

Lakers Orientation 2025

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| Thursday August 21, 2025 | |
| 8:30am - 4:00pm | International Orientation <i>International Orientation - Registration Required</i> |
| Friday August 22, 2025 | |
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| 9:00am - 12:00pm | Early Move In <i>ATP (Accessibility Transition Program) Registration Required</i> Where: Chancellors House Your new home awaits! Residence and SAS staff will be ready to greet you and your supporters when you pick up your keys. Registration Required |
| 12:30pm - 2:00pm | Meet & Greet (with supporters) <i>ATP Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Centre Students and their supporters are invited to Join us for lunch. (Registration Required) |
| 2:30pm - 4:30pm | Fun & Games (students only) <i>ATP Registration Required</i> Where: SAS Office - B210 What a day! Come enjoy some friendly competition and connect with your peers. |
| Saturday August 23, 2025 | |
| 10:00am - 4:00pm | Undergraduate Move-In Day <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: At Your Complex Undergraduate Move-In Day Welcome to your NU Home! Once you've checked into your assigned complex, a member of the Residence Life Team will show you around your new room and give you important information to start the year off well. Remember to label your boxes with your name and suite/house number! |
| 7:30pm - 8:30pm | Meet Your Neighbours (MANDATORY) <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors, Founders, Governors: Your Floor Lounge or Don's Suite Townhouse Residence Complex: TRC Circle or Community House (#24) Drop by the lounge on your floor, or your Don's suite/house, for this MANDATORY meeting. Meet your new neighbours, learn some key information, and wear your floor/section t-shirt! |

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| 8:30pm - 9:30pm | Welcome Mixer <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors, Founders, Governors: Your Complex’s Assembly Room Townhouse Residence Complex: TRC Circle or Community House (#24) Enjoy this chance to meet the fellow residents of your complex, play games, and enjoy some snacks! |
| Sunday August 24, 2025 | |
| 10:30am - 1:00pm | Pancake Breakfast <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors, Founders, Governors: Your Complex Assembly Room Townhouse Residence Complex: Community House (#24) Bring your plate, cup, fork, and knife to the Assembly Room/Community House and start your morning right with a pancake breakfast prepared by your Residence Life Team! |
| 2:00pm - 3:00pm | Community Orientation (MANDATORY) <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors, Founders, Governors: Your Floor Lounge Townhouse Residence Complex: TRC Circle or Community House (#24) Learn more about residence, where you are living, and what to expect as you make the transition from home to university life. |
| 8:00pm - 9:00pm | Karaoke <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors & Founders: Chancellors' House Assembly Room Governors & Townhouse Residence Complex: Governors House Assembly Room Enjoy your favourite songs and sing your heart out! Chancellors and Founders will be hosted in the Chancellors House Assembly Room, and Governors and TRC will be hosted in the Governors House Assembly Room. |
| Monday August 25, 2025 | |
| 9:00am - 10:00am | Breakfast + Intro to Accommodations <i>ATP Registration Required</i> Where: A259 This will be a brief overview of how SAS supports students and the part YOU play in your success. |
| 10:00am - 11:30am | Understanding Accommodations <i>ATP Registration Required</i> Where: A259 This session will cover the following and include hands-on demonstrations. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration and Accommodation Planning• Note-Taking• Testing |

