SOAR FAQs

## Who should attend SOAR?

All new students who have been admitted and who have made their enrollment deposit.

## Is SOAR mandatory for all new students?

SOAR is highly encouraged for new students to attend. During SOAR you will have the opportunity to meet with members of the UC community who will help prepare you for the transition to UC as well as meet current UC students who will tell you about their UC experience and answer questions you may have.

## Is SOAR a two day or one day event?

SOAR is a one-day event.

## Should my parents attend?

This is a big step for everyone in the family, so we encourage parents to attend SOAR. There is a lot of information provided during that parents should know.

## What should I wear to attend SOAR?

Dress for the day is casual.

## Do parents and students stay together during SOAR?

Students and parents will be together for the SOAR event during most of the event.

## Can I schedule a campus visit to tour campus and see the residence halls?

Students can schedule a campus visit with the Office of Admissions by visiting https://econnections.ucwv.edu/forms/virtualvisit.

## How can I purchase UC apparel?

You can visit our UC Bookstore and online UC Eagle Shop at https://www.ucwv.edu/uc-life/bookstore/ and http://eagleshop.ucwv.edu/home.

**How do I get to campus?**

### *UC by Plane*

Yeager Airport serves Charleston, which is approximately 10 minutes from the campus.  Airlines providing service to Charleston are:
Continental	Delta	Northwest	United
US Airways

Rental services are available.  Rental cars providers are:
Avis	Budget	Enterprise	Hertz
National

Driving from the airport to campus, follow the Airport Road (merges onto Greenbrier Street) to I-64 West and proceed to the Oakwood Road Exit. Follow the signs to State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue) toward Marmet.  Once on State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue) travel approximately 1.5 miles.  The University of Charleston is on the left.

Taxi services are available from Yeager Airport to UC.  Taxi providers are:
Yellow Top Taxi	$8-$9	C&H Taxi Service	$12-$15

### *UC by Train*

Amtrak serves Charleston with a passenger station on MacCorkle Avenue only 5 minutes from campus.  For inner-city rail passenger service, general information, and reservations call 1-800-872-7245 or locally (304) 342-6766.

### *UC by Bus*

Greyhound Bus Lines serve Charleston.  The terminal is located on Reynolds St. approximately 10 minutes from campus.  For fare and schedule information call 1-800-231-2222 or locally (304) 357-0056.

### *UC by Car*

From the North:  Travel I-77 South or I-79 South into Charleston.  Follow the signs to I-64 West.  Take Oakwood Road Exit 58A and follow the signs to State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue). Once on State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue), travel approximately 1.5 miles.  The campus is on the left.

From the South:  Travel I-77 North (West Virginia Turnpike).  Go through downtown Charleston (ignore the UC sign at MacCorkle Avenue) to I-64 West. Take Oakwood Road Exit 58A and follow the signs toward State Route 61 South. Once on State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue), travel approximately 1.5 miles.  The campus is on the left.

From the East:  Travel I-64 West or I-79 South.  From I-64, go through downtown Charleston (ignore the UC sign at MacCorkle Avenue), continuing West.  Take Oakwood Road Exit 58A and follow the signs toward State Route 61 South.  Once on State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue) travel approximately 1.5 miles.  The campus is on the left.

From the West:  Travel I-64 East to Charleston.  Take the Oakwood Road Exit 58A and follow the signs to State Route 61 South.  Once on State Route 61 South (MacCorkle Avenue), travel approximately 1.5 miles.  The campus is on the left.

**If I arrive the night before, where can we stay?**

Knights Inn
304-345-6300
1.58 miles from campus

Charleston House Ramada Inn
304-344-4092
2.92 miles from campus

Hampton Inn Downtown
304-343-9300
3.28 miles from campus

Holiday Inn Express
304-345-0600
3.42 miles from campus

Marriott Town Center
304-345-6500
3.78 miles from campus

Embassy Suites
304-347-8700
3.97 miles from campus

Red Roof Inn Kanawha City
304-925-6953
4.13 miles from campus

Days Inn
304-925-1010
4.24 miles from campus

Best Western
304-345-9779
4.60 miles from campus

Wingate by Wyndham*
304-744-4444
4.80 miles from campus
*Offers a UC Discount. Ask for the UC Discount upon making reservation.