



STUDENT ARRIVAL, CHECK-IN & NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Fall 2026

All students (and families) must begin their check-in process in the Waldorf Atrium, located at 106 S. 6th St, Forest City, Iowa (connected to Salvesson Hall) to begin the office check-in/move-in process **before** going to their residence hall for verification and to receive their room keys. Students will be sent, by email, the Pre-Arrival Check-In Check List to begin the check-in process over the summer prior to arrival. Students who do not complete the **Pre-Arrival Form** ahead of time will have a delayed check-in process upon arrival.

Meals are provided for students starting at the dinner time (5 p.m.) of your scheduled check-in day. Please plan ahead with built in flexibility with your travels to Forest City, flights and needed transport to campus and/or lodging overnights. We ask that you respect the times and dates and arrive on your assigned date and time. Early arrivals to campus will not be approved. Off hour/late night unexpected arrivals after offices are closed will be assessed a \$50 fee.

Safe travels to campus and we are excited about your arrival in August!

2026 DATES

STUDENT ARRIVAL TIMES

Wed., July 22	RAs arrive. <i>Official office check-in at the Atrium on July 30.</i>
Thur., July 30, 9 a.m. 9:30-10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. 12:30-3 p.m.	RAs (Atrium) Volleyball (Atrium) Football (Atrium) Men's Soccer (Atrium)
Sat.-Mon., August 1-3	NO EARLY CHECK-INS or ARRIVALS <i>Forest City Hotels: Cobblestone Inn (641.585.3000) and Forest City Inn (641.585.1300)</i>
Tues., August 4, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	Women's Soccer, Cheer, Theatre, Music, Orientation Leaders & International Students arrive and check-in (Atrium)
Wed.-Sat., August 5-8	NO CHECK-INS or ARRIVALS <i>Forest City Hotels: Cobblestone Inn (641.585.3000) and Forest City Inn (641.585.1300)</i>
Sun., August 9, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.	New Students arrive & check-in (Atrium)
Mon., August 10, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 9 a.m.-1 p.m.	Returning and New Students arrive and check-in (Atrium) New International Student Orientation Begins (Anna Marie Mitchell Room, CIC) (Required for New & Transfer International Students) New Student Orientation begins at 4 p.m. and continues until Tues. (Required for New First-year Students/Warrior Seminar Course)
Tue., August 11, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 1:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m.	Returning Students arrive and check-in (Atrium) New Transfer Student Orientation (Johnson Ballroom, Salvesson Hall) New Student Convocation Welcome Ceremony (Boman Fine Arts Center) Dinner w/Faculty by Major to Follow (Required to attend for all new students as part of Warrior Seminar Course)
Wed., August 12	First Day of Classes! All student Welcome Back Event - details TBD

END OF FALL SEMESTER IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs., November 19	Last Day of Fall Semester Finals
Fri., November 20	Last Meal Served (Lunch)
Sat., November 21	Residence Halls Close at 4 p.m.

(Break-stay housing options for weekly charge (no meal plans). Meal exceptions for those required to stay for athletics, co-curriculars, performing arts, academics and campus employment)