THE 2019
BEAR FACTS
NEW STUDENT GUIDE
FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS

NEXT STEPS
IN AUGUST ‘19
BE THE BEAR at Transfer Orientation

8:30 AM to 9:00 AM
Check-In at Orientation Morning Headquarters and Coffee.................................Penfield Large Room
We are glad that you are here! Should you have any questions throughout the day, please stop by Orientation Headquarters at the Orientation Check-In area. We are happy to assist you!

9:00 AM to 9:15 AM
Welcome and Overview of the Day.........................................................................Penfield Large Room
Members of the Mercer community will welcome you and outline today’s schedule.

9:15 AM to 11:45 AM
Bear Cub Program..................................................................................Departs from Penfield Large Room
Mercer children and siblings between the ages of 5 and 12 are invited to join the Peer Advisors (PAs) for a morning of fun in AAS Classroom, located in the Penfield Annex. Families should pick up their Bear Cub at 11:45 AM from the Fresh Food Company in the Connell Student Center on the First Floor.

10:00 AM to 10:45 AM
Academic Roundtable..............................................................................Penfield Large Room
Promote success in your transition to Mercer by utilizing a variety of academic resources.

11:00 AM to 11:45 AM
Meetings with Deans....................................................................................Locations Listed Below
Students and families meet with a representative from their college or school to discuss academic requirements and learn more about the career of a Mercer student. See pg. 3 of the Bear Facts.

11:45 AM to 1:30 PM
Lunch.............................................................Fresh Food Company, Connell Student Center, First Floor
Students redeem their “Bear Buck” meal ticket with an Aramark staff member for lunch in our Fresh Food Company cafeteria. Families and guests can purchase additional meal tickets at the cafeteria’s entrance.

12:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Campus Business.........................................................................................Throughout Campus
OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS (Admissions Counselor Follow-Up): Emily P. Myers Admissions House and Welcome Center
BARNES & NOBLE AT MERCER UNIVERSITY (Textbooks and Mercer Gear): Mercer Village
OFFICE OF THE BURSAR (University Bill, Payment Plans, and Health Insurance Billing): Ryals Hall, First Floor
OFFICE OF FINANCIAL PLANNING (Scholarships and Financial Aid): Connell Student Center Breezeway, Lower Level
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR (Transcript Evaluation and Equivalencies): Langdale Hall, First Floor
OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE (On-Campus Residence Hall Contracts and Move-In): Connell Student Center, Third Floor

12:30 PM to 2:30 PM
Math and Foreign Language Placement Exams.............................................Locations Listed Below
If you have been advised at your Dean’s Meeting to take either or both exams, please plan to do so today.
MATH PLACEMENT EXAM: Stetson Hall, Room 256
FOREIGN LANGUAGE PLACEMENT EXAM: Stetson Hall, Room 133

12:30 PM to 3:00 PM
Student Identification Card Production.........................................................Auxiliary Services
Students who have not previously received their Bar Card can have theirs printed today.

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Campus Resource Fair..................................................................................Penfield Large Room
Interact with resources and departments from across campus. Remember to turn in your Immunization Form to the Student Health Center. Get your free 2019-2020 parking decal from the Mercer Police table - just be sure to know your vehicle’s make, model, year, and license plate to complete your decal form.

2:00 PM to 2:30 PM
Pre-Health Program Information........AAS Class Room, Penfield Annex
If you are interested in pursuing any of Mercer’s Pre-Health Professions tracks, learn more about your academic responsibilities.

As You Depart
Bear’ly Goodbye.......................................................Penfield Large Room
Enjoy and afternoon snack and clarify any remaining questions with our Peer Advisor or Orientation Leadership Team. Your orientation day may be complete but this is bear’ly goodbye - we will see you for Transfer Check-In on Monday, August 19 at 8:00 AM!
MERCER
STUDENT
HEALTH
& SAFETY

MERCER POLICE
police.mercer.edu
mercerpolice@m Mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.HELP (4357)

Mercer Police officers are certified by the state of Georgia and act as the protective arm of Mercer University. Please program their telephone number into your phone in case you need to reach them quickly. Officers are always on duty to ensure Mercer is a safe place for students, faculty, staff, visitors, and their property. Mercer Police is also responsible for parking and traffic enforcement. Remember to get your free parking decal while at Transfer Orientation.

HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE
residencelife.mercer.edu/macon
residencelife@mercer.edu
Located in the Connell Student Center, third floor
(p) 478.301.2687

Housing and Residence Life supports students while they live in the residence halls, promoting the development of close relationships with diverse individuals while enhancing student leadership skills and personal responsibility. Residence halls are staffed by Resident Assistants (RAs) who live on each floor.

COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)
studentaffairs.mercer.edu/counseling
Located behind MEP Residence Hall
(p) 478.301.2862

CAPS is dedicated to supporting the emotional, personal, social and developmental needs of Mercer students. Services are designed to help address existing personal challenges and prevent future issues by providing confidential individual and relational counseling throughout a student’s career at Mercer. Additionally, CAPS offers consultation to students, faculty, staff and families, crisis management, outreach programs including AWARE and SHAPE and other educational programs. CAPS staff are here to help students be successful at Mercer. Students can call CAPS to schedule an appointment.

STUDENT HEALTH CENTER
shc.mercer.edu/macon
shcmacon@mercer.edu
Located at in the Field House, in front of Five Star Stadium
(p) 478.301.2696 | (f) 478.301.2116

The Student Health Center (SHC) provides health services for all Mercer students, regardless of insurance coverage. The SHC is considered the primary healthcare provider for students who have the school insurance. Students with this insurance should contact Student Health if appointments or referrals are needed, prior to seeking other medical attention unless after hours or in cases of emergency.

Hours of Operation:
Fall and Spring Semesters: 8 AM til 5 PM, Monday-Friday
Closed from 12 PM to 1 PM

SHC provides various healthcare services including acute illness and injuries, allergy injections, immunizations, women’s health, and health education. Some students may be referred out—depending on the illness/injury—at the discretion of the SHC staff. All visits to the SHC are confidential. No information is released without the consent of the student.

SHC does not provide medical excuses for missed classes, exams, or assignments. In the event that a student needs to miss class, the SHC recommends that the student notify professors directly, prior to the absence.

TITLE IX
TitleIX.mercer.edu
TitleIX@mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.2788

To ensure Mercer is making every effort to fully address the issues of sexual assault and other forms of sexual violence, our Title IX Coordinator partners with other resources to promote a healthier and safer campus environment for everyone.

incoming students are required to complete the MANDATORY EverFi online course as a way to approach the interconnected issues of substance abuse, sexual violence, and unhealthy relationships through a variety of realistic scenarios and guided self-reflection.
IMPORTANT DATES
FALL 2019 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
as published by the Registrar’s Office
registrar.mercer.edu/macon/calendars

- TRANSFER CHECK-IN: Monday, August 19
- FIRST DAY OF CLASS: Tuesday, August 20
- LAST DAY FOR DROP/ADD: Friday, August 23
- LABOR DAY HOLIDAY: Monday, September 2
- MIDTERM: Wednesday, October 9
- FALL BREAK: October 10-12
- THANKSGIVING BREAK: November 27-30
- LAST DAY OF FALL CLASSES: Friday, December 6
- FINAL EXAMS: December 9-14

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE
studentplan.corehealthbenefits.com/mercer
CORE Management Resources
(p) 888.741.2673 (CORE)

Mercer University’s Student Health Insurance Program (MUSHiP) is a comprehensive student health coverage plan available each semester of student enrollment.

For students under 24 years of age, the cost of coverage is $996/semester.

