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Parent & Family Calendar

2023 – 2024



Helpful Resources

- *Academic Affairs* | 651.638.6800 | bethel.edu/undergrad/academic-affairs
- *Academic Enrichment and Support Center* | 651.638.6416 | bethel.edu/undergrad/academics/support
- *Accessibility Resources and Services* | 651.638.6833 | bethel.edu/accessibility
- *Business Office* | 651.638.6208 | bethel.edu/business-office
- *Campus Store* | 651.638.6202 | bethel.edu/campus-store
- *Career Development and Calling* | 651.638.6460 | bethel.edu/career-development
- *Christian Formation* | 651.638.6041 | bethel.edu/christian-formation
- *Counseling Services* | 651.635.8540 | bethel.edu/counseling-services
- *Dining Services* | 651.638.6015 | bethel.edu/dining-services
- *Financial Aid* | 651.638.6241 | bethel.edu/undergrad/financial-aid
- *Health Services* | 651.638.6215 | bethel.edu/health-services
- *Information Technology Services (ITS)* | 651.638.6500 | service.bethel.edu | bethel.edu/its
- *International and Off-Campus Programs* | 651.638.6549 | bethel.edu/international-studies
- *Safety and Security* | 651.638.6400 | bethel.edu/safety-security
- *Student Life* | 651.638.6300 | bethel.edu/undergrad/student-life

 Facebook: [@betheluniversityparentsandfamilies](https://www.facebook.com/betheluniversityparentsandfamilies)

 Instagram: [@bethelparentsandfamilies](https://www.instagram.com/bethelparentsandfamilies)

Office of Family Relations

651.638.6462 | parents@bethel.edu
bethel.edu/parents





Letter from President Allen

Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome to the Bethel family and the fall of 2023!

We're thrilled to kick off another exciting year on campus. If you're new to Bethel, I want to extend a special welcome to you as we celebrate the beginning of a new partnership. If you're a returning parent, I look forward to reengaging with you in an even more meaningful way.

As your student starts their Bethel journey, I want you to know that God is present here. Bethel's community uniquely provides students with the opportunity to grow in faith and knowledge. We are committed to walking alongside your student and providing a truly excellent experience as they discover the calling God has for them.

The days ahead will be filled with joys and challenges. I ask that you join me in regularly praying for your student as they pursue their passions, develop lasting friendships, and encounter the transforming love of Jesus.



Ross Allen '84
President

Letter from Senior Director of University Relations

Hello Parents and Families,

Welcome to the Bethel family! We are thrilled that your student chose Bethel as their home for the next few years. Their enthusiasm, passion and faith inspires our community.

Bethel is a special place! Within my role as Senior Director of University Relations, I oversee our parent/family, alumni and church events and communications, and general resourcing/care for both groups. Our team is here to provide support and services to all parents/families, alumni and churches.

We hope you find a place of belonging at Bethel as you walk alongside your student in their years ahead. Please reach out if you'd like to be engaged as a volunteer, have questions, or need support.



Jennifer Scott '95, S'02
Senior Director of University Relations



2023 August

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Office of Christian Formation

Our Mission: To equip the Bethel community to live lives of transformation as we together grow into the image of Christ.

Equip - Our team of pastors are theologically trained and passionately committed to journeying with your student during their college years. Through biblically-rooted preaching, discipleship, and training in spiritual disciplines, your student will be given the proper tools to be able to navigate a complex world through a gospel-centered lens.

Transformation - Growing into the image and likeness of Christ requires personal and spiritual discipline. Students are encouraged to schedule one-on-one meetings with a campus pastor in order to develop a developmental plan that will help them track their spiritual and personal growth, as well as work through speed-bumps and other challenges that are a normal part of growing up in Christ.

Together - We need one another to grow and to fulfill our calling to be the body of Christ. Our Christian Formation Team partners with departments across the campus to ensure that every student finds their unique voice, place, and space at Bethel. With Jesus at the center of all that we say and do, students will grow and flourish into the person God has called them to be! Learn more about how we serve students at bethel.edu/christian-formation.

