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## Class of 2021—Ready to Launch



Start packing, because next week is it! Things are hopping here on campus as we get ready for you to move in and join the Saint Mary's family during Weekend of Welcome. We know you will succeed—here's how to make SMC work for you. Don't forget [Your Path to Saint Mary's](#), where everything you need to know is in one place online.

### Move-In

Thursday, Aug. 24, 8–11 a.m.



We promise (well, almost) that your parents will not have to carry a thing, thanks to our fab teams of student movers. [Watch our students in action!](#) Students move in according to last name: A-L, 8–9:30 a.m.; M-Z, 9:30–11 a.m.

### Road Closures

Heads up! Leave some extra time to get here as several roads may be closed during orientation and move-in. Part of Moraga Way is closed 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays near Glorietta Boulevard; traffic will be detoured around construction. The Rheem Boulevard and Center Street intersection will be closed to traffic. Detours will redirect traffic on Rheem Boulevard back to Glorietta Boulevard, and traffic on Moraga Road toward either Moraga Way or Lafayette.

### Weekend of Welcome

Get ready to meet the WoWies, who will lead you through [four days of activities, including the New Student Convocation, an advising meeting, and a nighttime carnival](#) (don't forget to sign up for off-campus trips!). And get your groove on for the weekend by downloading our [Move In Spotify playlist](#).

### Sustainable Style

[Check out this video of what happened when the class water bottles arrived on campus.](#) You'll get yours during Weekend of Welcome (students voted on the winning design).



## Important Things to Know

### End-of-Summer Checklist

From meal plans to parking permits, [there are lots of things you can take care of before you arrive on campus.](#)

### Fall Class Schedules

Fall course schedules are now posted on GaelXpress, under "My Class Schedule." If you do not see your classes listed, contact the Advising Office at [tao@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:tao@stmarys-ca.edu).

### First-Year Tips

Nervous about the first day of school? Want to make the most of your four years? You're not alone. [Here's some savvy advice from SMC students and alumni who have been through it.](#)

### Check Your SMC Email Address

Keep checking your SMC email address ([abc1@stmarys-ca.edu](mailto:abc1@stmarys-ca.edu)—included in your Get Ready packet) for important information. Can't find yours? Call IT Services at (925) 631-4266.

### Download the MyPath App

MyPath is a mobile app that helps organize your college life at Saint Mary's. Get information about deadlines, events, and activities; sync classes and dates to your calendar; and explore majors and careers. Search "Guide College Simplified" from your app store or [MyPath online](#).

## Dive In



## Get Involved

There are many ways to plunge into the Saint Mary's community and meet new people, from joining the very vocal Gael Force sports fans to study abroad and community service with CILSA. Explore your options at the Involvement Fair, Aug. 30, 12–2:30 p.m.

## Inside Scoop

Looking for outdoor adventure? The best coffee in town? Try heading off campus to take a break, get fresh air, and explore everything from kayaking and hiking to free concerts and disc golf. For an inside peek into off-campus activities, good eats, where to buy more Gael gear, and your Student Success Office coaches, [check out the SMC Insider](#).

## #GreenGaels Yard Sale

Still need a lamp or mini-fridge? Check out the #GreenGaels Yard Sale, [Saturday, Aug. 26](#), 12:30–7 p.m. and [Sunday, Aug. 27](#), 8 a.m.–5 p.m. on the Library lawn. Donated during last year's move-out, items range from furniture, electronics, and kitchenware to clothes and school supplies. [Learn how to get involved with sustainability on campus](#).

## Student Jobs

There are [lots of jobs on campus—part-time and full-time](#)—plus opportunities off campus like childcare positions and internships through GaelLink, which will open to first-years soon. Stay posted for details on the job fair Oct. 4.

## Social Media

Join the [Class of 2021 group on Facebook](#) to connect with current and future Gaels. Follow Saint Mary's on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Snapchat](#), and tag your posts with [#omgsmc](#), [#gaels2021](#), or mention [@stmarysca](#). Use [#gaels2021](#) during orientation, summer get-togethers, and Weekend of Welcome to connect with other incoming first-years.



Even more questions? Contact the Office of New Student and Family Programs at (925) 631-4647

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