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GAMECOCK ORIENTATION 2024



WELCOME TO JACKSONVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY



Congratulations on your acceptance to Jacksonville State University! We are glad to have you as part of the JSU family. The next few years promise to be exciting ones for you. This guide contains information regarding orientation and registration for Fall 2024. Orientation for first-year and transfer students is a one-day program providing useful information about the campus. You will connect with other new students as well as faculty/staff from varied backgrounds and diverse cultures. Students attending orientation will meet with an academic advisor

from the college of their intended major, who will help them register for fall classes.

Orientation is mandatory for first-year students under the age of 25 and highly recommended for transfer students. Students who have applied and been accepted to JSU for Fall 2024 may register for Gamecock Orientation (GO!) at jsu.edu/go/register.

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2024 ORIENTATION SESSION DATES

- June 4
- June 6
- June 11
- June 13
- June 18
- June 21 (Transfer)
- June 25
- June 27
- July 9
- July 11
- July 16
- July 18
- July 23
- July 25
- August 15 (Transfer)

ORIENTATION FEE

The nonrefundable \$100 fee must be paid in full before your reservation can be confirmed.

Students' \$100 fee includes:

- Meals (continental breakfast & lunch)
- Educational materials
- GO! T-Shirt

Family & Guests' \$20 fee includes:

- Each student is limited to two family members or guests.
- Meals (continental breakfast & lunch)
- Educational materials
- Educational sessions

JSU STUDENT IDENTIFICATION AND NUMBER

Each student is assigned a JSU identification number upon acceptance to the university. This number is located at the top of your acceptance letter. You will use this number to reference your personal student information when contacting an office on campus. It is strongly recommended that you memorize this number.

MYJAXSTATE & PASSWORD

MyJaxState is Jacksonville State University's portal that provides access to JSU web-based services and information. Use MyJaxState for email, class registration, financial aid, paying tuition, checking grades, and more. Please go to jsu.edu/it/services/accounts/index.html for all information on how to log in to MyJaxState.

To submit your student ID photo visit page 22.



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☆ ADMITTED TO JSU

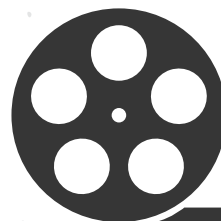
○ ...NOW WHAT???

○ APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID.

- Complete your 2024–2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at studentaid.gov. Be sure to include JSU's school code: 001020
- After completing the FAFSA, check your MyJaxState account for additional requirements that may be needed to complete your financial aid file.
- After submitting the additional required paperwork and receiving an offer from Financial Aid (this will be sent to your student JSU email), you need to accept or decline your award online by going to your MyJaxState account and selecting "Financial Aid". This is where you can view your financial aid status, eligibility, and award.
- For further questions, please contact **Financial Aid** at 256-782-5006 or email finaid@jsu.edu.

○ APPLY FOR HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE OR HOUSING EXEMPTION.

- All first-year students are required to live on campus or submit an exemption form.
- Visit jsu.edu/housing for additional information on the layout of residence halls, pricing, exemptions, and the online application.
- Students who have a unique situation and are not able to live in on-campus housing may submit an exemption request online for review by the Exemption Board at jsu.edu/housing.
- Fall move-in dates are August 15th - 17th



○ SELECT A MEAL PLAN.

- Students living on campus are required to have a resident meal plan.
- Freshmen, sophomore, and junior students who are taking six or more credit hours in person or hybrid and do not reside on campus are required to have JaxCash.
- Visit the Sodexo Dining Services website at dining.jsu.edu to select a meal plan.

**See full meal plan options on page 12.*

○ FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR MAJOR.

- Go to jsu.edu.
- Click on "Academics."
- Click on "Degree Listing" and find the degree that you are seeking.
- Click on "View Course Catalogue Entry."
- Familiarize yourself with the JSU Catalogue before orientation.

**All majors offered are listed on page 24.*

○ REGISTER AND ATTEND GAMECOCK ORIENTATION.

- Visit jsu.edu/go and click "Register for Orientation"
- Log back into your orientation reservation system to access your task list before and after your orientation session.

○ FOLLOW GO! ON SOCIAL MEDIA.



/JSUGamecockOrientation



@JSUGamecockOrientation

GAMECOCK ORIENTATION

PREPARING FOR GAMECOCK ORIENTATION

When you arrive at Gamecock Orientation, please allow enough time for parking and check-in so that you can begin the program at 8:45 AM. Morning check-in begins at 8:30 AM in Leone Cole Auditorium.

PARKING INFORMATION

There is a map in the center of this booklet that will help you find recommended parking. You can also follow the signs when entering campus. ***Please do NOT park in restricted spaces and/or spaces for people with disabilities unless you have an accessible parking pass or tag.** Accessible parking is available near Leone Cole Auditorium. Follow the map included in this guide. If you are using a GPS, our location is **700 Pelham Road North, Jacksonville, AL 36265.**

TECHNOLOGY @ GO!

- Make sure to follow our social media accounts to stay up to date with information.
- Students will be registering online in computer labs during orientation.
- When you arrive on campus, take advantage of our GO! Snapchat filter.
- Make sure to check your JSU email for important information. It is important to know your username and the password for your email and MyJaxState before attending orientation.
- Make sure you have a fully charged cell phone to bring with you for registration. Students will need to download Duo Mobile in order to access their MyJaxState system and register for classes.
- Duo Mobile instructions: <https://www.jsu.edu/it/services/accounts/duo-security.html>
- Contact Technology Support if you cannot log into your email account. Bringing your own laptop is not necessary.

