First Days events provide a formal introduction to Williams College and all class members are expected to attend all functions. Events marked with an asterisk (*) are REQUIRED of all first-year students. All of the events listed provide an opportunity for you to learn about Williams and your new classmates. It is hoped that you will attend all of them. Please note the Swim Test Requirement and times scheduled for the test.

**A Note on Meals**

Meals for first-years begin with picnic lunch and dinner on Wednesday, August 31st. You will receive a wristband to wear throughout First Days. This will identify you for meals. All meals will be served according to this schedule. Please follow the dining hall times and locations. Frosh Quad (Williams and Sage) at Whitman's Dining Hall; Mission Park Dorms (Armstrong, Pratt, Mills, Dennett) at Mission Dining Hall. (Board Meal Plans begin with dinner on Wednesday, September 7th.)

**DAY 1  WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31ST**

8:00am  Dorms Open
         EPHMOOOVERS will be available to assist as needed

8:00am-2:00pm  Community Resource Fair  Paresky Center

11:00am-1:30pm  Williams Community Welcomes First-Year Families  Chapin Lawn
         Luncheon Hosted by EphVentures Programs

1:30pm  Welcome To Williams!
         Parents' Program  ‘62 Center for Theatre & Dance
         Adam Falk, President of the College
         Sarah Bolton, Dean of the College, Professor of Physics
         Lili Rodriguez, Director of the Multicultural Center
         Ruth Harrison, Director of Health Services
         David Boyer, Director, Campus Safety & Security
         Rick Spalding, Chaplain to the College

3:00pm  Meeting For Parents Of Student Athletes  Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall

4:00pm  * First Entry Meeting  FY Entries
         (Hosted by JAs for all First-year students)

5:30pm  * VOICES: Community on Campus  ‘62 Center for Theatre & Dance

7:30pm  Community Building Night's First Dinner  Towne Field House

10:00pm  * Entry Discussions & Ice Cream Snacks  Assigned By Entry
Breakfast
Whitman’s Dining Hall
7:00am - Group A (Sage)
7:45am - Group B (Willy)
Mission Park Dining Hall
7:00am - Group C (Mills/Dennett)
7:45am - Group D (Armstrong/Pratt)

Placement Examinations

• Arrive 10 minutes early!
• All students are required to fill out a student information questionnaire and to take the Quantitative Skills Assessment. You will need a #2 pencil. No calculators are allowed at the Quantitative Skills Assessment.
• Placement examinations in the languages are required only of students planning to continue a language they have already begun to learn.
• The exam in chemistry is required of students who wish to place out of Chemistry 151 into Chemistry 153 or 155. Students wishing to take the exam should remember to bring a calculator. Following the exam each student is required to meet with a faculty member for an advising session.
• The exam in biology is required of students who wish to place out of Biology 101.
• The exam in physics is required of students wishing to place out of Physics 141.
• The exam in music is required of students who wish to place out of Music 103-104.

9:00am • quantitative Skills Assessment & ACE Questionnaire
Williams Hall & Dennett 2-3: Bronfman 002
Dennett 4: Bronfman 103
Mills 4: Bronfman 104
Mills 2-3: Bronfman 105
Sage Hall & Armstrong 2-4: Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall
Dennett/Mills 1 & Armstrong/Pratt 1: Bronfman 106
Pratt 2-4: Lawrence 231

10:30am Placement Examinations
Biology: Bronfman 106
Chemistry: Chemistry 123
Chinese: Hollander Hall 241
French: Bronfman 002
German: Hopkins B03
Japanese: Hollander Hall 258
Music: Bernhard Music 30
Physics: Physics 114
Spanish: Testing to be done online
Instructions to follow via e-mail

1:30pm Placement Examinations
Biology: Bronfman 106
Chemistry: Chemistry 123
Music: Bernhard Music 30
Physics: Physics 114

Please consult the Department Chair(s) if you are unable to take all of the placement examinations you wish.

