



International Orientation 2011: Under the Sea!

Agenda

*Parents are invited to attend events marked with an asterisk.

Sunday, August 28th, 2011:

- 11:30-3:30 p.m. **Check in at Sophia Gordon Hall's Multi-Purpose Room (15 Talbot Ave)*** – A great time to start meeting other new students and the Host Advisors. *(Please note that keys will not be given out until after 11:30 a.m.)*
- 12:00-5:00 p.m. **Settle Into Tufts*** – After checking in, take advantage of this block of free time to do some shopping and move into your dorm room. Host advisors can lend a hand to help you move in while IO offers a few activities to acquaint you with the campus and nearby stores.
- 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. **Trips to Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target at Greatland Mall*** – Bus will transport students and parents to nearby department stores. Feel free to follow us in your own car. *Meet at Sophia Gordon.*
- 2:45 and 3:45 p.m. **Campus Tours*** – Get to know your way around campus by taking a tour with a host advisor. A slightly different take than the normal campus tours. *Tours depart from Sophia Gordon.*
- 5:00 p.m. **Say Goodbye to Parents*** – Now that they've helped you settle in, it's time to break away from your family and meet some of the people you'll be going to school with for the next four years.
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Host Advisor & Group Introductions and Icebreakers** – Meet all of the 2011 Host Advisors and your Host Advising group members in Sophia Gordon Hall, and learn a little bit about each other. The person sitting next to you may become your best friend.
- 6:30-7:15 p.m. **Dinner on Sophia Gordon Lawn** – Join us for an American summer meal.
- 7:30-8:00 p.m. **Dorm Gathering** – Get to know your dorm Host Advisor and other participants living in your residential hall. *Meet at Respective Dorms.*
- 9:00-11:00 p.m. **Rooftop Relaxation** – Come and enjoy the Boston evening with fellow incoming students and Host Advisors for some music, snacks and performances. If you're too tired to join us, take a break in your dorm and use this free time to unpack and unwind. *Tisch Library Rooftop*

Monday, August 29th, 2011:

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. **Breakfast**– Yeah, we know it's early, but it's worth it.
- 9:15-10:00 a.m. **Formal Welcome and International Center Introductions** – Important information about the Tufts Community. *Pearson 104.*
- 10:15-12:00 p.m. **Program Fair!*** -Catch a glimpse of what the University has to offer through departmental programs. Students from different organizations will talk about their experiences. Representatives from Tufts Health Services and Counseling Center will be available to talk about their many services for students. Ask questions, they are there to answer them! *Balch Arena Lobby, Aidekman Arts Center.*
- 10:30-12:00 p.m. **Banking Session*** – Representatives from local banks will be available to discuss students' needs and to assist students in opening bank accounts. *(Please do not bring more than \$1,000 in cash per person; representatives will not be able to accept it).* *Aidekman/Remis Sculpture Court.*
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch**
- 12:45 p.m. **Boston Duck Tours!** - Meet outside Carmichael to take the T together down to Prudential Center for Boston's famous Duck Tours! These amphibious vehicles whisk you around Boston and then plunge into the Charles River.
- 12:15 p.m. **Tips for Parents: How to Support my Son or Daughter so Far Away from Home? *** **(Lunch)** – A discussion about issues your son/daughter may face at college. Sponsored by the Counseling Center and the International Center. *Aidekman/Alumnae Lounge.*
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Dinner at Carmichael Hall** – Students only!
- 6:00 p.m. **Parents Reception with the University Deans, Administration and Faculty*** – Parents only! Sponsored by The Tufts Parents Program.
- 8:00-10:00 p.m. **Field Games!** – Have fun with your Host Advisors and fellow IO participants in a night of competitive field games! You'll work as a team to be the best group IO has ever seen! Wear comfortable clothes. *Carzo Cage, Cousens Gym*
- 10:00pm – 11:00pm **Leisure Activities** – Take a trip down to Davis Square for ice cream, or grab a refreshment and wind down with other IO participants.



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Tuesday, August 30th, 2011:

- 8:00-8:45 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. **International Student Visa Meeting** – A mandatory check-in and registration of your immigration status. Bring your passport!
Pearson 104.
- 10:00-12:00 p.m. **Academic Experiences at Tufts and Host Advisor Skits**– Peer Perspectives – Hear what your host advisors and peers have to say about the academic environment at Tufts and see what the university has to offer. Plus, the Host Advisors act out life at Tufts. It's hilarious, so don't miss out!
- 12:00-1:00p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00p.m. **Meet outside Carmichael Hall to head to the Aquarium!**
- 2:00-5:00 p.m. **New England Aquarium and IMAX Theatre!**
–One of the country's best aquariums, the NEAQ is a fun place to see amazing sealife like octopus, sharks, or watch the penguins! Then there is a 3pm IMAX show, which you don't want to miss!
- 5:30 p.m. **Dinner in Boston** – Our final dinner together at Tia's in Boston, right on the water!
- 9:00 -11:00 p.m. **Closing Festival!** – Come have a good time socializing. Have an ice cream sundae and hang out with friends. It's a great way to end International Orientation. *Sophia Gordon*

Wednesday, August 31st, 2011:

- 8:00 a.m. **Join other entering students for All-University Orientation** – IO is great, but now it's time to branch out, meet your roommates and make other friends during this hectic but enjoyable welcoming week.