

## **First Year Tours**

Wednesday, August 26th at 4:00 pm | Thursday, August 27th at 4:00 pm

30 to 45 minutes

Starting in front of the Rotunda (Lawn side)

➤ **Welcome: Lawn/Rotunda**

- Introduce yourself

➤ **History of UVa: Somewhere on our around the Academical Village**

- Include slavery, Thomas Jefferson, Rotunda Fire story, Honor - unless you want to talk about this with Traditions, coeducation, Civil War if you want to touch on it briefly

➤ **Traditions: Homer, Old Cabell mural, Purple Shadows statue of TJ, Rouss Hall**

- Streaking, student self-governance, Honor, Secret Societies, facing Roto at Convocation and facing Blue Ridge mountains at graduation, whatever else you want to throw in

➤ **Personal Stories: Anywhere**

- Come up with a few of your favorite/most meaningful stories from your UVa experience to tell intermittently during your tour. The whole point of this tour for first years is to (1) tell them historical facts/stories that they should know as UVa students, (2) introduce them to the Guide Service, and (3) reassure them that their years at UVa are going to be some of their greatest.

**These tours need to be short but full, if that makes sense. Pack in fun stories and important history but make sure that you keep check of the time. Unless your first years are just dying to hear more!**