

FALL 2009 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

AUGUST 20, THURSDAY

8:30 - 9:00 AM ISSP AS A RESOURCE

BALLROOM, COX HALL

The services provided by ISSP will be covered in the first part of this session. Students may then break into small groups led by orientation assistants to discuss any questions about living and studying in the United States. Coffee and juice provided!

8:30 - 3:00 PM PARENTS' ORIENTATION: WINSHIP BALLROOM, DOBBS UNIVERSITY CENTER (DUC)

A different environment, a different language, different food, and family and friends who are thousands of miles away; all of these things and more can make for a challenging transition to college for international students. Parents Orientation is a separate, yet, concurrent program designed specifically for parents, guardians, and family members. The program consists of special presentations designed to help family members assist with their student's transition to college by becoming familiar with the University and its many resources.

9:15 - 10:15 AM PASSPORT TO MAINTAINING YOUR IMMIGRATION STATUS IN THE US

F-1 STUDENTS: BALLROOM, COX HALL -- J-1 STUDENTS: HARLAND CINEMA, DUC

Don't miss the excitement! Basic immigration regulations and guidelines for the SEVIS tracking system will be covered to help students understand how to maintain their immigration status. *Bring your I-20 or DS-2019, passport and I-94 to the session.*

10:25 - 11:30 AM PREPARING FOR THE CAREER OF A LIFETIME: EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS AS AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

F-1 STUDENTS: BALLROOM, COX HALL -- J-1 STUDENTS: HARLAND CINEMA, DUC

This session will go over the specifics of how to find on-campus work and the regulations regarding working in the United States.

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM TAX AND EMPLOYMENT PAPERWORK

BALLROOM, COX HALL

The non-resident tax specialist at Emory University will be available to assist students in filling out paperwork. All students must fill out some basic tax paperwork, even if not employed or receiving a scholarship. For those receiving Emory University scholarships and assistantships or for those who intend to hold an on-campus job, there will be extra information and forms to fill out at the end of the workshop.

AUGUST 20, THURSDAY (CONTINUED)

12:30 - 1:45 PM WELCOME LUNCHEON AND INFORMATION FAIR

BALLROOM, COX HALL

Please attend the luncheon and enjoy a warm welcome from the staff of International Student & Scholar Programs and our special guests.

2:00 - 3:30 PM STAYING HEALTHY: STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND HEALTH INSURANCE IN THE US

BALLROOM, COX HALL

Graduate and Professional School Students Only

This session will give you an overview of Student Health Services at Emory, followed by a crash course on health insurance in the US and information about the Emory-sponsored health insurance plan. Find out what to do if you get sick or injured while at Emory, why health insurance is a must-have in the US, and much more!

2:00 – 5:30 PM EMORY COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC SESSIONS

WHITE HALL 205-206 (STUDENTS WILL BE ESCORTED FROM COX HALL)

Undergraduates Only

Emory College of Arts and Sciences staff, and faculty will cover issues such as classroom participation, faculty and fellow student relationships, time management, working in groups, campus academic resources and the honor and conduct codes.

All incoming Emory College undergraduate international students will be required to take the Emory English Assessment (EEA) during this time. If you have any questions please email the EEA coordinators at uiflp@learnlink.emory.edu.

3:00 – 5:00 PM SPECIAL RECEPTION FOR PARENTS: JONES ROOM, WOODRUFF LIBRARY

Please attend the reception and enjoy the opportunity to talk with the staff of International Student & Scholar Programs and our special guests.

3:30 - 4:30 PM TOUR OF CAMPUS

LEAVE FROM BALLROOM COX HALL AT 3:30PM

Graduate and Professional School Students Only

Orientation assistants will lead walking tours around campus to familiarize you with Emory University. Alternatively, you can view a virtual “video tour” in the **DUC Harland Cinema** if you wish to stay indoors.

6:00 – 8:00 PM EMORY COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE WELCOME PARTY

WHITE HALL, 2ND FLOOR LOBBIES

Undergraduates Only

AUGUST 21, FRIDAY

9:30 - 10:30 AM GETTING AROUND TOWN- NEED A RIDE? TRANSPORTATION AND MASS TRANSIT

HARLAND CINEMA, DUC

Staff from Emory University's Alternate Transportation Office and Bike Emory will present information on alternative methods of transportation and give an overview of the Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA), the train and bus system of Atlanta. The session will also feature information on car leasing, buying and insurance.

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CAMPUS LIFE SESSIONS

WINSHIP BALLROOM, DOBBS UNIVERSITY CENTER (DUC)

Undergraduates Only

- The Student Health Session will give you an overview of Student Health Services at Emory. Find out what to do if you get sick or injured while at Emory, why health insurance is a must-have in the US, and much more!
- The Campus Life Sessions will familiarize you with the resources available to you at Emory University and how to get involved in the many organizations and clubs which Emory has to offer!

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM KEYS TO A SUCCESSFUL ACADEMIC LIFE IN THE US

HARLAND CINEMA, DUC

Graduate and Professional School Students Only

A panel of graduate students will cover issues such as classroom participation, faculty and fellow student relationships, time management, working in groups, campus academic resources.