WHEN YOU ATTEND GAMECOCK ORIENTATION, BRING THE FOLLOWING:

- GO! confirmation email received when you pay and complete your registration. This will be sent to your JSU email address.
- MyJaxState username and password, received in your JSU acceptance letter.
- Device used for DuoMobile Authentication
- Transcripts for all college work previously completed, CLEP, or AP/IB credit.
- Comfortable clothes and walking shoes. You will be walking frequently around campus for different meetings.
- A light jacket. Weather during summer is very hot and humid, but conference rooms can be chilly.
- Umbrella and raincoat. Alabama weather is unpredictable in the summer; be prepared.
- Transportation around campus is not provided for students, family members, or guests.
- For any accommodations, please contact Disability Resources at 256-782-8380.

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

The JSU Student Code of Conduct applies throughout orientation. To view the Code of Conduct, visit jsu.edu/studentaffairs and select the "Student Handbook" section on the left-hand side of the page.

MATH & ENGLISH PLACEMENT

JSU EDREADY MATH & ENGLISH PLACEMENT EXAMS

JSU wants to save you time and money by offering the NO-COST, INDIVIDUALIZED JSU EdReady Math Placement and English Placement!

Who Takes JSU EdReady?

All first-year students and transfer students who have not completed their first required math and/or English course are required to take EdReady.

When Should I Complete JSU EdReady Math & English Placement?

You may access your EdReady placement exams as soon as you receive your acceptance letter to JSU. The deadline to complete both EdReady exams is two weeks before your scheduled orientation date.

EDREADY ENGLISH PLACEMENT

All new students take English EdReady and work their study paths to a score of 90 for college preparation. Students without ACT/SAT scores may use their English EdReady initial score for placement.

First-Year Writing Course	ACT/SAT English Subtest Score	English EdReady Initial Score
EH 105/EH 115	17 and below ACT 420 and below SAT	55 and below
EH 101	18 and above ACT 430 and below SAT	56 and above
EH 103	25 and above ACT 610 and above SAT	71 and above

After working the English EdReady study path to a score of 90, students who place into EH 105 and wish to move to EH 101, or students who place into EH 101 and wish to move to EH 103, may take an additional self-assessment to be considered. Please follow the directions on your English EdReady study path completion page to learn more.

Visit the First-Year Writing website for more information: [jsu.edu/english/first-year-writing.html](https://www.jsu.edu/english/first-year-writing.html)

HOW TO TAKE JSU EDREADY MATH & ENGLISH PLACEMENT EXAMS

- 1 Take at home before your Gamecock Orientation session.
- 2 Disable pop-up blockers (Chrome and Firefox are recommended browsers).
- 3 Log-in to your MyJaxState Account (Received in JSU acceptance letter).
- 4 Under your "Student" card, select MORE.
- 5 Then, scroll down and select "Placement Exams".
- 6 If the pop-up appears, click "Get Started" (You do not enter a key)
- 7 Choose the exam you would like to take first (JSU Math Placement or JSU English Placement).
- 8 Click "Add to Goals."
- 9 Next, click "Go to Goal."
- 10 Click "Start Assessment."
- 11 Take this assessment and submit your results. You will immediately be given a score and a study path.
- 12 If you do not make the required minimum placement score, you should work on your study path to achieve the required score.
- 13 Repeat steps 3-11 to complete the second EdReady (math or English).
- 14 Students are highly encouraged to work both math and English study paths to a score of 100.

EDREADY MATH PLACEMENT

MS 110 Track Course	JSU EdReady Score
MS 107.....	42 and below
MS 110.....	43+
MS 204.....	43+

MS 112 Track Course	JSU EdReady Score
MS 100.....	49 or below
MS 112.....	80 – 100
MS 113, or 120.....	80+ (also requires ACT 24 or SAT 560)
MS 115.....	80+ (also requires ACT 26 or SAT 600)
MS 125.....	80+ (also requires ACT 28 or SAT 640)

Visit <https://www.jsu.edu/studentsuccess/learning-services/math-placement.html>

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

A student who is conditionally admitted must meet certain requirements. A student conditionally admitted must be continuously enrolled in prescribed developmental skills courses, participate in prescribed counseling and advisement activities, and remediate all academic skill deficiencies (including SSC 104) within one year. Please visit the following link for more information on admission requirements: jsu.edu/admissions.

HONORS PROGRAM

First-year students with a 25 or higher composite score on the ACT (or SAT equivalent) and a B average in high school are invited to apply for the Honors Program. Entering freshmen with no standardized test score may be provisionally admitted with an initial English Ed Ready score of 71 or above. Some of the benefits of being a member of the Honors Program include: smaller class size, priority registration, service learning and community service opportunities, domestic and international study opportunities, and enhancement of graduate school and employment opportunities.

In order to graduate with honors and be recognized at graduation, a student must successfully complete 24 hours of Honors courses. Students must be a member of the Honors Program to enroll in Honors courses. There are special instructions for registering for classes the first semester in the program, so students should inform their advisor that they are members of the Honors Program. The online application can be found at jsu.edu/honors-program. For additional information, contact the Honors Program at 256-782-5696 or honors@jsu.edu.

