

Gather Us In: A Passport to Community

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

12:00 – 1:00 pm

**LUNCH FOR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMUTER
STUDENT INSIGHTS**

President's Dining Room

Lunch conversation with Rev. Paul Ortiz, Director of Residential Ministries, to get tips for residential students and insight on how to navigate the commuter student relationship, and more. Grab lunch from Loder Café, and meet Paul in the President's Dining Room.

1:30 – 4:30 pm

CAMPUS TOURS (HOURLY)

Starting Point: Lobby of Main Building

Join returning students on a 45-minute journey through campus that will highlight things you need to know to be successful at Garrett-Evangelical.

1:30 – 4:30 pm

**PASSPORT TO ORIENTATION: OPPORTUNITY FAIR &
ORIENTATION CHECK**

Loder Lobby

Meet key department/program staff and explore opportunities for involvement at Garrett by completing your passport to orientation. Students who complete the orientation passport will receive Garrett swag and this year's limited edition, "We Are Garrett" orientation T-shirt. Visit the following tables to complete your orientation passport and receive your orientation T-shirt:

- Take a photo for your Garrett photo ID
- Receive campus housing and parking information
- Sign up for Thursday night Evanston After Dark activities
- Complete your ESQ online and other orientation online forms
- Meet StuCo Leaders and sign up to be involved in student organizations
- Get support setting up your online accounts – e.g., Moodle, etc....
- Meet the Office of Academic Affairs staff and pick up a fall course schedule
- Meet Styberg Library staff and obtain pertinent information
- Meet Institutional Advancement staff and write a thank you note to donors
- Meet the Chapel Staff and sign up to participate in worship during orientation and throughout the academic year
- Greet Admissions & Financial Aid staff and receive Financial Aid Handbook
- Learn about ways to be spiritually formed during your seminary journey
- Complete your Viet Nom Nom restaurant order for Thursday's lunch
- NU Health Insurance information. Get your insurance questions answered!

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2:30 – 3:15 pm

**THE IT CROWD: EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY
OVERVIEW AND SET UP SUPPORT**

Room 205

Bring your laptop and join Ms. Tina Shelton, Assistant Registrar and PhD Coordinator and Academic Affairs as they share a presentation about educational technology at Garrett and assist students with setting up online accounts (e.g., Moodle, etc. . . .). This will be your only opportunity to receive guided tech support during orientation.

4:30 pm

**I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR
ICE CREAM!**

The President's Home

Join President Rector, Office of Student Life & Field Education staff, and returning students for an ice cream social and orientation kick-off at the President's home.

7:00 – 8:30 pm

**CHOIR PRACTICE & WORSHIP PREPARATION FOR
WEDNESDAY (ALL ARE WELCOME)**

Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful

Want to be involved in worship? This is a really good way to do so. Join the Chapel team in the Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful to prepare for opening worship. You can volunteer to read scripture, pray, or sing in the choir! All are welcome – really!

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- 8:00 – 8:45 am** **CHECK-IN AND LIGHT BREAKFAST**
Cross Tower
Enjoy a continental breakfast with coffee, juice, and water to energize you for the day. Be sure to check in with orientation volunteers to receive your nametag before entering the sanctuary.
- 8:20 – 8:50 am** **FINAL CHOIR PRACTICE & WORSHIP PREPARATION**
(ALL ARE WELCOME)
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- 9:00 am** **WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Welcome new students! Join the Orientation Team in Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful for words of welcome and opening remarks from Dr. Lallene Rector, President; Dr. Luis Rivera, VP for Academic Affairs and Academic Dean; the Rev. Becky Eberhart, VP of Student Services; the Rev. Benjamin Ledell Reynolds, Dean of Students; and Dr. Tercio Junker, Dean of Chapel.
- 9:10 am** **GATHER US IN: OPENING WORSHIP SERVICE**
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Worship is an essential aspect of our life together at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary. We have worship opportunities three days a week! Start the day off right with a Service of Word led by the Chapel. Dr. Brook Lester, Assistant Professor of Hebrew Scripture, Director of Digital Learning and StuCo Faculty Advisor, preaching.
- 9:50 am** **THINKING THEOLOGICALLY: A FACULTY PANEL ON**
TRANSITIONING TO SEMINARY
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Dr. Luis Rivera, VP for Academic Affairs and Academic Dean, will lead the faculty panel in a discussion about how to think theologically and other tools for academic success at Garrett.
- 11:00 am 11:15 am** **THE BEST PART OF WAKING UP... COFFEE BREAK**
Styberg Library

