



New Student Orientation

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | FALL 2019

Thursday, August 29, 2019

Check in at the Chapel Lobby

- 8:30 am** **Counseling Student Breakfast | Bueerman Hall | Room 201**
A time exclusively for counseling students to learn more about their program.
- 9:30 am** **Worship + Welcome | Johnson Chapel**
Message from the President | Dr. Randy Roberts
- 10:00 am** **Student + Alumni Panel | Johnson Chapel**
Students, alumni, and advisors will introduce themselves and share what equipped them for Seminary and what they wish they knew before entering.
- 11:00 am** **Degree Program Overview | Bueermann Hall**
Gain an understanding of how your degree program is designed, along with insight on degree requirements, advice for conquering the theological and/or language components of your program, and how to utilize ongoing academic advising.
- Master of Arts in Counseling (and GSC-C) | Bueermann Hall | Room 201
 - All Other Programs | Bueermann Hall | Room 203
- 12:00 pm** **Lunch | The Lawn**
A time to fellowship with advisors, staff, faculty and other incoming students. Guests are welcome!
- 1:00 pm** **Session #1 | Student Choice | Various Locations**
A variety of student-centric breakout sessions will be offered. Students will have the option of attending any sessions that would be of benefit. In addition, this is a great opportunity to schedule a one-on-one meeting with your advisor.
- 2:00 pm** **Session #2 | Student Choice | Various Locations**
- 2:45 pm** **Ice Cream Wrap-Up | The Lawn**
Conclude the day by celebrating the start of your Seminary journey in the best way possible—with ice cream!



Breakout Sessions

CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING

Does Money Grow on Trees?

Bueerman Hall | Room 201

Join our Director of Financial Aid, Luke Todd, and VP of Student Development, Reid Kising, to learn about the variety of options available when it comes to working to afford Seminary. You'll also gain practical tips about how to budget when in Seminary and what you can expect as you work through your program.

Reading, Writing, Research—Oh My!

Library

Learn what it takes to become a successful writer in grad school, how graduate writing differs from undergraduate, and how you can use the resources available to you in the library to your advantage in this session, led by our Dean of Student Success, Michelle Workman, and our Director of Library and Information Services, Matthew Thiesen.

Let's Talk About Tech

Bueerman Hall | Room 203

You will use a variety of software at Western Seminary. Hear from our Assistant Director of the Online Campus, Jon Raibley, and our Instructional Support Coordinator of the Online Campus, Mark Baker, as they unpack what software you will find yourself using throughout a semester and where you can turn if you need help.

Thriving in Seminary | Discovering the Best Way to Navigate the Waters

Bueerman Hall | Conference Room | Third Floor

Engaging in advanced both clinical counseling and theological dialogs may challenge you in ways you've never had to face before. This can quickly upset the balance in faith, ministry, marriage, and relationships. If the balance is upset enough, crisis can result. Join the VP of Academics and Dean of Faculty, Chuck Conniry, in a conversation about finding the balance in grad school.