FIRST-YEAR STUDENT COURSE REQUIREMENTS

SSC 101

All students with fewer than 24 earned hours must take SSC 101 (First-Year Experience): First-time freshmen over the age of 24 are exempt. Students will achieve course objectives related to their overall adjustment to being a successful student at JSU. Topics discussed include: how to declare a major and develop a relationship with an academic advisor, understand components of MyJaxState, know and understand JSU policies, learn and become active in JSU activities for students, understand and develop appropriate behavior for a college student, become familiar with student services, and acquire knowledge and skills necessary to prosper as a JSU student.

SSC 104

Conditionally admitted students must take SSC 104 (Academic Success Skills): This course will be completed during the first year of enrollment and is an individualized freshman seminar providing supportive guidance in study skills.

HOW DO I CHANGE MY MAJOR?



Scan this QR code to update or change your major prior to attending Gamecock Orientation. After you register for classes, you must contact the department of your major in order to change your major. For example, if your major is criminal justice and you want to change it to art, contact the Art Department.

FAMILY & GUESTS

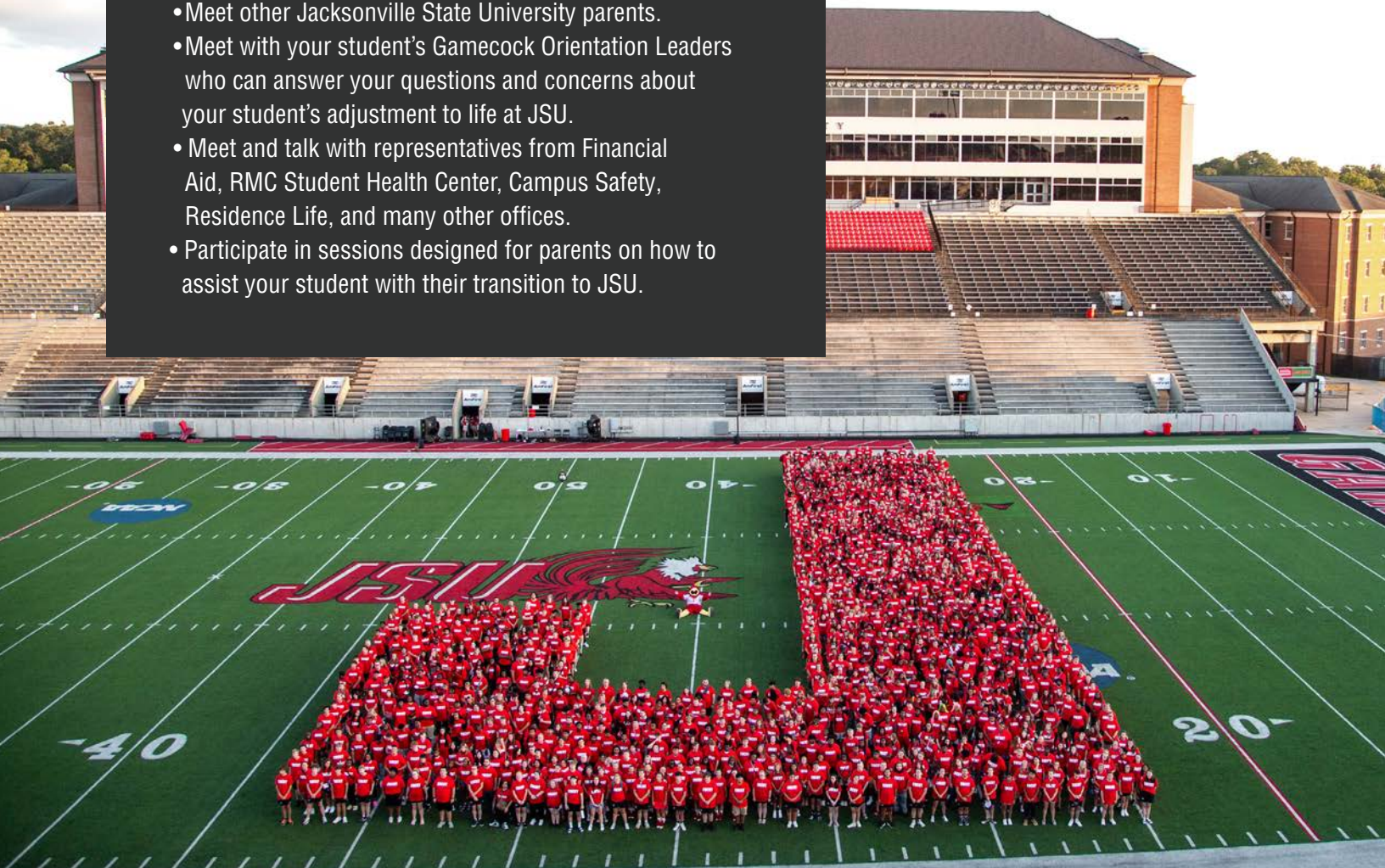
A NOTE TO JSU FAMILIES AND GUESTS

Parents and family members are important resources for our new students. We have designed special sessions for parents and guests that will take place throughout the orientation day. This event is designed for new students' parents to gain valuable information concerning services offered to students on campus. Parents will also be able to talk with representatives from the different offices on campus. Parents/guests will attend some sessions with their students, including lunch. There is a family and

guest fee of \$20 per person. This non-refundable fee includes meals (continental breakfast & lunch), educational materials, and educational sessions. Each student is limited to two family members or guests. Walking is a central component of the GO! experience. Parents are advised to wear comfortable clothing and shoes due to warm temperatures and movement among buildings on campus. This is a full-day program. Please plan to spend the entire day on campus to receive the full benefit of this program.

