Student Program
Catch the BC Spirit
Boston College’s motto, Ever to Excel, is reflected in two distinct ways. First, we are a community of learners—faculty and students who not only assimilate learning from the past but also seek to push the boundaries of the presently known. We seek to do the things that schools traditionally do, but in unique and exceptional ways. Second, we do this in the context of an overarching philosophical and theological framework called the Ignatian vision. We are people using our gifts in the service of others, and applying our knowledge and our commonly held values to the problems and contexts we confront daily. In order to be effective, this requires a continual dialectic between action and reflection, which the founder of the Jesuits, Ignatius of Loyola, required of his companions. In a real sense, we are contemplatives in action.
Dear Newest Members of our BC Community,

Welcome to Orientation 2019 at Boston College. We have planned an exciting program to help you begin your college career in a meaningful and successful way.

Orientation is a chance to get to know Boston College and to familiarize yourself with your new surroundings. You will also sample life in a University residence hall and meet many of your future classmates, some of whom will become lifelong friends.

During the next three days you will meet with deans, faculty advisors, students, and University administrators who will introduce you to the campus community and to the many new and challenging experiences awaiting you at Boston College. Throughout the program, student Orientation Leaders—carefully selected and trained sophomores, juniors, and seniors—will be your guides. They are excellent sources of information and will be happy to answer any questions you may have throughout Orientation. You will also meet with a faculty advisor who will help you construct an academic schedule for the fall semester, and by the end of the orientation session, you will register for the courses you have selected.

Your arrival at Boston College marks the beginning of a very significant journey. We are here to make sure you get off to a good start and hope you find Orientation 2019 useful and engaging.

Sincerely,

Michael Sacco, Ed.D.
Executive Director,
Office of First Year Experience & Center for Student Formation
Sunday

CHECK-IN
12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Welcome to Orientation 2019.
Thomas More Apartments, First Floor

ASK INFO TECH
12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Representatives from Information Technology and the BC Bookstore will be on hand to facilitate laptop pick up, demonstrate technology available to BC students, and to answer your questions.
Thomas More Apartments, Second Floor

MASS
3:00 p.m.
A celebration in the Catholic tradition to mark the beginning of Orientation 2019 and your journey at BC. All are welcome.
St. Ignatius Church

DINNER
Immediately Following Mass
Orientation Leaders will walk students and families from St. Ignatius Church to Carney Dining Hall for dinner and program introductions.
Carney Dining Room, McElroy Commons

MEET THE PEOPLE AND IDEAS
THAT MAKE BC SPECIAL
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Our faculty members will share their commitment to our liberal arts education within the context of our Ignatian mission.
Robsham Theater Arts Center

ORIENTATION LEADER GROUP MEETINGS
8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Group meetings with your student Orientation Leaders.
Various Locations

Monday

BREAKFAST
8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
Meet your Orientation Leader outside.
Corcoran Commons

MEETINGS WITH THE DEANS AND SMALL GROUP ADVISING
9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
The Deans will provide you with an overview of the academic opportunities available to you, and will discuss degree programs and requirements.
Next, you will meet with an Academic Advisor to exchange perspectives on your expectations of academic life at Boston College and prepare for course registration on Tuesday.
Morrissey College of Arts & Sciences
Devlin 008
Carroll School of Management
Fulton 511
Connell School of Nursing
Higgins 300
Lynch School of Education and Human Development
Higgins 300

TRANSITIONING TO THE HEIGHTS
11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Your academic life at BC will be an important part of your undergraduate experience on the Heights. But what about all of the time you are not in class or studying? This session will acquaint you with our approach to student formation at BC and some of BC’s retreat and mentoring programs available to you in your first year.
Robsham Theater Arts Center

LUNCH
12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.
Corcoran Commons

STORIES OF BOSTON COLLEGE
1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Diversity and inclusion are central values in our University community. Hear the accounts of faculty, staff and Orientation Leaders as they share stories of identity and encountering difference.
Robsham Theater Arts Center
Tuesday

SMALL GROUPS: REFLECTIONS ON IDENTITY
2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Essential to Jesuit education is an exploration of identity. Participate in conversation and exercises with other groups as you learn more about yourself, your peers, and the diversity that exists within our Boston College community.
Middle Campus

