



# HONORS COLLEGE INFORMATION PACKET

First-Year Students

2024 – 2025

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# Fall 2024 Academic Calendar

FULL TERM	
Aug. 9	Late registration fee
Aug. 16	Waitlisting Ends
Aug. 25	Last day to apply for January 2025 graduation
Aug. 26	Last day to apply for Leave of Absence (LOA)
Aug. 27	1st Day of Fall Semester - Welcome Day (Faculty and Staff present) - <b>No Classes</b>
Aug. 28	First day of classes (Full semester and Q1)
Aug. 28 - Sept. 10	Fall 2024 Program Adjustment
Sept. 2	Labor Day, University Closed.
Sept. 10	Last day to withdraw from a class (drop) at 100%.
Sept. 11	Last day to request Pass/Fail or Audit option. Requests for this option must be made by e-mail from your William Paterson University e-mail account to: <a href="mailto:Registrar@wpunj.edu">Registrar@wpunj.edu</a>
Sept. 11	Enrollment confirmation due
Sept. 13	Fall Census (Close of business)
Sept. 25	Grade changes for Spring/Summer 2024 Incomplete (IN) grades are due by 11:59 pm. (All "IN" grades not updated will be converted to "F")
Oct. 2	Last day to withdraw from a class at 50%.
Oct. 14	Indigenous Peoples' Day/Columbus Day. University is open, classes are in session.
Oct. 16	First Academic Quarter ends
Oct. 17-18	Wellness Days. University is open. No classes.
Oct. 23	Q1 grades due
Oct. 21	Second Academic Quarter starts
Oct. 30	Last day to academically withdraw from a class. (No Refund)
Nov. 5	Election Day. University is Open. Classes are in Session.
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day. University is Open. Classes are in Session.
Nov. 28	Thanksgiving Day. University Closed.
Nov. 29	University is Closed. Classes are not in session.
Nov. 27 - Dec. 1	Classes are not in session.
Dec. 1	Last Day to apply for May 2025 graduation
Dec. 1	Last day to submit an Official Withdrawal from the University
Dec. 9-14	Last week of classes***
Dec. 14	Fall semester ends (Full term and Q2)
Dec. 23	Final grades due for Fall 2024

**\*\* Please contact Honors at [honors@wpunj.edu](mailto:honors@wpunj.edu) before attempting to make schedule changes**

# Fall Semester Reminders

- Check your WP email account at least once every day. The University will notify you by email about important information (changes to spring courses, payment/billing issues, missing documents, etc.)
- Attending **2 required first-year** meetings
- Attending at least **one "All College - Honors College"** meeting
- Watch your email for Spring 2025 registration details
- Remember to pay your bill on time. Do not risk having your spring classes dropped! If you are dropped from your classes due to payment issues, you will lose the great course schedule that you registered for back in the fall, and it will be difficult (if not impossible) to get the classes back
- You may register for Winter 2024 courses now. If you are interested in taking a winter course, please speak with your advisor

# HOW TO: Buy Textbooks



1. Log on to WPCoconnect and select the “Student” tab. Under the
2. heading “My TextBooks” select Purchase textbooks

This will take you to a screen that shows the textbooks your professors have listed for each individual course. You can purchase them online and have them shipped to you, or you can pick them up in the bookstore.

If you are picking up textbooks in the bookstore, be sure to bring the email confirmation.

Alternatively,

1. Search: <https://www.bkstr.com/williampatersonstore/home> Select Term
2. “Fall 2024”
3. Enter your course information:

**My Course Materials**  
1 Required | 1 Not Yet Determined  
Print List



**REQUIRED**  
**Epidemiology 101 (w/Navigate2 Advantage Access)**  
\$57.82 to \$88.95

Edition: 2nd  
ISBN: 9781284107852  
Author: Friis  
Publisher: Jones & Bartlett Learning  
Formats: BryteWave Format

Fall 2024

1 PBHL / 3040 / 001 Instructor Aleksandar Kecojevic  
Course Materials have not been determined. Check back soon for updates.

2 PBHL / 4000 / 071 Instructor Marianne Sullivan  
Required Materials (1)

Before purchasing a textbook, **cross reference** the course syllabus with the bookstore website for **accuracy**

The textbook your professor has selected for that course will appear and you can then purchase/ rent your textbook.

The ISBN can be used to find the same textbook on other sites such as CHEGG, Amazon, Barnes and Noble etc.

# HOW TO Get Involved



Each Honors student is required to participate in **4.5 hours** of civic engagement per academic year.

