

**International Student Orientation Schedule 2008 (draft subject to change)\*  
August 18 - 22, 2008**

## INTERNATIONAL DEGREE SEEKING STUDENTS

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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 [int\\_programs@uncg.edu](mailto:int_programs@uncg.edu) so that we may assist you.

**If you arrive before August 18, 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 18. Please be checked out of your room and waiting in the lobby of your hotel at 10:00 AM on August 18. 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 18 just take the airport shuttle directly to the International House.**

**For those of you on-campus residents, who have made other transportation arrangements,** please report to the International House on August 18, in Phillips-Hawkins Residence Hall to pick up your room keys no earlier than 12 noon.

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

**Monday, August 18**

- 11:00AM**      **Residence Halls Open for Move-In.** Stop by the International House in Phillips-Hawkins to pick up your room This will allow you time to move your belongings and meet some of the people who will be living near you. You will be able to check-out linens (sheets, blanket, pillow, and towel) for the week just in case you do not bring your own. The linens will be available in the International House. (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**  
 Location: SCIE 201
- 6:00PM– 8:30PM**      **MBA Students ONLY: Check-in and Orientation with IPC staff**  
 Location: Bryan School

**Tuesday, August 19**

- 7:30AM-8:30AM**      **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students) Check-In, Continental breakfast**  
 Location: EUC, Cone Ballroom A  
 Pick up your SOAR packets and enjoy a light breakfast before the program begins
- 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 EUC and have their IDs made.
- 9:00 AM**      **IPC: Welcome & Introductions**  
**Please bring your visa 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 and Submit Immigration Documents for Verification and Copying**
- 11:00AM-4:00PM**      **IPC: Taking Care of Business – Have your immigration documents with you!**
- 11:00AM-2:00PM**      **Open a Wachovia Bank Account**  
**11:00AM-1:00PM**      **\*\*Have your ID made – EUC (Elliott University Center)**  
**12:00PM-2:00AM**      **\*\*Open your Campus Mail Box – Atrium in the Dining Hall**  
**2:00PM- 4:00PM**      **\*\*Super Lab Account Set up**  
**\*\* These Sessions will be leaving from the front of room SCIE 101 on the hour.**
- 11:00AM-11:30AM**      **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students) : Various SOAR Sessions**  
 Location: EUC Various  
 Taking care of business / Transition from a Community College to UNCG / Student health services and counseling center / Especially for adult students / Career

Services/UNCG Unique : Traditions

- 11:30AM-12:20PM**     **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students): Lunch**  
 Location: Caf  
 Enjoy an all you can eat lunch with your TASL.
- 12:30PM-12:55PM**     **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students): Various SOAR Session**  
 Location: EUC Various  
 College & School Welcome / Bryan School of Business & Economics / College of Arts & Science / School of Education / School of Human environmental science/ School of Health & Human Performance / School of Music / School of Nursing
- 1:00PM-1:40PM**     **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students): TASL Groups**  
 Location: EUC Various.  
 Spend time with your transfer Adult student leader and fellow new students. That's a great time to ask questions that you haven't been able to ask yet.
- 1:45PM-3:45PM**     **SOAR (Undergraduate Transfer Students): Self Guided Time**  
 Location: EUC Various  
 Spartan Expo / UNCG First Card / Campus Tours / Transfer Articulation Station
- 4:00 PM-7:00PM**     **IPC: Shopping Trip to Wal-Mart (Battleground) 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. Go early if you can. Last shuttle leaves for Wal-Mart at 5:30.
- 7:30PM-9:00PM**     **IPC: American Lawn Party**  
 Location: I-House  
 Join us for an informal evening picnic.

### Wednesday, August 20

- 8:30 AM-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!  
 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.

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- 11:15AM–12:00AM** **IPC: Student Health Center - programs and services will be reviewed**  
**Medical Insurance** - UNCG's required policy will be explained  
 Location: SCIE 101
- 12:00 PM** **Lunch in the** Elliott University Center or in the Atrium of the Dining Hall.
- 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM** **IPC: Orientation to Non-Academic Life for International Students**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 Dr. Penelope Pynes, Interim Associate Provost, International Programs Center  
 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.*
- 3:30PM-5:30PM** **SOAR( Undergraduate Transfer Students): Advising & Registration\*\*MANDATORY**  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
 If you haven't participated in ARA Before today you will need to meet with your advisor  
 And register for courses. Your TASL will guide you to your advising location.
- 5:30PM–6:30PM** **Bryan School: International Business Students Welcome Reception**  
 Location: Bryan Building, Food Court  
 The Faculty & Staff of the Bryan School of Business & Economics wish to extend a special welcome to all its new students. All Bryan School Majors are invited.
- 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM** **IPC: Shopping/Entertainment Evening** (details provided at orientation).  
**Friendly Shopping Center** – 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.  
 Shuttle will depart from in front of the I-House.

### Thursday, August 21

- 8:00AM –Noon** **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.
- 10:00AM-1:00PM** **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Check – In**  
 Location: EUC 245  
 Check in for SOAR and drop off your luggage in your room
- 11:00AM–11:45AM** **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Taking Care of Business**  
 Location: EUC, Cone Ballroom  
 Get prepared for the easy transition to UNCG. Get information about your UNCG first card , parking , dining , bookstore , printing , & postal services.