LUNCH - ON YOUR OWN

1:00 - 2:30 PM WOODRUFF LIBRARY TOUR

MEET IN ROOM 312, WOODRUFF LIBRARY AT 12:45 PM

Emory's librarians will give you an orientation tour of the main library on campus, with a special focus on the needs of international students. Sign up for the tour online: <http://www.campuslife.emory.edu/issp/orientation/library.aspx>

1:00 – 3:00PM – EMORY COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE CHECK-IN SESSION

1784 NORTH DECATUR ROAD, 4TH FLOOR AUDITORIUM,
Undergraduates Only

Signup online: <http://www.campuslife.emory.edu/issp/orientation/checkintimes.aspx?day=8/21/2009>

If you have already attended an ISSP check-in session, please do not sign up for or attend this one.

Please plan to arrive about 5 minutes prior to your session start time. You will need to bring your immigration documents (your passport, I-94 card, and the I-20/DS-2019 form) so we can make photocopies for your file. You will receive a package with forms and brochures you will need for the international orientation, and you will also fill out tax forms and Personal Information sheets.

Please note: Until you have attended the mandatory check-in session, ALL EMORY COLLEGE STUDENTS will have a registration hold on your record.

2:30 - 4:00 PM COMPUTERS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

JONES ROOM, WOODRUFF LIBRARY
Graduate and Professional School Students Only

This is a short introductory session to information technology resources for Emory graduate and professional school students, followed by a hands-on help session for any students who need assistance with their accounts/passwords or who need help connecting their laptop to Emory's wireless network. Sign up online <http://www.campuslife.emory.edu/issp/orientation/it.aspx>

4:00 - 6:00 PM GLOBAL GROOVE! PARTY FOR ALL INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

ATRIUM OF THE MATH AND SCIENCE BUILDING

Join us for a welcome blast and some light food and snacks, conversation, sports and fun! The Math and Science Building is located next to the B. Jones Building across the street from White Hall.

AUGUST 22, SATURDAY

ALL WEEKEND: ALL EMORY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

WOODRUFF PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTER (WOODPEC)
Undergraduates Only

Check in for Emory College of Arts and Sciences Orientation will take place at the WoodPEC between 9 am and 3 pm on Saturday, August 22, 2009. Emory College of Arts and Sciences Orientation is from August 22-28.

AUGUST 24, MONDAY

F-1 TRANSFER STUDENTS:

If you are coming to Emory and your Emory I-20 is marked “**Transfer pending from:**” at item #3 on the I-20, this means that your transfer to Emory still hasn't been completed. You must obtain a new I-20 that will be marked “**Continued attendance**” for item #3 within 15 days from the start date on your I-20.

To do this, you must sign up online for an appointment with an ISSP advisor who will issue the **new I-20** for you. Specific appointment times are scheduled from Monday, August 24 – Friday, August 28. Please bring all of your previously issued I-20s, I-94 card, passport, EAD card (if applicable), and transfer clearance form to this appointment. Sign up online <http://www.campuslife.emory.edu/issp/orientation/transfer.aspx>

AUGUST 25-26, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

THERE ARE VARIOUS ACTIVITIES ACROSS CAMPUS; SOME CLASSES BEGIN.

8:45 AM -3:30 PM SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION APPOINTMENTS

ROOM 106, NORTH DECATUR BUILDING

To apply for the Social Security number you *must* sign up for an appointment online on the ISSP website. Please arrive a few minutes before your appointment so that we can prepare your documents. Plan to be there for approximately 1 hour beyond your appointment time.

Only students who are employed may apply for an SSN. Please bring a letter from your on-campus employer verifying employment. Your supervisor must sign and date the employment letter, which must describe: your job; the number of hours you are, or will be, working; your supervisor’s name and telephone number, Employer Identification Number, and your employment start date. Sample letters are in the ISSP office and on the ISSP website at: <http://www.emory.edu/ISSP/students/f1/tips.htm>, Section 8.

Sign up online <http://www.campuslife.emory.edu/issp/orientation/ssn.aspx>

Please bring your I-20/DS-2019, passport, and I-94 to your appointment AND your own photocopies of those same documents (passport ID page which shows expiration date, F-1 or J-1 visa page, copy of I-20 (1st and 3rd pages) OR DS-2019 (1st page) and I-94 card (front and back).

Students who need to apply for an SSAL676 (waiver form needed for those not eligible for SSN in order to apply for Georgia driver’s license) may also make an appointment during these times. The same items listed above are needed.

AUGUST 26, WEDNESDAY

12:00 - 2:30 PM GRADUATE SCHOOL ORIENTATION

BALLROOM, COX HALL

Graduate School Students Only

5:00 - 7:00 PM GRADUATE SCHOOL PICNIC

MAIN QUADRANGLE, BETWEEN CANDLER LIBRARY AND THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Graduate School Students Only

All new *graduate* students are invited to enjoy some of the South's traditional beer and barbeque!

SEPTEMBER 11, FRIDAY

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR

WINSHIP BALLROOM, DUC

Please join us for food and fellowship at our first Coffee Hour to welcome you to Emory. Newcomers are especially welcome! Our special guest and sponsor for this event is **Emory's very own President Jim Wagner**.