The only events that count toward this requirement are events organized by:

**The Honors College**

**The Honors College Club**

**Events recognized by a UCC Area 5 course**

**Events that students register for through Pioneer Life**

The Honors College will accept the number of hours for each event posted in Pioneer Life or by Student Activities. If you acquire civic engagement hours from an event sponsored by a private organization, please fill out a Civic Engagement Report Form and email it to [honors@wpunj.edu](mailto:honors@wpunj.edu).

To find out more about events, performances, organizations, or clubs on campus, please visit Pioneer Life.

Download the Corq app to search for social, cultural, educational and/or civic engagement events!



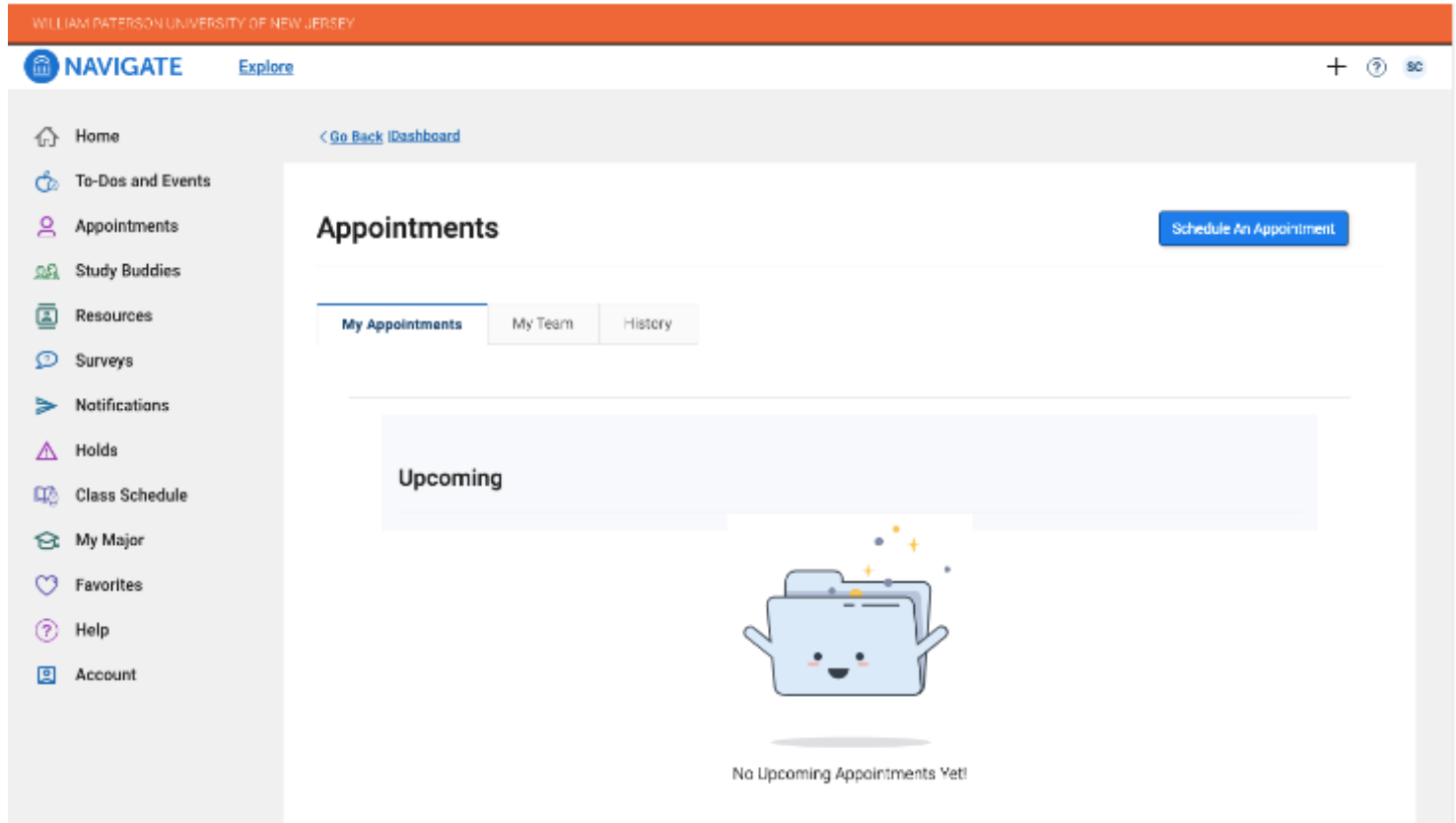
## WHY SHOULD I JOIN A CLUB IN COLLEGE?

