FALL 2021 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION AGENDA* & ORIENTATION SCHEDULE FOR PARENTS
International Education, University of Richmond

*This schedule was last updated 8/9/21. Please refer to Guidebook (select International Orientation using the Filter button in the Orientation Schedule section) for last minute changes.

Dr. Martha Merritt, Dean of International Education
Ms. Ellen Sayles, Associate Dean & Director of Education Abroad
Ms. Heather Power, Assistant to the Dean
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Ms. Michele Cox, Director of Study Abroad
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### Sunday, August 15

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<td>9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Housing Check-In</strong> You will receive your housing and orientation materials and Spider (student ID) card. Please be prepared to present your passport.</td>
<td>Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270</td>
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<td>5:30 – 7:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Dinner with your International Orientation Advisor (IOA) group</strong> You MUST bring your meal coupon from housing check-in. Please be seated by 6 p.m. for a dining presentation.</td>
<td>Heilman Center Dining Hall North Dining Room 111/Building 410</td>
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<td>7:00 – 10:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Shopping at Target at Libbie Place Shopping Center (OPTIONAL)</strong> University vans &amp; shuttles depart from the Tyler Haynes Commons. Please wear your orientation T-Shirt. You are required to present your Spider Card and wear a mask on the van/shuttle.</td>
<td>Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270</td>
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<td>8:00 – 10:30 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Transition Programs Social &amp; Movie Night (OPTIONAL)</strong> for all transition program participants</td>
<td>Alice Haynes Room (movie), Commons &amp; Pier (activities), 1st floor, Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270</td>
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<td>7:00 – 9:30 a.m.</td>
<td><strong>Breakfast</strong> is available during these hours Starting today you MUST bring your Spider Card if you have a meal plan or pay cash if you don’t-International Education will NOT pay for your meals.</td>
<td>Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410</td>
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<td>9:00 – 11:30 a.m.</td>
<td><strong>Orientation Registration</strong> You must register your attendance during your assigned time. Please bring your Spider Card. Please check International Orientation Required Viewing on Blackboard or contact your IOA for your registration time.</td>
<td>International Commons, 1st Floor, Carole Weinstein International Center/Building 211</td>
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<td>11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>WELCOME LUNCH</strong> Please be seated by 12:15 p.m. for a formal program.</td>
<td>Heilman Center Dining Hall North Dining Room 111/Building 410</td>
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<td>1:30 – 4:30 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>One Card Services, Residence Life &amp; Housing, Telecom Services &amp; Information Services (OPTIONAL)</strong> These offices will be available to handle student inquiries on a walk-in basis. Visit One Card for your permanent ID, Housing for any housing issues, Telecom for cell phone plans &amp; Information Services for email &amp; networking.</td>
<td>One Card Services – Heilman Center/Building 410; Housing – 1 Bostwick Lane; Telecom &amp; Information Services - Jepson Hall/Building 221</td>
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<td>1:30 – 4:30 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Hourly Campus Tours (OPTIONAL)</strong> OAs will give campus tours at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable walking shoes.</td>
<td>University Forum Plaza outside of Heilman Center/Building 410</td>
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<td>2:00 – 5:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Shopping at the Shops at Willow Lawn (OPTIONAL)</strong> University vans &amp; the Daily Connector depart from the Tyler Haynes Commons. Please wear your orientation T-Shirt. You are required to present your Spider Card and wear a mask on the van/shuttle.</td>
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5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Picnic Dinner for all transition program participants
Weinstein Center/Building 361

7:00 – 10:00 p.m. Shopping at Target at Libbie Place Shopping Center (OPTIONAL)
University vans & the Daily Connector depart from the Tyler Haynes Commons. Please wear your orientation T-Shirt. You are required to present your Spider Card and wear a mask on the van/shuttle.

Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270

Tuesday, August 17

TIME: EVENT: BUILDING/# on map:
7:00 – 8:45 a.m. Breakfast is available during these hours Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Immigration Issues - How to Maintain Your Status in the U.S. & Health Insurance for F-1 & J-1 visa holders Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134
International Education, Risk Management & Insurance

10:00 – 10:55 a.m. U.S. Laws & Campus Safety Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134
Campus Police

11:00 – 11:55 a.m. Health & Well-Being Services Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134
Student Health Center, Counseling & Psychological Services, Health & Wellness Education, University Recreation and Title IX Coordinator for sexual misconduct issues

12:00 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Icebreakers with your IOA group Various locations in Carole Weinstein International Center/Building 211
Spend time getting to know your IOA group through icebreakers. Please check International Orientation Required Viewing on Blackboard or contact your IOA for your location.

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Center for Student Involvement Presentation International Center Courtyard, Carole Weinstein International Center/Building 211 (rain location Room 118, 1st floor, Jepson Hall/Building 221)
Learn how to get involved on campus with student organizations, clubs, sports, student government, and more!

