

# 2011 FAMILY WEEKEND SCHEDULE

\*\*Please note: This schedule is subject to change. Additional opportunities may be added throughout the summer and into the fall semester. Please continue to check the website for updates and new events.

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## Friday, October 14, 2011

### Family Weekend Check-In

12 – 6 p.m.

Vaughn Center Lobby

Check-in for this year's Family Weekend will be in the Vaughn Center lobby. For families who pre-registered, please be sure to check in so that you can receive important event information and your Family Weekend T-Shirt! For families who did not pre-register for Family Weekend, we encourage you to visit Check-in to pick up resources on the weekend's activities. All families may sign up for the popular Minaret Climb and partake in FREE massages, sponsored by Student Productions, the campus programming board.

### FREE Massages

12 – 4 p.m.

Vaughn Center Lobby

Enjoy a free massage sponsored by Student Productions, the campus programming board. Registration for this event will occur on-site!

### Lunch

12 – 1:30 p.m.

Panache Restaurant, Stadium Center

**Panache** is an upscale restaurant that offers contemporary fusion cuisine, mixing global exotic flavors with an unforgettable twist. This one-of-a-kind destination offers presentation-style cooking, carving station, hot bar, decadent desserts and more and is all-you-care-to-eat for just \$15.70 per person. For more information on Panache and the Stadium Center, [click here](#).

### Henry B. Plant Museum

10 – 5 p.m.

Located on the first floor of Plant Hall, facing the Park

At the Henry B. Plant Museum, experience the grandeur of an extravagant Victorian palace that opened in 1891 as the Tampa Bay Hotel and is now a National Historic Landmark. Stroll the grand hallway and enter magnificent rooms adorned with opulent European furniture and art treasures of the Gilded Age. The Museum Store features an enchanting collection of antique reproductions and accessories, jewelry, books, paper dolls, and many other unique and romantic treasures. Students will be admitted for free, and family members will be admitted for a reduced rate of \$5 per person. Enjoy the 14-minute video

“The Tampa Bay Hotel: Florida’s First Magic Kingdom,” then take the complimentary audio tour of the Museum. Do not miss the Museum Store: hand crafted minaret Christmas ornaments, vintage jewelry, wonderful books, and other gifts galore.

### **Scarfone/Hartley Gallery**

12 – 4 p.m.

R.K. Bailey Arts Studio (310 N. Boulevard) at The University of Tampa campus

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### **OSLE Art Gallery: Meet the Artists**

1 – 3 p.m.

Office of Student Leadership and Engagement, Vaughn Center 215

The Office of Student Leadership and Engagement invites you to visit the new OSLE Art Gallery. A colorful display of student artwork is exhibited for viewing. During this special event, the artists themselves will be on hand to discuss their vision for each piece.

### **Spartans Abroad!**

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

John Sykes College of Business, room 234

Education abroad programs prepare UT students to be global-ready. Learn about the countless opportunities available; including UT travel courses, UT Summer Abroad, international internships, community-based service learning abroad, and semester and year-long programs at foreign universities. An education abroad advisor will be available to discuss these options and to answer questions regarding scholarships, financial aid, credit transfer from abroad, and more.

### **Campus Open Houses**

Various times and locations across campus (please see below)

Learn more about the variety of services provided to students at the University of Tampa by visiting various offices across campus. Staff will be available at each location to welcome you and your family and to answer any potential questions you may have. Light refreshments will also be provided at most locations. Feel free to stop in just one or both locations and stay as long as you like! Schedule and locations are listed below:

Office of Career Services

2 – 4 p.m. Riverside 116

Academic Centers for Excellence

2 – 4 p.m. North Walker Hall

### **Health and Wellness Center Tour**

3 – 4 p.m.

Dickey Health and Wellness Center

Come visit one of The University of Tampa's newest facilities, the Dickey Health and Wellness Center. Tour the facility and get information regarding available services and programs.

### **Board Interest Meeting**

3:30 – 4 p.m.

Ninth Floor Conference Room, Vaughn Center

This meeting will provide information about joining the UT Family Association Board of Directors, an advisory board of parents from across the country who volunteer their time and resources in the areas Career Services, Admissions and Parent Fundraising. Meet Gregg and Pamela Rosen, current Family Association Co-Chairs, and learn more about this exciting and rewarding opportunity to become involved with the UT community!

### **Family Association Reception**

4 – 5 p.m.

Ninth Floor Board Room, Vaughn Center

This informal reception sponsored by the UT Family Association is an opportunity for parents and families to mix and mingle with representatives from many areas on campus including Residence Life, Dining Services, Safety and Security, Career Services, and more. Please join us for light refreshments while getting your important questions answered!

### **Men's and Women's Soccer Game**

4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. respectively

Pepin Stadium

Cheer the Spartan Soccer teams to victory! The Men's Soccer Team is playing Thomas University at 4:30 p.m., while the Women's Soccer Team is playing Florida Southern College at 7:30 p.m. Admission for UT families is free this weekend.

### **Campus Barbeque**

5 – 7 p.m.

Stadium Center

Join the UT community for a barbeque including chicken, burgers, hot dogs and a variety of delicious sides! Listen to music, mingle, and enjoy the great Florida weather. This meal is provided by **Sodexo Dining Services**, so students can charge the meal to their meal plan, and families will pay a fee of \$10 per person. If you pre-registered for the Campus Barbeque, you can pick up your tickets at the Family Weekend Check-in table. Those who did not pre-register (i.e. before October 5) can pay at the door.

**Movie: *Pirates of the Caribbean 4: On Stranger Tides***

8 p.m.

