

Schedule

International Student Track Tuesday, August 26, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Arrival & Move-in | Students & Guests

Check in at the La Paz Road main entrance. You'll then be directed to your residence hall to begin unpacking and settling in. If you've already moved onto campus (e.g., as a student-athlete), please still check in during this time. After checking in, take time to unpack and settle in. Residence Life staff will be available to welcome you and help you get oriented to your new home away from home. *Location: La Paz Road Main Entrance and Residence Halls*

10:15 a.m. Optional Campus Tour | Students & Guests

Join a student guide for a campus tour, highlighting key locations and what to expect in the student experience. *Location: Dining Commons, Kerr Student Center*

11:30 a.m. Welcome | Students & Guests

Hear from community members with international experience. Come and be inspired as you start your academic journey at Westmont. *Location: Founders Room, Kerr Student Center*

12:00 p.m. Lunch | Students & Guests

Enjoy lunch in the Dining Commons and connect with other students and families. *Location: Dining Commons, Kerr Student Center*

12:45 p.m.

Getting Acquainted | Students Only Break the ice and build connections with fellow international and first-gen students, guided by student leaders. Location: Outside Dining Commons, Kerr Student Center

1:30 p.m. Financial Aid and Budgeting Tips | Students & Guests *Note: Spanish Session Available*

A representative from Student Financial Services will provide key financial aid information and discuss how to make college more affordable. *Location: Founders Room (Spanish Session: Carroll Hall)*

2:15 p.m. Faculty and Staff Speed Connections | Students Only

A First Connections favorite! Meet Westmont faculty and staff two minutes at a time in this fun, fast-paced event designed to launch meaningful relationships. *Location: Global Leadership Center*

12:45 p.m.

Free Time | Guests Only

Relax, visit the bookstore, and take a break from the day's scheduled activities. *Location: Around campus*

1:30 p.m. F-1 Visa Advising | Students & Guests

Students carrying an F-1 student visa are **required** to attend this session, in which you'll learn your responsibilities to maintain an active status as an international student in the United States.

Location: Winter 212, Winter Hall

2:15 p.m. Supporting Your Student | Guests Only

Discover practical ways to support your student from afar. Learn about Westmont's resources and how to walk alongside them throughout their college journey. *Location: Founders Room, Kerr Student Center*

3:15 p.m Cultural Transitions | Students & Guests

Hear from a Westmont professor with international experience about their own transition and the things they wish they had known at the beginning of the journey. *Location: Founders Room, Kerr Student Center*

4:00 p.m Closing Session | Students & Guests

Hear from a current international student about their transition and some encouragement about what's to come. *Location: Founders Room, Kerr Student Center*

5:30 p.m. Dinner on Your Own | Students & Guests

8:00 p.m. Optional Game Night | Students Only

Wind down with other incoming students through a fun evening of games—casual, competitive, or just plain silly! Location: Clark A Lounge