REFRESHMENT BREAK
3:30 p.m.
Gasson 100

CHOICES: A LOOK AT BOSTON COLLEGE SOCIAL LIFE
4:10 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
A presentation and discussion regarding issues of campus life. Of particular concern will be the balancing of freedom and responsibility and the unexpected social pressures of college life.
Devlin 008

SMALL GROUPS: CHOICES
5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Meet with your Orientation Leader to exchange perspectives on your expectations of social life at Boston College.
Middle Campus

COOKOUT
6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Time to relax and enjoy some food and fun with classmates.
Stokes Amphitheater

SCENES: LIFE AND TIMES AT BOSTON COLLEGE
7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
A creative production, presented to you by your Orientation Leaders, depicting issues in the first year that can enhance or detract from your mission to grow and become a productive and involved community member.
Robsham Theater Arts Center

EVENING SOCIAL
8:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
An evening of dodgeball, dance contests, and other activities! Appropriate athletic attire required.
Fish Field House

BREAKFAST
8:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
Meet your Orientation Leader outside.
Corcoran Commons

PROGRAM ROTATIONS
9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.
See next page for group assignments.

CLOSING PROGRAM
2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
A celebration of the inclusive University community that is Boston College, of which you are now a part. Welcome to BC!
Robsham Theater Arts Center

HOUSING CHECKOUT
2:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thomas More Apartments

RESIDENCE HALL TOUR (OPTIONAL)
2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Upon the conclusion of the Orientation program, the Office of Residential Life invites you to visit a first-year residence hall on Upper Campus to view a traditional freshman room, should you wish to do so.
Upper Campus
Tuesday Program Rotations

**GROUPS 1–9**

**REGISTRATION FOR FALL SEMESTER CLASSES**
9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
Lyons Hall

**MEN AND WOMEN FOR OTHERS: SERVICE AND SPIRITUALITY**
10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
Devlin 008

**CAREER OR VOCATION?**
11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.
Devlin 008

**LUNCH**
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Corcoran Commons

**EVER TO EXCEL: RESOURCES AT BOSTON COLLEGE**
1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
O’Neill Library

**GROUPS 19–27**

**MEN AND WOMEN FOR OTHERS: SERVICE AND SPIRITUALITY**
9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
Devlin 008

**EVER TO EXCEL: RESOURCES AT BOSTON COLLEGE**
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O’Neill Library

**REGISTRATION FOR FALL SEMESTER CLASSES**
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Lyons Hall

**LUNCH**
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Corcoran Commons

**CAREER OR VOCATION?**
1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Robsham Theater Arts Center

**GROUPS 10–18**

**MEN AND WOMEN FOR OTHERS: SERVICE AND SPIRITUALITY**
9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
Devlin 008

**REGISTRATION FOR FALL SEMESTER CLASSES**
10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
Lyons Hall

**EVER TO EXCEL: RESOURCES AT BOSTON COLLEGE**
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O’Neill Library

**CAREER OR VOCATION?**
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Devlin 008

**LUNCH**
11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Corcoran Commons

**GROUPS 28–36**

**EVER TO EXCEL: RESOURCES AT BOSTON COLLEGE**
9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.
O’Neill Library

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Justin Sparrow
Gabby Ssewankambo
Eric Thompson
Sofia Yepes
Jacob Yeskis
James Zhu
Boston College Fight Song

FOR BOSTON

For Boston, for Boston,
We sing our proud refrain!

For Boston, for Boston,
'Tis Wisdom’s earthly fane.
For here all are one and their hearts are true,
And the towers on the Heights
Reach to Heav’n’s own blue.

For Boston, for Boston,
Till the echoes ring again!

Important Dates

Thursday, August 22, 2019
First Year Move-In

August 22 - 26, 2019
First Year Welcome Week Activities

Thursday, September 5, 2019
First Flight, 6 p.m., Linden Lane
First Year Academic Convocation, 7 p.m., Conte Forum

September 27 - September 29, 2019
Parents Weekend

For complete schedules, please visit
www.bc.edu/welcome