

Saturday, August 29, 2026

9:00 AM – 2:30 PM • First-Year Move-In

Various Residence Halls

Students living on campus are invited to arrive to campus on Saturday, August 29. Please refer to your move-in packet for arrival times and procedures. Student volunteers will be on hand to assist students and families with moving their belongings into the residence halls.

11:30 AM – 3:00 PM • Lunch

Fresh Food Company • DeNaples Center 3rd Floor

Students and their guests are invited to enjoy lunch at the Fresh Food Company on the 3rd floor of the DeNaples Center.

12:30 PM – 3:30 PM • New Student Hospitality Tent

DeNaples Center Patio

All incoming students are invited to visit our hospitality tent on the Dionne Green to receive your Class of 2030 T-shirt and University of Scranton class pin! Additionally, new students are invited to commemorate the day in our Class of 2030 photo booth!

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM • Class of 2030 Welcome Mass

Byron Recreation Complex

Join the campus community for our official welcome of the Class of 2030. A special Mass will be offered for the members of the Class of 2030 with a special blessing for the academic year. All faith traditions are welcome!

6:00 PM • Final Parent/Guest Departure

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM • Class of 2030 Dinner

DeNaples Center Patio

The Class of 2030 is invited to a picnic barbeque dinner on the DeNaples Center Patio. Students are invited to take their meals to the Dionne Green or a variety of other campus green spaces.

8:00 PM – 9:00 PM • First Floor Meetings

Various Residence Halls

Students living on campus will meet with their floors and Resident Assistants to become acclimated to living on campus and to review important information and policies.

8:00 PM – 9:00 PM • Commuter Student Social

DeNaples Center 405

Students commuting from home are invited to attend a social event just for commuter students. Students will meet other commuters and learn tips and tricks for navigating life at Scranton as a commuter student.

9:00 PM – 10:00 PM • Cards Against Hypnosis

McIlhenny Ballroom

Get ready for a night of laughs and unpredictability as the University of Scranton Programming Board kicks off the year with *Cards Against Hypnosis*. This interactive show blends comedy, audience participation, and unexpected moments you won't want to miss.

Sunday, August 30, 2026

9:30 AM – 2:30 PM • Brunch

Fresh Food Company • DeNaples Center 3rd Floor

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM • Starting Strong at Scranton (Required)

All new students are required to attend this session, which introduces the expectations, opportunities, and support resources that will help students navigate their first few weeks at Scranton. The session will also include Emergency Preparedness Training facilitated by University Police.

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM • Class of 2030 Photo and Meet & Greet

Dionne Green (Rain: John Long Center)

All incoming students are invited to gather with members of their class for an interactive experience that will allow students to make connections and new campus friendships! At the end of the activities, students will participate in a campus tradition of taking a class of 2030 photo!

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM • Classroom Tours

Linden Circle Flags

Need help finding your classroom? Orientation Assistants will be available to help you find your classrooms!

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM • Games on the Green

Dionne Green

Looking to meet some fellow Royals in a more casual setting? Stop by the Dionne Green for some lawn games and refreshments. Orientation Assistants will be available to answer any additional questions you have about the school year!

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM • Target/Walmart Shuttles

Linden Circle Flags

Need to pick up some last-minute items to get ready for the start of the semester? Shuttles will run to Target and Walmart. Last shuttle departs at 3:00 PM.

Starting Strong at Scranton Meeting Locations

College of Arts & Sciences:

McIlhenny Ballroom (DeNaples Center 4th Floor)

Kania School of Management:

McIlhenny Ballroom (DeNaples Center 4th Floor)

Leahy College of Health Sciences:

Moskovitz Theater (DeNaples Center 4th Floor)

Please note, schedule and locations are subject to change.