New Student Orientation is a three-day, two-night program where all students stay overnight on campus and get their first glimpse of life at Hofstra.

Please refer to this checklist as you prepare for New Student Orientation. The list will help ensure that you don’t forget anything you might need during the program! Please contact us at orientation@hofstra.edu or 516-463-4874 with any questions or concerns.

- A laptop and compatible laptop charger (You will use this to look up classes for which to register prior to meeting with your advisor.)
- Pillow, sheets (twin XL), blankets, and towel
- Your cell phone and charger
- Watch or alarm clock to keep yourself on schedule
- Your Hofstra ID number (70X-XX-XXXX) and portal password
- Any medications or daily prescriptions you may need
- Hygienic needs, i.e., body wash, hand soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, personal care products
- Comfortable clothing and shoes (We walk a lot!)
- Sweatshirt or jacket (All rooms and facilities are air-conditioned.)
- Pajamas
- Workout clothes (if you want to participate in an optional trip to the Hofstra Fitness Center)
- Umbrella or rain gear (just in case)
- Spending money for the bookstore and/or vending machines on campus
- Water bottle and snacks (We provide three meals a day, but feel free to bring snacks and beverages for throughout the day/evening.)
- Dance majors must bring dance shoes and clothes (You will meet with representatives from Hofstra’s Dance Department during Orientation.)
- A government-issued ID, i.e., driver license or passport (You will need this in order to take your HofstraCard photo.)
- Your copy of the common reading book for the model class.

Finally, don’t forget …

- Send official transcripts for Advanced Placement credit, college credits, or credits for any other special programs to the Office of Undergraduate Admission.
- Take your language and math assessment.
- Submit verification of immunization for measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR), if it is not already on file with the University. It is extremely important that each student provides the University with updated verification of vaccinations. Students who do not comply with this New York state law will be removed from classes. Contact the Student Health and Counseling Center at 516-463-6745 with any questions.