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Move-In Day & Welcome Week

Move-In Days:

-  International students: Sept. 3rd
-  First-year students: Sept. 8th- 10th
-  Transfer & Graduate students: Sept. 11th

Roommates and dorm assignments are finalized by **the week of July 6th!**

- Changes can still be made, and you'll be notified via email.

After completing the [online orientation](#), which will be available sometime in August, you should receive access to the [Welcome Week schedule](#) posted on Blackboard.

Meal Plans

Traditional meal plans

Traditional meal plans offer a set number of meals per week or quarter, along with a variable amount of flexible spending credit (Dining Dollars) that students can use at any SCAD dining location or SCAD convenience store.

Students residing at **The Hive, Chatham, Montgomery House, River, Turner House, Sail and Surf at Victory Village, pods and suites in FORTY, and suites in FORTY FOUR, FORTY FIVE, and FORTY EIGHT East** must choose one of the traditional meal plans. Students who do not select a meal plan before enrollment but are required to select a traditional meal plan will be assigned the **Weekly 14 meal plan**.

Apartment meal plans

Apartment meal plans offer a set number of meals at the start of the quarter for students residing off campus and those living in apartment-style SCAD housing.

Students residing at **Barnard Village, Boundary Village, SCAD House, Sand at Victory Village, and apartments in FORTY, FORTY FOUR, and FORTY EIGHT West** must choose a meal plan. These residents **may choose from any of the traditional or apartment meal plans**. If a meal plan is not selected before enrollment, **25 Flex will be assigned**.

2026-27 meal plans

Traditional meal plans	Meal swipes	Dining Dollars*	Fee/Quarter
Weekly 18	18/week	\$75	\$2,250
Weekly 14	14/week	\$150	\$2,225
135 Flex	135/quarter	\$125	\$2,115
New: Weekly 10	10/week	\$450	\$1,950
Apartment meal plans	Meal swipes	Dining Dollars*	Fee/Quarter
85 Flex	85/quarter	\$75	\$1,175
50 Flex	50/quarter	\$100	\$800
25 Flex	25/quarter	\$125	\$510
New: 50 Flex Plus	50/quarter	\$450	\$1,200
New: Pure Retail	-	\$550	\$525

**Applicable at any SCAD dining hall or SCAD convenience store.*

Meal plan changes and cancellations

Students may change meal plans by the second Thursday of each quarter. If eligible, students may cancel meal plans through the fourth week of each quarter to receive a prorated refund. Remaining meal swipes do not carry over to the next quarter.

Dining Dollars deposited with a meal plan do roll over to the next successive quarter and will not expire until the end of the spring quarter for that academic year.

Weekly 18, Weekly 14, and Weekly 10 meal plan balances reset every Thursday at midnight. Meal plans 35 Flex, 85 Flex, 50 Flex, 25 Flex, 50 Flex Plus, and Pure Retail provide all meals at the start of the meal plan cycle each quarter, and the plan balance is to last the entire quarter. Students tap their card to pay for meals at their discretion, and each tap deducts from the plan balance.

Dining halls have varying hours of operation. [Review café hours](#) to see which dining halls are open during each meal period.

- ❖ Unused meal swipes **do not** carry over to the next quarter.
- ❖ Unused Dining Dollars **roll over to the next successive quarter and will not expire until the end of the spring term for that academic year.**

✨ The most popular meal plan is the **135 Flex**.



Dorm Packing List



Feel free to copy and paste for your own personal list! Coordinate with your roommate(s) to see who's bringing what items that can be shared! Items in bold are what I feel are absolutely needed! Everything else is optional; it's up to you if you want to bring it.

