WINTER WELCOME
EXCHANGE STUDENT SCHEDULE 2018
WELCOME EXCHANGE STUDENTS!

Welcome to Washington University! As you prepare for your semester at Washington University, you will share many similar experiences with other new students, beginning with Winter Welcome. This orientation program will help you become acclimated to our campus and introduce you to many people and resources that will assist you. Most importantly, orientation is a time to meet and socialize with other students new to Washington University.

Your orientation experience will be comprised of events related to your undergraduate school as well as social events. Please pay particular attention to REQUIRED EVENTS as they may pertain to advising and your courses.

Some of our social events are required, while others are optional; however, we strongly encourage you to participate in all programs in order to make the most of your Washington University orientation experience.

The most important thing to remember during orientation is that you are not alone in this new experience. Everyone on campus is excited to help you learn all you need to know about being a student at Washington University, so don’t ever hesitate to ask questions as you begin to discover your place in the Washington University community!

This guide was created to assist you through your first few days at Washington University as well as offer some resources for you to use throughout your semester in St. Louis!

Legend:
Throughout the schedule, grey highlight is used to indicate that the program is a mandatory event; attendance is required.

We are very excited to welcome you to the Washington University community!

The First Year Center

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10th

Arriving to Campus
Plan to arrive on campus on Wednesday, January 10. It is mandatory that you register your arrival time with the Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS) to have staff available on campus to assist you when you arrive. Please submit your information no later than January 1, 2018:
https://oiss.wustl.edu/forms/springarrivals/

Placement Tests
Any new exchange students who would be interested in taking courses or a tutorial to refine their English may sign up for a placement test with WUSTL’s English Language Programs (ELP). Although these tests are listed as tests for graduate students, undergraduates are welcome to take them. Information about how to sign up is available at http://oiss.wustl.edu/english-language-programs/testing/schedule/. The last opportunity to take placement tests will be Friday, January 12 but students are welcome to contact English Language Programs at elp@wustl.edu at any time to get advice about which services would be most appropriate.

All Day

Your To-Do List
Take time today to take care of tasks that may take more time prior to the beginning of Washington University’s orientation programming.
• View the supplemental guide provided by OISS for information on mobile phone providers
• View the supplemental guide called “How do I get there?” for information on shopping via Metrolink and locations
• Bank account, mobile phone
• Shopping: Bedding, towels, winter coat and warm clothing, toiletries, food and snacks, basic kitchen supplies (depending on residence), textbooks and school supplies

6:30PM

Dinner with Exchange Students (Optional)
Meet at the OISS, Stix International House, 6470 Forsyth
Activities for Winter Welcome will begin tomorrow morning. Take time to relax, settle in, and have dinner with fellow exchange students at a local restaurant. Students will meet at the OISS in the Stix International House to walk together to a restaurant. Students will be responsible for the cost of their own meal. All campus eateries are closed at 3:00 PM today.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11th

International Student Orientation (Required)
Danforth University Center, Room 234
Learn about requirements related to immigration status, legal issues, and the services of the OISS.

11:00AM – Noon

Lunch in the DUC
Danforth University Center
Eat lunch with fellow exchange students in the Danforth University Center, known as the “DUC,” using your meal points.

Noon – 3:00PM

Shopping Trip
Meet at the stairs in the Danforth University Center
Travel with the First Year Center Executive Board to purchase essentials for living on campus. Meet at the Danforth University Center Grand Staircase to walk to the Metro and travel to shopping areas in St. Louis. Groups will travel to Target and Bed Bath and Beyond, as well as the Galleria Mall. There is an Apple store at the Galleria Mall.

4:00PM – 5:00PM

Residential Life Orientation Meeting (Mandatory for any students living in Residential Life Housing)
Danforth University Center, Room 234
This meeting is REQUIRED for all students living in Residential Life Housing, including Washington University-owned apartments. Participants will learn about what to expect from the residential life experience, and staff, and learn about important policies and expectations related to their living environment.

5:15PM – 7:00PM

OISS Dinner
Village House, Fireside Dining
Join the Office for International Students and Scholars for a free dinner and get to know fellow exchange students.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12th

Meal plans start today. If you purchased a meal plan for your University Campus Card, you will start receiving access to it today.

9:00AM – 10:00AM  Welcome from the First Year Center
Danforth University Center, Room 234
Get to know one another, the Exchange Student Community, and more!

10:00AM – 10:30AM  Navigating St. Louis
Danforth University Center, Room 234
Learn about getting around St. Louis by public transportation, your Metrolink pass, and other transportation options.

10:30AM – 11:00AM  Safety at WashU
Danforth University Center, Room 234
Join our University Police Department and First Year Center staff for information on protecting your belongings, taking care of yourself, emergency procedures on campus, and more. Laptop security services will be available.

11:00AM – 11:50AM  The Date (Required)
Mallinckrodt Center, Room 303
A dynamic presentation and discussion with the Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention (RSVP) Center on healthy dating and relationships.

1:30PM – 3:00PM  Stress Less with Habif Health & Wellness Center
Mallinckrodt Center, Room 303
Join the Habif Health & Wellness Center for information on health and wellness at WashU, including how to access health services and resources to manage the stresses of a new environment.

3:00PM – 4:00PM  Dinner on the Loop: Ice Carnival 2018
Meet at the Danforth University Center to walk over to the Loop Join First Year Center student leaders and current students for dinner on the Delmar Loop. Afterwards, check out the Annual Loop Ice Carnival with activities, giveaways, ice sculptures, performers, and more.

6:30PM – 8:30PM  Game Night Social
Danforth University Center, Second Floor, Fun Room
Spend more time getting to know your fellow classmates in this informal setting. Play pool, video games, and watch sporting events.