3:00pm • Class Photograph (rain or shine) www.panfoto.com
Paresky Center

4:00pm • First Class Meeting, Welcoming Remarks ‘62 Center for Theatre & Dance
Adam Falk, President of the College
Sarah Bolton, Dean of the College, Professor of Physics
Dave Johnson, Dean of First Year Students and Associate Dean of the College
Lili Rodriguez, Director of the Multicultural Center
Francesca Barrett ’12 and Nick Fogel ’12, Co-Presidents of the College Council
Roop Dutta ’12, Chair, Minority Coalition
Zach Evans ’12, All Campus Rep with Focus on Community & Diversity
Mindy Lee ’12, Neighborhood Representative
Inan Barrett ’13 and Scott Fyall ’13, Co-Presidents of the JAs
This meeting concludes with singing “The Mountains,” the College Song.
Living in Your Williams Community

**Groups A and B**

5:00 - Dinner - FY Group A (Willy Entry)
Whitman’s Dining Hall
5:30 - Dinner - FY Group B (Sage Entry)
Whitman’s Dining Hall
[arrive at ‘62 Center for Theatre & Dance by 6:15pm for seating]

6:30-7:15pm ★ “Speak About It” ★
[assigned seating]

8:00pm
Discussions for FY Groups A&B with JAs
Sage A - Greylock A  Willy A - Greylock C
Sage B - Hopkins 108  Willy B - Bronfman 106
Sage C - Bronfman 104  Willy C - Griffin 4
Sage D - Griffin 5  Willy D - Bronfman 103
Sage E - Bronfman 105  Willy E - Thompson Bio 202
Sage F - Makepeace  Willy F - Hopkins 206

**Groups C and D**

5:30 - Dinner - FY Group C (Mills/Dennett Entry)
Mission Park Dining Hall
6:00 - Dinner - FY Group D (Armstrong/Pratt Entry)
Mission Park Dining Hall
[arrive at ‘62 Center for Theatre & Dance by 8:00pm for seating]

8:15-9:00pm ★ “Speak About It” ★
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9:30pm
Discussions for FY Groups C&D with JAs
Armstrong/Pratt - Bronfman 104  Mills/Dennett - Makepeace
Armstrong 2 - Greylock A  Mills 2 - Greylock D
Armstrong 3 - Hopkins 108  Mills 3 - Bronfman 105
Armstrong 4 - Bronfman 103  Mills 4 - Griffin 4
Pratt 2 - Griffin 5  Dennett 2 - Thompson Bio 202
Pratt 3 - Bronfman 106  Dennett 3 - Greylock C
Pratt 4 - Paresky 220  Dennett 4 - Hopkins 206
Breakfast

Whitman’s Dining Hall
7:00am - Group B (Willy)
7:45am - Group A (Sage)

Mission Park Dining Hall
7:00am - Group D (Armstrong/Pratt)
7:45am - Group C (Mills/Dennett)

* Registrar’s Information Sessions  Wege Auditorium

8:30am  Sage (Group A)
9:15am  Willy (Group B)
10:00am  Mills/Dennett (Group C)
10:45am  Armstrong/Pratt (Group D)
2:00pm  ALL members of TEAM EPH attend this session (not the morning sessions)

Financial Aid Meetings  Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall

9:00am  Groups C & D (see above)
10:00am  Groups A & B (see above)

These meetings are required for all first-year financial aid recipients. International and First Generation students do not need to attend unless they were not able to attend this meeting during their Orientation.

11:30am  “Looking Ahead To Academic Life”  ’62 Center for Theatre & Dance

Sarah Bolton, Dean of the College, Professor of Physics
Joyce Foster, Director of Academic Resources
Wendy Raymond, Professor of Biology
Bernie Rhie, Assistant Professor of English
Will Su ’12, Student Chair of the Honor Committee
Oscar Calzada ’12, Student Speaker

12:30-2:00pm  Lunch: JAs And Their First Years  Entry Assigned Dining Halls

EphVentures Registration  Paresky Center Steps

All Programs EXCEPT TeamEph need to register

2:00-4:00pm  WOOLF
After registration, all WOOLFies meet by 5:00pm at Towne Field House

3:00-4:00pm  Bridges
Meet in front of Brooks Rogers on plaza immediately after registration
Exploring the Arts
Meet at Registration Table immediately after registration
Where Am I?!
Meet at Registration Table immediately after registration

Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays
September 3, 4 & 5 • Labor Day Weekend

EphVentures!
1:00pm  Meeting:  Pre-Engineering  Paresky Room 114
This meeting with the pre-engineering advisor is recommended for all potential pre-engineering first-year students.

