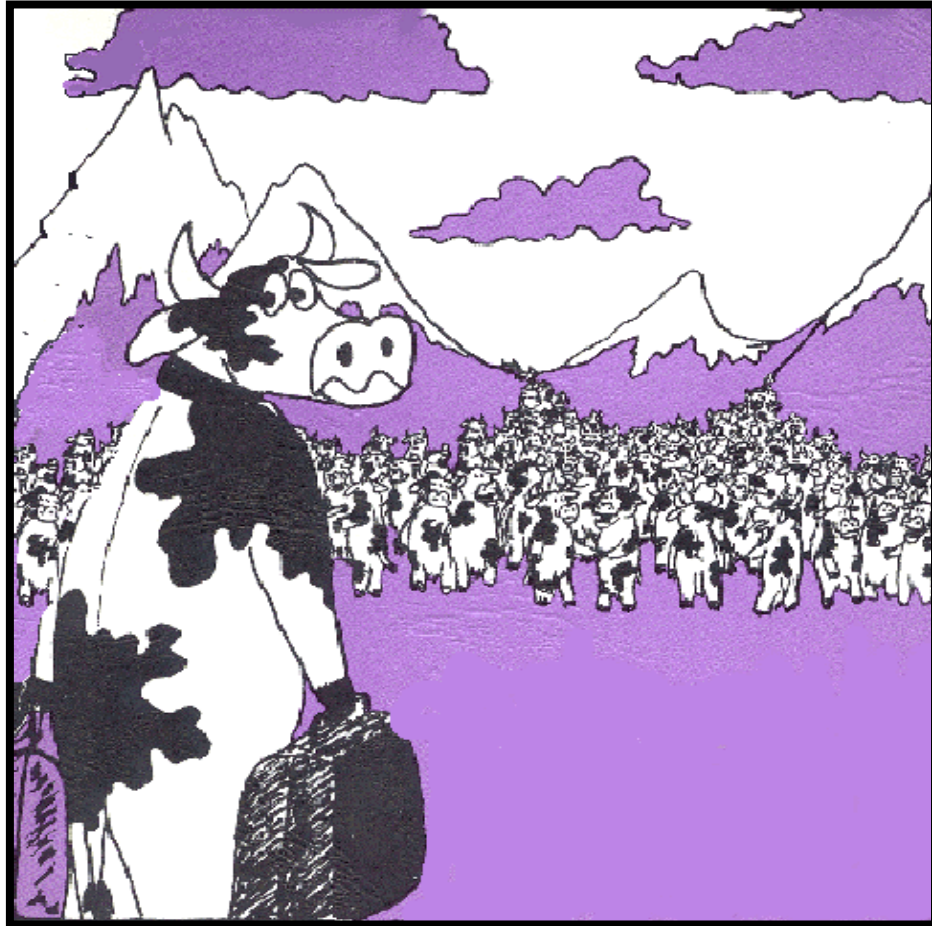


*Williams College
Class of 2013*



First Days

September 2-9, 2009

FIRST DAYS '09

Williams Welcomes the Class of '13!

First Days events provide a formal introduction to Williams College and all class members are expected to attend all functions. Events marked with an asterisk (*) are **required** of all first-year students. However, all of the events listed provide an opportunity for you to learn about Williams and your new classmates. It is hoped that you will attend all of them. Please make a special note of the Swim Test Requirement.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd

- 8:00am *Dorms Open - EphMoovers will be available to assist as needed*
- 1:00pm **WELCOME TO WILLIAMS!** (Parents' Program) Chapin Hall
William Wagner, Interim President of the College
Karen Merrill, Dean of the College
Mike Reed, Vice President for Strategic Planning & Institutional Diversity
Ruth Harrison, Director of Health Services
Rick Spalding, Chaplain to the College
Jean Thorndike, Director of Campus Safety & Security
- 3:30pm **ORIENTATION FOR PARENTS OF STUDENT ATHLETES** Brooks-Rogers
Recital Hall
- 4:00pm *** FIRST ENTRY MEETING** (Hosted by JAs) Entries
- 5:30pm **Community Building Night's FIRST DINNER** Mission Park
- 7:00pm *** VOICES: Community on Campus** '62 Center for Theatre & Dance
(Simulcast in AMT for Program Directors and Leaders)
- 9:30pm **Movie on the Quad** Chapin Lawn
- 11:00 pm **Ice Cream Snacks & Entry Discussions** JAs' Choice

A Note on Meals: Meals for first-years begin with dinner on Wednesday, September 2nd. All meals will be served in Mission Park Dining Hall according to the schedule below, with the exception of Wednesday's dinner which will be held in Dining Halls (as assigned by entry), and Friday's Picnic which will be held on Chapin Lawn, at the times indicated in the First Days calendar.