8:30PM – 10:00PM  School/College Meetings and Lunch (Required)
Danforth University Center
Breakout Rooms:
- College of Arts & Sciences: DUC, Room 233
- School of Engineering and Applied Science: DUC, Room 234
- Olin Business School: DUC, Room 239
Reconnect with your academic advisor and review academic information vital to your success as a student at the University. Lunch will be provided.

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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 13th**

11:00AM  
**Optional brunch in the Village**

12:30PM – 2:30PM  
**Explore the St. Louis History Museum**
Come explore the Missouri History Museum with the exchange community! We'll be taking the Metrolink which offers free admission with a UPass to learn all about what makes Missouri unique. The museum is located at the intersection of Lindell Boulevard and DeBaliviere Avenue and is inside Forest Park.

3:00PM – 5:00PM  
**First Year Center Oasis**
*First Year Center, Umrath House, South 40*
Nothing to do? Come hang out in the First Year Center, located on the South 40. Chat with new friends or enjoy some games. Snacks are provided. If you need to go shopping, First Year Center student leaders will be available to direct you via the Metro to local shopping areas.

5:00PM – 6:00PM  
**Dinner at Bear's Den**
*Bear's Den, South 40*
Meet at Bear's Den for a dinner with peer leaders and other students.

6:30PM  
**Ice Skating**
*Meet in Simon Parking Lot (south side of Simon Hall)*
Join us for ice skating at Steinberg skating rink in Forest Park. You may want to bring cash for snacks or hot cocoa. The First Year Center will pay for your admission fee and skate rental. Don't forget to dress warmly, in layers, and wear/bring warm socks!

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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 14th**

1:00PM – 3:00PM  
**St. Louis City Bus Tour**
*Meet in Simon Parking Lot (south side of Simon Hall)*
Join the peer leaders and go on a guided city tour of St. Louis with Renegade STL, a fun and energetic professional tour of the whole city—past and present.

4:30PM – 5:30PM  
**Friends, Transitions and Crossing Cultures (Required)**
*Malinckrodt Center, Room 303*
This reflective workshop will help you think more broadly about navigating the transition to Washington University including thoughts on crossing cultures, connecting with others, and making the most of your experience here.

5:30PM – 7:00PM  
**Dinner at Bear's Den**
*Bear's Den, South 40*
Meet at Bear's Den for a dinner with peer leaders and other students. Student leaders will walk over from the required session beforehand.

7:00PM – 8:30PM  
**Student to Student**
*First Year Center, Umrath House, South 40*
Join current students as they share experiences about transitioning to campus, making the most of their experience, and dealing with difficulties. Come and meet all new and returning members of the transfer and exchange student community and have a sweet treat.
**Mondays, January 15th**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day — Holiday — No Classes

3:30PM – 4:30PM

**Academic Integrity (Required)**

Seigle Hall, Room 303

Join Olin Business School’s Associate Dean and Director of Undergraduate Programs, Steve Malter, for a mandatory session on academic integrity at Washington University. Students from all divisions (Engineering, Arts & Sciences, and Business) must attend.

5:30PM – 6:30PM

**Dinner with OISS**

Stix International House, 6470 Forsyth

Join the OISS for pizza and a discussion about the importance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the United States and around the world.

7:00PM – 8:30PM

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Commemoration**

Graham Chapel

Join the Washington University community to celebrate Dr. King’s life and legacy.

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**Tuesdays, January 16th**

First day of spring semester classes.

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**Dining**

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**Campus Bookstore**

Located in the Mallinckrodt Center, ground level

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SPRING 2018 EVENTS

Looking for things to do during your semester at Washington University? Below is a list of important dates and campus programs happening this Spring.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday  Monday, January 15 (class not in session)

Spring Activities Fair  Friday, January 19
Ready to get involved? At the Spring Activities Fair you can meet representatives from over 200 student groups on campus. More information can be found at campuslife.wustl.edu.

Black Anthology  January 26 - January 27
Black Anthology, founded in 1989, is an annual student production written by students to explore and commemorate the history, culture, and progress of African Americans. Costume design, coordination, and production is all done by students.

Lunar New Year Festival  February 2 - February 3
Lunar New Year Festival (LNYF) is a student-organized and -performed cultural show with two days of skits, dances, and music to ring in the Lunar New Year. The organization explores East Asian culture in WashU and the world over and sponsors an annual philanthropy. Help run the show, perform in it, or watch LNYF demonstrate traditional and contemporary facets of Asian culture.

Spring Break  March 11 - March 17
Classes do not meet during spring break.

Mx. WashU  March 21
Mx. WashU is a student-run charitable organization that selects candidates every year to compete for the title of Mx. WashU in a series of fundraisers and a culminating talent show, featuring choreographed dances. The organization benefits City Faces, a St. Louis charity benefiting youth in the Clinton Peabody Housing Projects.

Carnaval  March 30 - March 31
The Association of Latin American Students puts on this Latin cultural show primarily featuring dances and skits. Dances and skits are added and changed every year, and students of all backgrounds help develop and perform the acts.

ThurtenE Carnival  April 13 - April 15
A three-day carnival dating back to 1907, ThurtenE takes place in the Brookings parking lot and features facades built by sororities and fraternities as well as food, booths, rides, and performances. The carnival is put on by the ThurtenE Honorary and brings together WashU students and the greater St. Louis community.

Spring W.I.L.D.  April 27
Walk In, Lay Down (WILD) is WashU’s largest concert, put on by the Social Programming Board. Spring WILD takes place on the last day of class; past WILDs have featured such artists as Icona Pop, Childish Gambino, Chance the Rapper, Karmin, Atmosphere, Method Man, the Black-Eyed Peas, and Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros.

Reading Week  April 30-May 2

Final Exams  May 3-May 9

Commencement  Friday, May 18