DURING THE PROGRAM YOU WILL:

- Meet other Jacksonville State University parents.
- Meet with your student's Gamecock Orientation Leaders who can answer your questions and concerns about your student's adjustment to life at JSU.
- Meet and talk with representatives from Financial Aid, RMC Student Health Center, Campus Safety, Residence Life, and many other offices.
- Participate in sessions designed for parents on how to assist your student with their transition to JSU.



STUDENT SERVICES

FINANCIAL AID

Students may use their scheduled financial aid (assistance that has been processed, awarded, and accepted), with the exception of federal work study, to confirm class registration. Financial aid status and awards may be verified on MyJaxState. **Financial aid awards and scholarships do not cover the orientation fee.**

See our student checklist below:

- Have you applied for financial aid at studentaid.gov.
- Have you completed your financial aid file by reviewing your requirements on your MyJaxState account?
- Have you received and accepted your aid package?
- If you have accepted a student loan, have you completed the Master Promissory Note, loan entrance counseling, and Annual Student Loan Acknowledgment at studentaid.gov?
- Have you reviewed your account balance?
- Do you know the payment due dates and deadlines?
- Questions? Contact JSU at 256-782-5006.
- Check your JSU email account.

Other Resources: studentaid.gov, jsu.edu/finaid.

Remember that you must renew your FAFSA each year at fafsa.gov!

OFFICE OF HOUSING OPERATIONS & RESIDENCE LIFE

First-year undergraduate students are required to live on campus or submit an exemption form. If you are a student from Calhoun, Cherokee, Cleburne, Etowah, St. Clair, or Talladega county and do not wish to live on campus, we ask that you submit an exemption request online. Students may complete an application or exemption online at jsu.edu/housing/applynow/index.html. Students interested in the living-learning communities, including SPARK (Student Program for Academic Resources and Knowledge)

TUITION & FEES

PREVIOUS TUITION AND FEES PER SEMESTER

Undergrad (1-11 hours)	
In-State	\$343/hour
Out-of-State	\$686/hour
Undergrad (12-18 hours)	
In-State	\$5145
Out-of-State	\$10,290
Undergrad (19+ hours)	
In-State	Block Rate + \$343/hour
Out-of-State	Block Rate + \$686/hour
Fees:	
1-3 hours	\$175/hour
4-5 hours	\$145/hour
6+ hours	\$825 flat fee /semester
Distance Learning	\$40/hour
Residence Halls: Room rates vary	\$2,040-\$3,320

For updated tuition and fees, please visit:
jsu.edu/bursar/fees/index.html

TUITION AND FEES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

or FirstUp (a first-generation living-learning community, please visit jsu.edu/housing/living-learning.html for more information. First-year undergraduate students will self-select their assignments based on their application submission date. Details about specific selection dates can be found online at <https://jsu.edu/housing/applynow/index.html>. Applications cannot be processed without the \$200 nonrefundable application fee. Students who submit their application after April 1, 2024 or do not select their room during their assigned dates will be assigned by the housing office based on preferences and availability. All assignment information will be sent to the JSU email address.

STUDENT SERVICES

DINING SERVICES

Sodexo, JSU Dining Services, manages on campus dining.

They provide a variety of flexible meal plans available for both resident and commuter students. If you live on campus in Crow, Curtis, Daugette, Dixon, Fitzpatrick, Logan, Meehan, Patterson, North Village, or Sparkman Hall, your JSU account will automatically be billed for the plan, and you will need to choose from the options listed to the right.

If you do not choose a plan, you will be placed on the default plan of ten meals per week with \$400 flex. For more details on how the meal plan works, please visit the Sodexo website: dining.jsu.edu.

Meal Swipes

Meal swipes can be used at Jax State Dining Hall on an all-you-can-eat basis, Cockey's Kitchen with 5 swipe options, or at WOW American Eats with limited menu items. Students will access their meals using their JSU student ID card.

Flex

Flex can be used at any of the food locations listed on campus. Students can access flex "dollars" with their JSU student ID. Students will swipe their ID, and the amount they purchase will be deducted from their current total amount of flex dollars

JaxCash

A university fee required of all freshmen and sophomore commuters. May be used on all on-campus dining locations.

For more information about meal swipes, flex dollars, and Jaxcash visit: <https://www.jsu.edu/abs/dininginfo/index.html>

PARKING DECAL

Parking decals are required for all vehicles parked on campus. You must register your decal online on your MyJaxState account. Look for the "Parking" tile on your MyJaxState account and click on "Purchase Parking Decals". The \$50 decal fee* will be charged to your student account and paid for through the Office of Student Accounts. If you

PLACES TO EAT

For more information, visit: dining.jsu.edu.

- Jax State Dining Hall
- WOW American Eats
- Mein Bowl
- We Proudly Serve Starbucks
- Cockey's Kitchen
- Freshens
- Chick-Fil-A
- Boar's Head Deli

MEAL PLAN OPTIONS

(Based on last year's rate, subject to change)

- Plan A: Unlimited meals with \$50 Flex
 - Plan B: 14 meals/week with \$125 Flex
 - Plan C: 10 meals/week with \$400 Flex (default plan)
 - Block 80: 80 meals/semester with \$800 Flex
- ### Commuter Options
- Block 50: 50 meals/semester with \$100 Flex **\$605**
 - Commuter plan with \$100 Flex **\$110**
 - Commuter plan with \$200 Flex **\$220**
 - Commuter plan with \$300 Flex **\$330**
 - Commuter plan with \$400 Flex **\$440**

View menus and order ahead via the **Everyday app!**

have a State of Alabama JSU license plate (J-Tag), you are still required to order a decal, but it will be free of charge*. When you register for a decal, use your JSU email. You will receive a confirmation email with a printable temporary parking pass.