Student Health Insurance Program Highlights Include:
- Primary Care Provider: Mercer Medicine (on-campus)
- Low deductibles - $400 person in-network
- Inpatient/outpatient/office visits include $25 co-pays
- Prescription drug card provided: applicable co-pays apply

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS
STUDENT RECORDS RELEASE AUTHORIZATION (FERPA FORM)
to the Registrar’s Office
registrar.mercer.edu
registrar@mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.2680 | (f) 478.301.2455

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) was enacted to give students access to their education records and to protect their privacy. Unless a student is documented as legally dependent, the University is prohibited by FERPA from releasing student account information to a parent or guardian or other unauthorized third party without the student’s consent. Students who wish to grant access to an authorized individual should complete and submit the Student Records Release Authorization to the Registrar’s Office before the University can discuss any academic and/or financial information with a parent or guardian.

IMMUNIZATION FORM
to the Student Health Center (SHC)
shc.mercer.edu/macon
shcmacon@mercer.edu
Located in the Medical School Building, first floor
(p) 478.301.2696 | (f) 478.301.2116

The Immunization Form is required for all students. It must be completed and signed by the student and returned to the SHC along with an official copy of the student’s immunization (vaccine) record. All documents should be turned in before the semester classes begin. Students are encouraged to keep a copy of the documents for their personal records.

The form must be returned to the SHC. This may be done in person, via e-mail, mail, or fax (all are listed on the form). To obtain a copy of the immunization form, go to shc.mercer.edu for Macon campus and click on the “Immunization” link.

STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE WAIVER
bursar.mercer.edu/studentinsurance

All students are required to have health insurance coverage and are billed for the cost of CORE health insurance coverage based on age-banding. If you already have coverage under another policy and do not want to pay for the University-approved health coverage, you must complete the health insurance waiver process by September 13, 2019. The waiver process for the fall semester becomes available in early July. Once your waiver has been submitted and approved, your charge is removed.
THE STUDENT HANDBOOK

provost.mercer.edu/handbooks/studenthandbook.cfm
studentaffairs@mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.2685

If you have questions or concerns, or require clarification of the specific handbook that applies to your program, contact the Vice President for student Affairs and Dean of Students, Dr. Doug Pearson.

The student handbook is designed for all Macon undergraduate students. This handbook has been developed to assist you in understanding what is expected of you and to help you adjust to college life. It is intended to be a brief summary of just some of the key information, policies, and procedures that we believe Macon undergraduate students should be aware of. The University Catalog provides more complete information on these and other major policies and procedures affecting students. In addition to the University Catalog, your Housing contract and other official University publications are also important references which, when taken as a whole, provide you with a complete picture of these expectations and resources. Be aware that policies are subject to change, so it is important that you familiarize yourself with the regulations and policies governing student conduct on a regular basis.

2019-2020 UNIVERSITY CATALOG

registrar.mercer.edu/macon/catalogs.cfm
registrar@mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.2455

This catalog outlines the academic policies and procedures for students who enter the University during the 2019-2020 academic year. The catalog lists academic requirements and course descriptions of classes needed to complete academic programs, majors, and certifications within our six colleges and schools. These colleges and schools are the College of Liberal Arts, Stetson School of Business, School of Engineering, Tift College of Education, Townsend School of Music, and College of Health Professions.
YOUR ADVISING APPOINTMENT

REVIEWING YOUR SCHEDULE
While at Transfer Orientation, you meet one-on-one with an academic advisor from your academic college or school. During this advising appointment, you will review and finalize your fall course schedule. Please note: final transcripts must be received from any previous college(s) and/or school(s) for transfer equivalencies to be applied to your record and an accurate fall course schedule to be created. If you have not done so already, send final transcripts to the Office of the Registrar. You can view your accepted transfer credit on your MyMercer account under the “Self-Help Center” tab and the “Unofficial Transcript” link.

PLACEMENT EXAMS
Placement Exams are offered at Transfer Orientation, Transfer Check-In, and the first week of the semester.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE
If you studied a particular language for two or more years and wish to exempt your college or school’s foreign language requirement or desire to continue studying this language, take the foreign language placement exam. The placement exam takes approximately thirty minutes and consists of multiple choice, reading, grammar, and vocabulary questions. Note: The School of Engineering, Tift College of Education, and the College of Health Professions do not have a foreign language requirement. If you desire to start a new foreign language in college, you do not need to complete the placement exam.

