

East Central University

Tiger Prep Fall 2024

Schedule

Welcome to Tiger Prep Fall 2024. We are excited to have you join our family this year and to join us in this special weekend built just for you. This weekend's events are designed to help you develop relationships, knowledge, and skills that will help you to have a successful start to your college career.

Below you will find the schedule for the weekend, please note that some events are required for new students, some are optional, and some are for your parents. Please make sure to not miss anything important.

IMPORTANT ITEMS:

UNV1001 Passport: Events with a passport stamp can be used to meet part of the UNV1001 Passport assignments. More about this will be shared during your UNV1001 class time on Saturday morning.



Student ID: If you do not yet have your ECU Student ID it will be important to first stop by the [Information Desk in the Bill S. Cole University Center](#) to get your ID before moving into the Residence Halls. Bring your student schedule or another document with your ECU Student ID number and a legal form of identification to obtain your Student ID.

Parking Tags: If you will be using a car to commute to campus, or have a car while residing on campus you must get an ECU Parking Tag at the [Information Desk in the Bill S. Cole University Center](#). Please get your parking tag during Tiger Prep weekend. You will need to have car model, make, color, year and license plate information in order to obtain your parking tag.



Google Maps

Interactive Schedule: This schedule is interactive and has embedded links to help you navigate to locations. Click on building names and locations and Google Maps will open with directions on how to get to the desired location.

Friday 16 August 2024

9:00AM – 12:00PM: Residence Hall Move-In (**At assigned time**)

[Pesagi Hall](#)

[Pontotoc Hall](#)

*New students will check in to their residence halls **at their assigned time**- Check your ECU email for an email message with instructions from the ECU Housing Office. Take this opportunity to meet your roommate and unpack.*

11:00AM - 1:00PM: Lunch

[Taff Cafeteria](#) /Local Restaurants

Have lunch at Taff Cafeteria or try a local restaurant. If you have signed up for a meal plan you can use your Student ID to scan into the cafeteria. Parents or those without a selected meal plan will have the option of paying with cash or credit/debit card.

1:00PM – 1:30PM: Commuter Tiger Prep Check-in [Lockmiller Lobby – Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center](#)

All commuter students must check in to Tiger Prep.

1:30PM - 2:00PM: Welcome and Parent/ Student Convocation

[Ataloa Theatre](#)

*The President welcomes students and families to ECU. Begin with the End in Mind – Every stage of life has a beginning and an end. The end is graduation – this is the beginning ceremony of your journey at East Central University **Required for all (Commuter and Campus Residents) new students.***

2:00PM - 3:00PM:

Student/Faculty Division Event

*For new Students only. Students will be led to department locations from the Welcome Event. **Required for new students.***

Parent Meeting

Parents remain in [Ataloa Theatre](#). Various presenters will share tips on how to partner with ECU and your student for their success.

3:00PM – 5:00PM: On Your Own

- *Explore campus.*
- *Get ready for dinner.*
- *Rest, set up your room, hang out with family and new friends.*

5:00PM – 7:00PM: Dinner

[Taff Cafeteria](#) /Local Restaurants

*Enjoy a family meal together in Chartwells or at a local restaurant. Students with meal plans can eat at Chartwells as part of their meal plan. **This will be the time to say family goodbyes.***

Friday 16 August 2024 continued...

8:00PM – Midnight: Community Life Session & Res. Hall Meetings

[Ataloa Theatre](#)

***Required for new students living on-campus.** Learn what opportunities and responsibilities you have while being part of the ECU Community. After this event we will dismiss to required residence hall meetings and activities which will continue into the late evening.*

Saturday 17 August 2024

7:00AM - 9:00AM: Breakfast

[Taff Cafeteria](#)

11:00AM – 11:30AM: UNIV 1001 Kickoff

[Ataloa Theatre](#)



*Join your fellow classmates and UNV1001 Instructors to discover how to have a successful start to your academic career at ECU. Students will then be dismissed to various classrooms by Tiger Connect Section Number. **Required for all new first year students.***

11:30AM -12:15PM: UNIV 1001 Class (Session 1)

*You will meet with your UNIV 1001 Class to get the opportunity to know your instructor and classmates better. **Required for all new first year students.***

11:00AM -1:45PM: Taff Cafeteria will be open for Lunch.

