2018 International Student Orientation
Please pay attention to which group different events are for!

Tuesday, August 21-Undergraduate and Exchange Students Only

10:00 AM-2:00 PM
Murray Function Room
Mandatory meeting just for Exchange Students with the Office of International Programs

2:00-2:15 PM
BREAK

2:15 PM-3:45 PM
Murray Function Room
Exchange Student check in- meet and dessert with International Assistants; Representatives from AT&T, T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be there to help students set up cell phone plans and bank accounts.

4:00 PM
Robsham Theatre
International Assistants go to meet International Freshmen

4:30-7:00 PM
Murray Function Room
Freshmen/Transfers check in-activity and dinner with International Assistants; Representatives from AT&T, T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be there to help students set up cell phone plans and bank accounts

Wednesday, August 22-ALL Students: Undergraduates, Exchange, Graduate

8:30 AM-9:45 AM
Heights Room
Breakfast for ALL students: Please arrive on time if you would like breakfast, as food is not permitted in the Theatre at 10 am. Representatives from T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be there to help students set up cell phone plans and bank accounts

10:00 AM
Robsham Theatre
Welcome and review orientation agenda
Adrienne Nussbaum, Director, OISS

10:15 AM
Ups/Downs-Student Introductions

10:30 AM
Welcome Address:
Fr. William Leahy, President, Boston College

10:45 AM
Everything you need to know about immigration!
Susan Shea, Associate Director, OISS

11:15 AM
Introduction to U.S. Educational System
Kwasi Sarkodie-Mensah, Manager, O’Neill Library

11:30 AM
BREAK

12: 00 PM
Health Care in the United States and On-Campus
Scott Jusseaume, University Health Services

12:15 PM
University Counseling Services
Dr. Craig Burns, Director, University Counseling Services

12:30 PM
Safety Inside and Outside of Boston College
Rich DeCapua, Associate Dean, Dean of Students Office
1:00-2:00 PM  Lunch-Undergraduate and Exchange  Lyons Dining Hall  Ice breakers for IAs and undergrads/exchange

Gasson 100  Lunch-Graduate Students  Welcome by Office of Graduate Student Life

Representatives from AT&T, T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be in BOTH lunch locations to help students set up cell phone plans and bank accounts.

2:15 PM  Small Group Discussions with Faculty/Administrators on American Values and the US Educational Systems for ALL students  Gasson Hall  For Graduate Students this session will be followed by a student discussion with current BC graduate international students about academic and other issues

4:00-5:00 PM  Free Time: Optional Campus Tour-Meet in front of Gasson Hall by Eagle Statue  Gasson Hall  Representatives from ATT, T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be in Gasson Hall to help students set up cell phone plans and bank account.

5:00 PM SHARP  Meet at Boston College Train Stop

7:00-8:30 PM  Boston Harbor Cruise-IAs/exchange/graduate students (Freshmen must attend mandatory Welcome Week program); Boat leaves at 7 pm sharp from One Long Wharf-Take the train to the “Aquarium” stop; pay $19.65 in advance: bc.edu/payoiss

8:30 PM  Optional dinner in Boston with Cluster Groups (exchange) or with Grad Orientation Helpers (graduate)

Thursday, August 23-Undergraduate and Exchange Students Only

Graduate International Students please attend the Graduate Student Life Orientation

11:30 AM  Scavenger Hunt/Campus Tour/Snapchat Contest for International Assistants and Exchange Students: Meet at O’Neill Plaza by Gasson Hall

12:30-1:45 PM  Lunch with International Assistants (freshmen and exchange)  Lyons Hall  Representatives from ATT, T-Mobile, and Bank of America will be there to help set up cell phone and bank accounts.

2:00 PM  Clubs and Organizations at Boston College  Devlin 008  International Assistants

2:15 PM  Participating in Volunteer Opportunities in the US  Dan Ponsetto, Director, Volunteer and Service Learning Center

2:30 PM  Student Panel and Discussion of Undergraduate/Exchange Student Issues  Panel of International Students/International Assistants

3:30 PM  Break

3:45-4:30 PM  International Assistant Performances on Life as a B.C. Student

4:30-6:00 PM  Social for International Assistants, undergraduates who are available and exchange students ATT & T-Mobile will there to help set up cell phone accounts.  Devlin Patio

Evening  Possible optional Activity for International Assistants and exchange students in Cluster Groups (Freshmen must attend required Welcome Week events)