8:00 – 10:00 p.m. Movie Night and Field Games (OPTIONAL) Intramural Fields/159
Enjoy an outdoor movie, free ice cream, and sports with students from all UR transition programs

7:30 – 10:00 p.m. Talent Show (OPTIONAL) Current, 1st floor, Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270
Share your special talent or watch other people’s talents with the Multicultural Affairs Pre-Orienation program
Wednesday, August 18

**TIME:**

7:00 – 8:45 a.m.  
**EVENT:** Breakfast is available during these hours  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

9:00 – 9:55 a.m.  
**EVENT:** How to Have a Successful Intercultural Experience in the U.S.  
**SPEAKER:** Speech Center, ESL Services, Dean of Westhampton College, International Education  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134

10:00 – 10:30 a.m.  
**EVENT:** How to Navigate the Residence Life System  
**SPEAKER:** Resident Advisors (RAs), Office of Residence Life & Undergraduate Housing  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134

10:30 – 11:00 am  
**EVENT:** Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at UR  
**SPEAKER:** Student Center for Equity & Inclusion  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Cannon Memorial Chapel/Building 134

12:00 – 12:45 p.m.  
**EVENT:** Lunch  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

1:00 – 1:45 p.m.  
**EVENT:** Academic Advising Meeting for Business Exchange Students  
**SPEAKER:** Dr. Tom Cosse, Associate Dean, International Business Programs  
**SPEAKER:** Ms. Fae Bell, International Business Program & Residencies Coordinator  
**SPEAKER:** Ms. Kimberlee Duren, Administrative Assistant  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Ukrop Auditorium, 1st floor, Robins School of Business/Building 102

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
**EVENT:** Course Schedule Changes for Business Exchange Students  
**SPEAKER:** (OPTIONAL) Business exchange students who need to make changes to their course schedule will be able to work with staff on an individual basis. Note: You must bring a physical copy of your course schedule with you.  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Center for International Business Programs, Suite Q291, Quieally Hall, 2nd floor, Robins School of Business/Building 102

4:15 – 5:00 p.m.  
**EVENT:** Inside American football  
**SPEAKER:** Learn firsthand about American football by meeting UR football coaches, players and athletics staff (MANDATORY for exchange & visiting students; 1st year freshman are strongly encouraged to attend)  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Room 118, 1st floor, Jepson Hall/Building 221

7:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
**EVENT:** President's Welcome for New Students & Families  
**SPEAKER:** for undergraduate 4-year students in the class of 2025  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Robins Center/Building 365

Thursday, August 19

**TIME:**

9:00 – 9:45 a.m.  
**EVENT:** Honor Councils Presentation & Test for Undergraduate Exchange & Visiting Students  
**SPEAKER:** Richmond & Westhampton Honor Councils  
**BUILDING/# on map:** Room 118, 1st floor, Jepson Hall/Building 221
Thursday, August 19

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Presentation on Duo Security Authentication Service for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs**
Information Services
Room 118, 1st floor, Jepson Hall/Building 221

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. **A Guide to Working in the U.S. for Exchange & Visiting Students**
Office of Alumni & Career Services
Room 118, 1st floor, Jepson Hall/Building 221

11:00 – 11:45 a.m. **Library Tour (for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs whose family names begin with A-K only) (OPTIONAL)**
Dr. Marcia E. Whitehead, Humanities Librarian, Boatwright Library
Reference Desk, Boatwright Memorial Library/Building 261

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. **Lunch**
Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

1:00 – 1:45 p.m. **Library Tour (for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs whose family names begin with L-Z only) (OPTIONAL)**
Dr. Marcia E. Whitehead, Humanities Librarian, Boatwright Library
Reference Desk, Boatwright Memorial Library/Building 261

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Registrar’s Office for Non-Business Major Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs (OPTIONAL)***
The Registrar’s office is available to work with you individually by appointment only by emailing jcreamer@richmond.edu if you have questions about your class schedule.
Queally Center/Building 142

4:00 – 5:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: Black/African American Students (OPTIONAL)**
Join an identity based group of students for support and community building.
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246

5:00 – 6:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: Latinx Students (OPTIONAL)**
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246

6:00 – 7:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) Students (OPTIONAL)**
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246

Friday, August 20

**TIME:** **EVENT:** **BUILDING/# on map:**

Downtown tour for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs
Please refer to the information in Blackboard for details.
Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270

3:00 – 4:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: LGBTQIA+ Students (OPTIONAL)**
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246

4:00 – 5:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: Indigenous Students (OPTIONAL)**
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246

5:00 – 6:00 PM **Affinity Group Meeting: White Anti-Racist Students (OPTIONAL)**
Multicultural Space & Whitehurst Living Room/Building 246
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<td>4:00 – 5:00 PM</td>
<td><strong>Affinity Group Meeting: International Students (OPTIONAL)</strong></td>
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<td>5:00 – 6:00 PM</td>
<td><strong>Affinity Group Meeting: Multiracial Students (OPTIONAL)</strong></td>
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Orientation Schedule for Parents
Monday, August 16

Parents of international students are welcome to attend the following Parent and Family Orientation sessions:

9:30–10:30 a.m.  Academic Welcome, Camp Concert Hall (building 455 on campus map)
10:45–11:30 a.m.  Richmond & Westhampton College Welcome
11:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Meet with Orientation Leaders

1:30-2:30 p.m.  A Conversation: The University of Richmond and the International Student

International students figure prominently in the University’s strategic plan. The University has structures in place to provide services for international students and to help facilitate their transition from home to the U.S. culture and educational system. Parents will have an opportunity to ask questions and to discuss their concerns and interests.

