

FIRST YEAR SOAR SCHEDULE

for Students



CHECK-IN, REFRESHMENTS, AND TABLING

8 a.m. | Live Oak (LOP), Union Lobby, & Grand Palm (GP)
You will have the opportunity to engage with members of our campus community and learn about ways to get prepared through tabling sessions.

WELCOME TO FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

9 a.m. | Carole & Barry Kaye Auditorium (CBK)
This session includes an overview of the Student Orientation, Academics, & Resources (SOAR) program, a welcome from your University President, and an introduction to important campus officials and the 2026 Orientation Leaders (OLs)!

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Financial Aid and Tuition & Billing

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OWL NECESSITIES

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10:15 a.m. | CBK
Every Owl must complete specific tasks before coming to campus. Hear from the Business Services and the FAU Campus store on how to get prepared for the new year!

OWL READY

Dean of Students, University Police, and Emergency Management

10:35 a.m. | CBK
FAU is committed to your well-being and safety during your time with us. This session will introduce you to our Dean of Students, Police Department, and Emergency Management areas.

A GUIDE TO ACADEMIC SUCCESS

University Advising Services & Center for Teaching and Learning

11 a.m. | CBK
Academics are a critical part of a student's college experience. This session will help our students understand who is here to support them and how to best utilize academic services during their first year.

OWL INTO GRADUATION

Career Center, Colleges, and University Advising Services

11:45 a.m. | Grand Palm, Live Oak, MPR
Now is the time to start planning! Students will meet with their academic college and engage with staff from the FAU Career Center and University Advising Services.

PARLIAMENT GROUP MEETING #1

12:45 p.m. | LOP, GP, and House Chambers
These small groups are led by one of the OLs and will allow time to receive answers from a peer's perspective. Get ready to connect, be vulnerable, and dive into becoming part of our Owl Family.

LUNCH AND OWL CARD PICK-UP

1:15 p.m. | Atlantic Dining Hall

OPTIONAL HOT SPOTS TOUR

1:35, 1:50, 2:05 p.m. | NHJA tents (near SU-80)

OPTIONAL INVOLVEMENT BREAKOUTS

Student Engagement, Career Center & CTL

2:00 & 2:30 p.m. | GP, House Chambers, etc.
Choose one or two breakout sessions to gain a deeper understanding of that area and connect with like-minded peers.

- Campus Recreation
- Experiential Learning & Internships
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Owl Media
- Programs and Traditions
- Student Government
- Student Organizations
- Weppner Center for Lead and Service-Learning

CREATING AND PROTECTING TRADITION: CAN YOU LEAVE YOUR MARK?

Student Alumni Association

3 p.m. | CBK
What is a tradition? Get ready to bring the energy, pride, and noise as you learn what it means to be an Owl. In this session, the Student Alumni Association will show you what makes Florida Atlantic special from gameday to the breezeway and discover how traditions are built, carried on, and made by students like you.

PARLIAMENT GROUP MEETING #2: CHOICES

NSTFE and Health & Wellness

3:35 p.m. | CBK & Various
College life presents numerous opportunities. Join the OLs for an engaging and interactive session that explores the different choices you may encounter throughout your Florida Atlantic experience.

RESIDENTIAL- BUILDING YOUR BURROW: HOW TO FIND YOUR HOME AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC

Housing & Residential Education

4:45 p.m. | CBK
Moving onto campus can be nervous and lonely. Come talk to our Housing office about how to make FAU your home!
Students must have a housing assignment to attend this session

NON-RESIDENTIAL -BUILDING YOUR BURROW: HOW TO BUILD YOUR COMMUNITY AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC

NSTFE and SAI

4:45 p.m. | Live Oak
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PARLIAMENT GROUP MEETING #3

5:20 p.m. | Various

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FAMILY PARLIAMENT: BUILDING A VILLAGE

New Student Transitions & Family Engagement

11:45 a.m. | CBK
This session will allow family members to mix, mingle, and get to know more about others in the room, while learning how the university can support your transition

SUPPORTING YOUR STUDENT: A LOOK INTO MENTORING AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC

Presidential Mentoring Programs

12:15 p.m. | CBK
Supporting your student is more than just academic resources. Learn more about how Florida Atlantic helps inspire the future through mentoring and how you can give back to others.

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LET'S FOCUS ON INTERSHIPS

Career Center

2:30 p.m. | LOP
For many students, the first year of college is a time to make important decisions about their major and future career. In this discussion, the FAU Career Center will guide you with information on how YOU can assist in your student's success.

ONE OWL FAMILY, ENDLESS CONNECTION

Alumni & Community Engagement and Athletics

3:10 p.m. | LOP
Alumni or not, we want you to be involved! Join our Florida Atlantic Alumni and Community Engagement team, along with Athletics, to explore meaningful ways to engage in our programming while supporting our students and the Owl community.

REAL TALK: MENTAL HEALTH & LEAVING THE EMPTY NEST

3:40 p.m. | LOP

Vice President's Office, Counseling & Psychological Services

Sit down with our Vice President for Student Affairs & Director of Counseling and Psychological Services in this one-of-a-kind session about letting go and learning how to be a new kind of support in your student's life.

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