Highlights

ACADEMICS

28 CAS Fall Semester Begins

STUDENT LIFE

24-27 Welcome Week

25 Residence Halls Open
(returning students)

Moms in Prayer

>Join with other moms in prayer for Bethel students, faculty, and staff.

bethel.edu/moms-in-prayer



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2023 September

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Highlights

ACADEMICS

4 Labor Day - Offices Closed and No Classes

STUDENT LIFE

29-30 Homecoming + Family Weekend

HOLIDAYS

4 Labor Day

Office of Student Life

College isn't just about getting a degree. It's also about personal growth and becoming well-rounded. It's about doing things that matter, living out our faith, and building relationships along the way. Life at Bethel is active and there are a lot of opportunities for leadership, growth, and fun within student life.

We recognize that what we do at college isn't just about us. Beyond the fun, we want to work hard and be challenged so we're ready to serve wherever God sends us. Learn more about opportunities to do so at Bethel at bethel.edu/undergrad/student-life/leadership.

Everything we do in Student Life is for our students. Whether you're looking for career advice or need to talk to a counselor, we want to connect you to the right people and resources. To see the many services offered to students at Bethel visit bethel.edu/undergrad/student-life/services.

Get ready to have some fun! There are many clubs and activities to participate in. Get ready to sport outrageous outfits at the homecoming cheer, discover your love for disc golf, or plan events that make your classmates smile after a long week. Check out the fun at bethel.edu/undergrad/student-life/activities.

Homecoming + Family Weekend

>September 29-October 1, 2023

bethel.edu/family-weekend





2023 October

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Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 6 CAS Fall Break - No Classes
- 25 CAS Fall Advising Day

STUDENT LIFE

- 1 Homecoming + Family Weekend

HOLIDAYS

- 31 Halloween

Office of Academic Affairs

The mission of the Office of Academic Affairs is to foster an educational environment grounded in the Christian liberal arts that leads to student success. While most students do not interact with our office directly, they experience the impact of our work.

We oversee faculty, academic programs, advising, the class scheduling and registration process, and all students' academic progress. Learn more about our office at bethel.edu/undergrad/academic-affairs.

Academic Enrichment and Support Center

ASK at the AESC! The Academic Enrichment and Support Center (AESC) provides supportive coaching for time management, test taking strategies, and methods to curb test anxiety and read textbooks effectively.

AESC provides help sessions and individual tutors for almost every course if needed. Check us out at bethel.edu/undergrad/academics/support and come in for a conversation!

Bethel Royal Athletics

>athletics.bethel.edu





2023 November

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Highlights

ACADEMICS

22-24 Thanksgiving Break

STUDENT LIFE

30 Festival of Christmas

HOLIDAYS

5 Daylight Savings Time

7 Election Day

11 Veterans Day

23 Thanksgiving

Health Services

Health Services provides on campus medical care to students while enrolled in the university. Our experienced team of Registered Nurses and a Nurse Practitioner strive to ensure that students leave our clinic feeling better as well as more informed about their condition and ways to provide good self-care.

We're here to keep our students healthy, and thus better able to enjoy the Bethel University experience. Learn more about this free resource at bethel.edu/health-services.

Counseling Services

Life in college is fun, but it can also be challenging and stressful. Our counselors are ready to help, providing support, encouragement, and guidance. Whether it's anxiety, depression, relational conflict, family stressors, or other issues, counselors meet the need with short-term counseling and consultations. Learn more about this free resource at bethel.edu/counseling-services.

Festival of Christmas

>Reserve your tickets at bethel.edu/festival-of-christmas.





