



# THE SMITTY SCOOP

PROVIDING NEW STUDENTS & FAMILIES THE "INSIDE SCOOP"

MAY 5, 2025





## WELCOME TO THE SMITTY FAMILY!

We're so glad you're joining us this Fall as a new student/family! We will be sharing information weekly with you to keep you up to date on everything you need to do to prepare for the Fall semester!

**Questions?** Let us know! Reach out to Jessica, Director, First Year Experience via email at [jappleby@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:jappleby@paulsmiths.edu) or via phone/text at 518-327-6142

The main resource for newly deposited students is the [Application & Enrollment Portal](#) and helpful [Pre-Arrival FAQ portal](#)

## SMITTY ORIENTATION

Have you signed up for your [Smitty Orientation](#) yet?  
Check out more information below!

### Smitty Orientation Schedule

#### Smitty Orientation #1:

May 30, 2025 - May 31, 2025

#### Smitty Orientation #2:

June 6, 2025 - June 7, 2025

## MAKE YOUR PLANS FOR MOVE-IN, AUGUST 21, 2025

New student move-in will take place Thursday, August 21, 2025 between 9:00am-1:00pm. We're so excited to welcome you to your new home this Fall!

*Note—some Fall athletics teams will have varied move-in dates. Please check directly with your coach*

Check out our full [Academic Calendar](#) online—make sure to select 2025-2026 to see this Fall!



## TALKING COLLEGE

## FAQ

### Q: Where do families stay during Orientation?

**A:** While students stay in our college dorms, we have a list of suggested accommodations for family/friends below:

If you require local accommodations, several lodging partners are listed at the bottom of our visit page:

<https://www.paulsmiths.edu/visit>.

Want to get the full Adirondack experience and camp for **free**? You can reserve a campsite at our [Alumni Campground here](#), make a note that you are family of a new student and the fee will be waived!

### Q: When will the Housing Portal open to select Housing?

**A:** The Housing Portal will be available for incoming students in early June—stay tuned for more information regarding housing options and how to select housing! Questions? Reach out to Residence Life and Housing via email at [residencelifeandhousing@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:residencelifeandhousing@paulsmiths.edu).

## ATTENTION - Culinary & Baking Students!

If you are starting in the Culinary or Baking programs this fall make sure to stop by the Mercantile table during orientation.

We will be in the Pine Room from 9:00am-10:30am on Saturday, May 31 and Saturday, June 7 for you to try on uniforms and place your orders to make sure you get the right size.

If you can't make it to orientation, you can go to the link below to place your order.

**You must place your orders by July 1 to ensure that your uniform arrives in time for the first week of classes.** If you have any questions feel free to email [pscbookstore@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:pscbookstore@paulsmiths.edu)

### Order Link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/a2NcHXxdrx>

*Each week we will share a discussion prompt for students and families that support a successful transition to college.*

How much sleep do you need on an average night to function well?

Will your college schedule (including our particular course of study and other work/activity commitments) allow for these hours?

*Source: Talking College Card Deck: [ambrenner.com](http://ambrenner.com)*

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# PRE-ARRIVAL CHECKLIST

## Update and Complete Your Pre-Arrival To-Do Checklist

Questions about your pre-arrival checklist? We're here to help!

Contact Admissions: [admissions@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:admissions@paulsmiths.edu)

**\* Important Notes:**

- The health insurance site will open for opt/out on July 2<sup>nd</sup> (the deadline will be September 26, 2025)
- Bills sent out on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and due on August 4<sup>th</sup>
- The new student housing application opens in June.

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- **Financial Aid:** [financialaid@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:financialaid@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6248
  - **Student Accounts:** [studentaccounts@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6204
  - **Residence Life:** [residencelifeandhousing@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:residencelifeandhousing@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6493
  - **Health Services:** [healthservices@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:healthservices@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6349
  - **Registrar's Office:** [registrar@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:registrar@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6231
  - **Information Technology:** 518-327-6465
  - **Admissions:** [admissions@paulsmiths.edu](mailto:admissions@paulsmiths.edu) | 518-327-6227

- **LET'S HEAR FROM ... YOU**

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