MATH
If your anticipated major requires calculus or chemistry and you have not previously completed a math course at your former institution, consider taking the thirty minute placement exam to determine your future math course placement.
This office provides Accessibility, Consultation, Collaboration, Education, Support, and Services (ACCESS) and accommodations to ensure access to programs and services for students and visitors with disabilities as required under Rehabilitation Act Section 504 and the ADAAA.

If you had a 504 Plan or IEP in high school or currently have a severe and/or chronic medical, sensory, or psychological disorder that requires accommodations in the classroom, with testing, or for campus housing, you must contact ACCESS to submit your request for accommodations. Contact ACCESS if you have a mobility impairment and are concerned about access to classrooms or housing. Disability Verification Forms, the Process Overview, Student Responsibilities, and Mercer’s ADAAA/504 policies and procedures can be found on the ACCESS website.

If in many cases, you will leave Summer Orientation with your fall course schedule. Although this schedule could change, you might want to purchase fall textbooks before returning to campus in August. To find your textbooks, sign into your MyMercer account and locate the “Barnes & Noble (Macon)” box on your homepage. Select “order textbooks” and choose your term. This will redirect you to the Barnes & Noble website that automatically pulls your schedule and lists required textbooks for each course. Be sure to keep your receipts, just in case your fall course schedule changes.

As you are preparing to purchase textbooks, be sure to learn more about Barnes & Noble Bookstore at Mercer University’s price match guarantee for textbooks. The price match criteria is outlined on their website.

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BURSAR’S OFFICE
bursar.mercer.edu
bursar@mercer.edu
Located in Ryals Hall
(p) 478.301.1111

TUITION
The Office of the Bursar handles online payment plans, Bear Card transfers, and tuition bills for all Mercer students. Your bill, authorized payer information, and direct deposit options can be located in your MyMercer portal under the link “Manage My Account.”

Bills will become available approximately 30 days before the start of the semester. Bill notifications will be e-mailed to your Mercer e-mail address at that time. Your account balance is due by the first day of class.

PAYMENT PLANS
paymentplans@mercer.edu
(p) 478.301.2662

Mercer University offers you the option to spread out payment of your direct charges over multiple months. Plan benefits include easy online enrollment, flexible payment options, and no interest charges.

Two Available Payment Methods:
• Electronic check or check in-hand (no fee)
• Credit/debit card (additional fee assessed)

Applicable Fees:
• $40-$50 enrollment fee per semester, based on plan
• $30 returned payment fee if payment is returned if the down payment or enrollment fee is returned for any reason, the payment plan agreement is terminated.

Steps To Enroll:
• Login to MyMercer portal
• “Manage My Account”
• “Set Up a Payment Plan” and follow the steps on the screen

AUTHORIZED PAYER
If you would like your parents/sponsors to have access to your bill and/or make payments on your account, please enroll them as authorized payers. To do so, login to your MyMercer portal and choose “Manage My Account.” Select “Add an Authorized Payer” from the home screen and follow the steps to complete the enrollment. Parents/sponsors must confirm their account and complete the registration process before they earn access to view your account and make payments.

PAYMENT PLAN ENROLLMENT
Payment plans are available through MyMercer beginning mid-July for the fall semester. You should enroll in a payment plan prior to the first day of class.
Meal Memberships are available to all students. Each Meal Membership comes with a predetermined balance of Dining Dollars between $50 and $400. These are also loaded onto your Bear Card. The minimum Meal Membership required is determined according to completed hours as stated in both the Housing and Meal Membership contract. Students with a First-Year (0-29 hours), Sophomore (30-59 hours), and Junior (60-89 hours) academic status are required to purchase a meal plan REGARDLESS OF CAMPUS HOUSING-- including the Lofts and apartments. Students under 30 credit hours are auto-assigned the Unlimited PLUS meal membership. As long as the student is officially registered for class, the contract is binding for the entire academic year, unless a change in class level occurs or the student is officially released from their housing contract. Should either occur, the student must submit a ‘Request to Change Meal Membership’ form to Auxiliary Services for approval.

