Orientation Week Schedule for Undergraduate Students

**Tuesday, January 19**

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION**
8 AM - 4 PM
Check in at Cole Activities Bldg.

**Required event for all new students for class registration!**
You must make a separate registration with your college for this event at [www.orientation.umd.edu/international.html](http://www.orientation.umd.edu/international.html).

Bring your Immunization Form and drop off with Health Center during check-in.

NOTE: New F-1 students ALSO have to attend the required F-1 ISSS Immigration session which reviews different material than New Student Orientation.

Register for all January 20-22 events via iTerp
[https://iterp.umd.edu](https://iterp.umd.edu)

**Wednesday, January 20**

**IMMUNIZATION CLINIC SHIFT 2**
8:30 - 9:30 AM
Health Center, 2nd Floor
Turn in your Immunization form during this time, if you have not yet done so.

**ISSS IMMIGRATION SESSION**
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
F-1 Students: 1120 Susquehanna Hall
J-1 Students: 1100 Tawes Hall

**TEA & COFFEE Station**
From 1:15 PM Susquehanna Lobby

**SESSIONS**
1:30 - 2:30 PM
Academic Success and US Classroom Culture
1120 Susquehanna Hall

2:35 - 3:35 PM
A Closer Look at American Culture
1120 Susquehanna Hall

3:40 - 4:30 PM
Getting Around: Transportation Services & Parking
1120 Susquehanna Hall

**Friday, January 22**

**LAST CHANCE!**

**IMMUNIZATION CLINIC**
9:00 - 11:30 AM
Health Center, 2nd Floor
You must turn in your Immunization Form by 11:30 if you have not already done so. Not submitting the form results in a block on course registration.

**SESSION**
1:30 - 2:15 PM
Becoming A Washington DC Insider
1120 Susquehanna Hall

**WELCOME LUNCH RECEPTION**
1:15 - 2:15 PM
Free Lunch to celebrate your arrival!
Van Munching Hall Third Floor Lobby

**IKEA SHOPPING TRIP**
2:30 PM - 5:00 PM
Meet in Van Munching Hall Third Floor Lobby. We will then travel to IKEA together. ($)

**DC EXCURSION!**
2:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Explore Georgetown and stay in DC for dinner if you wish. We will depart from Susquehanna Lobby and then travel into DC by Metro together. ($)

**KEY:**
- Required Events
- Fun Events
- General Sessions
Required Events

F-1 IMMIGRATION SESSION
Attendance at one ISSS Immigration Session is mandatory for all F-1 students.
To accommodate students’ varying arrival dates and schedules, this session is repeated multiple times in January. **You must register for your preferred date in advance (via iTerp.umd.edu).**

Session Topics:
1. How to complete the “iTerp check-in” to report your arrival, so your F-1 record can be activated in SEVIS
2. Immigration regulations that impact you at UMD and tools to help you maintain your legal F-1/J-1 status while here.
3. You will also get a chance to meet ISSS staff who are here to assist you with any issues during your stay.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION
This important event is for all new undergraduate students. It is not run by ISSS and therefore, you must register separately at [http://orientation.umd.edu/international.html](http://orientation.umd.edu/international.html). You will receive important information about student policies and services, register for classes, learn UMD traditions, meet students, and more.

IMMUNIZATION FORM
The Health Center requires all new students to submit an Immunization Form. Deliver your form to the Health Center (UHC) during New Student Orientation check-in or during one of the clinic times on this schedule. **Not submitting the form leads to a registration block.**

Fun Events

WELCOME LUNCH RECEPTION
Please join fellow students, ISSS staff, and presenters for a light lunch to celebrate your arrival!

CAMPUS TOUR & LUNCH
This walking tour, led by current student guide, will take you by buildings on campus that are most useful for you to know about as an international student.
After the tour, you are welcome to join the group for an informal lunch at the Stamp Student Union or nearby.
($) means you pay for your own meal.

IKEA SHOPPING TRIP
Join ISSS and other students for a trip to IKEA. Learn how to use College Park public transportation - then shop for furniture or housing necessities and have a bite to eat.
($) = Students cover their transportation and shopping expenses.

DC EXCURSION
Explore historic Georgetown, one of DC’s best shopping areas. If you like, stay downtown for dinner and try out one of the local eateries.
($) = Students cover their transportation, shopping, and any food expenses.

General Sessions

ACADEMIC SUCCESS & U.S. CLASSROOM CULTURE
Discover what resources/services exist at UMD to help you succeed with your studies. Learn about US classroom cultural dynamics, and the American concept of “intellectual property” with tips for avoiding plagiarism.

A CLOSER LOOK AT AMERICAN CULTURE
Come explore the topic of culture, personal values, and communication styles. Think about your culture and how it may differ from the US. Also listen to tips and stories from current students.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES & PARKING
Get first-hand information about Shuttle UM routes, services offered by the Department of Transportation Services, parking requirements, and how your dependents can use the Shuttle UM services!

CAREER CENTER RESOURCES FOR YOUR JOB SEARCH
Discover UMD resources for finding on-campus jobs and internships, writing a resume and cover letter for US employers, honing your interview skills, and other topics.

TOOLS FOR CULTURAL ADJUSTMENT
Moving to a new country is exciting, but also brings challenges and stress. This session prepares you for how different people experience phases of adjustment (it’s normal!) and offers resources to support your transition.

UNDERSTANDING U.S. HEALTH CARE & INSURANCE
U.S. Health insurance can be difficult to understand. Learn key words, why it is important to have, and what services are offered by the University Health Center.

SAFETY & SECURITY
Get the tips and tools to stay safe in the College Park area.

BECOMING A WASHINGTON, DC “INSIDER”
Learn key terminology, fun local trivia and culture, and other “insider information” to help you navigate Washington, DC, like a Washingtonian.