[Taff Cafeteria](#)

2:00PM - 2:30PM: UNIV 1001 Class (Session 2)

*Continuation of UNIV 1001 Class. **Required for all new first year students.***

2:30PM - 4:00PM: Find Your Classrooms

This is a good time to find where all of your classrooms are located so that you don't get lost on the first day of school. Check into classroom buildings through main entrances.

[ECU Campus Map](#)

4:00PM - 5:00PM: Breakout Sessions



See Appendix A for Breakout options and locations. Breakout attendance is required for UNV1001. Earn a UNV1001 passport stamp at this event. Choose only one breakout session to attend.

Saturday 17 August 2024 continued...

5:00PM - 7:00PM: Dinner

[Taff Cafeteria](#)

7:00PM - 8:00PM: Welcome Home to the Dome, Held at Kerr Activities Center

[Kerr Activities Center](#)

Join your new friends at the basketball arena to learn about ECU traditions, meet our athletic teams and have an exciting night full of events with ECU Tiger Athletics.

9:00PM - 10:30PM: Glow Paint Party

[North Lawn](#) (Just North of the Football Stadium)

Put on some old white clothes and come to the Glow Paint Party where you will enjoy music, blacklights, and gallons of glow paint. The first 150 students to arrive will receive a free ECU T-Shirt.

Sunday 18 August 2024

E-Sports Lab

10:00AM - 1:30PM: Lunch

2:30PM – 3:30PM: E-Sports Open House

Come by the ECU E-Sports Lab, located on the second floor of the University Center Next to the Wellness Center to learn more about E-Sports at ECU and test out the facilities.

4:00PM – 5:00PM: Library Open House

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Stop by the library to explore the study areas and services that the library has to offer. Earn a UNV1001 passport stamp at this event.



5:30PM - 7:00PM: ECU Mall Crawl

CAMPUS MALL – Start East of Bill S. Cole University Center

*Join the community for one of ECU's favorite traditions – The Block Party – There will be music, give aways, and Student Clubs and Organizations will have booths for entertainment. Find and join some organizations that match your interests. Complimentary dinner will be served at this event. **The Taff Cafeteria will be closed for dinner so they can serve you at the Mall Crawl.** Earn a UNV1001 passport stamp at this event.*



Sunday 18 August 2024 continued...

7:00PM: Athletic Showcase

[Koi Ishto Stadium](#)

Discover the 2023 ECU Football teams new talent during an intra-squad scrimmage open to the community.

Monday 19 August 2024

8:00AM: Classes start

Make sure that you know where all of your classes meet before Monday so that you show up at the right place at the right time.

10:00AM – 1:00PM: Howdy Fair

[Bill S. Cole University Center Lawn](#)



Another ECU favorite tradition - Join the Ada Community as they welcome you to town. Discover the ways you can get involved locally as well as sample food from local restaurants and get free stuff! Earn a UNV1001 passport stamp at this event.

Appendix A

Tiger Prep 2024 Breakout Sessions

Saturday 17 August 2024: 4:00-5:00PM

Getting to Know the ECU Wellness Center (Gym)

Tommy Hewett, M.D. Wellness Center

Take a tour of the Wellness center and meet the Staff, get instruction on equipment, and learn about the services the Wellness Center offers to Students.



ECU Pride - Connecting with LGBTQQIA2S+ Students

CBCC 217

ECU PRIDE welcomes you to ECU! If you want resources for the LGBTQQIA2S+ and allies please attend our fun and interactive session. You will learn about the student group PRIDE and connect with students and staff on campus that will be there for you. Learn about the ECU PRIDE student organization as well as resources for LGBTQQIA2S+ students on campus.



Accessibility and ECU

CBCC 215

If you have a physical or mental condition that affects your education, you may be eligible to receive accommodations. Meet and Greet with Testing and Accessibility Staff. This is an opportunity to learn what we have to offer, and ask any questions you may have. We will give a brief introduction to Testing and Accessibility Services and Interpreter Services, as well as discuss documentation guidelines and frequently requested accommodations.



Explore the World with East Central University

CBCC 207

Students will be introduced to the Study Abroad Program and Faculty, and will learn about Study Abroad opportunities and programs at ECU.



Getting to Know Taff Cafeteria

Taff Cafeteria

Come to the Taff Cafeteria to meet the Staff. They will be giving a tour of the dining hall, sharing information on using the dinning hall, and menu items/services available to students. There will be an opportunity for Q&A.

