






# ROAR 2025

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
	<b>FRIDAY, AUGUST 22</b>	
8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b><u>Check In</u></b> Student check-in times will be separated alphabetically by last name: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A-E: 8 a.m.–9:30 a.m.</li> <li>• F-L: 9:30 a.m.–11:00 a.m.</li> <li>• M-R: 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.</li> <li>• S-Z: 12:30 p.m.–2:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Commuters: 2:00–3:30 p.m.</li> </ul>	Check-In: Ferguson Math and Science Center  Move-In: Residence Halls
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<b><u>Lunch</u></b> New students will be able to swipe in using their board meals. Credit card payment is available for family members + guests wishing to eat at the dining hall.	Pittman Dining Hall
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	<b><u>Welcome to ROAR—Opening Session</u></b>  Welcome to ROARientation at MHU! Here, you will hear from Brooklyn Hunter, Director of Student Activities, and Dave Rozeboom, VP for Student Life. You will also meet your Lion Leaders, learn some team spirit, and get ready for a weekend of traditions and fun!	Moore Auditorium
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b><u>Students Meet in Color Groups with Lion Leaders</u></b>	Day Hall Parking Lot
5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b><u>Families + Guests Gather for March through the Arch</u></b>	College Street
5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<b><u>March Through the Arch</u></b>   New MHU students will participate in our ceremonial “March through the Arch” led by President Floyd and Lion Leaders. This tradition officially marks the beginning of a new Lion’s journey at MHU. Lions complete their journey when they walk through the arch on graduation day at the end of their time at MHU.	College St. Arch







First-Year Athletes Present






Color Team Points







MHU Tradition

6:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.	<b><u>President + Parent Send-Off</u></b>  Families, guests, and students will hear from President Floyd as they prepare for their final goodbyes! Tissues provided!	Sunken Garden
6:15 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b><u>Paws To Celebrate</u></b> Families and guests are invited to enjoy a light reception, while the Office of Advancement and Alumni Relations shares information about staying connected to campus. They will also share some giveaways to remind you: you're officially part of our community now, too!	Sunken Garden
6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<b><u>Tacos and Tie Dye</u></b>    After the goodbyes, it is time to head to your first activity as an official MHU Lion! Tacos and Tie Dye is another tradition for new students. At this activity, you will get to meet the Residence Life team, hang out with other new students and your Lion Leaders, eat some delicious food, and create your very own "I Belong at MHU" tshirt! This will also be your first activity to start earning points for your Color Team!	Tent on Intramural Field (behind Pavilion)










SATURDAY, AUGUST 23		
9:50 a.m.	<b><u>Lion Leaders Meet with Color Team</u></b> Check your text messages to see where your Color Team is meeting to walk over to the 2025 Class Picture!	Dependent on Color Team
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	<b><u>2025 Class Picture</u></b>  Our Lion Leaders and Marketing team will work together to organize your class into a giant group photo to commemorate your incoming class! Smile pretty!	Meares Stadium (Football field)
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b><u>FYM Prides Meet/ Student Success Panel</u></b>   At this informational session, you will get to meet your First Year Mentors, interact with a Student Success panel, and meet your Academic Success Coaches. Afterwards, your First Year Mentors will take you to small group technology sessions to help you feel prepared for your MHU 101 classes!	Chambers Gym
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b><u>Lunch</u></b> New students can use their board meals to eat in the dining hall. If they wish to eat with their First Year Mentors, there will be tables set up in Redway Dining sorted by First Year Mentor groups.	Pittman Dining Hall



1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<b><u>Color Assemblies (rotating)</u></b>   Color assemblies allow you to move through various informational sessions with your Color Teams to learn more about important resources on campus! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Title IX Info Session with Jennie Matthews, Director of Human Resources,</li> <li>• Cothran Center overview with James Knight, Director of Cothran Center for Career Readiness,</li> <li>• Campus Involvement, Student Orgs, Intramurals, and PAWS credits with Brooklyn Hunter, Director of Student Activities,</li> <li>• Counseling resources and information with Cynthia Cox, Director of Counseling Services, and</li> <li>• a Lion Leader activity to walk away with an MHU keepsake!</li> </ul>	Location Dependent on Session  Students are asked to stay with Color Groups as they will rotate through all sessions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Session: 1:00–1:25</li> <li>• Second Session: 1:30–1:55</li> <li>• Third Session: 2:00–2:25</li> <li>• Fourth Session: 2:30–2:55</li> <li>• Fifth Session: 3:00–3:25</li> </ul>
3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b><u>TAKE A BREAK!</u></b> Take a nap, unpack, hang out with your new friends! See you at dinner!	
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	<b><u>Dinner with Color Team</u></b> Eat with your new friends or you can find your Color Teams and Lion Leaders set up in Redway Dining Room inside Pittman Dining Hall.	Pittman Dining Hall
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<b><u>Res Hall Meetings</u></b>  After dinner, head back to your residence halls to meet with your Resident Advisors (RAs) to learn information about living on campus and anything else you might need to know from Res Life!	Residence Halls
7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	<b><u>Football Scrimmage</u></b>  Come support your MHU Lions for our first “game” of the year! Wear your best MHU gear and find your Color Team Lion Leader to earn color points participation for showing some school spirit!	Meares Stadium

