event Schedule



Friday, August 28

TIME	EVENT/LOCATION
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	New Resident Student Move-In..... <i>Various Residence Halls</i> Freshman and transfer resident students: Please refer to your communication from the Office of Residence Life for your designated move-in time window. Be sure to bring your room assignment packet and display your move-in tag on the dash of your vehicle. Clearly label all belongings with your name, residence hall name, and room number. Tim Horton's Café & Bake Shop, located in the Gallagher Center will be open beginning at 8 a.m.
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Resident Student and Family Lunch..... <i>Gallagher Center/Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons</i> Options for lunch will be available for families in the Gallagher Center or Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons. Resident students are able to use their on-campus meal plan by using their NU ID card in the Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons. At the Dining Commons family members may purchase an all-you-can-eat lunch at a discounted rate of \$11.50 per person. After lunch continue to settle into your new residence and connect with your new roommate and other residents. Be sure to be present for the New Student Group Photo in the O'Shea Hall quad by 2:15 p.m.
1:30 p.m.	Commuter Student Check-In..... <i>Gallagher Center, Multi-Purpose Room</i> Welcome freshmen and transfer commuters! Pick up your Niagara University ID card and receive other important information about New Student Orientation (NSO) before joining forces with everyone at the New Student Group photo. Commuters are invited to come early and grab a discounted \$9 meal combo for lunch in the Gallagher Center, Lower Level, before the meeting.
2:15 p.m.	New Student Group Photo..... <i>O'Shea Hall Quad</i> Get your FREE purple Niagara t-shirt and participate in this Niagara tradition! After organizing into your NSO student group, a large group picture will be organized and taken of all new students. The picture will then be posted on NU's social media outlets. You will need this shirt for the rest of the afternoon's events so don't be late! 
2:30 p.m.	Family Member Dessert Reception..... <i>Gallagher Center, Lower Level</i> Attention NU family members! While your student is attending the New Student Group Photo and Purple Pride Convocation, join other family members of new Niagara students and members of Niagara's administration for an opportunity to socialize and enjoy some refreshments. At approximately 3:15 p.m. all family members will walk together from the reception to the Gallagher Center, Upper Level, to join in the Purple Pride Convocation to be recognized by your student(s).
3 p.m.	Purple Pride Convocation..... <i>Gallagher Center, Upper Level</i> Welcome to the Niagara University community! As a Niagara student be ready to open the door to numerous opportunities to be involved in campus life and to learn, discover and grow personally both inside and outside the classroom. New students will hear from student leaders and be officially welcomed by Niagara University President Rev. James J. Maher, C.M. This program will uncap your Purple Pride for your new home away from home! Family members will be guided over from the Family Reception to join in separately from students during the program.

- 4 p.m.** **WelcomeFest** *Glynn Hall, Front Lawn*
All new students! Get out to Niagara's front lawn to enjoy a welcome celebration like no other! Welcome stations from numerous university departments will be present with information and plenty of FREE NU SWAG! Overlooking the Niagara Gorge, the front lawn is a "go-to" location during the year to relax and enjoy the "GORGE-ous" view!
- 5 p.m.** **WelcomeFeast** *O'Shea Hall, Quad*
From WelcomeFest to WelcomeFeast! Meet fellow new students, connect with orientation leaders and staff, and enjoy multiple delicious food stations with plenty of options for dinner and dessert. Come hungry! (Rain Location - Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons)
- 6:30 p.m.** **Residence Hall Meetings and Commuter Meeting with Q&A**
Seton Hall residents *Gallagher Center, Upper Level*
O'Shea Hall residents *Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons Extension*
Commuter Meet and Greet *Gallagher Center, Multi-Purpose Room*
All freshmen and transfer resident students are required to attend these meetings. Commuter students will get all the need to know information and hear tips from upperclassmen on how to be a successful commuter. This is a great chance to learn more about the expectations in the year ahead and get your questions answered by current NU students!
- 7:15 p.m.** **The Power to Make Choices** *Gallagher Center, Upper Level*
Every day we make implicit and explicit choices that impact what we wear, what we eat, what activities we engage in, who our friends are, and what college we attend. Our implicit and explicit choices are based on our beliefs, experiences, and exposure. In this discussion, attendees will learn the difference between implicit and explicit choice, how the brain processes implicit and explicit choice and effects our behavior, and ways to use choice to expand your worldview and to make your Niagara experience the best possible.
- 9 p.m.** **Late Nite Niagara**
Moonlight Bingo and Lawn Games *Niagara Field (behind Kiernan Center)*
Join in one of the Niagara's favorite events! Over \$750 in prizes to be awarded! Food and refreshments will be provided. (Rain Location: Gallagher Center, Lower Level)



Saturday, August 29

- 9 – 10 a.m.** **Breakfast** *Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons*
Resident students be sure to bring your Niagara University ID card. Commuter students should have their NU ID card to check-in with the front desk when you enter the Dining Commons.
- 10:30 a.m.** **Enough Is Enough: Combatting Harassment, Discrimination, and Sexual Violence** *Gallagher Center, Upper Level*
In this program you will learn how the university handles reports of discrimination and sexual violence. All new students in attendance will be entered into a raffle for some great NU merch!
- Your Safety Is Our Priority** *Gallagher Center, Upper Level*
Learn tips for getting around on campus and in the community. Additionally, be some of the first NU students to learn about and download the brand new Niagara University Rave Alert app! Also discussed will be important programs and services offered by the Campus Safety department.

