Advantage Scholars
A program of the Riley Institute at Furman
June 24-28, 2019

Monday, June 24: Building a community of leaders

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  Arrival and check into dorms

4:30  Orientation session and ice breakers (bring your binders)
Parlors in Lakeside Housing
Jill Fuson, Director, Advantage Scholars
Nichole Grant, Assistant Director, Advantage Scholars

5:45  Break, return binders to your rooms, quick change if you haven’t already dressed for dinner; walk to dinner

6:15  Welcome dinner in Hartness Pavilion
Welcome and Introductions
Jill Fuson, MPPA
Director, Center for Critical Issues, The Riley Institute
About the Community of Scholars
Scott Henderson, Ph.D.
William R. Kenan Jr. Professor of Education
Director of National and International Scholarships
“Freedom to Soar”
Shaniece Criss, Sc.D.
Assistant Professor of Health Sciences and
Member, Travelers Rest City Council

7:45  Group photo

8:00  Fun in dorms (counselor-led)
Tuesday, June 25: Gaining perspective on poverty and privilege

8:00 - 8:05 a.m.  Walk to Dining Hall (*bring your binders*)

8:05 – 8:40  **Breakfast** in Dining Hall

8:50 – 9:00  “About the Day”
**Johns Hall Seminar Room**
Jill Fuson

9:00 – 10:15  **The Power of Expectations:**
*Thinking critically about the way we perceive our world*
Beth Pontari, Ph.D.,
Associate Provost for Engaged Learning and Professor of Psychology

10:15 – 10:30  Break

10:30 – 12:00  **Perspectives on Poverty and Privilege**
Sally Morris Cote, Ph.D.,
Director of Planning and Evaluation Capacity Building
The Riley Institute

12:00  Break and walk over to Shi Center for Sustainability

12:15 – 1:45 p.m.  **Lunch at Shi Center**
*Community Engagement through Advancing Health and Sustainable Living*
Wes Dripps, Ph.D.,
Director of Shi Center
Eli Hestermann, Ph.D.,
Director of the Institute for the Advancement of Community Health
Tour of Furman farm
Bruce Adams, Furman farm and compost manager

2:15 – 3:15  **Neuroscience of poverty**
Erin Hahn, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Psychology

3:15 – 5:15  Free time

4:00  Optional yoga class in gym (dress comfortably; can go from here to cooking class)
Alison Craven

5:15  Meet in hall to walk over to Herring Center or come from gym

5:30 – 7:30  **Cooking class with Bon Appetit** using locally sourced vegetables
**Herring Center**

7:30 – 10:30  Fun in dorms (counselor-led)
Wednesday, June 26: Thinking critically about issues

8:00 – 8:05 a.m.  Walk to Dining Hall (*bring your binders*)

8:05 – 8:40  Breakfast in Dining Hall

8:50 – 9:00  “About the Day”
Johns Hall Seminar Room
Jill Fuson

9:00 – 10:15  “Understanding Fake and Real News: Choose your sources wisely, my friends”
Danielle Vinson, Ph.D., Professor of Political Science

9:00 - 10:15  Break

10:30 – 11:15  What Does it Mean to be a Leader? Lessons from El Salvador.”
Erik Ching, Ph.D.
Professor of History and Director of Undergraduate Research

11:15 – 11:30  Let’s take a quick look at Greenville
Jill Fuson

11:30 – 12:45 p.m.  Picnic lunch with children from Camp PMAC (Poe Mill Achievement Center)
under the trees by the Dining Hall near the lake
Games with children led by counselors

1:00  Civility in Public Discourse
David Fleming, Ph.D.
Professor, Politics and International Affairs

2:00  Small group discussions on issues of healthcare, the environment, criminal justice, and public education

3:00  Return to seminar room for large group sharing and initial work on scholars’ declaration

3:45 - 5:30  Free time

5:30  Meet in front of Judson Hall to board vans for Barley’s and Falls Park

6:00  Pizza at Barley’s and meet some current Furman scholars

7:30  Explore downtown Greenville and take photo at Falls Park

8:00  Ice cream at Spill the Beans

9:00  Board vans for Furman

Thursday, June 27: Spotlight on Greenville, your new community
7:00 – 7:45 a.m. Breakfast in Dining Hall *(wear your Advantage Scholars t-shirt)*

8:00 Vans leave from front of Judson Hall to drive downtown to City Hall

8:30 **Meeting with Mayor Knox White**

9:00 leave for United Ministries

9:30 **United Ministries tour of Greenville**
Tony McDade, D. Min.
Executive Director
Griffin Mills
Furman student and summer intern, Washington Heights

11:30 Return to campus

12:00 p.m. Lunch in DH

1:00 Debrief on tour and meeting with Mayor

1:45 **Finalizing your scholars’ declaration**
Small group discussion and drafting of youth declaration; put information on sticky paper that can be displayed on the walls of the seminar room. Choose a representative to share info.

2:30 Come together as a group and share each group’s declaration; a counselor takes notes and compiles into one document.

3:00 Complete evaluations for Advantage Scholars as one representative from each group finalizes the youth declaration

3:45 Presentation of Youth Declaration/Approval of group/Closing Remarks

4:00 – 6:00 Free time

6:00 Meet in front of Judson Hall to board vans

6:15 – 8:30 **Grilling out and pool party**
White Oaks
Hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, and swimming

8:45 Fun in dorms (Counselor-led)

**Friday, June 28: Depart for orientation**

7:00 - 8:00 a.m. Breakfast in Dining Hall

8:00 – 8:30 Turn in room keys and Dining Hall cards to Anna in room RAM 146; retrieve car keys
8:00 – 9:15 Check-in for summer orientation at Geer Residence Hall