1. **Network** – the friends and acquaintances you meet in college are more than social; they may also be the people who help you find jobs. And, being a club member is...
2. **Another line on your resume.** Employers like to hire people who get involved. Clubs are one way of showing that you are an active person. But, even if the club doesn't help your job search it might...
3. **Reduce your stress** by giving you something fun to do – or at least something that isn't solely focused on course work. Also, talking with people, and interacting with them at events will help you...
4. **Develop those all-important soft skills** that employers talk about – such as working with diverse people; collaboration; teamwork; and communication.

# HOW TO: Use Navigate

Navigate for students can be found in your WPUNJ Apps on WPCConnect.

You can schedule appointments with your advisors and join study groups with students in your class.



# HOW TO

## Find a Job/Internship

To find and apply for jobs on campus, use



1. Go to the “**Student**” Tab on WPCConnect
2. Scroll down to “**Careers and Campus Jobs**”
3. Select “**Student Jobs and Internships**”

To apply for off campus jobs and internships use “**Handshake**”:

1. Go to the “**Student**” Tab on WPCConnect
2. Scroll down to “**Careers and Campus Jobs**”
3. Select “**Handshake: Job & Internship Portal**”

### **Benefits of Handshake:**

- Find out about campus career events!
- Access the career center for resume checks, mock interviews, and career planning!
- You can search for employers and employers can also reach out to you about opportunities!
- Find jobs and internships for every path!

For more resources visit: [The Career Development Center](#)



# HOW TO **5AMP** Self Care

## Take Care of your Body

Maintaining your physical health is a crucial factor in keeping your mind healthy. Eating a well-balanced and nutritious diet can boost your immune system and lower the effects of stress on the body. Incorporating exercise with a healthy diet will also help improve your mood by producing endorphins.



## Take a Break from News and Social Media

It's important to know when to unplug before it starts affecting your mental health. You can stay informed by checking in from time to time, but don't overdo it by continuously refreshing social media throughout the day. This can increase feelings of fear and anxiety.

## Make Yourself a Priority

Remember to put yourself first when you feel overwhelmed or stressed. Always make sure to prioritize your sleep, diet, and mental health. A healthy mind will help you succeed!



## Go Outdoors

Not getting enough sunlight can result in a drop in serotonin levels, which directly affects your mood. Low levels of serotonin can also lead to symptoms of depression. Going outdoors for at least an hour every day will allow you to get fresh air and improve your mental well-being

## Listen to Music

One of the most convenient ways to relieve stress is to listen to music. Music has many therapeutic benefits; it helps lower anxiety and depression levels, ease muscle tension, and enhances your mood. Start your morning by listening to a playlist with your favorite songs to help you de-stress.



## Set Goals

Setting goals helps define priorities and improves self-confidence and motivation. Make sure to write down the goals you want to set and how you want to accomplish them. Not only will this help you stay organized, but it will also allow you to keep track of your progress towards achieving the goal.

# HOW TO

## Check Final Grades

1. Log on to WPCConnect and select the “Student” tab.
2. Under the “My Degree” heading, select the “Final Grades” tab. Select
3. “Fall 2024” from the drop down box.

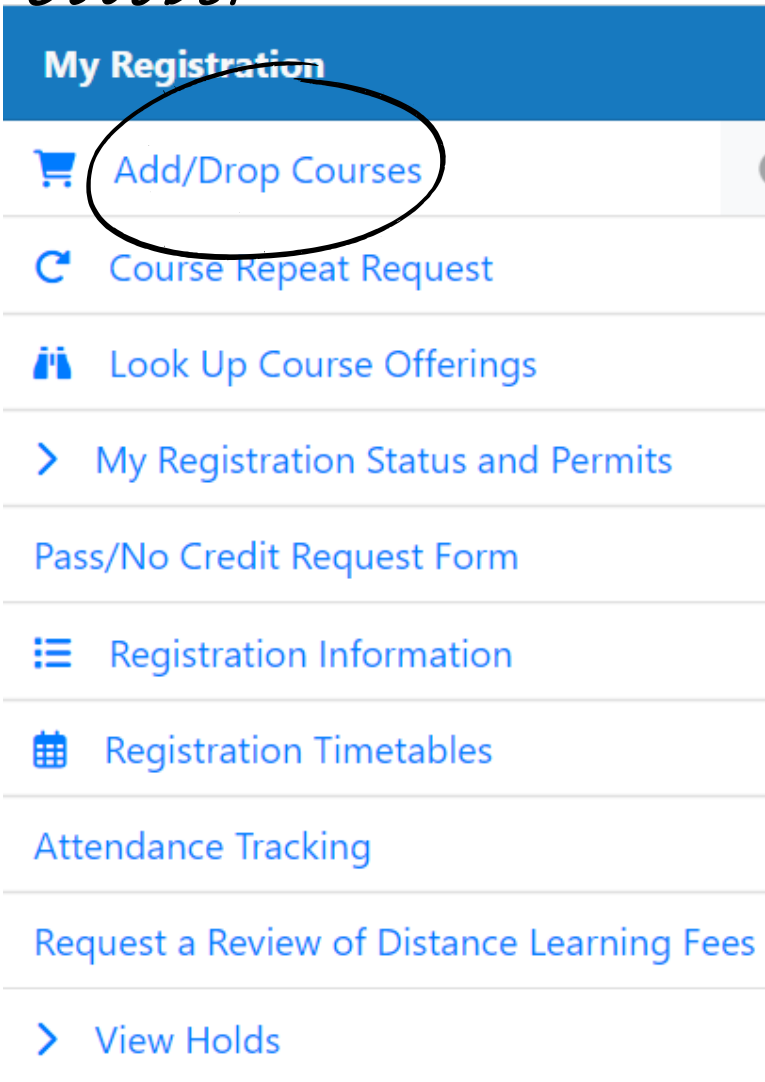
This drop down may not be available until **December 2024** or later