Sunday - Friday	Breakfast	7:30 am - 10:00 am
Saturday & Sunday	Brunch	10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Monday - Friday	Lunch	11:30 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday - Saturday	Dinner	5:00pm - 8:00pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd

PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS

- All students are **required** to fill out a student information questionnaire and to take the Quantitative Skills Assessment. You will need a #2 pencil. No calculators are allowed at the Quantitative Skills Assessment.
- Placement examinations in the languages are required only of students planning to continue a language they have already begun to learn.
- The exam in chemistry is required of students who wish to place out of Chemistry 151 into Chemistry 153 or 155. Following the exam each student is required to meet with a faculty member.
- The exam in biology is required of students who wish to place out of Biology 101.
- The exam in physics is required of students wishing to place out of Physics 141.
- The exam in music is required of students who wish to place out of Music 103-104.

(Please consult the Dean's Office if you are unable to take all of the placement examinations you wish.)

9:00AM	* QUANTITATIVE SKILLS ASSESSMENT & ACE QUESTIONNAIRE	
	<u>Williams Hall & Dennett 2-3:</u>	<u>Sage Hall & Armstrong 2-4:</u>
	Bronfman 002	Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall
	<u>Dennett 4:</u> Bronfman 103	<u>Dennett/Mills 1 & Armstrong/Pratt 1:</u>
	<u>Mills 4:</u> Bronfman 104	Bronfman 106
	<u>Mills 2-3:</u> Bronfman 105	<u>Pratt 2-4:</u> Lawrence 231
10:30am	PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS	
	<u>Biology:</u> Bronfman 106	<u>Music:</u> Bernhard Music 30
	<u>Chemistry:</u> Chemistry 123	<u>Physics:</u> Physics 114
	<u>French:</u> Bronfman 002	<u>Spanish:</u> Testing to be done online
	<u>German:</u> Hopkins B03	<i>(Information to follow)</i>
1:30pm	PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS	
	<u>Biology:</u> Bronfman 106	<u>Music:</u> Bernhard Music 30
	<u>Chemistry:</u> Chemistry 123	<u>Physics:</u> Physics 114

