

University of the Virgin Islands St. Thomas Campus

New and Transfer Student Orientation “Get Connected”

Monday, January 5 – Saturday, January 10, 2015



St. Thomas Campus View

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Greetings Buccaneers,

I wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Dr. Nicole Gibbs, your Interim Dean of Student Affairs at the University of the Virgin Islands on the St. Thomas campus. I am privileged to be given the opportunity to serve as your Dean of Students Affairs and will focus my leadership on creating a healthy, safe and inclusive campus where you can maximize your personal potential while pursuing your educational dreams.

The Dean of Student Affairs Office is here to help you navigate through some of the concerns you may have as a student. We are your campus advocate and will provide assistance when it comes to managing a crisis, understanding campus policies and procedures, and connecting you with the proper campus resources. This support system, which extends beyond the walls of the Dean of Student Affairs Office, will help you find your way through obstacles you may face while you are a student. The Student Affairs team is dedicated to you!

We encourage all UVI students to take advantage of the multiple opportunities for leadership development and student engagement. Your involvement and the friends you make along the way will only enhance your college experience. In addition, I encourage all students to explore the student activities portal to keep abreast of all the exciting programming that is forthcoming. While you are a student at the University, I encourage you to get involved in our campus life and stay connected.

Please find some time to stop by the Dean of Student Affairs office and get to know me and the Student Affairs team, who are dedicated to your education, and overall development as a student and future alum of the University of the Virgin Islands.

I am so excited to get to know you and I know we will do and accomplish great things together!

Your Dean of Student Affairs,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicole Gibbs'.

Nicole Gibbs, Ed.D.



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Spring 2015

St. Thomas Campus New Student Orientation

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| Saturday, December 13 | | |
| 8:30 am – 12:00 pm | Placement Testing (English & Math Test) | CAB 103 |
| Sunday, December 14 | | |
| 8:30 am – 12:00 pm | Placement Testing (English & Math Test) | CAB 103 |
| Monday, January 5 | | |
| 8:30 am – 12:00 pm | Placement Testing (English & Math Test) | CAB 103 |
| 12:00 pm | Move In (New Residential Students Only) | Residence Hall |
| 7:00 pm | Mandatory Residence Hall Meeting (New Residential Students) | Residence Hall |
| Tuesday, January 6 | | |
| THREE KINGS HOLIDAY – UNIVERSITY CLOSED | | |
| Wednesday, January 7 | | |
| 8:00 am – 8:30 am | Orientation Check In / Light Breakfast | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 8:30 am – 9:00 am | Official Welcome – University President, Dr. David Hall | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 9:00 am – 9:30 am | Enrollment Services 101 | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 9:30 am – 10:00 am | Getting Connected to UVI – ITS Services Session | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 10:00 am – 10:30 am | Taking Care of Business – Business Services Session | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 10:30 am – 11:00 am | Security Services Presentation (Safety and Parking Permit) | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 11:00 am – 11:30 am | Know Your Resources (Center for Student Success) | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 11:00 am – 12:00 pm | Supporting Your Buccaneer (Parents/Family Session) | BUS 102 |
| 11:30 am – 12:00 pm | It's All Academics (Dean's Talk and Introduction) | BUS 110-Chase Auditorium |
| 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm | Lunch | BUS 101, 102, and 103 |
| 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm | International Student Session | BUS 103 |
| 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm | Advisement / Registration (New Students) | Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library -School of Education Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library -School of Nursing Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library -College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library -School of Business Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library -College of Science and Mathematics |
| 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm | Mix & Mingle (Light Refreshments, and Entertainment) | Administration and Conference Center 142 |
| Thursday, January 8 | | |
| 9:00 am – 11:30 am | Campus Tour | Depart from Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library Parking Lot |
| 10:30 am – 12:30 pm | Student Organization Fair | Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library |
| 11:30 am - 12:30 pm | Lunch (On Your Own) | On Your Own |
| 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm | ID Card Distribution | BUS 103 |
| 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm | Island Tour (Sign-up at Orientation Check-In) | Depart from Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library Parking Lot |
| 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm | Late Registration | ACC Building – Access and Enrollment Services |
| Friday, January 9 | | |
| 8:30 am – 12:00 pm | Placement Testing (English & Math Test) | Ralph M. Paiewonsky Library |
| 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm | National Student Exchange Meeting | West Hall - Neil Weiss Seminar Room |
| 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm | Late Registration | ACC Building - Access and Enrollment Services |
| 6:00 pm | Movie Night (Sign-up at Orientation Check-In) | Depart from University Bookstore |
| Saturday, January 10 | | |
| 12:00 pm – Until | Game Day | Student Activities Center |
| Monday, January 12 | | |
| FIRST DAY OF CLASSES! The Journey Begins... | | |
| Monday, January 12 – January 16 | | |
| 10:00 am – 4:00 pm | Add/Drop Period (Make Necessary Changes to Your Schedule) | |

NOTE: Orientation activities may be subject to change when necessary.

