

**International Student Orientation Schedule Fall 2009  
August 17 - 22, 2009**

## INTERNATIONAL DEGREE SEEKING STUDENTS (F-1)

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**Key References:**

<b>IPC:</b>	<b>International Programs Center</b>
<b>SCIE:</b>	<b>Science Building</b>
<b>I-House:</b>	<b>International House (Phillips-Hawkins Residence Hall)</b>
<b>Caf:</b>	<b>Dining Hall</b>
<b>SOAR:</b>	<b>Spartan Orientation, Advising, and Registration Events</b>
<b>EUC:</b>	<b>Elliott University Center</b>
<b>Bryan:</b>	<b>Bryan School of Business</b>

**ALL INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM CENTER EVENTS ARE IDENTIFIED BY IPC PREFIX  
AND ARE MANDATORY**

**WELCOME TO UNCG**

**As per instructions in your acceptance package, IF you have confirmed your arrival information with IPC, we will coordinate transportation from the Greensboro Airport.** Please note that the cost for this transportation will range from \$13 - \$24 depending on your destination and number of passengers. If you have not done so yet, please confirm your arrival information with IPC at [atfranci@uncg.edu](mailto:atfranci@uncg.edu) so that we may assist you.

**If you arrive before August 17**, you should have confirmed a reservation preferably in one of the recommended hotels with IPC. You should take a shuttle to the hotel (check to see if the hotel provides free transportation). IPC will provide transportation from your hotel to the campus on August 17 if you will be living on campus. Please be checked out of your room and waiting in the lobby of your hotel at 10:00 AM on August 17. The shuttle will bring you to campus and then to your residence hall. Your residence hall room keys will be available in the International House, Phillips-Hawkins Residence Hall.

**If you arrive on August 17 just take the airport shuttle directly to the International House.**

**For on-campus residents, who have made other transportation arrangements**, please report to the International House on August 17, in Phillips-Hawkins Residence Hall to pick up your room keys no earlier than 11am.

\* See web for most recent version (<http://www.uncg.edu/ipg>)

**Monday, August 17**

- 10.30AM-12.00PM Off Campus Housing: Resources & Information Session**  
 Location : SCIE 201  
 This session will offer good advice on off campus housing and resources available to help you settle in, including location of suitable apartments and information regarding apartment application process, lease agreements, and landlord/tenant relationships.
- 11:00AM Residence Halls Open for Move-In.** Stop by the International House in Phillips-Hawkins to pick up your room key. This will allow you time to move your belongings and meet others who will be living near you. You will be able to check-out linens (sheets, blanket, pillow, and towel) for the week at a cost of approximately \$5-\$7. (You will be able to shop for your own linens and other supplies on Tuesday.)  
**Note:** Pizza will be provided starting at 6:00 PM in the Phillips-Hawkins Residence Hall Lobby. Come by for a “slice” and a chance to meet other new students.
- 2:00PM–5:00PM IPC: Academic Integrity, Advising and Registration: Part 1**  
 Location: SCIE 201
- 5:00PM– 7:00PM MBA Students ONLY: Check-in and Orientation with IPC staff**  
 Location: Bryan School 205

**Tuesday, August 18**

- 8:00AM SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students) Check-In,**  
 Location: EUC  
 Pick up your SOAR packets before the IPC Check-in, Welcome and Introductions beginning at 8:30 am in SCIE 101
- 8:00AM Have Your Student ID Made – EUC (Elliott University Center)**  
 Students who arrived after 5:00 PM on Monday will meet with volunteers in the I-House lobby to walk to the EUC and have their IDs made.
- 8:30AM IPC: Check-in, Welcome & Introductions**  
**Please bring your visa/ immigration documents to this session!**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 International Programs Center Introduction  
 Student Introductions  
 Overview of Orientation events and expectations  
 Overview of IPC services and Programs  
*Continental breakfast will be served at 8:30 AM*
- 10:00AM–10:30AM Overview of First Card & Meal Plan**  
 Location: SCIE 101
- 10:30AM–11:00AM Complete Data Form**
- 11:00AM-4:00PM IPC: Taking Care of Business – Have your immigration documents with you!**
- 11:00AM-4:00PM Open a Wachovia Bank Account (\$50 CASH DEPOSIT REQUIRED)**

- 11:00AM-3:00PM      \*\*Immunization Health Center Visit (PLEASE BRING YOUR PERSONAL IMMUNIZATION/VACCINATION RECORDS**
- 11:00AM-2:00PM      \*\*Have your ID made – EUC (Elliott University Center)**
- 11:00AM-2:00PM      \*\*Open your Campus Mail Box – Atrium in the Dining Hall**
- 11:00AM- 1:00PM      \*\*UNCG Account Set up**

