

Welcome! Fall Semester 2026 begins on **Monday, August 24** with New Student Orientation. Here is more information that is relevant to you as a new student or returning student, living on or off campus.

Vermilion College Store: Open for [textbook ordering](#) on Wednesday, August 5, and free campus pick-up beginning Thursday, August 20 through Friday, September 4 in CC103.

Financial Aid and Plan for Payment: Act before the first day of school to cover your cost of attendance. Submit your FAFSA at [StudentAid.gov](#). Accept your fall aid awards in your [e-Services](#) student portal account. If you are using student loans to pay for school, 1) accept available loans in [e-Services](#), 2) complete Entrance Counseling at [StudentAid.gov](#), and 3) complete Master Promissory Note at [StudentAid.gov](#). Enroll in a [Nelnet payment plan](#) to get affordable monthly, interest-free payments. Interested in a [work study](#) job?

On-Campus Housing Move-In Weekend is Saturday, August 22 & Sunday, August 23. New students who will be living on campus will receive communications from Residence Life throughout the summer. Students living on campus can check-in between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. in Vermilion Hall. There will be a Mandatory Residence Life Meeting on Sunday, August 23rd at 4:30 p.m. in the Theater.

Need housing? [Housing Contracts](#) are still available! **\$250** deposit required within five days of application.

Student ID Pickup: ID's printed upon check-in to housing and in the Cafeteria from 11:45 – 1:15 during first week.

New Student Orientation Schedule for Monday, August 24:

All new, incoming students are required to attend the orientation on Monday, August 24.

- 8:30 a.m. – Registration begins in FA105 Theater lobby
 - Sign-up for your Academic Group for Let's Chat & High Impact Activities with Faculty
- 9:00 a.m. – Welcome & Main Session in Theater
 - Sit with your academic group (seats will be marked)
- 10:30 a.m. – Let's Chat Sessions with Vermilion Faculty
 - Your group will be led to your group's assigned meeting location
- 12:00 p.m. – Lunch in Cafeteria (meal plan or money required); Student ID printing/pickup
- 1:00 p.m. – Athletic and Student Life Breakouts
 - **ALL Student Athlete Meeting with Athletic Director and Coaches** – Theater – FA100
 - All Students not in Athletics: meet in cafeteria courtyard for Student Life Activities
- 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Afternoon Sessions
 - Technology, Log-In, Textbook Ordering, Financial Aid Steps & Plan for Payment Assistance in CS107
 - High Impact Activities with Faculty (sign-up will be at registration)

Returning Students: Returning students (including returning/former PSEO students) should not attend the morning Orientation unless you have volunteered to be a student leader with faculty. **Returning athletes are required to attend the 1:00 p.m. ALL STUDENT ATHLETE Meeting in the Theater - FA100 on Monday, August 24.**

IMPORTANT: Monday classes that begin at 4:00 p.m. or later will be held on August 24.

Classes that begin earlier than 4:00 p.m. will not be held.

Off-Campus Students: To purchase meal plans, please see Tammy in the cafeteria for a contract.

Questions? Contact your [Vermilion academic advisor](#) for assistance.

We look forward to welcoming you to campus for Fall 2026!