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- 11:15 am** **STYBERG LIBRARY: LIBRARY SCAVENGER HUNT**
Styberg Library
Come explore the hidden treasures of the library with Dr. Jaeyeon Lucy Chung, Director of the Styberg Library and Assistant Professor of Pastoral Theology, and the entire library staff. You won't want to miss this fun, interactive opportunity to familiarize yourself with library staff, resources, and facilities.
- 12:30 pm** **LUNCH AND VIEW: STUDENT PERSPECTIVES ON LIFE AT GARRETT-EVANGELICAL**
Room 205
Join current students for this time of casual conversation where you will hear various perspectives on courses, community life, and much more!
- 1:30 pm** **“SCHOOL DAYS” – OR, “LISTEN, LEARN, READ, THINK AND WRITE THEOLOGICALLY”: AN INTRODUCTION TO ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND CRITICAL THINKING AND ACADEMIC WRITING WORKSHOP**
Room 205
Come meet the Office of Academic Affairs staff. The staff will provide a general overview of academics at Garrett-Evangelical and the services the office provides. Krista McNeil, Director of Academic Studies and Registrar; and Dr. Diane Capitani, Director of the Writing Center will lead a workshop on critical thinking and academic writing. (An opportunity to write and receive feedback.)
- 2:30 pm** **CONCURRENT PROGRAM & CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS**
Various Locations (see below)
Join the Office of Academic Affairs and program directors for an in-depth overview of your degree program. Learn more about the curriculum, what to expect over the next few years, and how to make the most of your time at Garrett-Evangelical.
- **Master of Divinity, MAMM, Concentrations and Certification Programs** Room 205
Dr. Ron Anderson, *Ernest and Bernice Styberg Professor of Worship*;
Ms. Andrea Leftwich, *Academic Advisor and DMin Coordinator*
 - **Master of Theological Studies**, Room 210
Dr. Julie Duncan, *Associate Professor of Old Testament and Director of the MTS Program*
 - **Master of Arts, BGTS and MACE**, Room 211
Dr. Virginia Lee, *Associate Professor of Christian Education and Director of Deacon Studies*

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- **Master of Divinity/Master of Social Work, Room 207**
Krista McNeil, *Director of Academic Studies and Registrar*
Ms. Tatianne Butler, *Enrollment Advisor – Loyola University School of Social Work*
- **MAPM – Room 108**
Dr. Timothy Eberhart, *Assistant Professor of Theology and Ecology and Director of Master of Arts in Public Ministry*
- **MAPCC – Room 107**
Drs. Trina Armstrong, *Associate Professor of Practical Theology and Pastoral Care* and Rolf Nolasco, *Professor of Pastoral Theology*
- **MASFD – Room 301**
Dr. Frederick Schmidt, *Rueben P. Job Associate Professor of Spiritual Formation*

- 2:30 pm** **PhD ORIENTATION (required for all PhD students),
Room 208**
Meet Dr. Charles Cosgrove, Professor of Early Christian Literature and Director of PhD Program for opportunity to receive directions for successful PhD studies at Garrett-Evangelical.
- 3:30 pm** **SNACK BREAK**
Cross Tower
Need a snack to make it through the end of the day? Swing by the snack tables in Loder Lounge as you prepare for the Self-Care conversation.
- 3:45 pm** **SELF-CARE: STAYING SANE IN SEMINARY**
Room 205
Maintaining your mental and spiritual health is essential to your success in seminary! Join Dr. Trina Armstrong, Associate Professor of Practical Theology and Pastoral Care, for this conversation that will highlight resources for mental and spiritual health.
- 4:45 pm** **CLOSING REMARKS AND DISMISSAL**
Room 205
- 6:00 pm** **OPTIONAL EVENING ACTIVITY:
POTLUCK WITH STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**
Loder Lobby/Cafe
Join the Office of Student Life, StuCo and all of the Student Organizations for fellowship that fosters a sense of hospitality at Garrett-Evangelical. Come out, enjoy a potluck-style meal and learn more about Garrett-Evangelical in this less formal setting. Don't worry about bringing a dish! Middlers and seniors will provide it all!