Obtaining a decal: Decals will be mailed to the address provided, unless you choose the J-tag option, which will require you to bring your vehicle tag receipt/registration and your JSU ID to the Parking Services Office, located in room 403 at the Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) to pick up your decal.

**Decal fees are subject to change.*

STUDENT SERVICES

MAIL SERVICE

The campus mail center is located on the 4th floor of the Theron Montgomery Building with window service offered. Any regular postal assistance or service may be provided. For more information, you may contact the Mail Center directly at **256-782-5290**. **Mail service window hours are 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Mon – Fri.**

MEDICAL INFORMATION RMC-JSU HEALTH CENTER

MEDICAL INFORMATION AND IMMUNIZATIONS

The RMC/JSU Health Center is a primary health care facility providing outpatient medical services and urgent and primary care, as well as promoting preventative health measures to currently enrolled students, staff, and faculty.

Please visit jsu.edu/studenthealth/forms.html to complete required student health forms and submit forms. If you have any questions, contact the RMC/JSU Health Center at:

RMC /JSU Health Center
1701 Pelham Road South
Jacksonville, Alabama 36265-1602
P.256-782-5310 F.256-782-5307

WALK-INS
8 AM – 11 AM
APPOINTMENTS
1 PM – 3:30 PM

Clinic hours are Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM and Friday 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM, closed daily 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM for lunch.

DISABILITY RESOURCES

Disability Resources interacts and collaborates with students, faculty, and staff to promote an inclusive environment at Jacksonville State University by educating the campus community and facilitating appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities such as mobility, chronic medical conditions, hearing or visual impairments, or learning and/or psychological disorders may be eligible for services and should submit an accommodation request form and documentation of their disability to Disability Resources to begin the process.

Representatives from Disability Resources are available to meet with students and family members during Gamecock Orientation or any campus visit. If you require special accommodations, please contact Disability Resources at **256-782-8380** or disabilityresources@jsu.edu.

GO! TIPS

Tips on how to excel in college!

LAUREN SECHREST: "College is a unique time in your life. Take the opportunity to learn, grow, and enjoy experiencing. Build lasting memories, make lifelong friends, and take advantage of the opportunity available to you!"



J-WEEK EVENTS

CONVOCATION AND J-WEEK

What Is Freshman Convocation?

Freshman Convocation is a unique celebration held each fall to honor the incoming freshman class. Convocation is designed as an opportunity to reflect on the significance of your educational endeavor and the commitment of the university to support you in the pursuit of your goals. Convocation for the Fall 2024 freshman class will be held on Tuesday, August 20th at 6:00 PM. We will give away prizes such as scholarships, T-shirts, and other JSU gear. This will be a great time to reconnect with your GO! Leader and other friends from orientation.

J-Week at a Glance

A new school year offers new opportunities to make friends and get involved. J-Week is designed to start your year off right by getting you immersed in the culture of the town and university with events like Spirit on Mountain Street and getting you connected to other students and organizations with our annual Get on Board Day event. J-Week will be hosted the week of August 19-23, 2024.



GO! TIPS

Where is your go-to study spot on campus?

ELISE ROBERTS: "My go-to campus study spot is in the Merrill Hall private study rooms. Each room has its own smart TV, whiteboard, and table in it. It is a great place to study with your friends without distractions or disturbances!"

GO! TIPS

Tips on how to excel in college!

JADEN HOLLAND: "Get involved on campus is the best way to make lifelong friends but be sure to balance social life with academics."

GO! TIPS

Where is your go-to study spot on campus?

REED WILLIAMS: "My favorite study spot is the 6th floor of the Houston Cole Library. It's dedicated to my major, and even though I have plenty of great options, it has always been my favorite top choice for sure!"





JSU LIBRARY

Houston Cole Library

The twelve-story facility is home to over 1.5 million books, over 150 databases for journal and newspaper articles, and thousands of e-books divided into six subject specific floors with a subject specialist librarian on each of these floors.

It also houses several unique areas, including the Student Success Center, Children's Corner, Technology Support Center, and the Alabama Gallery (special collections). There's also plenty of study space available, including the third-floor Quiet Floor, as well as a student computer lab and group-study rooms. Whether you need research help, a quiet place to study, or just a quick coffee between classes, let the Houston Cole Library become a central resource for your college career. For more information, visit jsu.edu/library.

Library Highlights

- Seven subject-specific floors w/subject specialists to provide research help
- We Proudly Serve Starbucks (Lobby)
- Group-study rooms (3rd/4th Floors)
- Open student computer lab (10th Floor)
- Students may check out print materials in the lobby and laptops, digital cameras, musical instruments, and more in the Multimedia Lab.
- Extended hours during fall and spring finals.

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

CAMPUS LIFE

Dean of Students Office

The Dean of Students Office staff is available for an array of opportunities for student involvement. JSU recognizes over 120 organizations for students to enhance their college experience outside of the classroom. The Dean of Students Office staff are available to assist you in finding what organization is right for you. Some of the organizations offered to you include:

Student Government Association

- All students enrolled at JSU are members.
- Serves as the voice for students on campus.
- Houses the Student Senate, Student Activities Council, and Organizational Council.
- Sponsors student events throughout the school year.

Questions? Contact Abbie Beatty, Assistant Dean of Students for Student Life, at abeatty@jsu.edu or **256-782-5068** for more information!

