



It's October! Just a few weeks ago students arrived on campus. Parents were sending their children to the University of Utah. Tears were shed, goodbyes were waved and hugs were hugged. And now, it just seems normal. Students effortlessly move through their schedules and life readjusts to a normal cadence.

While a sense of routine has settled here at the U, we know that there is a lot on the horizon. Fall break, Thanksgiving, Finals, December holidays. Take a peek at what we've curated for you below, to be prepared as we rapidly progress into fall.

Resources



Exciting news! The new [Orcas: Our Shared Future](#) exhibit opens at the Natural History Museum of Utah on October 19th. Students get in free, so come check it out!



Each year students must reapply for student aid via the [FAFSA](#) form. This year, as last year, the form release will be delayed. This often affects students' decisions whether to live on or off-campus. **Housing deadlines for the 2025-26 academic year** can be found on the [Housing and Residential Education website](#).



Is your student looking for their first internship? Check out the [Goff Strategic Leadership Program](#). They offer an Explorers program to help students prepare for the workplace by learning principles such as leadership and other professional skills. [Applications open](#) through October 31st.



If you can believe it, many scholarship applications for the 2025-26 academic year open this fall. Be sure you are keeping tabs on opportunities [here](#).

Let us know

Let us know what you'd like to hear about in 'The Loop'. What webinars would you find helpful? What resources are you seeking but cannot find? Take this 3-question survey to help us help you.

[SURVEY](#)

Webinar

“Success Starts Here: Why the Library is Vital for Students”.

October 29th at 12pm MST

Hear from the Marriott Library's top librarians on what resources students will find in the library. Chat about how to get the best deals on textbooks, to the stuff students can make using the latest tech, to one-on-one help with projects and research.

[REGISTER FOR THIS WEBINAR](#)

Did you know the University has a new Instagram channel just for students? [@utahstudentlife](#) – be sure to follow!

Student Social Events

- October 6-13 - *Fall Break* (NO CLASSES)

- October 18-20 – [U Family Weekend](#)
- Saturday, October 19th – [Bowling Team Try Outs](#) 1-3pm at the Union
- Friday, October 25th – the return of [Crimson Nights Halloween edition!](#)
- October 25-27 – [Escalante Backpacking Trip](#) – equipment included!

U Family Weekend Update



U Family Weekend attendees,

We are so close! Keep checking your inbox as we are sending out communications every other week as we near the date!

Visit: <https://belong.utah.edu/u-family-weekend/>

For families that have purchased football tickets. We are acutely aware of the football ticketing issue for U Family Weekend and are working as quickly as possible with our colleagues in Athletics to remedy the situation. We will communicate with football ticket holders as soon as possible.



[View Full Weekend Agenda](#)

[BUY WATCH PARTY & TAILGATE TICKETS](#)

University Highlight



Not really liking your current dorm? No fear, new [dorm options](#) on campus are underway! This fall, the university broke ground, just next door to the existing Kahlert Village, on a new student facility. It will house over 1,400 students when it opens in Fall of 2026 along with new dining options and activations.

Important Dates & Deadlines

- October 6-13 – Fall Break, no classes
 - October 18th – Last day to [withdraw from classes](#)
 - October 18-20 - [U Family Weekend](#)
 - November 7th – [Spring course registration begins](#)
 - November 28 - December 1 – Thanksgiving break
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If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at belong@utah.edu or call 801-213-1800.

You can also schedule a time to [meet with Michelle](#).

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