12:00pm **MULTICULTURAL CENTER LUNCHEON** *(by invitation only)* Morley Circle

3:30pm *** CLASS PHOTOGRAPH** *(rain or shine)* Paresky Center

4:00pm *** FIRST CLASS MEETING, WELCOMING REMARKS** Chapin Hall

William Wagner, Interim President of the College
Karen Merrill, Dean of the College
Mike Reed, Vice President for Strategic Planning & Institutional Diversity
Dave Johnson, Associate Dean of First Year Students
Lizzy Brickley '10 and Mike Tcheyan '10, Co-Presidents of the College Council
Lizzie Barcay '11 and Kwame Poku '11, Co-Presidents of the JAs
Neighborhood Representatives: Joya Sonnenfeldt '10, Sa-Kiera Hudson '11,
Kendra Sims '12, and JiJi Ahn '12
This meeting will conclude with the singing of "The Mountains," the College song.

~~~ LIVING IN YOUR WILLIAMS COMMUNITY ~~~

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|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5:00pm | <b>DINNER</b> <i>(assigned by entry w/JAs)</i>                        | Mission Dining                                                          |
| 6:00pm | <b>DINNER</b> <i>(assigned by entry w/JAs)</i>                        | Mission Dining                                                          |
| 7:00pm | <b>* SEX SIGNALS</b><br>Entry Discussions following each presentation | '62 Center for Theatre & Dance<br><i>(locations as assigned by JAs)</i> |
| 9:00pm | <b>* SEX SIGNALS</b><br>Entry Discussions following each presentation | '62 Center for Theatre & Dance<br><i>(locations as assigned by JAs)</i> |

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>

- 9:00am **FINANCIAL AID MEETING** Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall  
**STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES (A - L)**  
*This meeting is **required** for all first-year financial aid recipients. International and First Generation students do not need to attend.*
- 10:00am **FINANCIAL AID MEETING** Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall  
**STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES (M - Z)**  
*This meeting is **required** for all first-year financial aid recipients. International and First Generation students do not need to attend.*
- 10:00am **PAYROLL MEETING** Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall  
**STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES (A - L)**  
*This meeting is **required** for all first-year financial aid recipients. Be sure to bring all of your **COMPLETED** payroll forms: W-4, M-4, and I-9.*
- 11:00am **PAYROLL MEETING** Brooks-Rogers Recital Hall  
**STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES (M - Z)**  
*This meeting is **required** for all first-year financial aid recipients. Be sure to bring all of your **COMPLETED** payroll forms: W-4, M-4, and I-9.*
- 9:30am-  
1:30pm **CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR** Paresky Center
- 11:30am **\*WELLNESS AT WILLIAMS** Chapin Hall  
Karen Merrill, Dean of the College  
Ruth Harrison, Director of Health Services  
Scott Lewis, Asst. Professor of Physical Education & WOC Director  
Joe Moran, Manager of Environmental Health & Safety  
Rick Spalding, Chaplain to the College  
Jean Thorndike, Director of Campus Safety & Security  
Stephanie Boyd, Director of the Zilkha Center for Environmental Initiatives
- 12:30pm **FIRST DAYS PICNIC** Chapin Lawn  
*(Rain location Towne Field House)*
- 1:30pm **EPHVENTURES REGISTRATION - WOOLF ONLY** Paresky Center
- 4:00pm **EPHVENTURES REGISTRATION - Where Am I?! ONLY** Paresky Center
- 4:30pm **EPHVENTURES REGISTRATION - Exploring the Arts, BRIDGES, TEAMEPH, and LEADING MINDS** Paresky Center

**SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY (September 5, 6, and 7)**

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND**  
**EphVentures Activities**

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>

|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                    |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 11:00-11:30am | <b>REGISTRAR'S INFORMATION SESSION</b><br><i>(Where Am I?! and Exploring the Arts. If you cannot attend at this time, please see one of your program leaders.)</i>                                                                        | Paresky Auditorium |
| 11:30am-noon  | <b>REGISTRAR'S INFORMATION SESSION</b><br><i>(Bridges and Where Am I?! If you cannot attend at this time, please see one of your program leaders.)</i>                                                                                    | Paresky Auditorium |
| 1:00-1:30 pm  | <b>REGISTRAR'S INFORMATION SESSION</b><br><i>(Leading Minds and early WOOLF returnees. If you cannot attend at this time, please see one of your program leaders.)</i>                                                                    | Paresky Auditorium |
| 1:00pm        | <b>MEETING: PRE-ENGINEERING</b><br><i>This meeting with the pre-engineering advisor is recommended for all potential pre-engineering first-year students.</i>                                                                             | Paresky Room 114   |
| 1:30 pm       | <b>MEETING: PRE-HEALTH PROFESSIONS</b><br><i>This meeting with the pre-health professions advisor is required for all potential pre-medical, pre-veterinary, and pre-dental first-year students.</i>                                      | Paresky Auditorium |
| 2:30pm        | <b>MEETING: PRE-EDUCATION</b><br><i>This meeting is recommended for all first-year students interested in the Program in Teaching.</i>                                                                                                    | Paresky Auditorium |
| 3:00 pm       | <b>MEETING: PRE-EVERYTHING ELSE</b><br><i>Meet the staff of the Office of Career Counseling and get a head start on learning about the resources available as you explore career options during your summers and life after Williams.</i> | Paresky Auditorium |
| 3:30-4:00 pm  | <b>REGISTRAR'S INFORMATION SESSION</b><br><i>(WOOLF late returnees)</i>                                                                                                                                                                   | Paresky Auditorium |

2:30-5:00pm **ACADEMIC EXPO** Paresky Center

**Division I - Languages and the Arts**

|             |                    |         |                  |         |