Fraternity and Sorority Life

- Home to twenty nationally recognized, diverse fraternities and sororities (comprised of the Interfraternity Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, and the Panhellenic Council).
- Develop leadership and career skills while creating life-long friendships.
- Participate in various philanthropic and community service opportunities.
- Join the largest community of students on campus, with 950+ members.

Questions? Contact Kendal Garrett, Assistant Dean of Students for Fraternity and Sorority Life, at fgarrett@jsu.edu or **256-782-5490** for more information!

IMPORTANT DATES

Fall 2024

Aug. 15 – 18	Panhellenic Sorority Recruitment
Aug. 19 – 23	J-Week
Aug. 19	UREC Fest
Aug. 20	Freshman Convocation
Aug. 21	Classes Begin
Aug. 22	Spirit on Mountain Street
Aug. 26 – 30	IFC Fraternity Recruitment
Sept. 2	Labor Day Holiday
Sept. 10	NPHC Expo
Sept. 21	Homecoming
Nov. 25 – 29	Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec. 4 – 10	Final Exams

Spring 2025

Jan. 8	Classes Begin
Jan. 20	MLK Day
March 24 – March 28	Spring Break
April 23 – 29	Final Exams

GO! TIPS

When you're not in class, what do you spend your time doing?

JAMES PERRIN: "When I am not in class, I love walking the Ladiga Trail and spending time enjoying all the nature we have around campus."

Miss Jacksonville State

Miss Jacksonville State University is a closed local preliminary franchise of the Miss Alabama Competition Inc. within the Miss America Organization. Miss JSU is an annual scholarship competition that awards over \$11,000 in scholarships and prizes.

UNIVERSITY RECREATION

The 101,000-sq.-ft. Recreation and Fitness Center (RFC) opened in January 2019 and provides recreation and leisure opportunities for JSU students. Visit us at jsu.edu/urec. ENGAGE WELLNESS and keep #movingcocky!

Facility Hours:

Saturday	9 AM — 9 PM
Monday – Thursday	5 AM — 11 PM
Friday	5 AM — 9 PM
Sunday	12 PM — 9 PM

*All hours subject to change.

Rec Center Highlights

- Three-court gym (wood courts for basketball, volleyball, badminton, and more)
- One multi activity court with buffer walls for indoor soccer, basketball, and volleyball
- Three-lane indoor track
- Cardio machines, free weights, machine weights, and functional training areas
- Three fitness studios
- Jacksonville Nutrition serves smoothies, teas, and protein shakes
- Indoor pool with lap lanes, a vortex, and hot tub
- Outdoor social pool with outdoor patio area
- Gaming lounge

Other Recreational Opportunities

- Free group fitness classes featuring Spin, Pound, TRX, and more
- Adventure Recreation Center with outdoor equipment rentals
- Adventure Recreation trips
- Intramural sports including flag football, basketball, soccer, and more
- Personal training, massage therapy, swim lessons, and other services
- Part-time employment opportunities
- Lifeguard and CPR Certifications
- Premium fitness classes including Yoga and F45 Training



GO! TIPS

When you're not in class, what do you spend your time doing?

SAVANAH FERGUSON: "When I am not in class, I love to workout at the UREC with all my friends. My favorite thing is free handing in the weight room!"

GO! OUTDOORS

GO! Outdoors gives incoming first-year students an opportunity to better connect with other first-year students and to JSU.

Adventure Recreation has designed an adventure-based experience to jumpstart the first-year students' ability to meet other incoming Gamecocks and to learn how to better face the challenges of being a college student ahead. This program is open to all experience levels and is only open to first-year students.

Each trip is specifically created to provide students with leadership experience to make the transition into college life smoother, and so that they may use these skills throughout their own college experience.



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OUTDOORS INFO!**

GO! STAFF

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First and Second
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GO! COORDINATORS



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GO! TIPS

Tips for Orientation Day!

TORI TAYLOR: "When you're at orientation, be sure to connect with your GO! Leaders! They can share their personal experiences and insights about what Jax State has to offer you. They have a talent for making you feel right at home!"

GO! TIPS

Tips for Orientation Day!

MIKAH MOORIS: "Live in the moment! Take the opportunity to talk to everyone during orientation. You never know where those connections you make might lead you!"

GO! LEADER OVERVIEW

GO! Leaders are students who volunteer their time to welcome and assist new students and their families. Members of the GO! Program can be identified by their distinctive red polos and welcoming smiles. These students are trained to help make orientation a memorable and fun experience. Have a question or problem? Seek out a GO! staff member — they're here for you!

GAMECOCK ORIENTATION

GO! LEADERS

GROUP 1



Jaden Holland
Albertville, AL
Pre-Health Biology



Lauren Sechrest
Jacksonville, AL
Accounting

GROUP 2



Savannah Ferguson
Gadsden, AL
Nursing



James Perrin
Plantation, FL
Secondary Education

GROUP 3



Kenzi Fuller
Ohatchee, AL
Chemistry



Nathan Gardner
Scottsboro, AL
Exercise Science

GROUP 4



Elise Roberts
Alabaster, AL
Secondary Education



Reed Williams
Dallas, GA
Communications

GROUP 5



Amelia Baker
Anniston, AL
Communications



Talisa Willingham
Moody, AL
Pre-Health Biology

GROUP 6



Emmie Grizzard
Carrollton, GA
Secondary Education



Ryan Whitley
Oxford, AL
Occupational Safety



OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel Finial

1600 Quintard Ave.
Anniston, AL 36202
256-236-0503

Red Roof Inn

1530 South Pelham Rd.
Jacksonville, AL 36265
256-435-3300

Hampton Inn

1041 JD & L Dr. SW
Jacksonville, AL 36265
256-782-0330

Hilton Garden Inn

280 Colonial Dr.
Oxford, AL 36203
256-831-0083

Courtyard by Marriot

289 Colonial Dr.
Oxford, AL 36203
256-831-7955

For a full list of overnight accommodations visit:

<https://visitcalhouncounty.org/stay/hotels/>

GO! TIPS

What is your favorite off-campus activity or place to explore in Jacksonville?