**\*\* These Sessions will be leaving from the front of room SCIE 101 on the hour.**

- 2:45PM                      SOAR : Advising & Registration ( Undergraduate Transfer Students) \*\*MANDATORY**  
Location: EUC, Auditorium  
Advising & registration overview
- 4:00PM–7:00PM        IPC: Shopping Trip to Wal-Mart (Wendover) for International Students**  
Location: Meet by Clock Tower near Dining Hall  
Do you need to go shopping? Still need to buy items for your room? Sheets and Towels? School Supplies? Van transportation will be available to shuttle you to a large store where just about anything can be purchased. Last shuttle leaves for Wal-Mart at 5:30pm.
- 7:30PM-9:00PM        IPC: American Lawn Party**  
Location: I-House  
Join us for an informal evening picnic where you can meet other new students and university faculty and staff.
- 9:15PM                    I-House: International House Resident Floor Meeting**  
Location: International House  
Meet your International House staff and floor mates. Learn more about housing policies, expectations and activities. Mandatory.

### Wednesday, August 19

- 8:30AM–4:15PM        IPC: Information Sessions**  
Location: SCIE 101  
This is a series of information sessions geared specifically to the needs of international students. Please attend!  
*Continental breakfast will be served at 8:00 AM*
- 8:30AM–9:45AM        IPC: Safe Living Panel Discussion with Representatives from University Police, Residence Life, Division of Student Affairs, and IPC.**  
Location: SCIE 101
- 10:00AM-10:30AM    IPC: Visa Matters: What you need to know to keep your student visa!**  
Norma Velazquez, Asst. Director of International Student and Scholar Services  
Location: SCIE 101  
Immigration laws and regulations governing students are very complex. Be sure to know how to maintain your legal student status.
- 10:30AM–11:00AM    IPC: Employment Issues: Employment eligibility and U.S. tax regulations will be discussed.**  
Location: SCIE 101  
International Students can work up to 20 hours per week on campus. If you have been offered an on-campus job (such as a graduate assistantship) or you are interested in how to get a job now or later this session should help.
- 11:15AM–12:00PM    IPC: Student Health Center - Programs and Services will be Reviewed**  
**Medical Insurance** - UNCG's required policy will be explained

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Location: SCIE 101

- 12:00 PM**      **Lunch in the Elliott University Center or in the Atrium of the Dining Hall.**
- 1:30PM – 2:30PM**      **IPC: Orientation to Non-Academic Life for International Students**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 Denise Bellamy, Interim Director, Study Abroad and Exchanges  
 Let's talk about life outside the classroom, in Greensboro, NC, specifically.
- 2:30PM–3:15PM**      **IPC: The UNCG Classroom: Student & Faculty Relationships**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 Dr. Kathleen Ahern, Professor of Russian  
 This session will offer good advice on how to adapt academically to the American classroom, including key elements in the grading system, academic integrity student/faculty relationships, and the grading system.  
*Light refreshments will be served.*
- 6:30PM – 8:30PM**      **IPC: Shopping/Entertainment Evening at the Friendly Shopping Center**  
 Location: Meet in front of Phillips Hawkins Residence Hall  
 Shop, see a movie, enjoy a meal, just browse at Friendly Shopping Center. The Center offers food shopping, name brand stores such as GAP, Banana Republic, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Bath & Body Works, major department stores, movies, and restaurants for relaxing and socializing. Vans leave at 6:30 pm and return at 8:30 pm.

**Thursday, August 20**

- 8:00AM-9:00AM**      **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Check – In**  
 Location: EUC, Auditorium  
 Check in for SOAR
- 9:00AM–6:00PM**      **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Various SOAR activities**  
 Location: EUC, Auditorium
- 9:00AM –12:00PM**      **Graduate School (Graduate Students): Graduate Student Orientation Session**  
 Location: EUC Auditorium  
Attendance EXPECTED of ALL Degree-Seeking Graduate Students.  
 Attendance Encouraged of all Graduate Exchange Students.
- 1:00PM**      **Social Security Administration: Application for Social Security Number**  
 If you already have a job or job offer to work on campus AND have been in the U.S. at least for 10 days, you may apply for a social security number at the Social Security Administration Office.  
*Please sign up during the sessions on August 18 and 19 and bring all immigration documents with you to the SSA appointment.*  
**Van will depart at 12:30 PM from the parking lot of IPC.**
- 4:00PM– 5:00PM**      **IPC: Jackson Library Tour**  
 Location: Meet in Front of the library  
 come learn how to "use" an American University library effectively. This special tour is offered just for international students. Please sign up during the sessions on August 19.
- 5:00PM-6.00PM**      **IPC: Rec. Center Tour**  
 Location: Meet in Front of the Rec. Center – Walker Ave.

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Please sign up during the sessions on August 19.

**6:00PM–7:45PM**      **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students): Dinner**  
Enjoy your dinner with SOS & fellow Spartans.

