

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

## INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE STUDENTS (J-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 [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, 2008**

- 11:00 AM**      **Residence Halls Open for Move-In.** Stop by the International House in Phillips-Hawkins to pick up your room keys. You can spend the rest of the afternoon settling into your room or/and exploring campus. There is no program planned for the day. 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.

**Tuesday, August 19**

- 8:00 AM**      **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**  
 UNCG Business & Student Services  
 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**
- 4:00PM–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 t ransportation 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**

- 8:30AM–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!  
 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–12:00AM**     **IPC: Student Health Center** - programs and services will be reviewed  
 Medical Insurance - **UNCG's required policy will be explained**  
 Location: SCIE 101
- 12:00PM**                     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  
 Dr. Penelope Pynes, Interim Associate Provost for International Programs  
 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–4:15PM**     **IPC: Academic Advising & Registration Information**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 Dr. Penelope Pynes, Interim Associate Provost, International Programs Center  
 What is academic advising? How do you register? What is drop/add? Why is "full-time" important to you? This session will provide general information related to all levels and areas of study and prepare you to meet with and take full advantage of your faculty advising session.
- 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.

**6:30PM–8:30PM**      **IPC: Shopping/Entertainment Evening**  
**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**

**9:00AM–12:00AM**      **Bryan School: Advising for MBA Exchange Students**  
 Meet with Tuisha Fernandes for advising and registration  
 Location: Bryan Building, Room 220

**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.**

**2:00PM-4:00PM**      **IPC: On-Campus Living: Living with Your On-Campus Residence Hall Community and Roommate (for international students living on the UNCG campus)**  
 Location: SCIE 101  
 Many new international students have never lived in a housing community and/or with a roommate. Learn more about living with your UNCG housing community, including communicating with the housing staff and your fellow hall residents, and managing new and challenging situations. Gain more insight into living with a roommate and learn the importance of a roommate contract.

**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 session on August 19.

**Friday, August 22**

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

**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

**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**

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

**7:00PM**                    **Men's Exhibition Soccer came 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 with the class of 2012! There will be food, giveaways, music and a pep rally!

### **Monday, August 25**

#### **FIRST DAY OF CLASSES!**

**10:00AM-2:00 PM**      **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-5:30 PM**

**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 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 – 4:00 PM**

**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**

**7:00 PM**

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

Help cheer your Spartans to victory against George Mason!