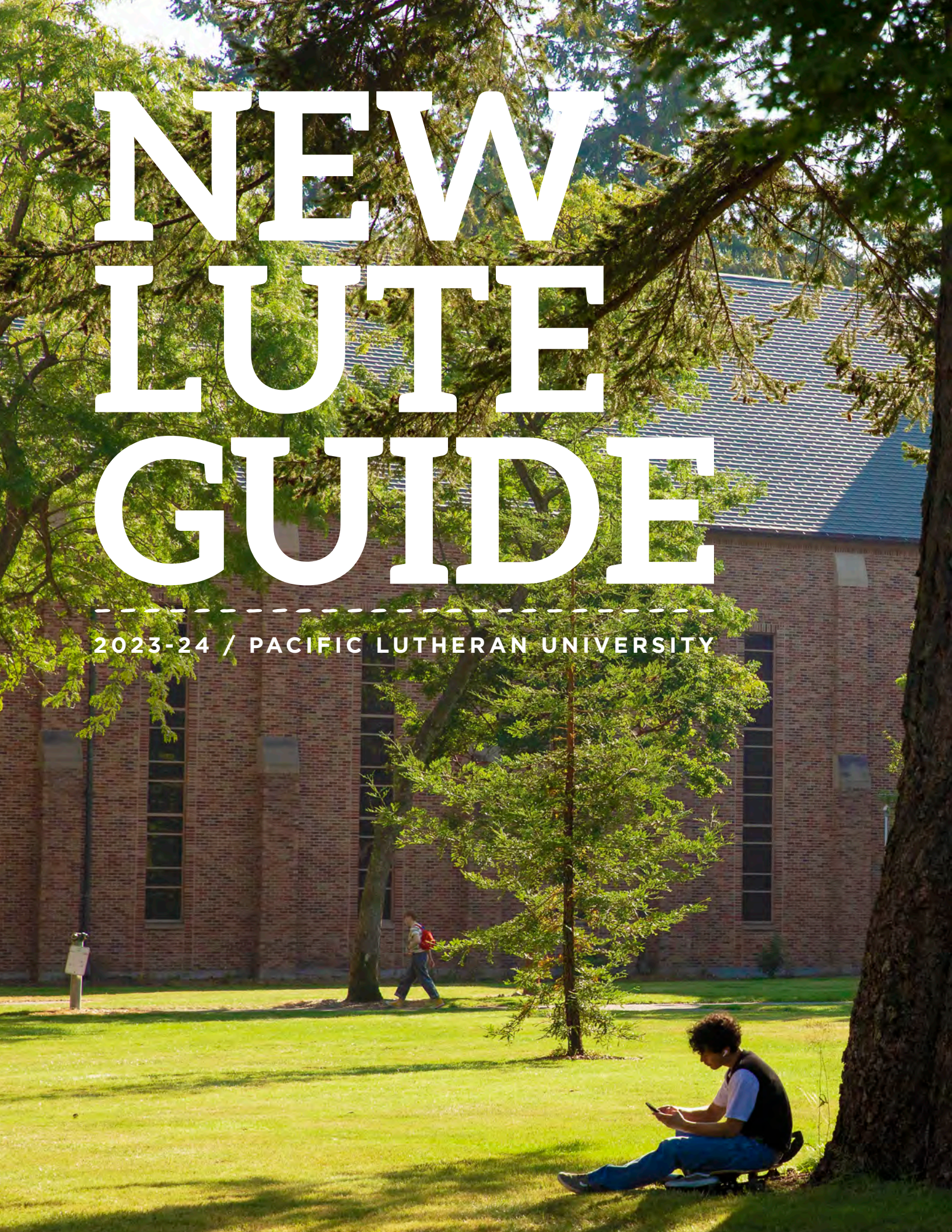


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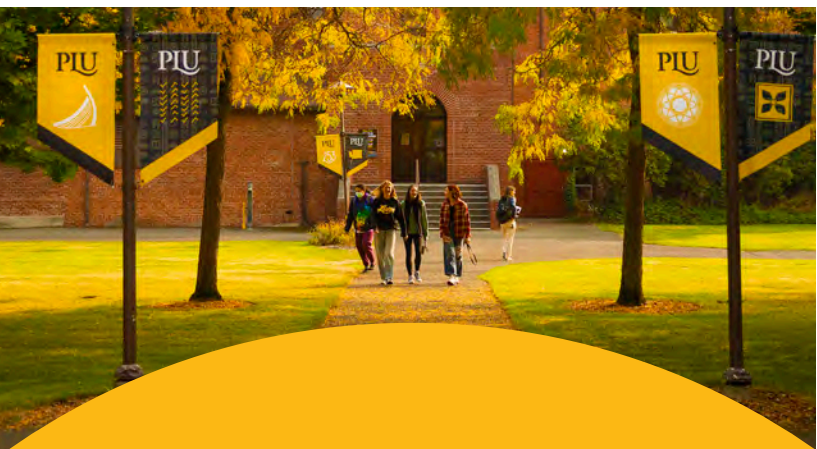


# Welcome to the Class of 2027!

Every student chooses PLU for different reasons, and we are so glad that you have decided to be a Lute this fall.