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| 11:30am - 12:00pm | Break+ Tour of Student Accessibility Services (SAS) <i>ATP Registration Required</i> |
| 12:00pm - 12:30pm | Adaptive Technology <i>ATP Registration Required</i> Where: Centre for Teaching and Learning - A250 This session will introduce students to different accessibility features and software available to everyone or as accommodations. |
| 1:00pm - 2:30pm | Banners & Cheers <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors, Founders, Governors: Your Complex’s Assembly Room Townhouse Residence Complex: Community House (#24) Gather the forces of your floor in the lounge to create a banner and cheer for the upcoming competition...! |
| 2:30pm - 4:00pm | House Cup <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors: Chancellors House Assembly Room Founders: Founders House Assembly Room Governors & Townhouse Residence Complex: Governors House Assembly Room Stand strong with your floor and compete for the title of Residence House Cup Champions! Present your banner, chant your cheers, and charge head-first into a variety of fun competitions! |
| 6:00pm - 8:00pm | Residence BBQ <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: All Complexes: Founders Field (between Founders House and Chancellors House) Head on over to Founders Field to enjoy some good food with friends during our BBQ, inter-residence cheer-off, and outdoor lawn games! |
| Tuesday August 26, 2025 | |
| 10:00am - 12:00pm | Opening Ceremonies <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: RJ Surtees Athletics Centre Welcome to OWLS Week! This is the kick-off ceremony to welcome all students and introduce you to the Lakers family. Find out what team you’re on and grab your OWLS Week Swag Bag! |
| 12:00pm - 1:00pm | Dean’s Lunch <i>OWLS WEEK - Open to All</i> Where: Harris Learning Library Grounds |
| 2:00pm - 5:00pm | Amazing Race <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: Parking Lot #5, Across from Governors House Residence Join the Amazing Race! Battle it out on campus grounds as you race the clock and other teams to the finish line. Answer clues, complete challenges, and make friends along the way! |

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| | <p>Alternative Programming - Explore the Downtown Core <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Parking Lot #5, Across from Governors House Residence</i> Take a bus downtown to explore what North Bay has to offer and hunt for the golden NUSU rock for extra goosechase points! This is a chill, low-key event to do some window-shopping or use some of those student discounts you now have! A list of locations with discounts and a map will be provided.</p> |
| 5:30pm - 7:00pm | <p>Tie-Dye <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: <i>Chancellors & Founders: Founders Field Governors & Townhouse Residence Complex: Governors House Courtyard</i> Join us for a relaxing evening of tie-dyeing! Lower complexes can head to Founders Field and upper complexes can join in the fun at the Governors House Courtyard. At each location, the first 24 people to arrive will receive a FREE bucket hat to tie-dye, after which the next 100 people at each location will receive a FREE pair of socks to dye! Don't worry if you're a little late - you are welcome to bring your own item!</p> |
| 6:00pm - 7:00pm | <p>Sexual Health Resource Fair by Consent Belongs Here <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (On the Rocks Bar Lobby)</i> Check out important resources in North Bay and here on campus in this educational resource fair.</p> |
| 7:00pm - 8:30pm | <p>Sexy Bingo <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (On the Rocks Bar)</i> Join the OWLS crew for a fun night of Bingo with a Sexy twist. Let's speak about consent, have fun and win prizes! Renowned Sex-ed Speaker Eva Bloom is here to deliver information, fun, and resources in a safe and friendly way in her Sexy Science Show & Tell</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Arts & Crafts <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (Lower Study Lounges)</i> Enjoy a wide variety of Arts and Crafts for this low-key alt. Program. Help yourself to small clay figurine making, tote bag painting, friendship bracelets, origami and much more.</p> |
| 8:30pm - 10:00pm | <p>Headphone Disco <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (On the Rocks Bar)</i> Unwind and groove to the beats! Experience a headphone disco, where you dance freely to your favourite tunes with wireless headphones! With three different music channels, three DJ's and glow in the dark beach balls for the crowd, what more could you ask for?</p> |

