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CLASS OF 2023



Welcome Week Guide



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Your iMU Section Number

Before you begin, you'll need to know your iMU Section Number, which signifies the team you'll join for group activities during Welcome Week. You'll find your **Section Number** as part of the iMU Introduction to Mercyhurst course name and title on your fall schedule, which you can access in two ways:

Through Self-Service

1. Log in to Self-Service at selfservice.mercyhurst.edu/student.
2. Go to the Academics tab, click "Student Planning" and click "Plan & Schedule."
3. Find your schedule for Mini 1 2019.

Through the Mercyhurst App

1. Log in to the Mercyhurst App.
2. Go to "Class Schedule" and click on "Full Schedule."
3. Find your schedule for Mini 1 2019.

Once you've found your schedule, locate the "Introduction to Mercyhurst" course. **Your iMU Section Number is the two-digit number immediately following "iMU-101" (numbers range from 01 to 26).**

Now that you've found your iMU Section Number, you can write it here for easy reference:

My iMU Section Number is:

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Aug. 16

7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bookstore open

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

OneCard Office open (McAuley Hall lower level, next to Police & Safety)
Stop by and pick up your student ID (OneCard).

Resident Student Check-In (individual residence halls)

Dozens of student volunteers, the Residence Life staff and the campus community make the move-in process incredibly smooth for resident students.

3 to 3:45 p.m.

Commuter Welcome Week Registration and Meet & Greet (Zurn 114)

We will be distributing your Welcome Week Guide, your Mercyhurst student ID (OneCard), etc. Come get all the information you need and meet other students! This is a mandatory event for all commuter students.

International Meet & Greet (Student Union)

Come meet other international students and the support staff! This is a mandatory event for all international students.

4 p.m.

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Welcome Week Kickoff (Performing Arts Center) - Kick off your "Life at the Hurst" in style at this high-energy event! Join your Laker Leaders, Welcome Week staff, Athletics, Mercyhurst Student Government, Student Activities Council and Multicultural Activities Council for free giveaways, laughter and fun.

4:30 to 6 p.m.

Your first dinner at Mercyhurst (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your student ID to all meals on campus.

6 to 7 p.m.

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Residence Life Meetings - These meetings are **mandatory** for students residing on campus. Please see your RA for details.



7 to 11 p.m.

Student Activities Council (SAC) & Multicultural Activities Council (MAC) present **Casino Night** (Trinity Green) - Join the fun! Meet new people and make friends at this annual event. Enter to win amazing prizes and enjoy free food and games like blackjack, roulette and Texas Hold'em.

Saturday, Aug. 17

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

OneCard Office open (McAuley Hall lower level, next to Police & Safety)
Stop by and pick up your student ID.

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Bookstore open

IT Help Desk open (Hammermill Library first floor)

All students can stop by the Help Desk to download the Mercyhurst University app or get assistance with computer issues.

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10 a.m. to noon

Residence Life Meetings

These meetings are mandatory for students residing on campus. Please see your RA for details.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brunch (Grotto Commons)

Please bring your Student ID.

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1 to 1:30 p.m.

Mercyhurst Mission: What is it all about? (Performing Arts Center)

The Mission Integration staff will take you on a journey of exploration as you dive into the Core Values of Mercyhurst and discover what the Mercy Mission means to Mercyhurst and its students.

1:30 to 3 p.m.

Living Life at Performance Level (Performing Arts Center)

Curtis Zimmerman, a nationally recognized presenter, transforms and inspires students to live their lives at a higher level of performance. Curtis provides an innovative learning experience by engaging students with juggling, "Simon Says," and fire eating, using his performance expertise to

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demonstrate his key concepts and make his message memorable. As you make your way into the PAC, please look for your iMU section # sign. You will sit with your team and Laker Leaders.

3 to 4:30 p.m.

Laker Leader Small Group Session

Meet with your Laker Leader and group.

4:30 to 6 p.m.

Dinner (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

8 to 10 p.m.