Bear Cards can be linked to your FREE Wells Fargo Student Checking account. Students can enjoy several banking conveniences both on and off campus.

Bear Bucks account – a prepaid, stored-value account that’s part of your Bear Card – is the convenient, cashless way to pay for your purchases on campus and at a variety of off campus locations. The area’s most popular local businesses accept Bear Card, and you can use it to pay for school supplies, restaurants, delivery, and more. Check out the website for a complete list of merchants who accept the Bear Card. To use it, simply deposit money into your Bear Bucks account and the balance will decline with each purchase you make.

OSE is dedicated to assisting students with part-time employment opportunities. Browse the online job board and register for JobMail to receive an e-mail each time an employer submits a job post. Apply to positions following the instructions and keep a log of positions for which you’ve applied and who you should contact for more information. To complete the new hire process, students will need to provide proof of identity and authorization to work (as outlined on the Federal I-9 form) to OSE.
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) HELP DESK

it.mercer.edu
helpdesk@mercer.edu
Located in Tarver Library, second floor
(p) 478.301.7000

Information Technology (IT) supports, develops, and maintains the IT environment. Mercer IT can assist you with wired/wireless network access, computer recommendations, problem evaluation, and e-mail access.

MERCER E-MAIL ACCOUNT
mercerlive.mercer.edu
It is important that you check your Mercer e-mail account on a frequent and regular basis since time-sensitive and confidential information will be sent to this e-mail address while you are enrolled as a student. Visit the IT website to learn how to install your Mercer e-mail on a smartphone or device. NOTE: Your MyMercer, MercerLive e-mail, Canvas, wireless network, and on-campus computer passwords are all the same, so if one changes, all change.

MYMERCER
my.mercer.edu
MyMercer is a website that allows students to manage their schedules, view grades, manage financial aid, pay tuition, apply for campus housing, and much more.

CANVAS
canvas.mercer.edu
Canvas is an online course system that supports supplementary learning tools in an online environment. You can download course materials (e.g., course syllabi), view course announcements, review course calendars, track grades, or participate in online discussions.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE
residencelife.mercer.edu/macon
residencelife@mercer.edu
Located in the Connell Student Center, third floor
(p) 478.301.2687

All housing contracts are completed electronically. Students must log-in to the MyMercer portal and access “Macon Housing” to complete the housing contract. Once you have completed the Housing Contract, Residence Life will contact you regarding your room assignment.

For room dimensions of your residence hall, visit: residencelife.mercer.edu/macon/halls

Prior to moving to campus, complete your electronic Check-In form from Housing and Residence Life sent to your Mercer e-mail. Transfer students move into their residence halls on Friday, August 16, between 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, or Sunday August 18, between 1:00 - 5:00 PM. Students check in with the Office of Residence Life in their satellite check-in location.

OTHER HOUSING OPTIONS
liveatlofts.com
(p) 478.743.5638

The Lofts are located on the edge of Mercer’s campus. The Lofts meet the requirement to live on campus, however, they are NOT owned or operated by Mercer University. Mercer University Office of Residence Life does not manage The Lofts. The Lofts currently house upperclassman students in one, two, three and four-bedroom, fully furnished appartments with private baths of each bedroom.
**TRANSFER CHECK-IN**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 19**

with Academic and Advising Services (Penfield Annex)

aas.mercer.edu/orientation-programs/transfer-students

(p) 478.301.2078

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8:00 AM to 8:30 AM  
**Check-In with Academic and Advising Services**  
Pick up your FREE Mercer t-shirt and meal ticket!

8:45 AM to 9:15 AM  
**Upholding the Mercer Honor Code**  
Learn about your academic expectations related to academic honesty that add credibility to your future Mercer degree.

9:30 AM to 10:45 AM,  
& 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM  
**Morning Workshops**  
- Mercer on Mission and International Programs  
- Student Employment  
- Campus Involvement and Engagement  
- Mobilize Mercer and Civic Engagement  
- Bear Cards, Document Services, and MU Boxes  
- Academic Tips for Success  
- Research that Reaches Out  
- Recreation Sports and Intramurals

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
**Math & Foreign Language Placement Exams**  
If you have not yet completed any necessary exams.