**Friday, August 21**

**8:00 AM– 5:00PM**      **SOAR : Advising & Registration and other activities ( Undergraduate Freshman Students) \*\*MANDATORY**  
Location: EUC, Auditorium  
Advising & registration information and assistance as well as other UNCG academic & programming activities.

**9:00 AM – 5:00PM**      **Graduate School (Graduate Students): Teaching Assistant Training Workshop**  
**Mandatory for all Graduate Students who have been awarded a Teaching Assistantship**  
Location: 160 Bryan Building

**9:30AM -10.00AM**      **IPC: Orientation Update Session**  
Time for last minute questions and important announcements.  
Location: I-House  
*Light refreshments will be served.*

**10:00AM–11:15AM**      **IPC: Co-curricular Opportunities/Activities**  
Location: I-House  
**International Student Association** – ISA offers a wide range of activities and programs throughout the year, including weekly “Friday Fest” which features a different country/culture each week; trips to DC, New York, and the Myrtle Beach. This session will describe events planned for this year.  
**Community Groups:** International Students Inc. and Piedmont International Fellowship Greensboro Community groups that offer programs and hospitality to UNCG's International Students, including U.S. host families, weekend trips, and holiday events. These programs will be described and key contacts introduced.  
*UNCG Programs -*  
**Campus Ministries:** Representing the major religions in Greensboro provides support and services to all students.  
**Lloyd International Honors College:** Learn more about how to get involved with the international honors program and students at UNCG.  
**Leadership and Services Learning:** There are many volunteer and service opportunities at UNCG and in the greater community.

**5:15PM**      **SOAR : Party like a RAWKstar**  
Location: EUC  
Evening activities and dance party!

**Saturday, August 22**

**10.30AM – 1:30PM**      **Bryan School: Graduate Program Orientation (Evening program)**  
Location: Bryan Building, Room 205

**7:00PM**      **Men’s Exhibition Soccer Game vs. Lees-McRae College**  
Help cheer on your Spartans to victory!

**Sunday, August 23**

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**4:00PM**                    **The Chancellor's New Student Convocation**  
The Chancellor presides over the official opening of the school year.  
Location: EUC Aycock Auditorium

**7:00PM**                    **Soccer Game and International Student Social (Dinner Provided)**  
Location: UNCG Softball Stadium for Social at 7:00pm and UNCG Soccer Stadium for Game  
Both new and continuing International Students are invited to socialize, eat dinner and enjoy an American soccer game, Women's UNCG Soccer team vs. Wake Forest. Free food and drink at 7 pm in the Softball Stadium and game at 8pm in the Soccer Stadium (coupons provided for free snacks at the game). The game is free but UNCG ID is required. Game tickets must be picked up between 7-8pm at the Social in the Softball Stadium on the same night.

**Monday, August 24**

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!**

**11.00AM-3.00PM**        **Fall Kick-Off**  
Location: College Avenue  
Don't miss this UNCG tradition! Nearly seventy booths will have food, games and information about various clubs, activities, and events.

**Tuesday, August 25**

**4:30PM-5:30PM**        **IPC: \*\*\*\*\*Chancellor's Welcome Reception\*\*\*\*\***  
Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
The UNCG Chancellor invites you to this special event hosted in YOUR HONOR. Individuals from throughout the University community will be present to meet and welcome you to campus. An invitation is included in your orientation folder. Light refreshments provided. *Special surprise gift for all new international students!*

**Wednesday, August 26**

**1:00PM**                    **Social Security Administration: Application for Social Security Number**  
If you already have a job or job offer to work on campus AND have been in the U.S. for at least 10 days, you may apply for a social security number at the Social Security Administration Office.  
*Please sign up during the sessions on August 18 and 19 and bring all immigration documents with you to the SSA appointment.*  
**Van will depart at 12:30 PM from the parking lot of IPC.**

**7:00PM**                    **Monster's "College Advantage"**  
Location: EUC Auditorium

**Thursday, August 27**

**1:00- 4:00PM**            **Office of Multi-Cultural Affairs Open House**  
Location: Multi-Cultural Resource Center, EUC  
Visit with staff from the Office of Multicultural Affairs to learn about their services and activities.

**Friday, August 28**

**TBA**                        **Women's Soccer Game vs. Duke University**  
Help cheer your Spartans to victory!

**Saturday, August 29**

**7:00PM**                    **Men's Soccer Game vs. UNCG Men's Soccer Alumni**

**Sunday, August 30**

**TBA**                        **Women's Soccer Game vs. UNC**  
Help cheer your Spartans to victory!

**Wednesday, September 16**

**3:00-4:30PM**            ***IPC (Part 2 of Academic Integrity, Advising and Registration):***  
**Writing Your Way to Academic Success**  
Location: Jackson Library  
Learn in more detail about the important issues of plagiarism and citations through scenarios, sample documents, writing and research papers, and Q&A period. Library research and writing staff will facilitate this session.