Noon – 1:30 p.m.	Lunch <i>Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons</i> Resident students be sure to bring your Niagara University ID card. Commuter students please sign in as you enter the dining commons.
1 – 3 p.m.	Walk My Schedule With a Current Purple Eagle <i>Academic Complex, First Floor, Atrium</i> Navigating a new campus can be intimidating, but you don't have to do it alone. Drop by the Academic Complex to meet up with an experienced upperclassman who will walk your personal class schedule with you and address any questions you may have. Get insider tips on the best campus walking routes and find some great study spots along the way so you can step into your first day of classes with more excitement and confidence.
1:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Student Excursions <i>Gallagher Center, Lower Level</i> Explore the community! Students may sign up online via myNU to register for one of these optional, yet engaging excursions! Limited spots are available. • Cave of the Winds • Volunteer Opportunity at Lewiston Jazz Festival • Discover Lewiston • Niagara Gorge Great Scenic Overlook Hike • Aquarium of Niagara Falls
5:30 – 7 p.m.	Dinner <i>Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons</i>
7 p.m.	Orientation Group Meetings <i>Glynn Hall</i> Meet your Orientation Leaders to have your questions answered and get you excited about the rest of NSO and the start of the academic year. • Group 1 – Glynn 201 • Group 2 – Glynn 205 • Group 3 – Glynn 209 • Group 4 – Glynn 212 • Group 5 – Glynn 215 • Group 6 – Glynn 301 • Group 7 – Glynn 305 • Group 8 – Glynn 309 • Group 9 – Glynn 312 • Group 10 – Glynn 315
8 – 9:30 p.m.	Ice Skating and Ice Cream <i>Dwyer Arena</i> Cool off with both ice cream as well as ice skating a few laps around the Dwyer Ice Arena! Bring your own skates if you have them. Free skate rental available on a limited basis.
9:30 – 11 p.m.	Late Nite Niagara – Silent Headphone Dance Party <i>O'Shea Quad</i> Not your average dance party! Everyone wears provided headphones and selects one of three music channels to bust a move to! (<i>Rain Location: Gallagher Center, Multi-Purpose Room</i>)



Sunday, August 30

10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Brunch <i>Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons</i>
1:30 p.m.	NU Ridge Day Team Meetings <i>Various Locations</i> Get ready to show your NU spirit! Meet with your groups to prepare for NU Ridge Day. Wear your team color! You will learn your team color from your Orientation Leader! Meeting Locations: Gray Dunleavy Hall, fire pit Green Gallagher Center, main entrance Lime O'Shea Hall, quad Orange O'Shea Hall, quad Pink Lawn between Golisano Center and Castellani Art Museum Red Seton Hall entrance (Kiernan Center side) Royal Golisano Center, main entrance Sky Academic Complex/Bisgrove Hall atrium White Castellani Art Museum, main entrance Yellow O'Shea Hall, basketball courts
2 p.m.	NU Ridge Day <i>Kiernan Center, Outdoor Fields</i> Game on! Whether you play, or just come to watch, Ridge Day is a great chance to meet many new students! All student groups will participate in a series of friendly and enjoyable events against each other! Please be aware that you are advised to dress casually and be ready for fun in your team color!
5:30 – 7 p.m.	Dinner <i>Russell J. Salvatore Dining Commons</i>
6:30 p.m.	Mass on the Grass <i>Glynn Hall, Front Lawn</i> All students are welcome! Mass on the Grass is a celebration for all students. Bring a blanket or chair, or sit on the grass! (<i>Rain location – Alumni Chapel</i>)
8 – 9:30 p.m.	Student Clubs and Organizations Fair and Opening Celebration <i>Niagara Field (behind Kiernan Center)</i> Get Involved! Learn more about the many student clubs, organizations, and club sports that Niagara has to offer. Immediately following the club fair be sure to get a good seat on the field for the fireworks display!
10 p.m.	Professional Fireworks Display <i>Niagara Field (behind Kiernan Center)</i> Celebrate the beginning of the school year with an amazing professional fireworks display! Sit on the Niagara Field and enjoy the show!

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