MAC and SAC present "Video Game Extravaganza" (Rec Center/Trinity Green) - Come have a blast at the Video Game Extravaganza! Enjoy free food and a ton of video game options, including a Just Dance Party! It's also a great opportunity to meet new people and make new friends.

Sunday, Aug. 18

11 a.m. to noon

Catholic Mass (Christ the King Chapel)

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Brunch (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

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1 to 1:30 p.m.

The Service Experience (Performing Arts Center)

Join the Community Engagement staff as you gain an understanding of the Service Experience and how it connects with being a Laker.

1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Diversity University (Performing Arts Center)

Using slam poetry and role-playing, this powerful team of young speakers connects with and inspires audiences. They cover all dimensions of diversity, including gender, race, sexuality, physical disabilities, socioeconomic circumstances, and more. Monti and Julia are living examples of the belief that if you are TRU to yourself, then anything is truly possible!

3 to 4:30 p.m.

Residence Life Meetings

These meetings are mandatory for students residing on campus. Please see your RA for details.

4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Dinner with Your Laker Leader - Ask your Laker Leader when and where to meet. Please bring your Student ID.

4:30 to 6 p.m.

First-Year Honors Student Welcome Meeting and Dinner (Media Room, Warde Hall)

Honors students are required to attend this meeting to learn more about the requirements of the program. Dinner will be provided.

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6 to 7:30 p.m.

No Zebras, No Excuses (Performing Arts Center)

This performance-based program presents a series of scenes and discussions covering topics related to sexual aggression. These topics include domestic violence, bystander intervention, sexual assault, drug-facilitated sexual assault, intimate partner violence, stalking, harassment, as well as facts and statistics for college campuses.

8:30 to 10 p.m.

“Hooray! Building a Community out of Classmates” with David Coleman (Performing Arts Center)

Join us as David Coleman creates a one-of-a-kind experience involving music, balloons, hula hoops and the awesome energy that the audience provides. Join in as the transformation from individual classmates into a caring community begins! Sponsored by MAC/SAC.

Monday, Aug. 19

7:30 to 9 a.m.

Breakfast (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Bookstore open

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9 to 9:25 a.m.

Freshman Day of Service Introductions (locations vary)

Go to your assigned classroom to meet your service project facilitator and Laker Leader. See the Freshman Day of Service section in your Welcome Week Guide to determine your assigned classroom and type of service. Please wear your Day of Service T-shirts; no flip-flops or open-toed shoes are allowed.

9:30 a.m.

Meet for Freshman Day of Service (Mary Garden, in front of Old Main)

Look for your Laker Leaders and your Section Number. Board your assigned bus when asked.

10 a.m. to noon

Freshman Day of Service (sites according to your individual schedule)

Please see your Welcome Week Guide for a listing of service sites and activities.

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Lunch (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

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2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Laker Leader Small Group Session - Meet with your Laker Leader Group. Learn where to go for class, who your Student Government representatives are and take a tour. This session will really help you navigate your first week on campus!

4:30 to 6 p.m.

Dinner (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

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6 to 8 p.m.

Residence Life Meeting

These meetings are mandatory for students residing on campus. Please see your RA for details.

8 to 10 p.m.

SAC & MAC present Hypnotic Intoxication (Performing Arts Center)

Watch as Mercyhurst's favorite hypnotist, Keith Karkut, makes students dance, scream, laugh and even become intoxicated without the use of alcohol! A longtime favorite event at Mercyhurst, Hypnotic Intoxication will have your friends doing things you never knew they could.

Tuesday, Aug. 20

7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Bookstore open

7:30 to 9 a.m.

Breakfast (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

OneCard Office open (McAuley Hall lower level, next to Police & Safety)

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9 to 10:30 a.m.

Mandatory International Student Session (Student Union Great Room)

All International students must attend one of two sessions for important information regarding student visas, U.S. regulations, and life at Mercyhurst.

Mandatory Winter Sport Student-Athlete Physicals (Mercyhurst Athletic Training Room)

All student-athletes must report for their physicals. Please be sure to bring your insurance cards with you.

