



# FIRST-YEAR STUDENT TIMELINE

Interested in attending Alvernia? We've created a general timeline to help you and your family navigate the application and enrollment process as you pave the way to become a Golden Wolf. The timeline follows first-year students looking to apply this upcoming Fall. It includes a suggested timeframe with additional tips to use as a guide. Your admissions counselor is also available to answer any further questions! **Please connect with us at [admissions@alvernia.edu](mailto:admissions@alvernia.edu) or call 610-796-8269.**

## AUGUST

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Apply to Alvernia and create your AU portal	August 1	Applications for Fall 2025 open on August 1st. The student application portal, <a href="https://admissions.alvernia.edu/apply/">https://admissions.alvernia.edu/apply/</a> will help guide students through next steps in the application and enrollment process.

## SEPTEMBER

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Application Review	Immediately	Application review begins. Students must submit a completed application and high school transcript. Alvernia is test optional for Fall 2025.
Attend Step Into the Pack Open House	September 28	Our open house is the perfect opportunity for high school juniors and seniors gathering information during their college search process. Your visit will include a general presentation, an academic overview provided by our four deans, a campus tour, and personalized AU license plates! Come experience the Alvernia Advantage to feel what it's like to step into the pack.

## OCTOBER

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Attend a 4 College Day	October 14 & 18	Our academic-focused visit days offer an immersive preview of the Alvernia student experience tailored to your specific area of interest. The Day consists of a brief presentation related to your College, a tour of the Hill, The PLEX, and the John R. Post Center at Reading CollegeTowne. Register for a 4 College Day on our website! <a href="https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/4-college-days">https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/4-college-days</a>

## NOVEMBER

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Attend Sunday Funday Open House	November 3	Sunday Funday Open House gives prospective students an opportunity to enjoy student experiences. Students and families will hear about the opportunities to get involved with our student clubs and organizations, enjoy a campus tour, eat lunch in our dining hall and experience a student-oriented event. It is a vibrant day to be on campus!

## DECEMBER

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Register for an official admissions visit	Ongoing	If you cannot attend our events, we encourage you to register for an official admissions visit that includes an individualized tour and an admissions meeting with your counselor. Schedule today to qualify for our \$2,000 Visit Award. <a href="https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/individual-visits">https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/individual-visits</a>
File Your FAFSA	December 1	The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will open December 1st. Students and families can begin their application by visiting, <a href="https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa">https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa</a> . The office of Student Financial Services is offering individual appointments for FAFSA completion. Connect via email at <a href="mailto:sfs@alvernia.edu">sfs@alvernia.edu</a> or call 610-796-8201.

## JANUARY

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Attend 4 College Days	January 20 & 24	Our academic-focused visit days offer an immersive preview of the Alvernia student experience tailored to your specific area of interest. The day consists of a brief presentation related to your major, a tour of The Hill, The PLEX, and the John R. Post Center at Reading CollegeTowne. Register for a 4 College Day on our website! <a href="https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/4-college-days">https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/visit/undergraduate-visits/4-college-days</a>

## FEBRUARY

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Attend Packapalooza	February 22	Packapalooza is an event tailored to students and families for a deeper dive into Alvernia's community. Sessions are held throughout the day, conference style, that include understanding financial aid, getting involved on campus, student life, and a parent-to-parent panel. This is the last official visit day to qualify for the \$2,000 Visit Award.
Apply for Financial Aid	Immediately	The Student Financial Services Office will continue offering individual appointments for FAFSA completion. Connect via email at <a href="mailto:sfs@alvernia.edu">sfs@alvernia.edu</a> or call 610-796-8201. Visit our Financial Aid page to learn more about how to qualify. <a href="https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/office-student-financial-services/financial-aid">https://www.alvernia.edu/admissions-aid/office-student-financial-services/financial-aid</a>

## MARCH

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Accept offer of admission	March 1	Accept our offer of admission on your Alvernia portal by March 1st to meet the custom Stanley Cups deadline.
Register for an individual admissions visit	Immediately	We invite you to visit us to experience the Alvernia Advantage. When attending an individual visit, you are provided a one-on-one tour with a Golden Guide Ambassador, as well as a personalized meeting with an admissions counselor from your geographic region.

## APRIL

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Join the Pack	April 1	Accept our offer of admissions on your Alvernia portal and pay your enrollment deposit to officially join the Alvernia community!
Attend Accepted Students Day	April 5	Learn your true color, tour campus, meet other prospective members of the Alvernia community, and more at this informative and fun event.

## MAY

Action	Time Frame	Tips
Join the Pack	May 1	Accept our offer of admissions on your Alvernia portal and pay your enrollment deposit to officially join the Alvernia community!
Attend Senior Decision Day	May 2	For students already committed to Alvernia, you can get a head start on your New Student Checklist. For accepted students, you can officially confirm your spot at Alvernia and meet members of the Golden Wolf community!
Register for Connection Day	Immediately	All first-year students are required to attend one of our Connection Days - this is your last chance to attend! You will receive your class schedule, meet your Navigator, and review first-year student expectations.
Complete New Student Checklist	Immediately	The New Student Checklist is encouraged to be completed before Connection Day for class scheduling. All students must complete the required checklist items before the start of classes in the Fall.



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The admissions office is located on the second floor of the Student Center. Open Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:30pm.