

CAPITAL UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL
2021 1L Orientation
FAQs

Are all sessions (pre-orientation, orientation, and post-orientation) mandatory? Yes. If you have an unavoidable conflict, please email Professor Hara at hhara@law.capital.edu.

I've heard orientation is related to the Academic Success Program (ASP), so do I need to be required or opt-in to participate? No. Orientation is required for all incoming students. You are registered automatically.

What's the deal with fall ASP? Fall ASP is open to all students and runs asynchronously through TWEN. You will learn more about this during orientation. You do not need to do anything related to Fall ASP now.

Can I get started early? No. There is no need to do anything now. You will have all the information you need once you gain TWEN access on New Student Day.

What is the writing diagnostic and Core Grammar and why do I have to complete them?

Writing is an integral part of law school and to the work of a lawyer. The writing diagnostic helps us identify strengths and areas of improvement to assist you in being the best writer you can be. Likewise, proper use of grammar and style to effective writing, and show both professionalism and attention to detail. The law school uses the online diagnostic tool, Core Grammar for Lawyers, that is designed to test your baseline knowledge of grammar and style rules followed by lessons that will allow you to quickly master these skills prior to the second assessment.

Where will orientation take place? Pre-orientation (August 8-13) will take place online via Zoom. Convocation (August 19) will be in-person and on the Capital University main campus in Mees Hall ([map](#)). Orientation (August 16-18 & August 20-21) will be in-person at the Law School in [downtown Columbus](#).

Where do I park for Convocation and the in-person components of orientation? For Convocation, parking is available in numerous lots on the main campus. See [Maps & Locations](#) for a map and specific details. For orientation at the Law School campus, parking is available in Lot 2 and Lot 4 for students. You can find all details, including a map, online at <http://law.capital.edu/ParkingandSecurityServices/>.

What Covid-19 precautions will exist for the in-person sessions during Orientation week?

On August 1st, Capital University announced that masks will now be required on all Capital University campuses based on updated guidance from the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#).

- **Indoors:** Masks must be worn by all students, faculty, staff, and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, while in public indoor spaces on all campuses, including in classrooms, libraries, offices, and common areas. Vaccinated individuals may remove face coverings when seated in a private office occupied by one person or at a workstation, provided that there is separation from other seated people.
- **Outdoors:** Masks are not required but are recommended if in a crowd or unable to maintain physical distancing.

- **At the Center for Health and Wellness:** Masks are required in the student health center regardless of vaccination status.
- **On Transportation:** Masks must be worn when two or more people travel on University vans and buses (University-owned or rented) and on other public transportation.

Is there a dress code for the in-person components of orientation? No. You should be dressed comfortable in the same type of attire you plan to wear during the semester. You should be aware that the climate varies depending on the room in the law school; consequently, layers may be helpful.