My Degree	
Status:	Active
Class:	Graduate
Degree:	Master of Science
College:	Science & Health
Program:	MS Communication Disorders
Major:	Communication Disorders
Financial Aid SAP Status:	Award Aid

- [Add, Declare, or Change Major](#)
- [Add, Declare, or Change Minor](#)
- [Change to or from WP Online](#)
- [Degree Works \(New Dashboard\)](#)
- [Degree Works \(Classic Dashboard\)](#)
- [Final Grades](#)
- [Early Assessment](#)
- [Request Official Transcript](#)

# HOW TO Add/Drop Courses

*Registration for Spring 2025 will take place in October*



*To change your Fall 2024 schedule, contact your academic advisor*

Everything you need to prepare/register for your class will be under the “My Registration” tab in WPCONNECT.

\*Please refer to registration videos on WPCONNECT and YouTube for help or stop by the Honors College office .

# Honors Student Team

## MEET OUR

### *Ambassadors*



**SYDNEY**

Nursing Major

**Honors Track:** Nursing  
**Hobbies:** Editing videos and window shopping  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Honors Research Night!



**JARED**

Computer Science Major

**Honors Track:** Cognitive Science  
**Hobbies:** Playing volleyball and sleeping  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Honors NYC Museum trip!



**ROHIT**

Computer Science Major

**Honors Track:** Independent  
**Hobbies:** Playing cricket

## MEET OUR

### *Ambassadors*



**IFE**

Health Studies Major

**Hobbies:** Cooking and sleeping



**SOLENNI**

Secondary Education Major

**Honors Track:** Performing & Literary Arts  
**Hobbies:** Read, write, and watch football  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Volunteering at Father English Community Center

## MEET OUR

### *Peer Leaders*



**JASON**

Environmental Sustainability Major

**Honors Track:** Global Public Health  
**Hobbies:** Swimming and hiking  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Montreal Spring Break Trip!



**ANGIE**

Nursing Major

**Honors Track:** Nursing  
**Hobbies:** Baking and reading  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Honors Club Goodie-Bag Making event



**CAMILA**

Psychology and Criminology & Criminal Justice Major

**Honors Track:** Cognitive Science  
**Hobbies:** Traveling and crocheting  
**Favorite Honors memory:** NYC Museum and Broadway Show trip!



**MADDIE**

Secondary Education Major

**Honors Track:** Humanities  
**Hobbies:** Reading and going on walks  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Volunteering at Father English Community Center

## MEET OUR

### *Peer Leaders*



**RORY**

Speech Language Pathology Major

**Hobbies:** Yoga and reading  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Honors NYC Museum Trip!



**SARAH**

Popular Music Major

**Hobbies:** Hanging out with friends and listening to music  
**Favorite Honors memory:** First-Year Honors Orientation



**OWEN**

Jazz Studies and Music Education Major

**Honors Track:** Music  
**Hobbies:** camping and coin collecting  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Honors Research Night

## MEET OUR

### *Office Staff*



**MADDIE**

Secondary Education Major

**Honors Track:** Humanities  
**Hobbies:** Reading and going on walks  
**Favorite Honors memory:** Volunteering at Father English Community Center