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Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 11-12 CAS Fall Final Exams
- 13 CAS Fall Finals Week Study Day
- 14-15 CAS Fall Final Exams
- 15 CAS Winter Commencement

STUDENT LIFE

- 1-2 Festival of Christmas
- 16 Residence Halls Close

HOLIDAYS

- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 Christmas Day
- 31 New Year's Eve

Office of Career Development and Calling

The Office of Career Development and Calling exists to support students and alumni with career strategies and exploration because we understand that knowing what to do with one's education is just as important as the degree itself.

We provide support using tools and opportunities that promote growth throughout their time here and success in life beyond Bethel. Our staff facilitates conversations 1 on 1, in seminars, and classrooms about career discernment, strategic planning towards vocation and calling, and skill-building in finding internships and jobs. We provide a variety of services such as interpreting personality assessments, resume and cover letter reviews, networking and job/internship search, and others that cater to the needs of students and alumni.

We also partner with other Bethel departments to create events designed to build these skills and host many employers at Bethel to inspire connections. Visit our website bethel.edu/career-development to learn more about the services we offer!

Wellness Center

>bethel.edu/wellness-center





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Office of International and Off-Campus Programs

The Office of International and Off-Campus Programs is excited to support students in life-changing academic experiences around the United States and the world. Our team is committed to connecting students with programs that will meet a diverse set of interests and academic needs. Working with our study abroad advisors, students are empowered to explore and choose from over 600 program offerings in over 60 country locations. Off-campus experiences are available for January, summer, fall, and/or spring terms. Learn more at bethel.edu/international-studies.

Campus Store

The Campus Store is the source for all CAS textbooks and educational materials. Order online for fall semester beginning July 1. Beat the rush by ordering early and ship directly to your home before you leave for campus! If you're already on campus, place your order online and you'll receive a notification when your order is ready for pick up. Order January term and spring semester textbooks beginning December 1. Shop the Campus Store online or instore for Bethel apparel and gifts! You'll find school supplies and more in store. Learn more at bethel.edu/campus-store.

Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 3 CAS Interim Term Begins
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Offices Closed and No Classes
- 25 Last Day of CAS Interim Term

STUDENT LIFE

- 30-31 Winter Welcome Week

HOLIDAYS

- 1 New Year's Day
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Art Galleries

>Visit Bethel's on-campus art galleries.
bethel.edu/art-galleries





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2024 February

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Highlights

ACADEMICS

1 CAS Spring Semester Begins

HOLIDAYS

14 Valentine's Day

19 Presidents' Day

Office of Safety and Security

We pursue and promote risk management and security excellence. Our professional security team monitors and patrols campus 24/7/365. We take a holistic approach with industry leading programs and practices. For information about parking and campus access visit our website at bethel.edu/safety-security.

Information Technology Services

Technology is meant to be helpful, and easy to use. We will do everything we can to make your experience with technology seamless. Some of the common services ITS provides are WiFi, printing, and personal service for IT related issues from our walk-up Help Desk.

To get started visit bethel.edu/its/getting-started. Please call 651.638.6500 or email helpdesk@bethel.edu with any questions.

Valentine's Day Gift Ordering

>Send a gift of encouragement to your student. bethel.edu/valentines-day





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Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 11-15 CAS Spring Break
- 29 Good Friday - Offices Closed and No Classes

HOLIDAY

- 10 Daylight Savings Time
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 24 Palm Sunday
- 29 Good Friday
- 31 Easter

Business Office

The Bethel Business Office is here to help you understand and manage your student account and financial responsibilities. We know managing finances can sometimes come with challenges and uncertainty. That's why our team is available and happy to answer your questions and walk with you through the process. Visit bethel.edu/business-office for more information.

Office of Financial Aid

The financial aid process may at times be confusing to students and families as they navigate through federal, state, private, and institutional aid opportunities. The Financial Aid Office is staffed with knowledgeable financial aid counselors who are eager to work to assist you through the financial aid process. In the early stage of applying for admission, you are assigned a financial aid counselor who is dedicated to assisting you throughout your college years. Please familiarize yourself with our financial aid website. It is a wealth of valuable information geared to help you finance your college education. Learn more at bethel.edu/undergrad/financial-aid.