1:30pm  Meeting:  Pre-Health Professions  Paresky Auditorium
This meeting with the pre-health professions advisor is required for all potential pre-medical, pre-veterinary, and pre-dental first-year students.

2:30pm  Meeting:  Pre-Education  Paresky Room 220
This meeting is recommended for all first-year students interested in the Program in Teaching.

3:00pm  Meeting:  Pre-Everything Else  Paresky Auditorium
Meet the staff of the Office of Career Counseling and get a head start on learning about the resources available as you explore career options during your summers and life after Williams.

2:30-5:00pm  ACADEMIC EXPO  Paresky Center
Division I - Languages and the Arts
Arabic - Art - Russian - Linguistics - Literary Studies
Classics - Comp - Art History - Spanish - Studies
English - Literature - Critical - Art Studio - Theatre
Japanese - French - Languages - Dance - Chinese
Music - Latin - German - Greek

Division II - Social Studies
Africana Studies - Interdept'mental Studies - International Studies - Political Economy
Economics - Legal Studies - Science & Tech Studies - Sociology
History of Science - Religion - Asian Studies - Cognitive Studies
Leadership Studies - Anthropology - History - History
Psychology - Experimental Studies - First Year Res. Seminar - Latino/a Studies
American Studies - Studies - Jewish Studies - Political Science
Environmental Studies - Philosophy - Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies

Division III - Science and Mathematics
Astronomy & Astrophysics - Chemistry - Math & Statistics - History of Science
Biochem/Molecular Biology - Computer Science - Neuroscience - Psychology
Biology - Geosciences & Maritime Studies - Physics - Physics

Other Programs Present:  Williams Mystic, Reference Librarians, Math/Science Resource Center, Peer Tutor Program, Study Skills

5:30-7:00pm  Dinner With JAs  Entry Assigned Dining Halls

7:00pm  * Second Entry Meeting with JAs  Lasell Gymnasium

8:30pm  SWING DANCE WORKSHOP  Lasell Gymnasium
Meet new people, have fun.........no shoes on dance floor - socks or bare feet only! All are invited, and no dance experience is necessary!
While the swim test is a REQUIREMENT of all Williams students, it is designed to be a safe and comfortable experience for everyone. Williams has always felt (since 18???) that it is vitally important that all graduates leave here with the ability to swim. If, for reasons of religious observance or gender identity/expression, you would prefer to take the swim test in a private setting we are willing to work with you on an alternative to this schedule. Please contact Dean Dave Johnson at david.c.johnson@williams.edu or Dean Laura McKeon at laura.b.mckeon@williams.edu with any questions or concerns.

Swim Test Note
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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH CONTINUED**

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**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH**

**First Day of Classes!!**

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### JUNIOR ADVISORS  
**to THE CLASS OF ’15**

#### MISSION PARK

**ARMSTRONG**

2—Cat Tremble, Javier Mariscal  
3—Erica Wu, Danny Schwartz  
4—Christine Hulsizer, Cary White  

**PRATT**

2—Sarah Freymiller, Haotian Xu  
3—Haley Eagon, Scott Symonds  
4—Nneka Dennie, Charlie Sellars  

**ARMSTRONG/PRATT**

1—Anna Marrs, Jay Mehta  

**DENNETT**

2—Amanda Correnti, Jordan Roberts  
3—Aimee Dennett, Joe Leidy  
4—Krista Pickett, Chris Gay  

**MILLS**

2—Becca Nichols  
3—Yiqin Jiang, Doug Ballanco  
4—Andrea Lindsay, Isaac Maze-Rothstein  

**DENNETT/MILLS**

1—Caroline Wilson, *Scott Fyall  

#### FROSH QUAD

**SAGE**

A—Kat Amano, Patrick Lin  
B—Abbi Davies, Greg Eusden  
C—*Inan Barrett, Evan Grillon  
D—Olivia Foley, Stan Monfront  
E—Kelsey Roggensack, Hrishi Srinagesh  
F—Holly Fisher, Alex Wheelock  

**WILLIAMS**

A—Katie Holmes, KC Murphy  
B—Marissa Thiel, Thomas Daubert  
C—Alli Rubin, Peter Christiani  
D—Celeste Berg, Andrew Bishop  
E—Ivory Goudy, Michael Ormsbee  
F—Shenai Williams, Kaison Tanabe  

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