Miscellaneous

- ☐ **First Aid Kit (and bug spray, trust me you're gonna need it)**
- ☐ **Medicine Box (pain relievers, allergy meds, vitamins & supplements, etc.)**
- ☐ **Cleaning Supplies**
- ☐ Dolly and/or Foldable Wagon to help you load stuff in & out (beach stuff & groceries)
- ☐ **Self-Defense Keychain**
- ☐ Moving Bags / Storage Bins (*if money is tight, just use boxes and trash bags! ❤️*)
- ☐ Packing Cubes
- ☐ Reusable Vacuum-sealed bags for bulky clothing
- ☐ **Lightweight Vacuum and Mop**
- ☐ **Toolkit w/ batteries**

Bedroom

- ☐ **Twin XL Fitted Sheet(s)**
- ☐ **Twin XL Mattress Topper & Pad**
- ☐ Twin XL Bed Skirt
- ☐ Queen-sized comforter (??? I heard twin XL comforters run a bit small)
- ☐ **Full-body mirror** (standalone or over the door)
- ☐ Vanity Mirror
- ☐ **Ottoman w/ storage or stool**
- ☐ **Adjustable Tension Rod & Curtain(s)**
- ☐ **House Slippers**
- ☐ **Mini trashcan**
- ☐ Back Pillow
- ☐ Laptop Bed Tray/Desk AND/OR TV Tray
- ☐ Desk Lamp
- ☐ Fan (idk how the AC units are in the dorms)
- ☐ Air Purifier and/or Dehumidifier (esp if you have allergies!)
- ☐ **Dry Erase Calendar or Board**
- ☐ **Cork Bulletin Board**
- ☐ **Power Bank (no more than 100WH!)**
- ☐ **SCAD-approved Power Strip (UL/EL listed, 6 ft long max w/ a built-in circuit breaker)**
- ☐ Desk Organizer Hutch
- ☐ Mini Bookshelf
- ☐ Shoe Rack / Tray
- ☐ **Locker / Safe**
- ☐ **3 Tier Rolling Storage Cart(s)** [for snacks, bathroom, supplies, etc]

Closet

- ☐ **Space-Saving Hangers**
- ☐ Closet Storage Baskets (if you have the space)
- ☐ Hanging Closet Organizer
- ☐ Over-the-door Organizer(s)
- ☐ **Clothes Steamer or Portable Mini Ironing Board**
- ☐ Undergarment Bags (so you don't lose your socks and underwear in the machines!)

Bathroom

- ☐ **Shower Curtain and Liner w/ curtain rings**
- ☐ **Shower Caddy**
- ☐ **Shower Shoes**
- ☐ **(Rolling) Laundry Baskets**
- ☐ **Laundry Bags**
- ☐ **Bath Rugs**
- ☐ Weight Scale
- ☐ **Plunger & Toilet Brush**

Kitchen (if applicable)

- ☐ **Dish detergent & bleach**
- ☐ **Dishcloth and metal scrubber**
- ☐ **Trashcan**
- ☐ **Pots & Pans** (ask your suitemate(s) if y'all are sharing or have individual sets!)
- ☐ **Dinnerware & Cutlery** (or plasticware); **[no non-steak knives over 2 inches & kitchen knives longer than 6.5 inches!]**
- ☐ **Cups & Mugs** (or Solo cups)
- ☐ **Tupperware Set**
- ☐ **Can Opener** (electric or manual)
- ☐ **Ice cube trays or Portable Ice Maker w/ auto shutoff**
- ☐ **Brita Water Filter or Filtered Water Bottle(s)**
- ☐ **Drying Mat / Rack for dishes**
- ☐ Foldable Chairs for guests

Freshman Tips

- Please don't be that person pulling into the unloading zone with a whole U-Haul truck during move-in day; only pack the essentials; everything else can be bought at the stores!
- **Pack a first night bag so you can quickly settle down after moving into your dorm!**
Include a pair of night clothes, toothbrush, toothpaste, and skin care products, so you don't have to forage through your bags to find what you need to get ready for bed and the next morning.
- If you haven't already, **establish boundaries, rules, and chores with your roommates!**
- **Get out of your comfort zone**; you can't grow if you confine yourself in a tiny box!
 - Say yes to every opportunity! (unless you know you can't do it for sure)
- **Focus on your schoolwork!** SCAD is heavily project-based, so you'll be spending a lot of time working on projects! Get work done first so you can relax later!
 - *When you submit an assignment on Blackboard, a confirmation pop-up appears with the submission date and time, along with a unique confirmation number. Either download the unique submission confirmation number for your records or take a screenshot of the confirmation window. This confirmation indicates that the assessment was successfully submitted to the system, and you should receive a copy in your SCAD email.*
- **Go to class!** SCAD has an attendance policy: you're allowed 4 absences per class, per quarter. Only skip class if you're very sick or have a family emergency! It's also worth noting that absences due to illness are not excused and count toward the 4 allowed absences per class. ([Attendance Policy](#))
- Plan well ahead and don't wait to catch the last bus to get to class. **It's always better to arrive early than to risk arriving late to class.**
 - *Use Passio GO or TripShot for real-time tracking of SCAD buses!*
- Use [ThriftBooks](#) to rent or buy cheaper textbooks for classes!