Chapel

>Join us for Chapel in person or online!
bethel.edu/chapel





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Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 1 CAS Easter Break
- 10 CAS Spring Advising Day

STUDENT LIFE

- 19 Grandparents Day

Office of Accessibility Resources and Services

The mission of the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) is to pursue ongoing development that provides an accessible university, embraces and celebrates diversity, and ensures those with a disability have equal access and opportunity to the university and its programs.

The Office of Accessibility Resources and Services (OARS) strives to partner well with students, parents, faculty, and staff. While the accommodations process is student-driven, students are welcome to invite their parents (or other supportive individuals) to participate in meetings. Learn more at bethel.edu/accessibility.

Grandparents Day

>April 19, 2024 bethel.edu/grandparents-day





2024 May

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Dining Services

Dining in community is a major part of college life. Sodexo Dining Services offers an all-you-can-eat buffet in the Monson Dining Center, along with our made-to-order 3900 Grill restaurant, and Royal Grounds coffee shop. Pre-order at 3900 Grill and Royal Grounds for easy pick up between classes using our *OrderAhead* app.

Our registered dietician partners with the Office of Accessibility Resources and Services to oversee dietary accommodations for students with unique dining needs, email accessibility-resources@bethel.edu for more information. Be sure to stop by our on-campus garden just north of Chalberg Hall to see our campus-grown produce and our bee hives when you come to share a meal with your student at Bethel! For more information, check out bethel.edu/dining-services.

Highlights

ACADEMICS

- 17 CAS Spring Last Day of Classes
- 20-21 CAS Spring Final Exams
- 22 CAS Spring Finals Week Study Day
- 23-24 CAS Spring Final Exams
- 25 CAS Commencement
- 27 Memorial Day - Offices Closed

STUDENT LIFE

- 25 Residence Halls Close for Non-Graduating Students
- 26 Residence Halls Close for Graduating Students

HOLIDAYS

- 2 National Day of Prayer
- 12 Mother's Day
- 27 Memorial Day

Royal Grounds

>Students can use flex dollars to buy coffee and cafe items.





2024 June

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HOLIDAYS

- 16 Father's Day
- 19 Juneteenth

Parent and Family Association Leadership Team

Parent and Family Association Leadership Team members are passionate about supporting Bethel as a Christ-centered university, have a currently enrolled undergraduate student, and serve for one year with the possibility of being asked to serve an additional year. These leaders know the value of a Bethel education and are eager to share their Bethel story with other parents.

Parent and Family Association Leadership Team members will choose 1-2 areas in which they are interested in participating as a member of the Bethel University Parent and Family Association Leadership Team:

- Admissions Advocate
- Summer Send-Off Host/Co-Host
- Campus Events Host
- Off Campus Volunteer Partner

Learn more at bethel.edu/parents/advisory-council.

Summer Camps

>Learn more at bethel.edu/camps.





2024 July

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Highlights

HOLIDAYS

4 Independence Day

Parent and Family Association

The Bethel University Parent and Family Association's mission is to support and encourage the university, our students, and families in very intentional ways. Made up of parents and family members dedicated to seeing our sons and daughters thrive at Bethel University, the association is helping create close connections for families on and off campus. Your involvement supports the university in many ways, but none as important as contributing to your student's success.

Students whose parents/family members are informed and involved tend to have a higher degree of academic and social success. The association informs by providing resources parents and family members find invaluable in advising their students in the college experience—resources such as the Parent and Family Calendar, Parent and Family Facebook and Instagram pages, along with occasional online meetings, regular emails, and quarterly newsletters. The association helps fund Family Weekend and local events for parents and families and looks for ways to encourage our students throughout the year. Learn more at bethel.edu/parents/parent-and-family-association.

Refer A Royal

>Do you know someone who would love Bethel? bethel.edu/refer-a-royal





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Help us confirm your contact information at:
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