10:30 a.m. to noon

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11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Lunch (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.

1:30 to 2 p.m.

Get ready for Freshman Convocation - Dress is business casual!

2 to 2:15 p.m.

Freshman Convocation Seating (Performing Arts Center)

Laker Leaders and the Welcome Week staff will assist you in being seated for convocation.

2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Freshman Convocation (Performing Arts Center)

This ceremony is the first of many vibrant traditions that you will experience. It leads to the formal and final admittance of the freshman class to Mercyhurst University.

3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Major Meetings - Meet with the faculty in your respective major. Please see your Welcome Week Guide for individual locations.

4:30 to 7 p.m.

Dinner (Grotto Commons) - Please bring your Student ID.



KEY EVENTS

Freshman Day of Service

Monday, Aug. 19

Freshman Day of Service is an exciting day for new Lakers! As part of Welcome Week, all new students along with staff, administrators and Laker Leaders volunteer close to 1,600 hours of collective community service. This day is an excellent demonstration of our Mercy heritage and our core value as "Ambassadors of Service," and it's also a wonderful opportunity to experience the impact that service has on our community.

Using your iMU Section Number, please use the table on the next page to locate your bus number, site name and the Mercyhurst faculty, staff or administrator who will be joining your team. Please note: long pants or modest clothing are required for most sites. Flip-flops, open-toed shoes and sandals are not permitted at any sites.

Bus	IMU Section	Instructor	Room	Site	Project
1	IMU-101-02ATE	Patricia DiMatteo	Hirt 205	Post Apple Farm	Weeding, picking produce, learning about local farming
1	IMU-101-03ATE	Morgan Beatty	Hirt 207	Post Apple Farm	Weeding, picking produce, learning about local farming
2	IMU-101-24ATE	Steph Przepiora	Main 207	Erie Art Museum	Cleaning museum, reorganizing art collection and storage
2	IMU-101-07ATE	Andrea Obert	Hirt 305	Erie Art Museum	Cleaning museum, reorganizing art collection and storage
3	IMU-101-06ATE	Ryan Palm	Hirt 214	Springhill Senior Center	Intergenerational games of skill using teamwork and strategy
3	IMU-101-21ATE	Nathan Nitzczynski	Zurn 214	Asbury Woods Nature Center	Weeding gardens, trimming back trails (please note: this is hands-and-knees work, so plan accordingly)
4	IMU-101-04ATE	Ruth Jolie	Hirt 209	Belle Valley Garden	Belle Valley garden cleanup
4	IMU-101-01ATE	Megan McKenna	Hirt 118	Hornby School	Painting, priming, and cleaning school
5	IMU-101-23ATE	Sarah Allen	Main 206	Erie Zoo	Painting decorations and making crafts for kids
5	IMU-101-25ATE	Tyler Brentley	Main 208	Presque Isle	Beach cleanup
6	IMU-101-14ATE	Averill Earls	Sullivan 2	PA Soldiers' and Sailors' Home	Games and activities with residents
6	IMU-101-18ATE	Andy Simon Wambach	Preston 312	Bayfront Maritime Center	Painting bleachers, planting bulbs
7	IMU-101-08ATE	Emma Kovacs	Hirt 213	Bethesda Trinity Center	Neighborhood beautification
7	IMU-101-11ATE	Chris Lewand	Hirt 314	SSJNN West	Neighborhood beautification
8	IMU-101-12ATE	Justin Ross	Zurn 207	Erie Free Store	Cleaning racks, folding clothes, mopping floors
8	IMU-101-05ATE	Heather Balas	Hirt 212	Elmwood Gardens & Second Harvest Food Bank	Window washing, wheelchair washing, gardening and packing food boxes
9	IMU-101-16ATE	Samantha Beckas	Main 205	MCRC	Help clean out and vacuum the agency vans
9	IMU-101-09ATE	Emmaleigh Kirchner	Hirt 306	SafeNet	Working in the Big Backyard, weeding, landscaping
10	IMU-101-13ATE	Nick Lang	Sullivan 1	Tool Lending Library	Indoor projects
10	IMU-101-10ATE	Ed Jolie	Hirt 313	Academy Neighborhood	Neighborhood projects
11	IMU-101-26ATE	Joe Johnson	Sullivan 3	Collegiate Academy - BELONG	Spreading mulch, rebuilding the herb spiral, weeding the pollinator bed, cleaning the cement pad area
11	IMU-101-19ATE	Steve Reinhardt	Preston 314	Booker T. Washington Center	Indoor and outdoor cleanup
12	IMU-101-17ATE	Cariel Lewis	Zurn 314	Erie Downtown Partnership	Mulching and weeding along State Street
12	IMU-101-20ATE	Erica Cox	Zurn 213	St. Mary's Home	Morning activities with residents such as exercise, games, crafts, trivia, etc.
13	IMU-101-22ATE	Jen Verga	Zurn 313	Brevillier Village	Activities with residents and/or yardwork projects

