Welcome to the Canisius Family!

Your student is about to embark on a journey into college that will be full of many of the typical transitions: a different academic workload and expectations from high school to college, the familiarity of family and friends to new acquaintances, and, for many, the familiar comforts of home to a new residence on campus. Your student’s journey will be a very personal one and the response to these changes, among others, will vary accordingly. Please know that the Canisius community of committed faculty and staff are here to assist both you and your student during this formative period.

Students are encouraged to use all the wonderful resources and services that the college offers as they navigate their academic career. We are privileged to be able to walk alongside your student and embed the Jesuit traditions and ideals into our daily interactions, in addition to serve as a guide for them as they fuel their mind, body, and spirit.

The journey begins today with New Student Orientation (NSO) by exploring the many resources that will be available moving forward to help them achieve academic success.

New Student Orientation: Family Schedule

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

9:00 - 11:00 AM  Resident Move In  Back Quad
9:00 - 12:00 PM  Student Services Fair  Grupp Fireside Lounge
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  New Student Orientation Check In  Regis Room
10:00 - 10:45 AM  Athletics 101 (by invite only)  Student Center Lobby
10:00 - 10:45 AM  Intro to GRIFF 201: Transfer Student Crash Course  Montante Cultural Center
11:30 AM  Mass (optional)  Chapel
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  Lunch  Dining Hall
12:15 - 1:15 PM  Building a Canisius Community: A Tabletop Discussion with Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Daniel Dentino  Dining Hall
1:30 - 2:30 PM  College Crossroads: Finding Their Way to Success at Canisius and Beyond  Dining Hall
3:00 - 4:00 PM  President’s Welcome & Blessing  Koessler Athletic Center

Parents and families: this signifies the end of your program. We wish you safe travels back home!
Resident Student Move In
Moving in is easy as 1,2,3! New Students will move into their residence hall beginning at 9:00am.

New Student Orientation Check-In
Come check into New Student Orientation on the First Floor of the Student Center starting at 10:00am. All students will be asked to check in which includes first year, transfer, resident, commuter, and international exchange students!

New students will receive their New Student Orientation packets, complimentary t-shirt that students will be asked to wear at the President’s Welcome and class photo, and finally a place to ask any questions about the rest of the schedule!

Orientation Rest Stop
Need a break from the day or to recharge your phone? The Orientation Rest Stop is available to help ease the stress and offer a quiet space to relax and enjoy some downtime. This rest stop can be found on the bottom floor of Student Center, right in the Commuter Lounge located next to the Bookstore and Center for International Education.

Student Services Fair
From purchasing parking passes to handing in your health records — meet and mingle with staff from various academic resources and student service areas from across campus who are here to help with your transition to college.

Athletics 101: Panel Discussion
(for D1 student-athletes & their families, by invitation only)
Family members and all our new Division 1 intercollegiate student-athletes will have an opportunity to participate in a discussion held by the administration and support staff from the athletics department who will provide important information about Canisius Division I Athletics, as well as answer any questions that may arise about the program. Topics to be addressed include: compliance, academic support services, athletic training, athletic communications, financial aid, and more.

Building a Canisius Community:
A Tabletop Discussion with Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Daniel Dentino
A guided panel conversation led by the Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Daniel Dentino, that will address frequently asked family questions with members of our campus community, as well as highlight the many resources and services that are offered to your students as they navigate their academic careers.

College Crossroads: Finding Their Way to Success at Canisius and Beyond
What does it take to make your student’s first year and all of their years at Canisius the best they can be? How do we keep the right mindset to take on the challenges of college and reach our full potential? Our inspirational keynote speaker, Ed Gerety, will give you ideas and strategies to do just that. Ed is one of the top professional motivational speakers and leadership trainers in the country and he has worked with Jesuit Colleges for over 20 years.

President’s Welcome & Blessing
In the Ignatian spirit and tradition of going forth and setting the world on fire, join us as the college community comes together to commence the academic year with a welcome from John J. Hurley, President of Canisius College, and a blessing for our students and their families.

Stay Connected with Canisius
SIGN UP FOR THE PARENT’S NEWSLETTER
Want to stay in the loop with Canisius? Sign up to receive monthly electronic newsletters with information and resources to help you support your student’s experience at Canisius! The Griff E-parents Newsletter is a great, free resource for any family member to stay up to date with the events at Canisius. To register, type “Parent’s Newsletter,” in the search bar on the Canisius College website or check out canisius.edu/parentsnewsletter

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES
The academic calendar for 2019-2020 is currently posted on the Canisius College website. This calendar includes breaks, add/drop registration dates, and many other important deadlines that both families and students should be aware of. To access the calendar, head to canisius.edu/calendar

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?
Sending your student off to college is an exciting transition in everyone’s life and Canisius College wants to provide an easy transition for all. Canisius College is committed to creating an inclusive, welcoming community for everyone and want to ensure family members are included in this community. Follow us on Facebook or Instagram by searching Canisius College to see what the students are up to. For any other questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to orientation@canisius.edu or give us a call at 716.888.3781.
Cura personalis (kūr′ə pûr′sənl-ăl′is), noun [Latin] 1. care for the whole person  
2. a focus on your mind, heart, soul and body  
3. a holistic approach to education at Canisius

CORE VALUES & JESUIT IDEALS:

**Being Men and Women for and with Others**
Provide opportunities for individuals to define their own identity while understanding their interconnectedness to a global society.

**Finding God In All Things**
Provide opportunities for individuals to search for and find God in their daily lives.

**Living AMDG (Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam)**
Provide opportunities for individuals to explore personal continuous quality improvement.

**Creating a Passion for Academic Success**
Provide opportunities for individuals that promote transformative lifelong learning.

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Ignite your Mind, Body & Spirit