- **Join clubs/organizations!** Not only will it help you network and make connections, but you can also make new friends! Same with school events!
- **Be mindful of what you do outside of school and at parties!** Keep your reputation in mind. You can get in trouble for certain things if videos/rumors reach the school!
 - *Also, be careful of who you consider your friend! People can be fake and backstab you. Be mindful of how much information you share about yourself with others.*
- Download the LiveSafe app to connect directly to SCAD security.

Going Out

- **Have fun and party responsibly!**
- **Don't go to places alone at night;** always have someone with you!
- **Be aware of your surroundings!** Stay off your phone so you don't appear vulnerable.
- **If a specific area/zone is known for crime, stay away from it as much as you can.**
If you have to be in that area, be aware of your surroundings and bring someone along if possible.
 - *So far, bad areas of town are Yamacraw Village and Montgomery St.*
- **During events and festivals, try to be near a crowd of people.** That way, if something happens, there are witnesses and plenty of other people to help.
- Also, know your exits. That way, if something pops off, you'll know exactly where the exit is and make a beeline for it instead of scrambling around looking for one.
- **Always let someone know where you're going,** whether it's your roommate(s), a friend, or a family member. (I suggest having Life360 with a trusted family member!)
- If some dude tries to hit on you and won't take no for an answer, try to walk up to someone and pretend that you know them, like "Omg hey Bethany!" or something like that. Hopefully the other person will catch on to the situation that you're in, play along, and ask, "Do you know this guy?" This should avert the dude and make them give up and leave you alone.

- **Always come prepared.** Bring a self-defense keychain and always have it on you!
- **Make yourself appear as mundane as possible.** Wearing expensive clothes and jewelry can potentially make you a target for robbery/pickpocketing.
- **If you suspect someone is following you while driving, make multiple consecutive turns.** If they're still following you, drive to the nearest police station and call 911 to tell them the situation. Don't ever drive to your apartment/dorm or to a secluded area. Same with being stalked in a store, party, etc. Ask a security guard or someone else to walk you to your car.
- **For those 21 and older, know your alcohol intake; don't drink until you pass out.** And please don't try to drive yourself home when intoxicated. Instead, call an Uber, have a friend be the designated driver, or request a SCAD SafeRide!
 - Also, always keep an eye on your drink and the atmosphere of the place. If you suspect your drink has been spiked/tampered with, dump it and buy a new one. Spending extra money for a new drink is better than blacking out and only God knows what happened to you. Rather be safe than sorry.
- **Trust your gut!** If you feel uneasy, like something is about to pop off (people arguing or the vibes just feel way off), it's better to leave or go to the nearest exit. Don't try to linger around and be nosy to see what happens next,

2026–27 academic calendar

Quarter system (10 weeks)

Fall: Sept. 14 – Nov. 19

Spring: March 22–May 27

Winter: Jan. 4 – March 11

Summer: June 14–Aug. 19

SCAD classes meet twice per week for 2 ½ hours

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
			

8 a.m. | 11 a.m. | 2 p.m. | 5 p.m. | 8 p.m.

Class Schedules

- View your schedule in MySCAD < My Academics < My Courses
- Classes will open in Blackboard on **Monday, September 7**
- Review syllabi and complete pre-term assignments before classes begin on **Monday, September 14**
- Drop/Add runs through **Friday, September 11** at 5pm for schedule adjustments
- Be mindful of attendance when making schedule changes