Allen N. Reeves Theatre, Vaughn Center

Come to Reeves Theatre on the second floor of the Vaughn Center and enjoy this free movie, sponsored by Student Productions, the campus programming board. Free popcorn will be provided!

**Midnight Madness**

11 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Martinez Sports Center

The University will introduce the Men's and Women's Basketball Teams through this late night evening of activities. Join the UT community for music, entertainment, food, contests and prizes. There is no admission charge for this event.

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## Saturday, October 15, 2011

**Family Weekend Check-In**

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Vaughn Center Lobby

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Also, be sure to start off your day with a fresh cup of delicious coffee from **Einstein Brothers Bagels** in the Vaughn Center or **Jazzman's Café** in the Stadium Center. Both will open at 8 a.m. for your convenience.

**Spartan Challenge 5K**

Registration and Bag Pick up begins at 7 a.m.; Race begins at 8 a.m.

Pepin Track/Soccer Stadium

Join The University of Tampa's Board of Counselors and Cross Country Team for the annual Spartan Challenge 5K. Run through UT's historic campus and experience an adventure style race with some fun challenges along the way – tires, hay bales and cargo netting. To register, or for more information, please go to <http://www.ut.edu/spartan5k>.

### **PEACE Volunteer Trip**

Departs at 8 a.m. from the Vaughn Center Lobby

Spend your morning volunteering with the PEACE (People Exploring Active Community Experiences) Volunteer Center. Students and staff from the center will lead a short volunteer trip to work with Feeding America. Transportation will be provided. Registration for this event has closed and was limited to 20 participants.

### **Canoe Trip**

Departs at 9 a.m. from the Vaughn Center Lobby

Join the University's Campus Recreation staff on this exciting trip on the Hillsborough River! Participants will explore wildlife and Florida scenery as they paddle up the river. Registration for this event is \$45 and covers breakfast, transportation to and from the site, canoe rental and seatbacks. Participants should meet in the Vaughn Center Lobby at 8:30 a.m. for breakfast; buses depart promptly at 9 a.m. Visit the following website for more information: <http://www.canoeescape.com/welcome.htm>. Pre-registration was required for this event; space was limited to the first 60 registrants.

### **Minaret Climb**

Various times starting at 9 a.m. Last climb will finish at 2 p.m.  
Music Room, Plant Hall

The Minaret Climb is held only a few times a year and this is one of them! Come experience a sight very few have seen and see what it means when we say, "Take UT to the top!" Be sure to sign up for your climb time at the check-in table in the Vaughn Center lobby to guarantee a spot for the climb. Each climb will last approximately 30 minutes and closed-toe shoes are recommended.

### **Historical Tours of UT**

10 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
Plant Hall Lobby

The University of Tampa's campus is the home of many significant historical moments. Join us on a historical tour to learn when UT first opened its doors, the history of some of our buildings and athletic spaces, and other fun facts. These 45-minute walking tours, led by the UT Office of Admissions' student ambassadors, will leave on the hour from the Plant Hall lobby.

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**Breakfast with the Dean**

10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Crescent Club, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Vaughn Center

Join The University of Tampa’s new Dean of Students, Stephanie Russell Holz, for breakfast. Enjoy a hot brunch while you hear important institutional updates and talk with key student leaders and staff on campus. Breakfast will take place on the 9<sup>th</sup> floor of the Vaughn Center. Pre-registration for this event was limited to the first 120 individuals and is currently closed. Families who re-registered can check-in at Family Weekend Check-in on either Friday or Saturday.

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**Organ Demonstration and Tour of Sykes Chapel and Center for Faith and Values**

1 p.m.

Main Hall, Sykes Chapel and Center for Faith and Values

Join members of the Resource Team for Faith, Values, and Spirituality and the Dean of the University’s College of Arts and Letters for a tour of the newest building on campus, the Sykes Chapel and Center for Faith and Values. This unique building encourages spiritual and religious growth of our students, while also housing a one-of-a-kind 3,184 pipe organ. Prior to the Tour there will be a short organ demonstration.

### **Men's Lacrosse Team (Double header)**

1 p.m. and 3 p.m.  
Pepin Stadium

Cheer the Men's Lacrosse Team in their first two games – ever! UT will play Florida State University at 1 p.m. in an exhibition game and play the University of South Florida at 3 p.m. There is no admission charge for these games.

### **Ice Cream Social with Local Alumni**

2 p.m.  
West Verandah, Plant Hall

Meet with recent alumni of The University of Tampa and learn how the institution and its programs have helped them in their professional careers. This social will be casual, yet informative, and ice cream and other snacks will be served.

### **Activities in Tampa**

All Afternoon

Explore the city of Tampa and take advantage of some special discounts to a variety of local attractions. Pick up your discount coupons during Check-in in the Vaughn Center Lobby.

### **“Taste of Tampa” Dinner**

5 – 7 p.m.  
Café, Vaughn Center Lobby

Experience local food favorites, including delicious Cuban inspired food, by dining in The Café. This eatery offers many food options, nine serving stations, comfortable seats and a great atmosphere. Meals are all-you-can-eat and drink for just \$10.45 per person. For more information on the Ultimate Dining Café, [click here](#).

### **Ghost Tour of UT**

9 p.m. and 10 p.m.  
Music Room, Plant Hall

Is UT's famous Plant Hall haunted? Some experts say yes. Is it fact or fiction? Take this tour and judge for yourself as you hear the many stories and lore. This event, brought to you by the UT Diplomats, has become a highlight of Family Weekend in past years, so don't miss out on this opportunity to enjoy some fun campus history and light refreshments!