TALISA WILLINGHAM: "I enjoy kayaking in Piedmont. It is a great destressor and it allows me to fully immerse myself in nature!"

DIRECTIONS TO ORIENTATION

FROM HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA:

Take US-Hwy 431 (Governor's Drive) South through Gadsden. Once south of Gadsden, turn left onto Alabama Hwy 204. Hwy 204 leads directly to campus. Please consult the campus map for your desired location.

FROM ROME, GEORGIA:

Travel on Hwy 27 South to Cedartown, and take US-Hwy 278 West to Piedmont, Alabama. In Piedmont, turn left on Hwy 200. Hwy 200 merges onto Alabama Hwy 21 South. Follow Hwy 21 South to Jacksonville. You will see the 12-story Houston Cole Library on the left and the marble university sign on the right. The entrance to the university is on your right. Please consult the campus map for your desired location.

FROM BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA:

Take I-20 East to Exit 185 (Anniston/Oxford-Alabama Hwy 21). Turn left onto Alabama Hwy 21 North. Go through Oxford, Anniston/McClellan, and the Jacksonville Square (about 20 miles). You will see the 12-story Houston Cole Library on the right and the marble university sign on the left. The entrance to the university is on your left. Please consult the campus map for your desired location.

FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

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DIRECTORY

STAY COCKY WITH A TEE & YOUR STUDENT ID!

Pick up your orientation T-shirt and Student ID at Gamecock Orientation! Upload a photo for your Student ID before your GO! session by scanning the QR code.



HELPFUL NUMBERS

The area code for all numbers below is (256), or call us toll free by dialing 800-231-5291, or visit us on the Web at www.jsu.edu.

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Student Accounts (payment of fees)	782-5458	www.jsu.edu/bursar
Counseling Services	782-5475	www.jsu.edu/ccservices
Disability Resources	782-8380	www.jsu.edu/dss
Financial Aid	782-5006	www.jsu.edu/finaid
RMC/University Health Center	782-5310	www.jsu.edu/studenthealth
Registrar	782-5400	www.jsu.edu/registrar
Sodexo Dining Services	782-7242	www.jsudining.sodexomyway.com
Dean of Students Office	782-5491	www.jsu.edu/studentlife
Tutoring	782-8225	www.jsu.edu/student-success/support/tutoring
Information Technology	782-8324	www.jsu.edu/it/index

Housing Operations & Residence Life	782-5122	www.jsu.edu/housing
University Police	782-8888	www.jsu.edu/police
Military & Post Traiditonal Student Services	782-8838	www.jsu.edu/veterans
Student Success Center	782-5020	www.jsu.edu/studentssuccess
Academic & Career Advising	782-8463	www.jsu.edu/advising
Testing Services	782-8378	www.jsu.edu/disabilityresources/testing
Learning Services	782-5570	www.jsu.edu/studentssuccess/learning-services
Math & English Placement	782-5783	www.jsu.edu/studentssuccess/learning-services/placement-exams



GO! TIPS

What is your favorite campus event or tradition that students shouldn't miss?

EMMIE GRIZZARD: "My favorite JSU tradition is Homecoming week. Watching the campus, community, and alumni all come together makes it an unforgettable experience."

CAMPUS MAP

CAMPUS MAP LEGEND

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|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 02. Amphitheater | 22. Duncan Maintenance | 04. Merrill Hall | 03. Stone Center |
| 41. Anders Hall (Round House) | 45. Fitzpatrick Hall | 60. Mountain Street Homes | 34. Tennis Courts |
| 31. Angle Hall | 52. Gamecock Field | 37. Pannell Hall | 43. Theron Montgomery Bldg |
| 51. Athletic Fieldhouse | 42. Hammond Hall | 13. Patterson Hall | 44. TMB Lawn |
| 25. Ayers Hall | 01. Honors House | 35. Paul Carpenter Village | 61. University Development |
| 10. Baseball Field | 27. Houston Cole Library | 32. Penn House Apts | |
| 36. Bennett Field | 15. International House | 21. Pete Mathews Coliseum | |
| 06. Brewer Hall | 33. Intramural Field/Track | 05. The Pointe@JSU | |
| 56. Campus Inn Apts | 39. Jack Hopper Dining Hall | 26. President's Home | |
| 23. Carlisle Fine Arts Facility | 55. Jax Apts | 40. Quad | |
| 63. CEPS Complex | 64. JSU-RMC | 30. Ramona Wood Building | |
| 59. Colonial Arms Apts | 49. JSU Stadium | 54. Recreation & Fitness Center | |
| 07. Conferences and Support Operations | 53. Kenamer Hall | 12. Rock House | |
| 29. Counseling Services | 38. Leone Cole Auditorium | 09. Rowe Hall | |
| 20. Crow Hall | 14. Logan Hall | 47. Salls Hall (University Police) | |
| 48. Curtiss Hall | 62. Longleaf Studios | 18. Self Hall | |
| 46. Daugette Hall | 16. Martin Hall | 11. Soccer Field | |
| 57. Dillon Field | 17. McGee Science Center | 08. Softball Field | |
| 19. Dixon Hall | 28. Mason Hall | 24. Sparkman Hall | |
| | 58. Meehan Hall | 50. Stephenson Hall | |

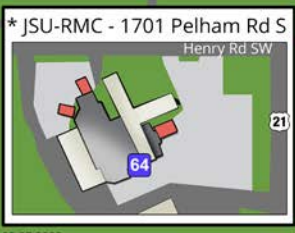


Students can download the MyJaxState mobile app to view the map.