Quick Links Resource Page

<u>Department</u>	<u>Contact Information</u>	<u>What They Help With</u>
Counseling	counseling@scad.edu	Questions regarding a student's accommodations
Information Security	infosec@scad.edu 912.525.4020	Forward any suspicious emails or reach out regarding suspicious phone calls or texts, both SCAD-related and personal
Information Technology (IT)	techsupport@scad.edu	Troubleshooting MySCAD, Outlook, Dropbox, Adobe programs, & SCAD hardware (like SCAD printers or SCAD-issued laptops)
Jen Library	library@scad.edu 912.525.4700	Research assistance, and they offer in-class instructional workshops on library services, copyright, manuscripts, investigating sources, and citations
Registrar's Office	registrar@scad.edu 912.525.5800	Support with attendance and grade reporting
Your Chair or Dean	Faculty/Staff Roster	Questions regarding scheduling course curricula and syllabus approvals; departmental inquiries; and if personal matters arise that will affect your teaching capabilities

Helpful Websites

<https://angleref.com/> - head angles

<https://x6ud.github.io/#/> - animal head angles

<https://app.mesh2motion.org/> - 3D pose modeler

<https://www.animal-photo-references.com/>

<https://characterdesignreferences.com/>

<https://www.pureref.com/> - reference image window

<https://animationscreencaps.com/> || <https://film-grab.com/> - movie screenshots

<https://quickposes.com/en> || <https://line-of-action.com/> - gesture drawing

[PuccaNoodles' Compiled Animation/Art Resource Sheet](#)

[Useful Links for Artists](#)

<https://applesforartists.org/content/>

[CAS Resources for Illustration & Sequential Arts](#)

<https://freesound.org/> - free sound effects

Tech Requirements

SCAD recommends bringing a device that meets the following minimum technical requirements:

Mac

- **OS**—macOS Monterey version 12 or newer
- **RAM**—16GB or higher (minimum 8GB)
- **Processor**—Apple Silicon M1 or newer
- **GPU**—Apple Silicon 16GB unified memory included

PC

- **OS**—Windows 10 (64bit) version 22H2 or Windows 11
- **RAM**—32GB
- **Processor**—Intel® 11th Gen or newer CPU with Quick Sync, or AMD Ryzen™ 3000 Series / Threadripper 2000 series or newer CPU
- **GPU**—4GB of GPU memory for HD and some 4K media, 6GB or more for 4K and higher

Disk Space

- 500GB, SSD/HDD recommended (minimum 250GB)

Connection and Communication

- Broadband
- Webcam / Microphone

*Please note that **Chromebooks are not supported for SCAD application suites.***



[210 Fahm St., Savannah, Ga.](#)

HiveHealth is a new on-campus health care center serving SCAD Savannah students studying on-ground beginning in Fall 2026. Staffed by a physician assistant and a nurse practitioner, and overseen by a supervising physician, HiveHealth will provide a wide range of medical services for students:

General wellness: Routine checkups, wellness services, and vaccinations

Minor injuries: Treatment for cuts, scrapes, stitches, suture removal, sprains, minor fractures, burns, and rashes

Testing and treatment: Flu, COVID-19, strep throat, sinus and ear infections, gastrointestinal distress, and other common illnesses

On-site diagnostics: X-rays and most common lab tests

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This resource is provided with no co-pays or per-visit fees. Instead, **an annual student health fee of \$125 covers unlimited visits to HiveHealth for the entire academic year.**

Some medications and durable medical equipment (e.g., braces, boots, and crutches) may require additional charges, with the flexibility to be billed to students' insurance or to be taken care of via self-pay.



Savannah Hot Spots



- <https://visitsavannah.com/things-to-do>
- <https://www.savannah.com/>
- https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g60814-Activities-Savannah_Georgia.html

Emoji Guide:

- Restaurants
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Food

- ★ [Stoner's Pizza](#) (214 W Boundary St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [Sentient Bean](#) (13 E Park Ave, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [Shu Hot Pot & Korean BBQ KTV](#); AYCE Hotpot and Korean BBQ! *10% discount with student ID!!!* (20 E Derenne Ave, Savannah, GA 31405)
- ★ [SoGongDong](#); Korean restaurant (40 Traders Way, Pooler, GA 31322)
- ★ [912 Korean BBQ & HotPot](#) (880 Towne Center Blvd Ste 101, Pooler, GA 31322)
- ★ [YATAI Ramen + Yakitori](#); Japanese street food, yakitori, and teriyaki (10 Barnard St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [Sakura Buffet](#); Asian buffet (220 Eisenhower Dr, Savannah, GA 31406)
- ★ [PS Tavern](#); Pizza, sandwiches, and wings (11 W Bay St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [Los Bravos Mexican Grill and Cantina](#); Mexican restaurant (1108 US-80, Pooler, GA 31322)
- ★ [River Street Sweets](#); Shop known for homemade pralines, as well as treats like bear claws, glazed pecans & ice cream. (13 E River St, Savannah, GA 31401)

Broughton Street

Though the street is just a few blocks long, it's packed with an eclectic mix of antique shops, thrift stores, upscale boutiques, and national retail chains.