**KOURTNEY**  
GRADUATE ASSISTANT

Speech Language Pathology Master's Program

**Hobbies:** Field Hockey, Reading, Gardening, Movies, Learning to play Chess

# Honors Office Contact Information

Location: **Raubinger Hall 207**

Phone Number: **973-720-3657**

Email: **honors@wpunj.edu**



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STUDENT ATHLETE

# Helpful Tools and Resources: Pioneer Card

How to check your pioneer card balance:

1. Log in to **WPConnect**
2. Click on the **"Student"** Tab
3. Under the **"Campus Life"** heading, click **"Pioneer Express Card"**

Balances can also be viewed on the **GET app**

Balances will transfer over from **Fall to Spring**, but they do not transfer over from the **Spring** semester to the **Fall** semester of the next academic year

## Campus Life


 [Alcohol-Wise \(Freshmen Only\)](#)

 [My Meal Plan](#)

 [Vector Sexual Violence Prevention Course](#)

[Online Student Diversity Training](#)

 [Pioneer Express Card](#)

 [Pioneer Life Portal \(Organizations, Activities, Involvement\)](#)

 [Register To Vote](#)



# Helpful Tools and Resources: Organization

**Be proactive! Manage your time and get ahead on your work!**

- Use **Google Calendar** and/or **Google Tasks** to keep track of your schedule
- **Microsoft One Drive** can be used to create documents, powerpoints, and other files. This feature is included in the free Microsoft package associated with your student account
- **Paper planners** are great organizational tools to list and prioritize assignments, meetings and anything else going on during the semester

## Helpful Links

[Honors Handbook](#)

[Lost ID](#)

[Reserve a Study Room](#)

[Print from Anywhere on Campus](#)

[Shuttle Information](#)

# Academic and Campus Resources

## Math Learning Center

Science Hall East Room 3036

### What it Offers:

- The Mathematics Learning Center provides academic support in Mathematics courses up to Calculus II.
- Walk-in available, no appointments necessary.
- Tutors can help review a quiz or exam, prepare formula sheets, practice example problems, and more!



## Writing Center

Preakness Hall Room 124

### What it Offers:

- One-on-one about any kind of writing, at any stage, on any device
- 45-minute sessions
- Some consultants also offer "e-tutoring" sessions where you drop off your assignment and current draft. Comments can be sent back within one day.
- Help with reviewing assignments, brainstorming, getting started, expanding ideas, revising early drafts, crafting your thesis, organizing and outlining, adding power and style, using/citing sources, and reviewing strategies for editing and proofreading



Website: <https://wpunj.mywconline.com>

## Science Enrichment Center

Science Hall East 3023

### What it Offers:

- **Study Groups:** Collaboration with a facilitator and peers to discuss and review course content for a specific student at the same time each week by appointment
- **Walk-ins:** No appointment necessary
- **Workshops:** face-to-face and video workshops specifically designed to help student succeed in the sciences.



Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/sec>

## Academic Success Center

Cheng Library Room 111B

### What it offers:

Students receive both one-on-one time and group-oriented assistance for a wide range of lower-level and upper-level courses; as well as for developmental skills for mathematics and reading courses.



Website:

[www.wpunj.edu/academics/asc](http://www.wpunj.edu/academics/asc)

## David & Lorraine Cheng Library

Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/library>

### What it offers:

- Provides a large variety of books and media that can be borrowed.
- Extensive database to support students in research, papers, etc.
- Contains the Academic Success Center and the Curriculum Materials Center
- Several study rooms that can be reserved or "first-come, first-serve"



## Career Development Center

University Commons Room 301

### What it Offers:

- Provides career counseling, career coaching, job, internship, and graduate school preparation, as well as employment and mentoring connections.



Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/career-center>



# Academic and Campus Resources

## Student Enrollment Services

Morrison Hall Room 104

### What it offers:

Answers questions regarding financial aid, scholarships, financial literacy, billing and payment, installment plans, and record/select registration services

Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/centers/>



## Counseling, Health and Wellness Center

Overlook South, 1st Floor

Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/health-wellness>

### What it offers:

Through primary health care, personal counseling, health education, prevention services and co-curricular educational opportunities, this center assists students in achieving success in their academic experience and life goals.



## Center of Diversity & Inclusion

University Commons 214

### What it Offers:

- Promotes cultural awareness, knowledge and inquiry so that students can learn more about their personal identity(s), appreciate the uniqueness of others, and contribute to the creation of a more just society.
- Includes the Black Cultural Center, Center for Latinidad, and more!

Website: <https://www.wpunj.edu/diversity-and-inclusion/>