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
**Music Ensemble Auditions**  
If you are interested in participating in an ensemble.

11:30 AM to 1:00 PM  
**Lunch in the Dining Centers**  
if studying BUS, attend the Business Luncheon.

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM  
**Convocation Line-Up and Processional**  
Remember your business casual attire for this special academic ceremony.

2:00 PM to 3:30 PM  
**New Student Convocation**  
Experience your first academic ceremony as a Mercer student and celebrate the year ahead.

4:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
**Bear Fair**  
Learn about opportunities for campus involvement!

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**TRANSFER MEETUPS**

A community of transfer students and Peer Advisors intended to help you make a successful transition to Mercer by identifying campus support systems and connecting you with resources.

**EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY**  
**10:00 - 10:40 AM**

**HOSTED BY THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AND ADVISING SERVICES**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21**  
Important Fall Semester Dates & Events

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
Academic Success

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**  
Leadership & Campus Engagement

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2**  
Midterm Resilience

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16**  
Advising and Registration

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30**  
Career & Professional Development

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13**  
Preparing for Finals

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
Tower Tour
Your Checklist

1. **HAND IN & PICK UP**
   - **STUDENT RECORDS RELEASE AUTHORIZATION (FERPA FORM)**
     to the Registrar’s Office
     registrar@mercer.edu
   - **BEAR CARD**
     from Auxiliary Services
   - **MU BOX NUMBER**
     from Mail Services
     maconmail@mercer.edu
   - **IMMUNIZATION FORM**
     to the Student Health Center (SHC)
     shcmacon@mercer.edu
   - **PARKING DECAL**
     from Mercer Police

2. **SUBMIT FINAL TRANSCRIPTS & ANY AP OR IB CREDITS**
   OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS
   1501 Mercer University Drive, Macon, GA 31207
   The Registrar’s Office reviews final college credit and any AP or IB coursework. View evaluated credit via MyMercer under “Self-Help Center” and “Unofficial Transcript”.

3. **PURCHASE BOOKS**
   MERCER BOOKSTORE
   shopmercerbears.com
   Located in Mercer Village
   (p) 478.301.2945
   Utilize the Barnes & Noble at Mercer University Bookstore to see about textbooks. To find your textbooks via MyMercer, located the “Barnes & Noble (Macon)” box on your homepage.

4. **PLAN FOR YOUR BILL**
   PAYMENT OPTIONS
   bursar.mercer.edu | bursar@mercer.edu
   (p) 478.301.1111
   Bills will be posted electronically to your MyMercer account approximately 30 days before the start of the semester. Check your Mercer e-mail for notifications. Your account balance is due by the first day of class. Find Payment Plan Information online.

5. **USE YOUR MERCER TECHNOLOGY**
   MERCER E-MAIL
   mercerlive.mercer.edu
   Mercer offices will communicate with you using this e-mail.
   MYMERCER ACCOUNT
   my.mercer.edu
   Sign up for “Authorized Payer,” check your bill, and more.

6. **LEARN ABOUT TITLE IX**
   EVERFI ONLINE COURSE
   TitleIX.mercer.edu
   TitleIX@mercer.edu
   (p) 478.301.2788
   Complete the online EverFi course. Be sure to enter your Mercer University e-mail address using your MUID number (ex: 12345678@live.mercer.edu) to receive credit for completion.

7. **DISCUSS HEALTH INSURANCE**
   STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE & WAIVER
   bursar.mercer.edu/studentinsurance
   If you already have coverage under another policy and do not want to pay for the University approved health coverage, complete the health insurance waiver process by September 13 (waiver for the fall semester opens early-July).

8. **ATTEND CHECK-IN**
   TRANSFER CHECK-IN: AUGUST 19
   aas.mercer.edu/orientation-programs/transfer-students/
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THE FIRST-YEAR BEAR FACTS
provided by the office of academic and advising services
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