There's a lot to get done between now and your first day of classes, and we're sending this New Lute Guide to help you get started! This guide includes important information about New Student Registration (getting your classes), Learning Communities, how to buy textbooks and apply for student jobs, and more.

Read through carefully, and we look forward to seeing you at New Student Registration!





ACCESS YOUR PLU  
STUDENT APPLICANT  
PORTAL AND 'NEXT  
STEPS' CHECKLIST



# New Student Registration

New Student Registration (NSR) during the summer is where you'll connect with a PLU advisor to **register for your fall classes** and officially become an enrolled PLU student!

## IN-PERSON DATES

JUNE  
20

JUNE  
22

JULY  
11

JULY  
13

AUGUST  
1

AUGUST  
3

## VIRTUAL DATES

JUNE  
21

JUNE  
23

JULY  
10

JULY  
12

JULY  
14

JULY  
31

AUGUST  
2

AUGUST  
4

## HOW TO SIGN UP FOR NSR

There are important steps you **MUST COMPLETE** before you can sign up for NSR and register for fall classes.

We've put them all on the 'Next Steps' checklist on your PLU student applicant portal ([choose.plu.edu/portal/myapp](https://choose.plu.edu/portal/myapp)). Once you log in, click on the 'Next Steps' button to see what you've already done and what you still need to do!





## Living on campus

**Our residence halls are so much more than dorms** — each unique living and learning environment is set up to enhance your PLU college experience. It's where we want you to make a home.







# Learning Communities

**Learning Communities (LCs)** at PLU add to your learning in class and out. **Every student** is part of a Learning Community, whether you live on campus or commute!

You'll have the opportunity to opt into a course linked to your LC as part of the First Year Experience, and will have plenty of opportunities to participate in activities related to the theme(s) and communities that most interest you.

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## YOU CAN STILL APPLY TO BE A PART OF A THEMED LEARNING COMMUNITY!

CAVE for Commuter Students

Community for Creative Expression

Diversity, Justice & Sustainability  
comprising four themes:

*First in the Family, Lavender Community,  
Students of Color, Environmental  
& Social Justice*

Global Community:

*Chinese, French, Global Studies,  
Native American & Indigenous Studies,  
International Honors, Spanish*

STEM House

Wellness House

Women's Empowerment & Gender Equity



**STILL NEED TO COMPLETE THE  
LIVING PLANS & LEARNING  
COMMUNITY APPLICATION?**  
(must be completed whether you're  
living on- or off-campus)





## Buying your textbooks

Once you've got your fall classes, you can start buying the textbooks and/or materials needed for each class. Go to **[lutelocker.com](https://lutelocker.com)** and select "Course Materials" from the menu at the top, which will direct you to the online resource to order what you need.

The Lute Locker is also where you get all of your black and gold Lute gear (hoodies, t-shirts, hats, accessories, etc.)! Order online or visit the Lute Locker when you're on campus.



**LUTE LOCKER**



## Student employment

As soon as you are registered for fall classes, you can apply for on-campus jobs! Check listings for on-campus **and** off-campus jobs on the Opportunities Board at **[plu.edu/studentemployment](https://plu.edu/studentemployment)**.

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### WORK STUDY FAQs

**Q** Where on campus can I use my work study?

**A** All on-campus jobs are work study eligible. There are off-campus options too.

**Q** I don't have work study. Can I still work on campus?

**A** Absolutely! On-campus jobs are open to all students.

**Q** If I don't work my first semester or even first year, will I lose my work study?

**A** You won't. You must, however, complete the FAFSA every year to be considered for work study eligibility.



**FIND MORE**



# Office of Accessibility and Accommodation

## The Office of Accessibility and Accommodation (OAA)

is dedicated to ensuring equitable access and inclusion for all PLU students and serves students with either temporary or permanent physical, health, learning, sensory or psychological disabilities. Reasonable accommodations and services are provided at no cost to the student on a case-by-case basis.



FIND DETAILS AND  
GET CONNECTED AT  
[PLU.EDU/OAA](https://plu.edu/OAA)

## Supporting mental health



**Mental health care has long been a topic of importance at PLU.** In early 2020, PLU was one of the first universities to adopt 24/7 telehealth and virtual medical and mental health services, known as Lute Telehealth. The program ensures students have access to many different providers and offers mental health resources and medical resources to students at any time, whether they are on campus or in another location.

