



NEW STUDENT WEEKLY

A weekly message with important to-dos, updates, and more to support your onboarding to UVM

Dear {{Person-Preferred}},

At UVM, students who begin their journey with us in January are affectionately known as *Winter Cats*. You are a special part of our community, bringing fresh energy to campus in the heart of winter! We can't wait for you to arrive on campus and join the Catamount family.

As you prepare for this exciting transition, the Orientation Team will provide you with important information about your student onboarding process and life at UVM. You can expect weekly emails to remind you of due dates, upcoming UVM events, exciting opportunities, and other helpful information.

To begin your process, we have created an individualized New Student Checklist containing all the 'to-do' items and their respective due dates that must be completed before arriving on campus in January. **Your New Student Checklist is accessible on your Application Status page.** We will add more items to your checklist on November 12th.

To-Do Items

☒ **Mark Your Calendars - New Student Orientation January 8 - 11**

Our New Student Orientation program is an in-person and on-campus experience for all new first-year and transfer student Winter Cats starting at 3:00 pm on Thursday, January 8, 2026.

Orientation will help you get to know our campus, make connections with students in your cohort and beyond, and give you a taste of all the ways you can get involved at UVM! Not to mention, we will cover essential information about support sources and services, finances, academics, and more.

☒ **Complete your Housing & Dining Contract**

If you plan to live on campus, please complete our housing contract as soon as possible by logging into the UVM Housing Portal below. You can take a [virtual tour of Residence Halls here!](#)

UVM Housing Portal

If you'll be 20 or older as of January 12, 2026, you'll need to plan for off-campus housing, as on-campus housing is reserved for students under 20. There are many off-campus housing options near by. [Explore your options here.](#)

☒ **Join ZeeMee to Meet other Winter Cats!**

Join our official social media community for admitted students. Download the free ZeeMee app to start meeting your fellow future Catamounts. UVM Seniors and Orientation Leaders, Liv and Maddie, will be answering questions and hosting chats on ZeeMee later in the fall.

Join the UVM Community on ZeeMee

Catamount Curiosity!



UVM has 240+ Clubs and Orgs!

Looking to find new friends and peers who share some of the same interests? Check out the 240+ clubs and organizations at UVM, ranging from academic and professional groups to sports, arts, and hobbies; there is something for everyone! Connect with the campus community, explore your passions, and create unforgettable memories. Don't miss out – find your niche with [UVM Clubs](#) and get involved your first semester!

HAVE QUESTIONS?

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Monday - Friday
8:30am - 4:30pm EDT

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