- ★ [Nerdheim](#); Casual, clean store for comics, toys, and manga, also stocking board games and arcade machines! (106 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [Planet Fun](#); Comic book and toy store! (127 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ [The Portal Arcade, Cafe, and Bar](#); Gaming & food joint with vintage arcade machines, pool tables & an American-style menu. (408 W Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)

- ★ 🍜 [Flying Monk Noodle Bar](#); Asian noodle dishes (5 W Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🏹 [Broughton Street Bowl and Brew](#); A bowling alley that serves food, drinks, and has weekly live shows! (129 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🐾 [Pounce Cat Cafe](#); A magical place where you can cuddle & play with a room full of rescue cats and sip on your favorite cafe beverage! (404 W. Broughton Street, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🥞 [The Funk Brunch Cafe](#); Colorful brunch spot featuring a cook-your-own pancakes option on griddles built into the tables. (304 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🎨 [Blick Art Materials](#); (318 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🥖 [Paris Baguette](#); Bakery (24 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍞 [Toast!](#); Brunch restaurant (1 W Broughton Street, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍖 [Savannah Smokehouse BBQ & Brew](#); BBQ & Brewhouse (16 W State St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🦞 [Chive Sea Bar and Lounge](#); Seafood with Asian & Southern touches is served in a setting evoking the 1920s Art Deco era. (4 W Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍕 [Toasted Crunch](#); Pizza place (1 W Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍦 [Leopold's Ice Cream](#); Popular ice cream parlor with a marble soda fountain, regular & seasonal flavors, soup & sandwiches. (212 E Broughton St, Savannah, GA 31401)

Bull Street

The streets around the Bull Street squares are home to dozens of cafés and restaurants, with options catering to most tastes and budgets.

- ★ 🍦 [Doki Doki Ice Creamery](#); Ice Cream shop (143 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ ☕ [The Gallery Espresso](#); A bohemian cafe with coffee & light fare like salads & pastries in a space with mismatched sofas. (234 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🦖 [Gryphon](#); American cafe with lunch, brunch & tea service in a setting of mahogany bookcases & stained glass. (337 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🐝 [Art's](#); One of SCAD's Coffee shops (345 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍽️ [Betty Bombers](#); 1940s-themed diner (1108 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍷 [The Perch](#); Rooftop lounge (1110 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍷 [Alexander's Bistro](#); (1201 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 📖 [Neighborhood Comics](#); Comic book store (1205 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🌮 [Bull Street Taco](#); Mexican restaurant (1608 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
- ★ 🍱 [Nom Nom Poke Shop](#); Restaurant specializing in Poke Bowls (1821 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)

- ★ 🍷 [The Vault Kitchen & Market](#); A chic Asian fusion spot for creative bites & drinks in the historic Bank of America building. (2112 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
 - ★ 🍷 [Ukiyo Savannah](#); Japanese restaurant (2224 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
 - ★ 🎨 [Starlandia Art Supply](#); Affordable 2nd-hand arts and crafts store (2438 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
 - ★ 🍷 [520 WINGS](#); Locally owned, fast-food joint offering fried chicken & fish meals, plus burgers in a simple venue. (2701 Bull St, Savannah, GA 31401)
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🛍️ [Plant Riverside District](#); A former power plant renovated into a place for dining, shopping, and urban nightlife. (1036 W River St, Savannah, GA 31401)

🛒 [Enson Market](#); Asian grocery store (5501 Abercorn St, Savannah, GA 31405)

🛒 [Nelly's Grocery Store](#); Black-owned community grocery store (630 Indian St, Unit A, Savannah, GA 31401)

🦋 [Lucas Theatre](#); movie theater! (32 Abercorn St, Savannah, GA 31401)