

## Student Life Orientation

Fall orientation for new students is a cooperative endeavor of the faculty, administration, and the Student Government Association. Orientation includes an introduction to the University and its various academic departments, counseling programs, student activities, and other aspects of campus life. School Deans also provide guidance to students interested in specific majors and give resourceful insights to parents.

During the first semester, all first-time, full-time students are enrolled in First-Year College Success program. First-Year is an interdisciplinary course designed to introduce students to the academic culture, values and expectations of Holy Family University. For that reason, the framework guiding this experience is the Mission and core values of the University. Throughout the first year, students will meet with faculty, staff, and student mentors and engage in co-curricular and extracurricular activities. FEXP 100 is designed to help new students develop personal, academic and social skills needed to succeed in college and in future endeavors.

## Activities

Through participation in its co-curricular and extracurricular activities, Holy Family University offers its students opportunities for developing personally and socially. Student clubs and organizations on campus exist to encourage both social and professional growth.

## Student Organizations

**Albertans** – The Albertans is a science club that fosters interest in the various fields of science by means of exhibits, films, and tours. Although most members are science concentrators, this is not required for membership. Any funds raised during their activities are used to support student science related projects. Membership in the Albertans is required to be considered for nomination into Beta Beta Beta.

**Ambassadors** – The Ambassador organization was formed to assist the Admissions Office. Through a variety of activities, the ambassadors provide a valuable service of welcoming prospective and new students to Holy Family. Students selected to serve as ambassadors are compensated for their services.

**Army Reserve Officer Training Program (ROTC)** – Holy Family University students can participate in the Army Reserve Officers Training Program sponsored by the Military Science Department at Temple University.

There are significant scholarship opportunities for students who choose to participate in ROTC programs. There is also leadership training, worldwide adventure opportunity and career path to commissioning as a military officer. Students desiring more information should contact the program directly at 215-204-7480.

**Cheerleading** – The Holy Family Cheerleading squad supports and cheers on the Holy Family basketball teams, generating excitement and enthusiasm from the fans.

**Cultural Life** – Situated near metropolitan Philadelphia, Holy Family University affords its students the many educational advantages of city art galleries, concert halls, libraries, museums, theaters, and scientific and technological centers. The University also enjoys the social and cultural resources of the many colleges and universities in Philadelphia and its metropolitan area. Faculty and School Deans organize field trips to places of educational interest in Pennsylvania and surrounding states. On its campus, the University seeks to enrich the cultural life of its students, its faculty, and the local community through a diversified program of workshops, lectures, and musical and dramatic events.

**Education Connections** – Education Connections is the on-campus service (Northeast and Newtown) and support organization for undergraduate education students and interested students from other disciplines. The club focuses on service and support within the University community, to the larger society, and to each other. Typical activities of the club include community service projects, university-based services with other clubs, fund-raising, etc. Active participation is the only requirement for maintaining membership. The club is especially interested in seeking participation from Education majors (inclusive from Freshman Level to Senior Level Status) and non-education majors who want to maximize their professional development while at Holy Family University.

For additional information, please visit the School of Education web-page, <http://www.holyfamily.edu/sedu/imlinks.shtml>

**Fusion** – Fusion is a multicultural student group. Regular meetings, activities, and programs are designed to enhance the University environment culturally.

**Humanities Society** – The Humanities Society brings together students and faculty who share an enthusiasm for art, history, literature and other humanities disciplines. Members need not be majoring in any of these disciplines to join. The group meets throughout the semester to plan trips to local cultural events to promote interest in national and international humanities studies, to write and create artwork for, as well as perform in, productions based on top-

ics of interest to the college community, and to foster scholarship in the humanities by encouraging student teacher research partnerships.