| Wednesday August 27, 2025 | |
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| 10:00am - 10:30am | <p>Campus Tours <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Nipissing University Main Lobby</i> Join the OWLS team and leaders for a program-specific tour of campus! Have questions about where your classes are or what the fastest way to get to the bookstore is? Now's the time to ask!</p> |
| 10:30am - 12:00pm | <p>Scavenger Hunt <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Nipissing University Campus</i> Join these time-based scavenger hunt challenges, a fun add-on to Goosechase. All at your fingertips via the Goosechase App, solve clues, explore campus, and earn points for your team!</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Nature Walk <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Nipissing University Campus Trails (Meet at the Pond)</i> Join plant-enthusiast Warren, for a relaxing hike to the trailhead lookout and Duchesnay Falls.</p> |
| 2:00pm - 5:00pm | <p>Muddy Olympics <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Founders Field (Between Chancellors House Residence & Founders House Residence)</i> Compete for muddy glory in the Muddy Olympics! Face off against rival teams to earn points to get closer to the ultimate champion title. Are you ready to get muddy?</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Boards, Blocks & Bags <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>Chancellors House Assembly Room</i> Not looking to get muddy? Lets play some giant jenga, cornhole and deep dive into NUSU's collection of board games!</p> |
| 5:30pm - 7:00pm | <p>Laundry Olympics <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: <i>Chancellors House: Laundry Room (1st Floor) Founders House: Laundry Room (2nd Floor) Governors House: Laundry Room (2nd Floor)</i> Come on out to your Complex's laundry room after a muddy day with NUSU and enjoy some great music and games as you learn all the tips and tricks for laundry success in Residence!</p> |
| 7:00pm - 10:00pm | <p>Trivia Night & Speed Friending <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (On the Rocks Bar)</i> Fun pop-culture categories with mini speed friending games in between rounds!</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Board Games <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: <i>NUSU Student Centre (Lower Study Lounges)</i> If you aren't interested in Trivia, that's okay! Legend has it that the NUSU Board Game Collection is pretty extensive!</p> |

| Thursday August 28, 2025 | |
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| 9:00am - 4:00pm | <p>SAS Drop In <i>No registration required for the drop in!</i> Where: B210 If you couldn't join earlier sessions or need a refresher, come and visit! We will be here to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • help you find your classes • connect you with an Accessibility Consultant • walk you through the process of requesting accommodations |
| 10:00am - 12:00pm | <p>Mock Lectures <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: Education and Professional Studies - F213 Arts and Science - F210 Ease those first-day class jitters at Nipissing University! Attend Mock Lectures led by various professors where you'll experience the classroom atmosphere and gain confidence for the exciting journey ahead!</p> |
| 1:30pm - 2:00pm | <p>Student Accessibility Services - Adaptive Technology <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: F210 Brief overview of Adaptive Technology.</p> |
| 2:00pm - 2:30pm | <p>Mental Health and Wellbeing <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: F210 Brief overview of Mental Health and Wellbeing.</p> |
| 2:30pm - 3:00pm | <p>Access and Belonging <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: F210 Brief overview of Access and Belonging.</p> |
| 3:00pm - 3:30pm | <p>Student Learning and Transitions <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: F210 Brief overview of Student Learning and Transitions.</p> |
| 3:30pm - 4:00pm | <p>Adulting 101 <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: F210</p> |
| 5:00pm - 7:00pm | <p>Mature and Transfer BBQ <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU courtyard New and returning Mature and Transfer Students come and enjoy good food, meet new friends, and connect with others. Families are welcome.</p> |

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| 5:30pm - 7:00pm | <p>House Cup Heist! <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Your Complex’s Assembly Room</p> <p>The House Cup has been stolen! Team up with the other floors in your complex and solve clues around your building to determine who stole the House Cup and retrieve it! Your House is counting on you!</p> |
| 7:00pm - 10:00pm | <p>Sports & Games <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: RJ Surtees Athletic Centre (Outdoor Turf Field)</p> <p>Join Owen for a night of Bubble Soccer, Yoga, Flag Football and so much more!</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Guided Paint Night <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Student Centre (On The Rocks Bar)</p> <p>Join Sav for a guided paint night, all supplies provided! Bob Ross who?</p> |
| 7:30pm - 8:30pm | <p>Bachelor of Education Student Welcome BBQ <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: Chancellors House: Front Courtyard</p> <p>Bachelor of Education students ONLY</p> <p>Welcome Eddies! We’re so excited to have you here! Join us for a BBQ and get to know your new friends as you relax and get ready for the Eddie Orientation tomorrow!</p> |
| Friday August 29, 2025 | |
| 9:00am - 1:00pm | <p>BEd Welcome <i>For students in Year 5 Concurrent/Year 1 Consecutive ONLY. No Registration Required.</i> Where: Surtees Gym (B&C)</p> <p>Lunch will be provided & hosted by Nipissing University Alumni. Check your student email for more information.</p> |
| 9:00am - 4:00pm | <p>SAS Drop In <i>No registration required for the drop in!</i> Where: B210</p> <p>If you couldn’t join earlier sessions or need a refresher, come and visit! We will be here to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• help you find your classes• connect you with an Accessibility Consultant• walk you through the process of requesting accommodations |
| 10:00am - 11:30am | <p>Campus Community Panel - Hybrid <i>Lakers Orientation - No Registration Required</i> Where: F213</p> <p>Campus community panel: As part of OWLS Week Orientation, Welcome, Learning, & Social), your Student Learning & Transitions (SLT) Team is hosting a hybrid welcome event featuring a panel of helpful staff from various departments, including Academic Advising, Student Financial Services, and many more! Bring all your questions!</p> |