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6:00 pm **PhD STUDENTS DINNER**
President's Dining Room
*PhD students will get their food from the potluck and meet Drs. Charles
Cosgrove and Luis Rivera for conversation.*

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- 8:00 am** **QUEERIENTATION FOR LGBTQ+ STUDENTS AND ALLIES**
Room 205
Come grab granola bars, fruit, coffee, juice, and water to energize you for the day and join Sacred Worth and Student Council to learn more about Garrett-Evangelical and queer issues on and off campus. You will meet the Co-Conveners: Anthony Aguinaldo, Jamie Sladkey, Shelby Ruch-Teegarden and Taylor Webster and celebrate, "All persons are of Sacred Worth!"
- 9:10 am** **RECLAIMING GOD'S TIME: AN INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNITY WORSHIP**
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Join Dr. Tercio Junker, Dean of the Chapel, and the Community Worship Life team for morning devotion and an information session about ways you can be involved in worship life throughout your time at Garrett-Evangelical.
- 9:50 am** **THE OTHER VITAMIN C: COFFEE BREAK**
Cross Tower
- 10:15 am** **GET IN FORMATION:
AN INTRODUCTION TO THE OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE**
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
The Office of Student Life (OSL) is the central hub of community life. Join the Rev. Benjamin Ledell Reynolds, Dean of Students; Cassidhe Hart, Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Students and the entire OSL team as they share more about community life, vocational services, diversity, and doing life together at Garrett-Evangelical.
- 11:15 am** **POLICY JEOPARDY: STUDENT HANDBOOK OVERVIEW**
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Explore the student handbook with OSL staff and familiarize yourself with key policies and procedures that will make your transition to Garrett-Evangelical more seamless.
- 12:30 pm** **LUNCH WITH FACULTY ADVISORS – MASTERS DEGREE STUDENTS**
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Grab lunch in the Cross Tower and meet your faculty advisor and orientation peer advisors for conversations about pertinent registration information at G-ETS.

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2:00 pm

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FIELD EDUCATION

Room 205

Come hear from Drs. Ken Ehrman and Lisl Paul about opportunities for contextual learning and ministry through the Offices of Field Education.

3:00 pm

THE OFFICE: A CONVERSATION WITH THE BUSINESS OFFICE AND RESIDENTIAL MINISTRIES STAFF

Room 205

“My fridge is broken!” “My tuition is due!” “I need to schedule space for a meeting!” “Uh oh – I’ve got a campus safety issue!” To whom would you address these concerns? Join the entire Business Office staff to learn more about the many services the office provides, campus safety, and more!

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6:00 pm **OPTIONAL EVENING ACTIVITY: EVANSTON AFTER DARK**

Meeting Location: Office of Student Life

3rd Floor lobby

Garrett-Evangelical is located in the beautiful suburb of Evanston, Illinois on the campus of Northwestern University! Join current students for evening excursion into Downtown Evanston and other communities surrounding Garrett-Evangelical. Meet in the Office of Student Life at 6:00 pm sharp and head out for night out.

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- 8:00 – 8:30 am** **CHECK-IN AND LIGHT BREAKFAST**
Sanctuary for Prayer Art and Creative Expression
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
- 8:30 am** **GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**
Room 205
- 8:35 am** **STEWARDSHIP MATTERS: MEET THE OFFICE OF**
INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT
Room 205
Words of welcome and remarks will be offered by Joe R. Emmick, Vice President for Development, and the entire development and alumni relations team.
- 9:00 am** **BILLS, BILLS, BILLS, OR, SHOW ME THE MONEY:**
FINANCIAL AID
Room 205
When will my aid be disbursed? Join the Jason Gill, Director of Financial Aid, for more information about all things financial aid.
- 10:00 am** **GOOD ‘TIL THE LAST DROP:**
SEMINARY SERVICE COFFEE BREAK
Cross Tower
Meet your ‘Companion On the Journey’ during the last coffee break of orientation.
- 10:30 am** **CREATING BELOVED COMMUNITY:**
CONVERSATION ABOUT EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND
INCLUSION AT GARRETT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful
Come hear from Rev. Taurean Webb, Interim Director of the Church in the Black Experience and PhD Student; Dr. Débora Junker, Assistant Professor of Christian Education and Director of the Hispanic/Latinx Center; and Dr. Anne Joh, Professor of Theology and Culture and Director of the Asian/Asian American Center and listen to highlights of the vision for creating the beloved community at Garrett-Evangelical.

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11:30 am **THEMED WORSHIP: CLOSING WORSHIP, SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE**

Chapel of the Unnamed Faithful

Join the entire Garrett-Evangelical community for closing worship led by the Dr. Tercio Junker and the entire chapel staff. Katie Fahey, preaching and presiding.

12:30 pm **ORIENTATION CLOSING CELEBRATION & COMMUNITY COOKOUT**

On the deck Join the entire Garrett-Evangelical community for food and fun on the patio as we celebrate the conclusion of New Student Orientation. Vegetarian? Vegan? Gluten free? Don't worry! We've got you covered!