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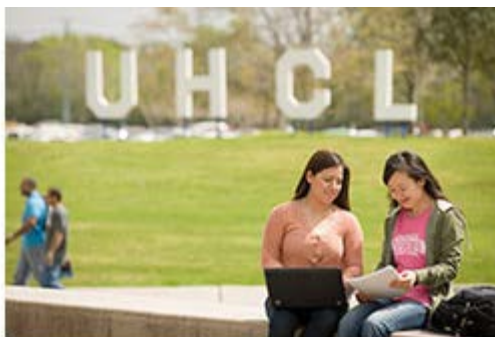
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## August 2012: The End of Summer Brings a New School Year

August may be the end of summer break, but it also represents the beginning of the school year, like settling into the blocks for a race. Things happen in August to put the new academic year into motion. With each new academic year comes the opportunity for folks to claim UHCL as their own, and to show it through their actions. This year will be no different.



On Aug. 18, new students will attend orientation, where they have the chance to learn about the university and the people and offices here to help them succeed. For many, they will already feel the sensation of "This is home. This is my UHCL." We hear a lot of stories from students and alumni who convey that their affection and connection to the university began with their first time on campus in situations like orientation.

Also in August, the other end of the "race" occurs. If students going through orientation represent the beginning, then alumni serving their alma mater could be the other end of the race (I would never call it the "finish" though!). August is when the new [Alumni Association Executive Council](#) formally begins their work as a new body. They share their talents, experiences and wisdom with the university and the family of faculty, students, staff and fellow alumni.

August may be hot as blazes in Houston, but it is also a time of great beginnings — of school and of service.



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