**Math Club - (PIgers)** - PIgers is a group of Holy Family University students who have an interest in mathematics. Membership in PIgers is open to all Holy Family University students. There is no GPA requirement for membership. Usually the club holds 1-2 meetings per month. The club works closely with Kappa Mu Epsilon, the math honor society. The organization sponsors several social events, campus-wide and within the community, to encourage the interaction of students who enjoy mathematics, to inspire an appreciation for the beauty of mathematics, and simply to have fun. These include: an Evening of Mathematical Suspense, Christmas Rose entertainment, PI Day Celebrations and various math competitions.

**Students At Your Service (S.A.Y.S.)** – Students have the opportunity to serve as project leaders and participate in various service activities. Community service helps the student volunteer explore career choices and gain practical knowledge while contributing to the well-being of the community.

The number of hours students volunteer is flexible and they can participate in one or many projects. S.A.Y.S. members meet monthly in the Campus Center to discuss upcoming events. Events include: American Red Cross Blood Drives, Flea Markets and Festivals, Breakfast with Santa, Bunny Breakfast, Emergency Relief Fundraisers, baby showers, and clothing and food drives. Members have the opportunity to develop their own project under the direction of the club officers and moderator.

An updated list of off-campus volunteer opportunities is available in the Special Services Office, Campus Center 214. The S.A.Y.S. newsletter is produced every month spotlighting a volunteer site of the month and volunteer news, information and opportunities. For more information please contact the club's moderator at 267-341-3355.

**Student Government Association (SGA)** – Student Government representatives are elected by the student body for the following academic year and share responsibility for student life and activities. The Vice President for Student Services serves as an advisor to the Student Government Association and as the liaison between the students and the administration.

**Student Nurse Association of Holy Family (SNAHF)** – SNAHF is a state-level pre-professional organization that represents the interests of nursing students. It is a constituent of the National Student Nurses Association, Inc., the largest independent student organization in the country.

## Athletics

The University provides a balanced and well-organized athletic program designed to encompass intercollegiate sports.

Holy Family's athletic teams currently hold membership in both the Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference (CACC) and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II. This commitment permits our student-athletes to compete and to be recognized regionally and nationally.

Men's varsity teams compete in intercollegiate basketball, cross-country, golf, soccer, and track and field; women's teams compete in basketball, cross-country, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis, volleyball, and track and field.

## Publications

*Familogue* – The University yearbook serves with the student newspaper as a printed record of campus life.

*Family Connection* – Published weekly by the Marketing & Communications Department, this electronic newsletter is a digest of news for University faculty and staff

*Folio* – The literary magazine serves as an means of expressions for creative writing and other artistic endeavors.

*Holy Family University Catalog* – The catalog contains information about the University and is published every year. The catalog also is available at [www.holyfamily.edu](http://www.holyfamily.edu).

*Holy Family University Magazine* – Published semiannually by the Division of Institutional Advancement, Holy Family University Magazine is circulated to more than 17,000 alumni, staff, students and friends of the University.

*Honor Roll of Donors* – The Honor Roll of Donors acknowledges gifts made during the previous fiscal year. The leadership of Holy Family University thanks all donors for their generous contributions and encourages those who have not participated in support of the university to "Make an Impact" by becoming involved in the continuing tradition of excellence.

*Report of the President* – Published annually by the Division of Institutional Advancement, The Report of the President is a comprehensive university communication for all campus constituents.

*Student Handbook* – Produced by the Office of the Vice President for Student Services, this *Handbook* presents University regulations and miscellaneous information mainly for the benefit of the students. This publication also is available at [www.holyfamily.edu](http://www.holyfamily.edu).

*Tiger Talk* – The Campus Events newsletter is published weekly by the Student Services Office, Campus Center 212, when classes are in session. An electronic version of this newsletter is sent to personal Holy Family University email accounts as well.

*Tri-Lite* – The student newspaper ([www.tri-liteonline.com](http://www.tri-liteonline.com)) gives students a place to publish their news articles, opinions, and creative writings. It also provides valuable production, editing, and design experience for communication majors. For more information contact [tri\\_lite@holyfamily.edu](mailto:tri_lite@holyfamily.edu).

*Handbooks containing information relevant to specific disciplines are distributed by the respective academic units and are available online.*