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24		
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b><u>Sunday Morning Worship Service</u></b> Chaplain McLeskey and an MHU worship team will be leading a worship service for those interested in religious life on MHU’s campus!	Broyhill Chapel
9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b><u>Brunch</u></b> Enjoy brunch on your own at the dining hall as you gear up for a full, final day of ROAR!	Pittman Dining Hall



2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<b><u>Getting Ready with Color Teams</u></b>  <p>Join your Color Team to gear up for our next tradition! Dress up in your team colors, get hyped, slap on some face paint, and get ready to put your ALL into our next activity!</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pink Team- The Loft</li> <li>• Red Team- Blue Lounge in Wren</li> <li>• Blue Team- Ferguson Atrium</li> <li>• Green Team- Belk Auditorium</li> <li>• Purple Team- Fellowship Hall</li> </ul>
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b><u>Color Wars</u></b>    <p>Join your Color Teams for a series of competitions, relays, and activities to earn the most Color Points participation so far! Show off your team spirit by dressing up in your team colors and getting involved in all of the activities! This is MHU's most colorful tradition!</p>	Intramural Field
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<b><u>TAKE A BREAK!</u></b> <p>You may want to take this opportunity to take a break and go get cleaned up before dinner and our next traditions with the President!</p>	
4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b><u>Dinner</u></b> <p>Dinner is on your own tonight! Don't forget to come to the next tradition at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel!</p>	Pittman Dining Hall
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<b><u>True North</u></b>    <p>True North is yet another tradition at MHU. At True North, Chaplain McLeskey and a student speaker will help you orient yourself to prepare for life as a new Lion!</p>	Broyhill Chapel
8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	<b><u>Traditional Hat Signing</u></b>   <p>Our final ROAR tradition: our Hat Signing event! You will get a free MHU Lions hat and Sharpie that you will then ask your new friends, classmates, Lion Leaders, and the President to sign like a yearbook! Display it in your room, on a bookshelf, or wear it around campus. Either way, you walk away with a fun memory/keepsake!</p>	Community Life Pavillion, Intramural Field, Fire Pit, Parking Lot
10:00 p.m. – 1 a.m.	<b><u>Back to the Hill Bash - CAB EVENT</u></b> <p>Come to the Loft to celebrate the beginning of the school year with new and returning students. Hosted by the Campus Activities Board!</p>	The Loft





MONDAY, AUGUST 25 ADVISING DAY		
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>Academics and Advising</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Explore important academic and advising info with Dr. Parsons, Dean, Division of Professional Studies and Social Sciences, and Ryan Bell, Director of First Year Academic Success.	Moore Auditorium
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>MHU 101 Meet-Up and Advising, Placement Testing</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Meet with First Year Mentors and Advisors to review your classes.</b>	See Locator Guide
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	Pittman Dining Hall
12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	<b>Find your classrooms and Textbook pickup</b> <b>Locate your classrooms, and pick up your textbooks in Cornwell Hall.</b>	Cornwell Hall
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>First Generation Info Session and Mixer</b> Are you a first generation college student? If yes, join Lisa Wachtman, Senior Director of Student Persistence, for an info session on resources and a light reception.	Renfro Library 205
4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	<b>Transfers Mixer</b> <b>Are you a Transfer student? Come meet, mingle and munch snacks with other Transfer students.</b>	Ferguson Atrium First Floor
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Internationals Mixer</b> <b>Are you an International student? Come meet, mingle and munch snacks with other International students.</b>	Ferguson Atrium First Floor
5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b>Commuters Mixer</b> <b>Are you a Commuter? Come meet, mingle and munch snacks with other Commuting students.</b>	Ferguson Atrium First Floor
6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Convocation &amp; Call to Honor</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chaplain McLeskey will officially begin our 2025 school year with our Convocation and Call to Honor Ceremony!	Moore Auditorium
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	<b>Post-Convocation Event - ROAR Closing Assembly</b> Join Brooklyn Hunter, Director of Student Activities, and the Lion Leaders for light snacks, yard games, and our official end to ROAR as we announce the 2025 winning Color Team and group photo!	Ellen Amphitheater