- 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 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.**
- 2:00 PM–2:25 PM**        **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Lets Get Soaring**  
 Location : EUC , Cone Ballroom  
 Welcome back! Meet the Spartan orientation Staff (SOS) & receive your group assignment.
- 2:30PM–3:05PM**        **SOAR : SOS Group Sessions (Undergraduate Freshman Students)**  
 Location: EUC Various  
 Spend time with your SOS leader & fellow new Spartans.
- 3:10PM - 4:00PM**        **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): College and School Welcome**  
 Location: EUC, Various  
 Students & Family members will meet an academic unit representative & receive Helpful information for student advising tomorrow. Please see the freshman resource Guide for a list of majors by college/school.
- 4:00PM– 5:00PM**        **IPC: Jackson Library Tour (2 groups)**  
 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**                    **IPC: Rec Center Tour**  
 Location: Meet in Front of the Rec Center – Walker Ave.  
 Please sign up during the sessions on August 19.
- 4:15 PM– 5:00PM**        **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Get involved**  
 Location : EUC , Auditorium  
 Learn about campus involvement opputunities such as events, organizations , intramurals Community services , part-time jobs & internships.
- 5:00PM– 6:00PM**        **SOAR (Undergraduate Freshman Students): Spartan Success 101: Accelerate Your Academics**  
 Location: EUC , Auditorium  
 Get prepared for tomorrows advising session by learning about course requirements, how to use UNCGenie,& the UNCG course bulletin
- 6:15PM–7PM**            **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students): Dinner**  
 Location: Caf  
 Enjoy your dinner with SOS & fellow Spartans.
- 7:15PM– 8PM**            **SOAR( Undergraduate Freshman Students): Student & Family Dessert Reception**  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
 Meet with your family(or SOS) for the end-of-the day questions & conversation.  
 Top off the night with the delicious dessert.
- 8:15PM– 9:00PM**        **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students): Life on Campus**  
 Location : EUC

College life presents opportunities to learn about yourself & others. Join the SOS for an Entertaining presentation about being a college student.

**9:05PM– 9:45PM**      **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students):I Bleed Blue & Gold: UNCG Tradition**  
 Location : EUC Auditorium.  
 UNCG has a rich tradition that you are now a part of ....learn all about Spartan Tradition. The annual tradition ceremony follows with the students receiving a Small gift from you SOS leader.

**Friday, August 22**

**8:00 AM – 5:00 PM**      **Graduate School: Teaching Assistant Training Workshop**  
**Mandatory for all Graduate Students who have been awarded a Teaching Assistantship**  
 Location: 160 Bryan Building

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

**9:05AM–9:35AM**      **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students) :Various SOAR sessions**  
 Location: EUC Various  
 Student Athletes – Grogan College Learning Community – Lloyds International Honors College – Ashby Residential College – Teaching Fellows – Cornelia Strong College – First Year Experience & Make a Difference House Communities – SOS Panel – Out-Of-State Students

**9:40AM–10:10AM**      **SOAR ( Undergraduate Freshman Students): Various SOAR sessions**  
 Living On-Campus – Commuting to Campus

**10:30AM–11:30AM**      **IPC: Co-curricular Opportunities/Activities**  
**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 Multicultural Affairs** – learn about activities offered by this office.  
 Location: I-House

**12:20PM–3:30PM**      **SOAR : Advising & Registration ( Undergraduate Freshman Students) \*\*MANDATORY**  
 Location: EUC Auditorium  
 Brief Remainder about advising & registration & then you will head out to your advising Location, led by SOS.

**3:00PM– 4:30PM**      **SOAR: Spartan Expo( Undergraduate Freshman Students)**  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
 Visit a wide array of UNCG services, offices,& student organization information and Freebies are available at this festive information fair.

**8:00 PM** **SOAR : Party like a RAWKstar**  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
 Be t-t-t-totally cool at your first Spartan dance party!

**Saturday, August 23**

**8:00AM–1:30PM** **Bryan School:** Graduate Program Orientation  
 Location: Bryan Building, Room 122

**5:00PM–7:00PM** **SOAR : Out-of-State Student Reception**  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom  
 Meet and mingle with other out-of-state students!

**7:00PM** **SOAR: Comedy/Hypnotist Show**  
 Location: EUC Auditorium

**7:00PM** **Men’s Exhibition Soccer Game vs. Gardner Webb**  
 Help cheer on your Spartans to victory!

**Sunday, August 24**

**12:00PM–2:00PM** **IPC: LET’S HAVE FUN!**  
 Let’s relax and have some fun before classes start! Play soccer, basketball, or Frisbee, and have a typical southern meal!  
 Location: Lake Daniel Park  
 Meet in front of I-House and we will walk together to the Park.

**2:00PM** **Women’s Soccer vs. Utah**  
 Help cheer on your Spartans to victory!

**4:00PM** **The Chancellor’s New Student Convocation**  
 The Chancellor presides over the official opening of the school year.  
 Location: EUC Cone Ballroom

**5:00PM** **SOAR : “Charlie’s Block Party”**  
 Location: Fountain/Caf  
 Celebrate the beginning of the fall semester! There will be food, giveaways, music and a pep rally!

**Monday, August 25**

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!**

**10:00AM-2:00PM** **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 26**

**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 27**

**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 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.**

**Thursday, August 28**

**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 29**

**7:00PM**

**Women's Soccer Game vs. George Mason**

Help cheer your Spartans to victory against George Mason!