Friday, August 28, 2015

**Denotes session for family and friends

9:00am-12:00pm:  **Check-in, Pollock Hall**  
Obtain your welcome packet and residence keys. Submit IT and health forms. Talk with financial aid and billing staff. Representatives from area banks, community organizations, and local businesses will be on hand.

9:00am-2:00pm:  **Student ID and Parking Permit, Withey Hall Basement**  
Bring your smile and get your photo id, and parking permit in the campus security office.

9:00am – 1:00pm:  **Free Store, Withey Basement**  
Forgot something at home? No problem! Head to the free store in the Withey Basement where you can browse through dorm room and school supplies and take whatever you need – for free! Sponsored by your friendly Sustainability Office.

10:00am-2:30pm:  **Self-Paced Computer Orientation for New Students, 1st floor, Griswold Library**

12:00pm-1:30pm:  **Lunch, Withey Dining Hall**

2:30pm-3:00pm:  **Student Welcome, Ackley Theater**  
President Paul Fonteyn, faculty, and campus leaders welcome new students to Green Mountain College.

**3:00pm-4:00pm:**  **Family & Friends Session, East Room, Withey Hall**  
Join staff and faculty for some light snacks and informal conversation. Representatives from a variety of offices will be on hand to answer questions you may have.

3:00pm-4:00pm:  **IMAGES of Nature Session, Ackley Theater**  
Begin your Images of Nature experience! Meet your classmates and the student teaching assistant who will be supporting your class this fall. Returning students will share some experiences they had when they first arrived at GMC and what it is like to be a student here.

3:00pm-4:00pm:  **GMC 101 Session, Ackley Theater**  
Students not enrolled in Images of Nature will attend this session. Hang out with student leaders and meet other new students. Returning students will share some experiences they had when they first arrived at Green Mountain College and what it is like to be a student here.

4:00pm-5:00pm:  **Family and Friends Departures**  
Meet up with your student and say final good-byes. Be sure to visit for Alumni and Family Weekend, September 25-27.

4:30pm-5:00pm:  **Transfer Student Get-together, Meet in Withey Buttery**  
Transferring into Green Mountain College? Connect with new transfer students and also meet returning students who also entered Green Mountain College from a previous school.

5:00pm-6:00pm:  **Dinner, Withey Dining Hall**

6:00pm-7:00pm:  **Floor Meetings, Meet on your resident hall floor**  
Meet your floor mates and share your thoughts about what you want your community to be.

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12:30pm-1:30pm: 3-Bin Basketball Tournament, Withey Hall Entrance
The 3-Bin Basketball Tournament will test your aim and your waste-diversion know-how. Individuals have to pick out which ‘waste’ item goes into which hoop. Can you score the most points? Can you win the coveted Light-Frisbee? Your brain and your aim will decide.

1:00pm-2:30pm: Surviving College: Stress 101, Withey Gorge
Learn the three types of stressors, the warning signs of too much stress, and learn what they should look for during the first few weeks of the school year. Participants will also leave with a holistic understanding of stress management as well as tools they can implement immediately to keep them balanced and healthy during this time.

1:00pm-3:00pm: New Student Computer Orientation, 2nd Floor PC Lab, Griswold Library
Computer Services orientation class sessions, on the hour, 45 minutes duration.

3:00pm-5:00pm: IMAGES of Nature Class, Meet in your IMAGES classroom
Join up again with your classmates and teaching assistant for an insider’s tour of GMC. Meet your IMAGES of Nature instructor for your first official class!

3:00pm-5:00pm: GMC 101 Class, Withey East Room
Students not enrolled in Images of Nature will attend this class. Join up again with your classmates and teaching assistant for an insider’s tour of GMC. GMC 101 will help you get to know your school even better and prepare for your first day of class.

5:00pm: Student, Staff and Faculty Dinners, Dining Hall
Join GMC faculty and staff for a special dinner. Students will attend this dinner with their IMAGES or GMC 101 classmates and instructor. Please bring your own water bottle or mug.

7:00pm-11:00pm: Glow-in-the-Dark Yard Games, Vegan S’mores, Movie, Campus Lawn
Enjoy a Vermont summer night playing glow-in-the-dark volleyball, football, bocce, Frisbee and soccer. Hang out at the Waldren Athletic Center fire pit and make some vegan s’mores. Watch the movie, SPY, at 8:30pm behind Ackley Hall.

Sunday, August 30, 2015

8:00am-9:00am: Continental Breakfast, Withey Dining Hall

9:00am-4:00pm: Self-Paced Computer Orientation for New Students, 1st floor, Griswold Library

9:00pm-5:00pm: Textbook Pick-Up, Book Depot, Smith Lounge, Withey Hall 301
Bring your student ID and pick up your fall semester textbooks.

10:00am-Noon: Reading Assessment, Griswold Library
The reading assessment is required of all students unless exempt. Results of the assessment are used strictly for the differentiation of instruction in order to promote optimal learning for all students. Please arrive at the following times based on your last name starting with the letters: A-H at 10:00am, I-M at 10:30am, N-S at 11:00am, and at T-Z 11:30pm. For more info, please visit the check-in table.

11:00am-1:00pm: Brunch, Withey Dining Hall

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Noon-1:00pm: Honors Program Meet-Up, Withey Dining Hall
Meet current members of Green Mountain College’s Honor’s Program during brunch and learn about the program.

1:00pm-2:30pm: Natural Areas Walk & Invasive Species Removal, Meet at Withey Hall
Did you know that most Green Mountain College land is natural area? Come learn about the vital role students play as stewards of the land through leave-no-trace principles and get your hands dirty pulling invasive species.

1:00pm-3:00pm: Coffee Hour & Safe(r) Zone Training, Coffee House, Moses Hall Basement
Interested in being a visible ally for queer and LGBT Green Mountain community members? Safe(r) Zone is a community support system in which participants are provided with the knowledge and information necessary to help those in search of more information on topics related to gender and sexuality.

1:00pm-4:00pm: New Student Computer Orientation, 2nd Floor PC Lab, Griswold Library
Computer Services orientation class sessions, on the hour, 45 minutes duration.

2:30pm-4:30pm: Cerridwen Farm Meet-Up, Solar Harvest Center
Want to get involved with food and farming at Green Mountain College? Take this opportunity to learn about GMC’s own Cerridwen Farm and meet other students interested in food and farming.

3:00pm - 4:00pm: Yoga, Meet at Withey Lobby
Relax, re-center and reenergize yourself. Bring your own yoga mat if you have one, otherwise one will be provided for you.

4:30pm-6:00pm: BBQ and Concert, Cree Lawn
Join faculty, staff, and returning students for a campus-wide BBQ and local bluegrass music performed by the Poultney Bluegrass Society.

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