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| 2:00pm - 5:00pm | <p>Beach Day <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: Buses will pick students up at the Nipissing University front doors, Lower residence (side of Founders House), and NUSU Student Centre. Bus will do a loop from the waterfront to lower residence, Nipissing front doors and the Student Centre at 3pm, 4pm and 5pm should anyone need to go campus or residence early. Come down to the North Bay Waterfront for a relaxing beach day. There will be games you can play with your friends. This event is at your own pace.</p> <p>Alternative Programming - E-Sports <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Student Centre (On The Rocks Bar) As an alternative option to Beach Day, enjoy gaming tournaments and leisure games!</p> |
| 7:00pm - 10:00pm | <p>Karaoke + Bonfire <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Student Centre (Outside Courtyard) Enjoy a relaxing S'more filled evening by the fire as we bust out some tunes and enjoy some group karaoke!</p> <p>Alternative Programming - Movie Night <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Student Centre (On The Rocks Bar)</p> |
| Saturday August 30, 2025 | |
| 10:00am - 10:30am | <p>GIVE Day Opening Ceremonies <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: Nipissing University Pond Get together with your team and enjoy a Zumba warmup lead by The Studio North Bay, as we rally together to support local causes; Amelia Rising, The Gathering Place, and the CF Chapter North Bay</p> |
| 10:30am - 4:00pm | <p>GIVE Day <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: Meet at the Nipissing University Pond + Transportation is provided into the community from here Support the GIVE Day cause, by heading into the North Bay Community and helping grocery bag, and wash cars for donations. We'll have a main location to invite all the community, where a BBQ and other carnival-based games will be held! Give big, Give Local, GIVE Day.</p> |
| 4:00pm - 5:00pm | <p>Closing Ceremonies <i>OWLS Week - Registration Required</i> Where: NUSU Student Centre (On The Rocks Bar) Teams will find out who is the ULTIMATE OWLS CHAMPION! The Winner of our OWLS Week Goosechase will be announced and other prizes will be awarded from the week!</p> |

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| 5:00pm - 8:00pm | <p>Laser Tag <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: All Complexes: Founders Field (rain location TBA)</p> <p>Squad up and drop in to Residence Laser Tag at Founders Field! Get your crew together for an elimination-style Laser Tag Experience! Do you have what it takes to come out on top? There’s only one way to find out! Rain location: Chancellors House Assembly Room.</p> <p>Free shuttle bus for event. Bus will begin looping to Governors House and Townhouse Residence Complex between 4:30pm - 8:30pm</p> |
| Sunday August 31, 2025 | |
| 8:00pm - 10:00pm | <p>Northern Lights <i>Residence Orientation</i> Where: All Complexes: Townhouse Residence Complex Circle</p> <p>Come out to the Townhouse Residence Complex TRC) and sit under the stars while you enjoy some live music from local legends David Dino White and Willie Johnston. Enjoy coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, and unwind after a busy week! Bring a cozy blanket and hop on the bus outside your Complex to head on over to the TRC. Free Shuttle bus for event. Bus will begin looping to all complexes starting at 7:30PM and ending at 10:30PM</p> |