

Final

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION Fall 2008

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

All Day

International Students Arrive and Move In - Please go to the Early Arrival Desk located in Stevenson Dining Hall, Griswold Commons, 155 North Professor Street (phone: (440) 775-6739 or (440) 775-8472). The desk will be open from 9 a.m. until 8 p.m. If you arrive after 8 p.m., please go to the Safety and Security Office located at 159 West Lorain Street (phone: (440) 775-8444). They will let you into your room but you will need to check in officially with the Early Arrival Desk as soon as opens on the next day.

7:00 p.m.

Welcome Dinner - Please join us as we welcome you, your families and guests. Even if you are arriving late to Oberlin, please feel free to come join us. Science Center Perlik Commons, Science Center, 119 Woodland Street.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

9:00 a.m. - Noon

International Student Welcome and Introductions - This session will be a time to begin getting acquainted and help you with important information regarding Oberlin resources. Breakfast will be served. Peters Hall Klutznick Commons, Peters Hall, 50 North Professor Street.

Noon

Campus & Town Tour - Gather in small groups for a tour of campus and town. Following the tour, join the other new students for lunch in Stevenson Dining Hall, 155 North Professor Street. Lunch is served between noon and 1:15 p.m.

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Information Session - This session will explore non-academic topics such as F-1 visa regulations, health insurance, banking, and others. Peters Hall Klutznick Commons, Peters Hall, 50 North Professor Street.

3:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Fun Time at the International House - An opportunity to meet returning international students for light refreshments, a movie, and games. The International House, 187 North Professor Street.

7:00 p.m.

Barbecue and Karaoke - Relax at the end of the day with friends, good food, and fun music. Family and guests are welcome to attend. Asia House Courtyard, 40 West Lorain Street. Rain site: Shipherd Lounge, second floor, Asia House.

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

- 7:30 – 8:00 a.m.** **Light breakfast** will be available in Peters Hall Klutznick Commons. Breakfast is also served in Stevenson Dining Hall from 6:30 to 8 a.m.
- 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.** **Social Security and Employment Workshop** - A required review of employment and taxation regulations, on-campus job opportunities, and financial aid. You will complete paperwork required for social security numbers and employment. Meet in Peters Hall Klutznick Commons.
- 9:45 – 11:45 a.m.** **English as a Second Language (ESL) Placement Test** - Required of all students who are not native speakers of English. The test includes a short essay writing portion and a web-based grammar portion. Paul and Edith Cooper International Learning Center (language lab), Peters Hall.
- Noon – 2:00 p.m.** **Lunch and free time** - Feel free to have lunch in Stevenson Dining Hall or downtown; take a break and relax with family or in your dorm room. Lunch at Stevenson is served between noon and 1:15 p.m.
- 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.** **Honor Code Basics** - A required session presented by members of the Student Honor Committee. Parents are welcome to attend. Meet in Peters Hall Klutznick Commons.
- 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.** **Academic Introduction to the College and the Conservatory** - Staff members will touch on the basic academic concepts and policies, such as liberal arts and music education at Oberlin, academic advising, degree requirements, grading, winter term, and others. There will be separate sessions for College and Conservatory students. Parents are welcome to attend. Meet in Peters Hall Klutznick Commons.
- 5:00 – 9:00 p.m.** **Dinner and free time.** Feel free to have dinner in Stevenson Dining Hall or downtown; take a break and relax with family or in your dorm room. Dinner at Stevenson is served between 6 and 7:15 p.m. If you need to do some shopping, join us for a shopping trip.
- 5:30 – 6:45 p.m.
and 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.** **Shopping trips to nearby stores** - This is an opportunity to buy dorm and school supplies, electronics, and personal items. Sign-up sheets will be available on Sunday, August 24. Meet in the parking lot behind the Mudd Library for transportation.
- 9:00 p.m.** **International Bonfire** - Gather around the fire in Tappan Square and share stories about your countries, families, and friends.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

Regular Orientation Starts - Follow the regular orientation schedule available online at www.oberlin.edu/newstudents/orientation.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

LABOR DAY

(US NATIONAL HOLIDAY) Don't forget the Student Union's Trip to Cedar Point! The Office of International Students will provide tickets for new international students interested in this trip. If you like stomach-wrenching rides, this trip is for you! Visit the beautiful roller-coaster filled amusement park on the Lake Erie Shore. Buses leave Oberlin from the parking lot behind the Mudd Library at 11 a.m.; buses leave Cedar Point at 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

CLASSES BEGIN