“I think it’s important that people know that they’re not alone. That sounds cliché, but it’s so true. I feel like a lot of people are still living in isolation because that’s what they’re used to and that’s what they’ve been accustomed to. I’m hoping that through our care packages and through all the work the university is doing, they’re able to see that they have a community here and that people care about them.”

### KOA B. '23

*Social Work major and  
Phi Alpha Honor Society  
president*



READ MORE



# What's next? Your summer to-do's

Now that you're registered for your fall classes (and officially an enrolled PLU student!), you have some tasks that need to be completed over the summer to ensure a successful start as a Lute!



FIND MORE INFO  
(& DEADLINES) AT  
[PLU.EDU/SUMMER-CHECKLIST](https://plu.edu/summer-checklist)





## Important dates

**MI**

**SEPT. 1**

MOVE-IN DAY

**LW**

**SEPT. 1-5**

LUTE WELCOME: NEW STUDENT  
ORIENTATION

**FD**

**SEPT. 5**

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES &  
UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION

**LW**

**SEPT. 7**

LUTE WELCOME: ENGAGEMENT  
FAIR

**HF**

**OCT. 3-8**

HOMECOMING &  
FAMILY WEEKEND

**MS**

**OCT. 20**

MID-SEMESTER BREAK

**TB**

**NOV. 22-26**

THANKSGIVING BREAK

**FW**

**DEC. 11-15**

FINALS WEEK

**WB**

**DEC. 16**

WINTER BREAK BEGINS

**JT**

**JAN. 2**

J-TERM CLASSES BEGIN



# Important campus resources

You can find the on-campus location of all of these offices at [plu.edu/map](http://plu.edu/map).

## ACADEMIC AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

### Accessibility & Accommodation

Helps establish reasonable accommodations and services for equitable access

253-535-7073

[oaa@plu.edu](mailto:oaa@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/oaa](http://plu.edu/oaa)

### Center for Student Success

Provides students with individualized academic and personal support and resources, including navigating academic requirements, major planning, tutoring, study skills and study groups

253-535-7459

[success@plu.edu](mailto:success@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/student-success](http://plu.edu/student-success)

### Student Financial Services

Financial aid process, payment options, billing questions

253-535-7161

[sfs@plu.edu](mailto:sfs@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/sfs](http://plu.edu/sfs)

### Textbooks

Order online at [lutelocker.com](http://lutelocker.com)

## STUDENT SUPPORT

### Campus Safety

Parking and safety information

253-535-7441

[campussafety@plu.edu](mailto:campussafety@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/campus-safety](http://plu.edu/campus-safety)

### Center for Diversity, Justice & Sustainability

Works to imagine and create equitable and thriving communities, and offers a network of advocacy resources

253-535-8750

[dcenter@plu.edu](mailto:dcenter@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/diversity-justice-sustainability](http://plu.edu/diversity-justice-sustainability)

### Counseling, Health & Wellness Services

Provides integrated medical, mental health and wellness care to ALL students to enable overall well-being

253-535-7838

[chws@plu.edu](mailto:chws@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/chws](http://plu.edu/chws)

## EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER

### Career Services

Career exploration and preparation

253-535-7415

[career@plu.edu](mailto:career@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/career](http://plu.edu/career)

### Internships

Internship opportunities

253-535-7186

[plu.edu/intern](http://plu.edu/intern)

### Student Employment

On-campus and work study jobs

253-535-7415

[studentjobs@plu.edu](mailto:studentjobs@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/studentemployment](http://plu.edu/studentemployment)

## GET INVOLVED

### Clubs & Organizations

Over 60 from which to choose

253-535-7200

[engage@plu.edu](mailto:engage@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/clubs](http://plu.edu/clubs)

### Campus Life

On-campus housing and commuter student services, Learning Communities, student leadership, LUTE Welcome and co-curricular events

253-535-7200

[rlif@plu.edu](mailto:rlif@plu.edu) (housing)

[engage@plu.edu](mailto:engage@plu.edu) (other questions)

[plu.edu/campus-life](http://plu.edu/campus-life)

### Recreations

Stay active through intramurals, outdoor rec, club sports and group exercise classes

253-535-7495

[thompsrw@plu.edu](mailto:thompsrw@plu.edu)

[plu.edu/recreations](http://plu.edu/recreations)

### Engaged and involved students

succeed! Get your start at

the **ENGAGEMENT FAIR** on

**Thursday, Sept. 7.**



CAMPUS MAP



# LUTE Welcome: New Student Orientation Sept. 1-5

**New Student Orientation (NSO)** is the kick-off to LUTE Welcome – your first few weeks as a new Lute!

NSO is jam-packed with events, sessions and fun traditions to help you connect with fellow students and the PLU community, learn about the many resources available to you and successfully transition to your PLU journey.

Remember to check your PLU student email (using your PLU ePass) throughout the summer for messages about NSO, and head to [plu.edu/nso](https://plu.edu/nso) for more details!



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