

Information Sheet for March 28-29, 2014 Open House

<u>GENERAL NOTE</u>: We look forward to welcoming you to Lexington! While the bulk of Open House programming will take place on Saturday, March 29, there will be an informal coffee reception with current students on the evening of Friday, March 28, on the campus of Washington and Lee University at the Hotchkiss Alumni House. This event will run from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., and, as with all other Open House events, shuttle service will be provided from the hotels to the event.

A schedule of activities for this weekend will be included in your registration folder, which you will receive on Saturday morning at Registration. Please note that from 9:45-10:45 a.m. there will be separate programming for guests and admitted students. Guests will rejoin the admitted student group by 11:00 a.m. for a tour of the law school.

IF YOUR PLANS CHANGE: If your plans change and you will no longer be able to attend our Open House, please <u>telephone</u> the Office of Admissions at 540-458-8503. If you no longer need lodging, or will be checking out earlier than planned, we request that you inform us **by NOON on Friday, March 28.** If your lodging needs change after that time and you are unable to speak to us in person, we ask that you leave us a voice message and also contact your hotel directly.

LODGING: Open House attendees will be staying at the Hampton Inn Col Alto or at the Holiday Inn Express. Your hotel information will be emailed to you in advance of the event. If you requested lodging and have not received an email from our office detailing your accommodations by Thursday, February 27, please contact us. Shuttle service will be provided from the hotel to all Open House events.

Hampton Inn Col Alto 401 E. Nelson Street Lexington, Virginia 24450

Phone: 540.463.2223 Fax: 540.463.9707 http://www.hamptoninn.com/en/hp/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=LXTSWHX

Holiday Inn Express Lexington 880 North Lee Hwy Lexington, Virginia 24450

Phone: 540.463.7351 Fax: 540.463.5464 http://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/lexington/lxtex/hoteldetail

At check-in, please indicate that you are part of the W&L Law group - your hotel reservation will be under your name. **You are responsible for any additional charges to your room**, including late check-out or overstay fees; a credit card imprint will be required at check-in. *Please note that if you are not staying at your hotel on Saturday night, you will need to either make arrangements with the hotel for a late check-out, or check out on Saturday morning. Bring your luggage with you to Registration, and we will store it for you at the law school.*

TRANSPORTATION: Shuttles between the hotels and Open House events will be available as follows:

Friday: 7:00 p.m. - 9:15 p.m. - Between Hotels and the Hotchkiss Alumni House

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. From Hotels to Sydney Lewis Hall (Law School)*

* Shuttle service will begin from each hotel promptly at 8:00 a.m. If you require transportation to the law school, we request that you **please be available for transport by no later than 8:30 a.m**. so that we can ensure you have plenty of time to arrive and check-in prior to the start of our program.

1:00 p.m. – 1:25 p.m. – Between Letitia Pate Evans Dining Hall and Sydney Lewis Hall
2:40 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – From Campus to Hotels
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. – Between Hotels and Hotchkiss Alumni House
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – Between Hotels and Downtown

Please note that shuttle service from the law school to the hotel is available only at the beginning and the end of Saturday's Open House programming. Guests who would like to attend only a portion of the Open House sessions will need to make alternative arrangements for transportation.

If you plan to drive yourself, there is ample parking at the law school.

Directions to the Law School are available at: http://law.wlu.edu/directions

Friday night's coffee reception and Saturday night's closing reception are both located at the Hotchkiss Alumni House on the campus of Washington and Lee University. **There is no street address for the building**. Please also note, parking near the building is extremely limited. Attendees who will be driving to the event are encouraged to park in the <u>W&L parking garage</u> (located off Nelson Street – Turn right at Denny Circle to access garage) or in the downtown area (either option will require a short five minute walk to the event). For a printable campus map, <u>click here</u>. The Hotchkiss Alumni House is #28 on the campus map.

To Friday and Saturday night's event:

From the North:

If you are traveling southbound into town via Route 11, turn right at the sign reading "W&L Admissions" (this is also the entrance to the Virginia Military Institute). Continue straight along this road. The Hotchkiss Alumni House will be on your left. If you reach the VMI campus, you have gone too far.

From the East:

If you are traveling into town from the East (I-81, for example), take the 188B exit and continue along this road, until the intersection with Main Street. At Main Street take a right and you will shortly reach a split in the road. At the split stay to the left. Take your first, immediate right (look for the sign reading "W&L Admissions"). Continue along this road. The Hotchkiss Alumni House will be on your left. If you reach the VMI campus, you have gone too far.

Shuttle service will be provided from downtown Lexington to the Hampton Inn and to the Holiday Inn Express until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday night. For shuttle pick-up, please go to the northeast corner of Washington Street and Main Street (i.e. next to Pumpkinseeds, 1 North Main Street). After 9:00 p.m., all admitted students seeking transportation to their hotel will have to make their own arrangements.

Shuttle service will also be available following Saturday's closing reception to both hotels.

MEALS: Our Open House begins with an informal coffee reception from 7-9pm on Friday, March 28 for those who have arrived to Lexington by that time. Both the Hampton Inn Col Alto and the Holiday Inn Express provide hot breakfast buffets to guests of the hotel. Lunch at the university is a part of the scheduled programming on Saturday, March 29. Saturday programming concludes with our closing reception from 6-7:30pm on March 29.

Please note that, while appetizers will be available at both the Friday coffee reception and the Saturday closing reception, you may still wish to eat a separate dinner at one of the many downtown restaurants. A list of dining recommendations is included in your registration folder, and will also be emailed to you in advance.

REGISTRATION: Registration will be located on the 3rd floor of the Law School, in the brick lobby (located near the circulation desk of the law library), between 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. From the shuttle drop-off and parking area, follow the path that goes under the glass walkway and through our center garden. Open House programming begins with a Welcome from our Dean at 9:00 a.m.

PREPARATION: Readings for Professor Seaman's class is now available on the webpage for admitted students: <u>law.wlu.edu/admitted</u>

<u>ATTIRE</u>: The Open House is a casual event - most students come in khaki pants and sweaters or similar attire. Feel free to wear something slightly dressier for the closing reception.