TRAVELING ARRANGEMENTS

IF YOU ARE FLYING directly into the Cyril E. King Airport, you can arrive at the campus by taking a taxi, which will cost approximately \$5.00 to \$10.00 per passenger. If you will be traveling by Seaborne Airlines, you can also arrive at the campus by taking a taxi which will cost approximately \$7.00 per passenger. (Please call to verify prices.)

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING BY BOAT and arriving at the Red Hook Harbor you can arrive at the campus by taking a taxi, which will cost approximately \$14.00 per passenger or you may call **East End Taxi** .

Service located in Red Hook at (340) 775-6974 and request transportation to travel to the University of the Virgin Islands (west). If you arrive at the Edward Wilmot Blyden/Tortola Wharf, a taxi will cost approximately \$7.00 per passenger.

Note: Prices for taxis may change due to luggage.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Families attending the **Spring 2015 New and Transfer Student Orientation** should make hotel reservations early. Here are some hotels that are near the university's campus.

WINDWARD PASSAGE HOTEL

Physical Address: Veterans Drive (Downtown – 15 minutes to campus)
St. Thomas VI 00802
Telephone: (340) 774-5200 Ext. 253/254

BEST WESTERN EMERALD BEACH RESORT

Physical and Mailing Address: 8070 Lindberg Bay
(Near Airport – 5 minutes to campus)
St. Thomas, VI 00802
Telephone Number: (340) 777-8800 Ext. 5200
1-800-233-4936

ISLAND BEACHCOMBER HOTEL

Physical Address: Lindberg Beach Road (Near Airport – 5 minutes to campus)
St. Thomas, VI 00802
Telephone Number: (340) 774-5250

Alma Mater By the Sea
Words and Music by Wilbur "Bill" LaMotta

Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater
Beside the blue Caribbean calm
Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater
'neath sunny skies and whisp'ring palm

Proud we are to tread thy ways
Loud and true we voice our praise
Open door thy every portal
'mid sand and sea and golden days

Long the ties that will endure
Strong in heart and memory
Faithfully we'll always honor
Our Alma Mater by the sea

Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater
For guiding stars so brightly shown
Hail to thee, dear Alma Mater
How wide the bound'ries we have flown

Sing we now of bright tomorrows
Yesterday we never knew
Walking down thy halls of wisdom
The towerin' heights are all in view

Here to us on islands famed
Dear to us thy name will be
University of the Virgin Islands
Our Alma Mater by the sea.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

Important Numbers: Offices and Services

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| Administration and Conference Center | (340) 693-1259 |
| Admissions Office | (340) 693-1160 |
| Bookstore | (340) 693-1561 |
| Cashier's Office | (340) 693-1437 |
| Center for Student Success | (340) 693-1583 |
| Counseling and Placement Services | (340) 693-1134 |
| Dean of Students | (340) 693-1120 |
| Dining Pavilion | (340) 693-1139 |
| Financial Aid Office | (340) 693-1090 |
| Provost Office | (340) 693-1200 |
| Registrar's Office | (340) 693-1160 |
| Security Office | (340) 693-1530 |
| Sports & Fitness Center | (340) 693-1199 |
| Student Employment Services | (340) 693-1088 |
| Student Government Association | (340) 693-1098 |
| Student Health Services | (340) 693-1124 |
| Student Housing | (340) 693-1110 |
| Student Activities | (340) 693-1640 |
| Student Mail Room | (340) 693-1589 |
| Wellness Center | (340) 693-1075 |

Schools and Colleges

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| School of Business (SOB) | (340) 693-1300 |
| School of Education (SOE) | (340) 693-1320 |
| College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) | (340) 693-1340 & (340) 693-1260 |
| School of Nursing (SON) | (340) 693-1290 |
| College of Science and Math (CSM) | (340) 693-1230 |

Questions? Contact the Office of the Dean of Students at 340-693-1120 or visit us at our website at <http://www.uvi.edu>.