**Location:** International Commons, 1st floor, Carole Weinstein International Center/Building 211
**Presenters:** Ms. Krittika Onsanit, Director of International Student & Scholar Services, International Education & Ms. Amanda Gearhart, Senior Assistant Director of Admission, Office of Admission

2:30-3:30  Campus Tour for Parents
**Departure Location:** International Commons
International Student Health Issues

If your student health record is incomplete, you must schedule an online appointment with the Student Health Center at https://healthcenter.richmond.edu/ to comply with the University’s health requirements. Please go to these appointments even if you must miss other activities.

ORIENTATION SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Sunday, August 15

Transition Programs Social
Join the UR transition programs for an evening of social activities and a movie. There will be a variety of games, a dorm decoration station, kahoot, and a movie. Cookies will be available too.

Monday, August 16

Food Trucks & Picnic
Join the UR transition programs for a picnic dinner at the Weinstein Center for Recreation & Wellness and a fun evening of games and sports at UR’s main recreational facility. This is a mandatory event that is free of charge.

Tuesday, August 17

Immigration Issues for F-1 and J-1 visa holders - How to Maintain Your Status in the U.S. & Health Insurance
F-1 and J-1 students will learn about maintaining their student status in the U.S. and regulations and procedures for studying, traveling, and working on and off campus, as well as the policy, benefits, and claims procedures for the international student health insurance plan.

U.S. Laws & Campus Safety
A University police officer will discuss U.S. laws and campus regulations and resources regarding alcohol, drug and tobacco use, weapons possession, driver and pedestrian safety, theft protection, active shooter scenarios, and other potential threats to the campus.

Health & Well-Being Services
This session will explain campus services for mental, physical and sexual health, well-being and recreation services and sexual misconduct policies and resources.

Center for Student Involvement Presentation
With over 200 student organizations, there are many ways to get involved in campus life outside of the classroom. In this session, you will explore ways to meet American students through clubs, sports and other activities in an interactive presentation.

Movie Night and Field Games
Join the UR transition programs for a night of fun! Watch a movie outdoors, enjoy free ice cream, or play soccer, sand volleyball, basketball, or a variety of other field night games! Please check Guidebook for alternate location in case of rain.
Wednesday, August 18

**How to Have a Successful Intercultural Experience in the U.S.**
This session will introduce academic resources for international students and explore intercultural values and differences in social relationships and academic expectations that international students may experience while studying in the U.S.

**How to Navigate the Residence Life System**
Learn from Resident Assistants (RAs) about the residence life system and their regulations, support and programming for students.

**Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at UR**
The newly formed Student Center for Equity & Inclusion is designed to support all students, regardless of background or identity, to feel included and ready to fully participate in all of campus life. Learn about ways to feel supported around your particular identity, explore issues of difference, or be a force for inclusion.

**Inside American Football**
Want to learn more about American football? Football coaches, players and athletics staff will explain basic rules of the game and social rituals of game day. You will get an insider’s view of football as well as important information about student seating and buying tickets. After the presentation, you will get a brief tour of the football stadium so please wear comfortable shoes.

Thursday, August 19

**Honor Councils Presentation & Test for Undergraduate Exchange & Visiting Students**
Honor Council members will explain the University’s honor system, including expectations and sanctions for honor code violations. All exchange students except for LAW and MBA students are required to take this exam during international student orientation.

**DUO Security Authentication Service for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs**
To protect against phishing and other exploits of stolen passwords, Information Services is implementing Duo Security two-factor authentication for faculty, staff, and student use of the campus VPN and access to BannerWeb from off-campus.

**A Guide to Working in the U.S. for Exchange & Visiting Students**
Career Services staff will discuss job search preparation and strategies for working in the U.S. as an international exchange student, both during and after your exchange program. Topics such as resume writing, interviewing skills, networking, and resources for job listings will be covered.

**Boatwright Library Tour for Exchange & Visiting Students & Teaching Assistants**
Exchange & visiting students and teaching assistants will have the opportunity to take a guided tour of the University's main library. The tour will include an explanation of the resources available, including the curriculum materials center.

Friday, August 20

**Downtown tour for Exchange & Visiting Students & Teaching Assistants**
Students will explore downtown Richmond with their IOA group and have the option of going out downtown afterward and coming back to campus at their own expense.

Thursday, August 19-Saturday, August 21

**Affinity Group Meetings**
Join identity-based student meetings to form support and build community.