|-------------|--------------------|---------|------------------|---------|
| Arabic      | Classics           | English | Japanese         | Music   |
| Art         | Comp Literature    | French  | Latin            | Russian |
| Art History | Critical Languages | German  | Linguistics      | Spanish |
| Art Studio  | Dance              | Greek   | Literary Studies | Theatre |
| Chinese     |                    |         |                  |         |

**Division II - Social Studies**

|                   |                         |                          |                    |                          |
|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Africana Studies  | Economics               | History of Science       | Leadership Studies | Psychology               |
| American Studies  | Environmental Studies   | Interdept'mental Studies | Legal Studies      | Religion                 |
| Anthropology      | Experimental Studies    | International Studies    | Philosophy         | Science & Tech Studies   |
| Asian Studies     | First Year Res. Seminar | Jewish Studies           | Political Economy  | Sociology                |
| Cognitive Studies | History                 | Latino/a Studies         | Political Science  | Women's & Gender Studies |

**Division III - Science and Mathematics**

|                           |                                |                   |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Astronomy & Astrophysics  | Chemistry                      | Math & Statistics | History of Science |
| Biochem/Molecular Biology | Computer Science               | Neuroscience      | Psychology         |
| Biology                   | Geosciences & Maritime Studies | Physics           |                    |

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup> (cont'd)

5:30pm      **DINNER WITH JAs**      Assigned by Entry

8:30pm      \* **"CLAIMING WILLIAMS"**      Chapin Hall  
*Kathryn Kent '88, Professor of English and Women's and Gender Studies*  
*(Entry discussions after program w/JAs)*

# WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>

## ACADEMIC ADVISING DAY

- 10:30am \* **WELCOME TO ACADEMIC LIFE:** Karen Merrill, Dean of the College Chapin Hall  
Keynote Address: *Effortless Perfection:* Wendy Raymond, Professor of Biology  
& Associate Dean for Institutional Diversity  
Exploring the Curriculum: Within & Beyond the Classroom: Janneke van de Stadt  
Academic Honesty: Mia DiSimone '10  
Academic Resources: Joyce Foster, Director of Academic Resources  
Advising Launch: Tony Coleman '10
- 11:30am \* **MEETING WITH FIRST-YEAR ACADEMIC ADVISORS**  
*After attending Welcome to Academic Life, all first-year students must go to their advisor's office for an initial discussion and to schedule individual advising sessions.*
- 1:00-4:00pm **WALK-IN HOURS @ REGISTRAR'S OFFICE** Hopkins Hall
- 2:00-4:00pm **OPEN HOUSE - CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES** Harper House
- 2:00-5:00pm \* **SWIM TEST** (see note below) Muir/Samuelson Pool in Chandler
- 2:30-4:30pm **MUSIC DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE** Bernhard Music Center
- 3:00-4:30pm **THEATRE DEPT. & DANCE DEPT. OPEN HOUSE** '62 Center
- 3:00-3:45pm **RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SCIENCES** Thompson Biology Lab 112
- 3:00 **ART STUDIO TOUR** First Floor Lobby of WLS Spencer Art Studio Building
- 3:15-6:30pm **FIELD TRIP TO CLARK ART INSTITUTE**  
*(Shuttle buses will run in 30-minute intervals from the Frosh Quad and Mission - JAs will have schedule by Entry)*  
*Note: Meal Plans Begin: Dinner is served in Dining Halls from 5:00-7:00pm*
- 8:00-11:00pm \* **SWIM TEST** (see note below) Muir/Samuelson Pool in Chandler
- 9:30 pm **SWING DANCE WORKSHOP** Lasell Gymnasium  
*Meet new people, have fun, and get a head start in the dating process!*  
*All are invited, and no experience is necessary.*

**SWIM TEST NOTE:** *While the swim test is a requirement of all Williams students, it is designed to be a safe and comfortable experience for everyone. Williams has always felt (since 18???) that it is vitally important that all graduates leave here with the ability to swim. If, for reasons of religious observance or gender identity/expression, you would prefer to take the swim test in a private setting we are willing to work with you on an alternative to this schedule. Please contact Dean Dave Johnson at [david.c.johnson@williams.edu](mailto:david.c.johnson@williams.edu) or Dean Laura McKeon at [laura.b.mckeeon@williams.edu](mailto:laura.b.mckeeon@williams.edu) with any questions or concerns.*



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>

## FIRST DAY OF CLASSES !!

|              |                                                                                                         |                   |
|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 6:30-8:00pm  | <b>PURPLE KEY FAIR</b><br><i>Information on College athletics, campus activities, and organizations</i> | Towne Field House |
| 8:30-11:00pm | <b>STUDENT JAMBOREE</b>                                                                                 | Chapin Hall       |

## JUNIOR ADVISORS TO THE CLASS OF '13

### MISSION PARK

#### **ARMSTRONG**

- 2—Anne Kerth, Evan Skorpen
- 3—Isaac Nicholson, Lauren Zurek
- 4—Jeff Putnam, Anna Soybel

#### **PRATT**

- 2—Janna Gordon, David Thompson
- 3—Ben Atkinson, Laura Corona
- 4—Daniel Costanza, Jillian Hancock

#### **ARMSTRONG/PRATT**

- 1—Danielle Diuguid, Kwame Poku\*

#### **DENNETT**

- 2—Mike Ryan, Maddy Wendth
- 3—Tina Meade, Henry Mills
- 4—Giselle Jiminez, Joey Kiernan

#### **MILLS**

- 2—Jared Johnson, Ryann Tookes
- 3—Chandler Sherman, Jack Wadden
- 4—Sarah Bender, Gary Roberson

#### **DENNETT/MILLS**

- 1—Ifiok Inyang, Ellen Ramsey

#### **SAGE**

- A—Tim Lengel, Caroline O'Connell
- B—James Allison, Taylor Shea
- C—Caitlyn Cain, Matt Masucci
- D—Evan Dethier, Becca Tyson
- E—Brittany Baker-Brousseau, Peter Gottlieb
- F—Harlan Dodson, Ariel White

#### **WILLIAMS**

- A—Kelly Lippman, Jon Morgenstern
- B—Susannah Eckman, Mike Leon
- C—Lizzie Barcay\*, Jonah Zuflacht
- D—Ari Binder, Chessie Jackson
- E—Alicia Cook, Will Harron
- F—Mopati Morake, Emily Studenmund

\* JA Co-President

### FROSH QUAD

