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## ACADEMICS AT LUTHER

### 2022–23 Academic Calendar

The 2022–23 academic year will kick off on August 31, with the fall semester's first day of class. We are looking forward to welcoming new and returning students into our classrooms, lecture halls, rehearsal rooms, and laboratories.

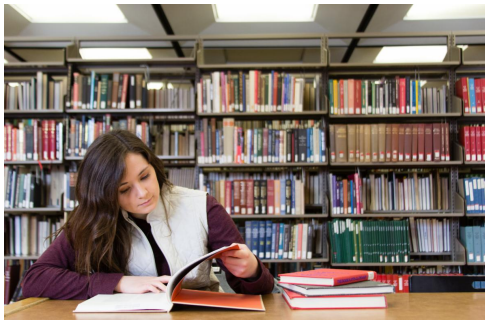
Some dates you may want to be aware of as the year begins:

- Friday, Sept. 23–Sunday, Sept. 25: Family Weekend
- Friday, Oct. 7–Sunday, Oct. 9: Homecoming
- Saturday, Oct. 15–Wednesday, Oct. 19: Fall vacation
- Wednesday, Nov. 23–Sunday, Nov. 27: Thanksgiving vacation
- Thursday, Dec. 1–Sunday, Dec. 4: Christmas at Luther
- Monday, Dec. 12–Thursday, Dec. 15: Final examinations

[See the full calendar](#)

### Spring 2022 Dean's List

In case you missed it while the Parent and Family Newsletter took a summer break, we released the Spring 2022 Dean's List. 678 students were named to the list by earning a semester grade point average of



3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale and completing at least 12 credit hours with 10 hours of conventional grades (A, B, C, D). [Read more](#)

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### Luther College Health Services now the Luther Clinic

Beginning this fall, Winneshtiek Medical Center will assume full responsibility for the health care services available to students on campus. The new model of care expands health care services for students and allows both organizations to focus on their areas of specialization: WMC in providing quality health care; Luther College in providing an exceptional education.

Descriptions of services and providers at the Luther Clinic may be found on the [Luther Clinic webpage](#). A printed brochure will be sent to all students through their campus mailboxes in the fall.

### Mental Health Services

As parents and family of college students, you likely know that [students today](#) have higher rates of depression, anxiety and other mental health disorders.

Mental Health services are provided through Luther College Counseling Service (LCCS) for students in a variety of formats. On campus support can be accessed via the [LCCS website](#).

An extension of LCCS is now being offered to all Luther students, regardless of location. This service is called [My Student Support Program \(My SSP\)](#). My SSP connects students with free, confidential mental health and wellbeing support conveniently available 24/7 via the My SSP app, telephone and web.



### First-Year Guide to College Transition

If your student is heading into their first semester of college, you may be looking for ways you can help coach them through this transition. A recent Luther grad put together some tips that she recommends. [Read more.](#)

## UPDATES & REMINDERS

### Financial Reminders

We would like to start off with a thank you for your patience as the college transitioned to a new phone system at the end of July. As our call volume continues to increase with the start of the academic year, please know that you can also email Financial Aid at

[finaid@luther.edu](mailto:finaid@luther.edu) or Student Accounts at [studentaccounts@luther.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@luther.edu) with your questions if you are unable to connect with us via phone.

- **Staff from the Financial Aid and Student Account offices will be available** 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, on the main floor of the Dahl Centennial Union to assist with documents and answer any questions.
- **If your student is planning to work during the first semester**, they must complete Federal and State W-4 Forms and the Federal I9 Form prior to beginning employment. The I9 must be completed in person and requires original documents proving identity and citizenship status. Please refer to the I9 for a list of acceptable documents.
- **Checks for outside scholarships** need to be brought to the Financial Aid Office so that they can be credited to the student's account.
- **Students can grant proxy access to their NorseHub accounts** so that parents or guardians can view financial aid offers, statement of account balances, and academic information electronically. Due to privacy rights, the college cannot share a student's information without their consent and the student can select the information that they want to share.
- **If the Financial Aid Office is missing documents** needed to complete a student's financial aid file, the student will receive an email approximately every two weeks asking them to review their missing documents on NorseHub and complete them.
- **Students are paid bi-weekly for any on-campus employment earnings.** The first payroll will be Sep. 28 for hours earned through Sept. 16, 2022.
- **Revised financial aid offers are no longer being mailed** to incoming students. Students are notified of revisions via an email message directing them to view the revised aid offer on NorseHub.
- **Tuition payments were due in full Aug. 10** or monthly payments can be scheduled. Monthly late fees of \$100 will be assessed on overdue balances above \$1,000. Contact Student Accounts at 563-387-1015 or email at [studentaccounts@luther.edu](mailto:studentaccounts@luther.edu) for questions.



## Book Shop Care Packages

Give your student the perfect welcome to Luther with a Back-to-School Care Package from the Book Shop! The Book Shop is offering [two different care packages](#), both created with help from Luther students and available to order on the [Luther Book Shop website](#). Care packages will be sent to your student's Student Post Office (SPO) box for them to pick up when they arrive on campus. Back-to-school shopping has never been easier!

## Have you joined the Parents and Family Facebook group?

If you're on social media, don't forget to join the [Luther College Parents and Family Network group](#) on Facebook. This is an active group that includes current parents and families as well as families of recent graduates and can be a great place to ask questions and make connections.





## New members to serve on Luther's Board of Regents

In June, President Jenifer K. Ward announced that Alessandro Raniolo '88, Leah Vriesman '88 and Liang Chee Wee will join the Luther College Board of Regents. [Read more.](#)

## CONNECT WITH CAMPUS



## Family Weekend September 23-25

Family Weekend is an ideal time for you to experience Luther College and to [explore Decorah](#). The weekend will be packed with athletic competitions (go Norse!), concerts, an all-college picnic, hiking and biking, shops and restaurants to explore, and so much more. We hope you'll be able to join us! [Learn more and register.](#)