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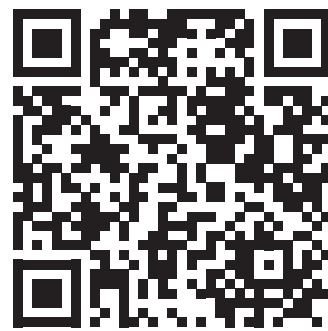
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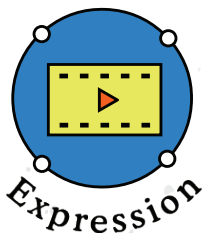
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GO! TIPS

What is your favorite place to eat on campus?

MCKENZIE FULLER: "Freshens is my favorite place to eat on campus. I love getting lunch in the TMB with all my friends after class!"

GO! TIPS

Where is your favorite local place to eat on campus?

NATHAN GARDNER: "The Caf is my favorite place to eat on campus. The ice cream is a total game changer."

WHAT TO EXPECT

ORIENTATION DAY AGENDA

8:30 A.M.

CHECK-IN

(Students and Guests) Leone Cole Auditorium - The party starts here! Students will check in with their GO! Leaders outside of Leone Cole Auditorium. Here students and guests will receive name badges, which will act as a meal pass for lunch.

8:45 A.M.

OPENING SESSION

(Students and Guests) Leone Cole Auditorium - The JSU experience begins with an hour of entertaining skits. Students will learn about JSU student services during this high-energy production. This session will set the tone for the remainder of the day where students will learn more about JSU.

10:00 A.M.

STUDENT SERVICES OVERVIEW

(Students) Ayers Hall - Students will meet with their GO! Leaders to discuss all the resources available to help them be successful on campus. GO! Leaders will go over the online portals necessary for a smooth transition to campus life including MyJaxState, campus e-mail (GEM), and online registration information. Students will have time to ask any follow up questions and get to know other students within their group.

(Guests) Leone Cole Auditorium - GO! Staff will be present to discuss services available on campus to help guests and students be successful. After, guests will have the opportunity to ask questions about student services to staff from various departments on campus.

11:15 A.M.

LUNCH

(Groups 1-3)(Students and Guests) Jack Hopper Dining Hall - Students and guests will enjoy all-you-can-eat dining at Jack Hopper Dining Hall. Name badges must be shown to be admitted.

IT'S GO! TIME

(Groups 4-6)(Students) Ayers Hall - Students will meet with their GO! Leaders and learn about best practices in transitioning to college. GO! Leaders will share personal tips and information on all of the campus resources available for students.

(Groups 4-6)(Guests) Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) - Parents and guests will hear from the Parent Engagement Committee about ways to get involved. During this time parents and guests will have an opportunity to meet other parents, write a letter to their student, hear from alumni, browse the campus bookstore for JSU apparel, and learn about different online platforms they can use like Campus ESP (for parent newsletter and FERPA management) and Grad Guard (for student housing).

12:00 P.M.

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12:45 P.M.

(Students) Meet in Leone Cole - Students will meet back in Leone Cole to dismiss by college for Academic Advisement and Registration.

(Guests) Meet in Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) - Guests will report back to the TMB to hear from a panel of students and administration.

1:00 P.M.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION

(Students) Ayers Hall/ Various Locations - Students will hear from faculty/staff from their college and meet with their academic advisor to register for classes. Specific information will be shared about the student's chosen major and college. This is a great time to ask major-specific questions.

(Guests) Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) - Parents and guests will meet in the TMB to hear from JSU staff, administrators, and students. They will share personal experiences and tips on the college transition for both students and parents.

2:00 P.M.

BROWSE SESSION

(Students and Guests) Leone Cole Auditorium - Following registration, students will meet up with family and guests at Leone Cole Auditorium. Here, students can visit representatives from student services and then check out to receive a GO! T-shirt.

GO! AFTER PARTY

(Students and Guests) UREC - To conclude your day at orientation, students and guests can visit the University Recreation and Fitness Center. Here, students will be able to explore the UREC facility, enjoy music and snacks, and be entered to win a scholarship. Representatives from student organizations will be available to answer questions and provide information about involvement.

GO! TIPS

What is your favorite off-campus activity or place to explore in Jacksonville?

AMELIA BAKER: "My friends and I love to eat locally; my favorite place is Heirloom Taco on the square!"

GO! TIPS

What is your favorite campus event or tradition that students shouldn't miss?

RYAN WHITLEY: "Football games have to be my favorite events. Watching Southerners sing 'I'll Fly Away' at the end of the games never dissapoints."

HOW TO REGISTER

Visit jsu.edu/go and click "Register for Orientation." MyJaxState log in credentials can be found in your JSU acceptance letter.

After registering, log back into your orientation reservation system to access your checklist before and after your orientation session. Visit jsu.edu/go/register or scan the QR code for help accessing GO! registration or your checklist.



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