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

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Dr. Martha Merritt, Dean of International Education
Ms. Ellen Sayles, Associate Dean & Director of Education Abroad
Ms. Krittika Onsanit, Director of International Student & Scholar Services
  Ms. Diana Trinh, International Student Advisor
  Ms. Michele Cox, Director of Study Abroad
  Mr. Chris Klein, Associate Director of Study Abroad
  Mr. Patrick Schweiger, Study Abroad Manager
  Ms. Amy Bergmann, Study Abroad Advisor
  Ms. Jennifer Stevens, Administrative Specialist
Mr. Michael Warchol, Manager, Communications & Events
Sunday, August 15

**TIME:**
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** Housing Check-In
You will receive your housing materials, ID card, and orientation materials. Meet at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 2 p.m. or 4 p.m. to go to the Welcome Closet to borrow items for your room.

**BUILDING/# on map:** Location To Be Determined (TBD)

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** Dinner with your International Orientation Advisor (IOA) group
You MUST bring your meal coupon from housing check-in.

**Please be seated by 6 p.m.** for a dining presentation.

**BUILDING/# on map:** Heilman Center Dining Hall North Dining Room 111/Building 410

7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** Shopping at Target at Libbie Place Shopping Center (OPTIONAL)
University vans & the Weekend Connector 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 shuttle.**

**BUILDING/# on map:** Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270

8:00 – 10:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** Social Activities

**BUILDING/# on map:** Location TBD

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Monday, August 16

**TIME:**
7:00 – 9:30 a.m.

**EVENT:** Breakfast
Breakfast 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.

**BUILDING/# on map:** Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

**EVENT:** Orientation Registration
All international students on campus at this time must register their attendance. Please bring your Spider (student ID) Card.

**BUILDING/# on map:** Location TBD

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** WELCOME LUNCH
Please be seated by 12:15 p.m. for a formal program.

**BUILDING/# on map:** Heilman Center Dining Hall North Dining Room 111/Building 410

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**EVENT:** One Card Services, Undergraduate Student Housing, Telecom Services & Information Services (OPTIONAL)
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 & Information Services for email & networking.

**BUILDING/# on map:** One Card Services – Heilman Center/Building 410; Housing – Whitehurst/Building 246; Telecom & Information Services - Jepson Hall/Building 221

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**EVENT:** Hourly Campus Tours (OPTIONAL)
OAs will give campus tours at 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please wear comfortable walking shoes.

**BUILDING/# on map:** University Forum Plaza outside of Heilman Center/Building 410

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.

**EVENT:** Shopping at the Shops at Willow Lawn (OPTIONAL)
University vans & the Willow Lawn Xpress 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 shuttle.**

**BUILDING/# on map:** Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

**EVENT:** Dinner with Food Trucks

**BUILDING/# on map:** Weinstein Center/Building 361
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<td><strong>Talent Show (OPTIONAL)</strong> Share your special talent or watch other people’s talents with the Multicultural Affairs Pre-Orientation program</td>
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<td>Student Health Center, Counseling &amp; Psychological Services, Health &amp; Wellness Education, University Recreation and Title IX Coordinator for sexual misconduct issues</td>
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<td><strong>Icebreakers with your IOA group</strong> Spend time getting to know your IOA group through icebreakers</td>
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<td>2:00 – 3:30 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Center for Student Involvement Presentation</strong> Learn how to get involved on campus with student organizations, clubs, sports, student government, and more!</td>
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<td>Center for International Business Programs, Suite Q291, Queally Hall, 2nd floor, Robins School of Business/Building 102</td>
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**Event Details**

- **Breakfast**: Is available during these hours.
- **How to Have a Successful Intercultural Experience in the U.S.**: Speech Center, ESL Services, International Education.
- **How to Navigate the Residence Life System**: Resident Advisors (RAs), Office of Residence Life & Undergraduate Housing.
- **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion at UR**: Student Center for Equity & Inclusion.
- **Lunch**: Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410.
- **Academic Advising Meeting for Business Exchange Students**: Dr. Tom Cosse, Associate Dean, International Business Programs; Ms. Fae Bell, International Business Program & Residencies Coordinator; Ms. Kimberlee Duren, Administrative Assistant.
- **Course Schedule Changes for Business Exchange Students**: (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.
- **Inside American football**: 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).
- **President's Welcome for New Students & Families**: for undergraduate 4-year students in the class of 2025.
Thursday, August 19

TIME: 
9:00 – 9:45 a.m. 
EVENT: 
Honor Council Presentation & Test for Undergraduate Exchange & Visiting Students 
Richmond & Westhampton Honor Councils 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Location TBD

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. 
EVENT: 
Presentation on Duo Security Authentication Service for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs 
Information Services 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Location TBD

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. 
EVENT: 
A Guide to Working in the U.S. for Exchange & Visiting Students 
Office of Alumni & Career Services 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Location TBD

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

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Lunch 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Heilman Center Dining Hall/Building 410

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

2:00 – 5:00 p.m. 
EVENT: 
Library Registrar’s Office for Non-Business Major Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs (OPTIONAL) The Registrar's office is available to work with you individually if you have questions about your class schedule on a first-come, first-serve basis. 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Queally Center/Building 142

Friday, August 20

TIME: 
EVENT: 
Downtown tour for Exchange & Visiting Students & TAs 
Please refer to the information in your orientation folder for your shuttle departure time from campus and itinerary. 
BUILDING/# on map: 
Tyler Haynes Commons/Building 270
Orientation Schedule for Parents
Monday, August 16

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:**  TBD

**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:**  TBD
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

Monday, August 16

Food Trucks & Picnic
Join the UR transition programs for dinner from a choice of food trucks 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.

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 (RA’s) 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.
Wednesday, August 18

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 Council 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.