Friday, September 16

2-5 pm  Check-in  Highsmith Union, rooms 221-222
Come to the Highsmith Union to check-in with Family Weekend staff! When you arrive, you will receive a copy of the Family Weekend schedule, along with your picnic ticket(s), a campus map, information about Asheville and more!

Costume Design at the Turn of the Century: 1990-2015  S. Tucker Cooke Gallery, Owen Hall
The work of costume designers from 31 countries is included in this exhibition, which showcases costume design projects for theatre, opera, dance, film, fashion, and performing art during the past 25 years. Costume renderings, production photos, three-dimensional costume installations, artistic images of costumes in other settings as well as short performance videos will be featured in the exhibition. Some of the work will be presented in a digital portfolio format. The S. Tucker Cooke Gallery is located on the first floor of Owen Hall.

Campus Tour  Leaves from Highsmith Union, rooms 221-222
If you missed out on a Campus Tour during your last visit to UNC Asheville, or would just like to get reacquainted with campus while you are waiting for your student to get out of class, feel free to join one of our University Ambassadors for a campus tour! This option will be available throughout Friday afternoon's check-in process!

5-6:30 pm  Reception with UNC Asheville Administration, Faculty & Staff  Karpen Hall, Laurel Forum
Kick off this year's Family Weekend by mingling with the dynamic people who shape the academic rigor and creative climate of UNC Asheville at this drop-in reception. Stimulating conversation & delicious hors d'oeuvres are waiting for you at this event!

7 pm  UNC Asheville Women's Soccer v. North Dakota State  Greenwood Field
Be a part of the Pursuit of Greatness as the UNC Asheville women's soccer team hosts North Dakota State at Greenwood Field, located just behind Governors Hall. UNC Asheville students receive free admission to the game, and family members can attend for the discounted rate of $4. Snack and drinks will be available at the concessions stand at the game.

Saturday, September 17

8 – 8:45 am  North Asheville Tailgate Market  Parking Lot P 28
Stop by the North Asheville Tailgate Market on your way into campus on Saturday morning – but don’t be late for the Back-to-Class sessions that begin at 9 am! The tailgate market is held weekly on Saturday mornings and offers over 40 vendors from local farms, as well as accomplished craftsmen and bakers.

8-8:45 am  Late Check-in  Highsmith Union, rooms 221-224
Check-in will be available for participants who were unable to arrive on Friday afternoon. When you arrive, you will receive a copy of the Family Weekend schedule, along with your picnic ticket(s), a campus map, and information about Asheville and more!

9-9:50 am  Back-to-Class Session: Round 1  Assigned Classrooms
Please refer to the Back-to-Class Session Handout (provided during check-in) for course descriptions and locations.
These sessions will showcase our award-winning faculty and talented staff. You’ll get a glimpse into the engagement and dynamic teaching and learning experiences that take place on our campus every day!

10-10:50 am  Back-to-Class Session: Round 2  Assigned Classrooms
Please refer to the Back-to-Class Session Handout (provided during check-in) for course descriptions and locations.
One class just isn’t enough, so check out a second Back-to-Class Session! The locations for each session are the same for the 1st and 2nd rounds.
11 am – 12 pm  Bee-hind the Scenes with UNC Asheville’s Bee Campus (see campus map)
Check out a different kind of campus with our Director of Sustainability, Sonia Marcus, as she highlights our new Bee Hotel, which is the newest addition to our Bee Campus. Learn about the critical role bees play within our food supply, as well as the initiatives UNC Asheville’s Student Environmental Center is taking to help preserve the local bee population.

OR

CrAFT Studio and Media Design Lab Demonstration
Ramsey Library is a hub for creativity, technology, and scholarship on UNC Asheville's campus. Stop by the Media Design Lab to get hands-on with the amazing multimedia technology available for student use! We will also be featuring the forthcoming CrAFT (Creativity, Art, Fabrication, and Technology) Studio, adjacent to the Media Design Lab, including 3D printing, modeling, and much more!

12 – 1:15 pm  Picnic on the Quad
Bring your family to enjoy a casual picnic on the University Quad with the rest of our campus community. Enjoy music by UNC Asheville's all-female a cappella group, the Fortissimamas, and lawn games. Bring your camera with you so that you can have your picture taken with Rocky, the official UNC Asheville mascot. Don’t forget – our first raffle basket giveaway will occur during the picnic (you must be present to win)!

12:45 - 1 pm  Meet-Up for Whitewater Rafting Trip
*Pre-registration required – only 40 seats available*
If you and your family pre-registered to participate in the Family Weekend rafting trip, proceed to Reed Plaza and check-in for the trip. We will depart for the trip via bus as soon as all participants arrive, complete the corresponding paperwork and are accounted for on the bus!

1- 1:45 pm  Zumba on the Quad
Join Campus Recreation and a certified Zumba instructor to dance away those lunch calories in a fun, engaging and open atmosphere for the whole family. All fitness levels and ages are welcome!

2 – 7:30 pm  Free Time to Explore Asheville
Take some time to explore the city of Asheville and spend an afternoon with your student in his/her new surroundings! Experience Asheville and all it has to offer through a firsthand glimpse of life outside campus.

8 pm  Jabali Afrika
*Lipsy Auditorium
*doors open at 7:30 pm
Return to campus on Saturday evening to witness a truly amazing and breathtaking show, and get a taste of the weekend and evening programming here at UNC Asheville! From Kenya in East Africa, Jabali Afrika is a multi-faceted group with its own unique fusion of African rhythms. Original compositions and traditional African rhythms come alive on a wide variety of instruments, accompanied by vocal harmonies that form the foundation of modern rock, jazz, and blues! Add talented dancing and choreography, along with stunning traditional African tribal costumes, and you will enjoy a multicultural experience that will leave you enriched, educated and entertained!

Sunday, September 18
1 pm  UNC Asheville Women's Soccer v. Alabama A&M
Be a part of the Pursuit of Greatness as the UNC Asheville women's soccer team hosts Alabama A&M at Greenwood Field, located just behind Governors Hall. UNC Asheville students receive free admission to the game, and family members can attend for the discounted rate of $4. Snack and drinks will be available at the concessions stand at the game.