Freshman Convocation

Tuesday, Aug. 20 (2 p.m. - Performing Arts Center)

One of many great Mercyhurst traditions, Freshman Convocation brings together the president, provost, college deans and other academic officers for the official ceremony to formally admit you as a member of the Mercyhurst University freshman class.

As part of the ceremony, you will learn about the mission and history of Mercyhurst, and you'll be invited to take the Pledge of Academic Fellowship. This pledge is a commitment you, as a student, make to Mercyhurst and its academic principles and to your own abilities, values and aspirations. After the declaration of admittance, you will receive your Mercyhurst Medallion symbolizing your membership in the Mercyhurst community of learners. Only students who have been admitted through the formal Freshman Convocation receive this Medallion.

Department Meetings

Tuesday, Aug. 20 (3:30 p.m.)

Following Freshman Convocation, you will meet with the faculty in your respective major. Please refer to the table below for major room locations.

Anthropology/Archaeology	Zurn 64
Applied Forensic Sciences	Zurn 214
Art	Cummings Art Gallery
Biology	Zurn 114
Business	Zurn 314
Communication	Hirt 103
Computing and Information Science	Library 128
Chemistry/Biochemistry	Zurn 313
Criminal Justice	Sullivan 3
Dance	Dance Space
Education*	Hirt U306
English	Hirt 213
Fashion Merchandising	Main 312
Geology**	Zurn 206
History	Old Main 210
Hospitality Management	Marriott Café
Intelligence Studies	Taylor Little Theatre
Interior Architecture and Design	Wayne 114
Mathematics	Old Main 404
Music	D'Angelo 19
Philosophy	Preston 226 (office)
Physics	Zurn 210
Political Science	CAE 107
Psychology	Briggs 109
Public Health	Hirt 212
Religious Studies	Preston 204 (office)
Sociology/Social Work	Old Main 208
Sports Medicine	Zurn 207
World Languages & Cultures	Old Main 205
Exploratory Studies (Premajor)	Walker Recital Hall

*Secondary certification students should attend their major field (discipline) orientation.

**All Environmental Science majors (Biology field studies and Geology field studies concentrations) should attend.



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Academic Support	2299
Athletics	2228
Baldwin Hall Desk	2439
Bookstore	2395
Career Development	2426
Copy Center	2211
Grotto Commons	2150
Counseling Center	3650
Health Center	2431
Intramurals Office	3073
Ice Center	2277
Laker Inn	2402
Library	2234
IT HelpDesk	3200
Mailroom	2396
Maintenance	2273
McAuley Hall Desk	2414
Multicultural Center	2369
PAC Box Office	3000
Police & Safety	3911
REC Center	3329
Registrar	2250
Residence Life	2422
Community Engagement	2471
Student Financial Services	2288
Student Union	2643
Tutoring	3122
Warde Hall Desk	3004
Writing Center	2303

Extensions begin with 814-824-XXXX



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