



Dear {{(Person-Preferred)}},

Get ready, the countdown has officially begun – just 3 weeks until we finally welcome you to New Student Orientation on campus!

As you get ready for January Orientation, be sure to check out the [Orientation Schedule](#), now posted on our website! This schedule includes all the orientation events from Thursday, January 8 - Sunday, January 11th. New Student Orientation helps all new students, both transfers and first-time attendees, transition to UVM, and participation in both morning and afternoon sessions is required. We will be giving out UVM swag and prizes (like a TV, speakers, headphones, an iPad, and more!) everyday and you don't want to miss out!

Please note that UVM will observe winter break Wednesday, December 24th - Thursday, January 1st. If you have any questions or concerns during that time, keep in mind there will be a delay in responses until campus reopens on Friday, January 2, 2026.

### To-Do Items

✔ **Complete your Club Interest and Pre-Enrollment Surveys**

Getting involved on campus will help you make the most of your time at UVM! Browse [UVM's 325+ Clubs](#) and let us know which ones you're interested in. The Department of Student Life will connect you to the ones that interest you the most when the semester begins. **Complete your [Club Interest Survey](#) by January 5th.**

By completing the [Pre-Enrollment Survey](#), we can connect you with resources and people that best match your needs. **Complete your Pre-Enrollment survey by January 9th!**

✔ **Finish your New Student Checklist!**

Remember to keep working on your [New Student Checklist](#)! There are lots of critical tasks to take care of before you arrive. If you complete your New Student Checklist before you arrive on January 8th, you'll get a pair of UVM-themed, cozy, Darn Tough Socks as a gift from Orientation and Student Advancement.

✔ **Connect with your roommate!**

It's a great idea to connect with your roommate before you arrive on campus! You can find your roommate assignment in the [housing portal](#) finalized by January 5th, but you may have your roommate assignment before that date. If you see a roommate assigned, you'll notice the portal only shows their NetID. You can copy that NetID and paste it into your UVM email and it will populate with your roommate's name and UVM email. From there, you can start communicating!

✔ **Join ZeeMee Live GRWM (Get Ready With Me) on January 5th**

Join our two student orientation experts, Liv and Maddie, on [ZeeMee in the live chat](#) on January 5th at 7 pm ET! This is a great opportunity to connect with other Winter Cats, and ask any last minute questions you have before you arrive! Liv and Maddie have both been Orientation leaders many times and can answer questions about move-in, New Student Orientation, student life, UVM systems, meal plans and more!

✔ **Prepare for cold weather!**

During orientation (and for the rest of the winter), we will be moving around campus, snow or shine. Please bring appropriate footwear - think waterproof and insulated - as well as a warm coat, hat, and gloves. With good layering, you can be comfortable no matter the temperature.

### Catamount Curiosity!

#### Spring On-Campus Move-In Day



Move-in will take place on **Thursday, January 8, between 8am and 2pm**. Upon arriving on campus, head directly to your assigned residence hall (room assignments will be finalized in your [housing portal](#) on January 5th). To get to your residence hall, you can put the name of the hall or the address into Google Maps. You can find the [address of your residence hall here](#).

When you arrive, feel free to park as close as you can to the entrance of your hall, where you will find the office and get your key. Your Residence Hall Office Manager will direct you to your room. After unloading your car, please move your vehicle to the nearest parking lot to make room for others to unload.

Move-in carts will be available to assist with moving your belongings, but not all residence halls are equipped with elevators. Be prepared to carry your belongings to your room! You can visit our [Hall Information page](#) to view virtual tours of each building to get an idea of what to expect.

Give yourself time to unpack, settle-in, and familiarize yourself with your residence hall. **Complete your move-in by 2:30 pm so you can head to the Royall Tyler Theater for New Student Orientation, which begins promptly at 3pm.**

Reach out to [reslife@uvm.edu](mailto:reslife@uvm.edu) or 802-656-3434 with any questions.

### HAVE QUESTIONS?

**Phone:** (802) 656-4136

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

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