2017
INTERNATIONAL
GRADUATE STUDENT ORIENTATION

August 28–September 1
Hosted by the Center for Global Services
Dear Students,

Welcome to Rutgers! We are delighted to bring you into the university family during this exciting time of international growth. As one of our largest classes of incoming international students, you help us to envision Rutgers’ future in an interconnected world. As our newest global citizens, you help us strengthen our tradition of academic excellence and our commitment to learning. Rutgers has been an international university since its founding as a Dutch seminary school in 1766, and we are honored that you have chosen to join us.

The Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA Centers)—soon to be renamed Rutgers Global—are here to provide you with much of the assistance you need as an international student. We invite you to make the most of your time while at Rutgers and to participate in conversations and activities through the many exciting programs and opportunities offered at the university. Inside and beyond the classroom, you will meet people from around the United States and across the globe. They will be eager to learn about your stories—so please make an effort to share your experiences with your peers and classmates.

As your hosts this week, we will help you to streamline your arrival and cultural adjustment, as we’ve done for thousands of international students and scholars who came before you, through advising services, immigration processing, and cross-cultural events and programs.

We know that it may take time for many of you to adjust to your new environment, and we are dedicated to ensuring that while you are at Rutgers and in the United States, you are comfortable in your surroundings and have the tools to succeed in the classroom—as well as outside of it. Earlier this year, we established the Office of International Academic Support, a new office within the GAIA Centers designed specifically to address the academic challenges unique to international students.

We want Rutgers to be your home away from home, a welcoming and safe environment for you to learn, to thrive, and to live. The GAIA Centers are here to make your stay at Rutgers a memorable one. We are always open to suggestions on how we can improve the services and resources we offer to you and to the rest of our large international community, so feel free to contact us at info@global.rutgers.edu.

Best wishes for the new school year!

Professor Eric Garfunkel
Vice President for International and Global Affairs
Dear Students,

Welcome to Rutgers and to the 2017 International Student Orientation. You have chosen to study at a premier U.S. university, and we are pleased to welcome you to the Rutgers family.

As you begin your journey, I would like you to think of the Center for Global Services, a unit of the GAIA Centers, as your home away from home. Our team of dedicated and expert staff is committed to providing high-quality services, programs, information, and support to international students, scholars, faculty, academic departments, and administrative units at Rutgers–New Brunswick and Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences (RBHS). We also partner with various units to ensure an integrated experience for international students and scholars.

Our team will assist you with your immigration related needs and provide information, application processing services, and referrals on matters related to your legal status, such as employment and overseas travel. We can also assist with questions and concerns related to social and personal adjustments to a new culture, a new educational system, as well as connect you with appropriate on and off-campus resources as needed.

You can connect with our office through in-person advising, phone and email contacts, attending programs, receiving email announcements, and by visiting our brand new website, global.rutgers.edu. We look forward to hearing your feedback about our new site.

During your time at Rutgers, I am sure that you will hear us say that, “legal status and academic success go hand in hand.” Communicating effectively with the center staff will help you achieve your academic goals while maintaining your legal status. While our services will help you remain compliant with immigration regulations, we will also provide avenues for you to expand your social networks. Our office coordinates the International Friendship Program (IFP), which is a cross-cultural social initiative that brings together international and American students for fun and exciting events. You can follow the IFP event schedule at global.rutgers.edu.

Adjusting to a new school and a new country takes time, and we are here to help you during this transitional phase and beyond. You’ll find that the International Student Orientation will be a valuable learning experience for you, as well as an opportunity to make new friends and enjoy the diverse environment we have cultivated here at Rutgers. This week is carefully designed to help you take care of all essentials before you start your academic program at Rutgers and to introduce you to the incredible resources available to you on campus. I encourage you to make the most of this program, from attending all mandatory sessions to enjoying our social events.

As we hope you’ll learn this week, we’re passionate about welcoming and supporting our international students at Rutgers. You bring with you so many new ideas, talents, and perspectives that contribute richly to the Rutgers community.

We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely,

Urmi Otiv
Director, Center for Global Services
ABOUT THE GAIA CENTERS

The Centers for Global Advancement and International Affairs (GAIA Centers)—soon to be renamed Rutgers Global—is comprised of several units that work to define and attain the university’s internationalization priorities and provide you with the tools and services you need including international student and scholar services, study abroad programming, on campus global programming, international partnership facilitation, funding for international research, and much more. This year, we launched the Office of International Academic Support to help identify and address the unique academic challenges facing international students. Visit us at our brand new website, global.rutgers.edu, to learn more about how we engage and advance the university’s global mission through:

Global Education
Fostering the development of global citizenship in Rutgers students by providing opportunities for international study, research, internships, service learning, and multicultural experiences.

Global Programs and Relations
Developing and facilitating programs that foster teaching, learning, and research while encouraging and supporting international and global engagement for faculty, staff, and students; cultivating strong and consequential partnerships with universities, governments, and communities abroad to encourage the exchange of knowledge, ideas, expertise, technology, and cross-cultural dialogue.

Global Services
Providing members of the Rutgers community and visitors with quality services that support both the growth and strength of our university’s global network and integrate international visitors into the Rutgers campus community.

Center for Global Services—New Brunswick
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Welcome to Rutgers! Please review the orientation schedule carefully. All sessions take place on the College Avenue Campus (CAC) unless otherwise specified.

* Program Registration and Welcome  
9:00–10:00 a.m. • College Avenue Gym  
Receive special materials, meet new friends, and hear a welcome address and introduction from Barbara Lee, Rutgers’ senior vice president for academic affairs; Eric Garfunkel, Rutgers’ vice president for international and global affairs; and Urmi Otiv, the director of the Center for Global Services.

Resource Fair  
10:00–11:30 a.m. • College Avenue Gym  
Meet various Rutgers academic and student affairs units to see how you can use these resources during your time at Rutgers.

LUNCH  
11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • College Avenue Gym  
Enjoy a quick bite with other new students and university administrators before heading to the afternoon sessions.

Parent and Family Orientation  
12:15–5:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Graduate Student Lounge  
For parents and family members only. Parents and families are a big part of any student’s success at any university and college. Knowing what a student is going through during college and what questions to ask are just some of the helpful pieces of advice that parents and families get at Rutgers Parent and Family Orientation. This event is limited to two parent/family member tickets per student. Please register at getinvolved.tix.com

* Special Training for TAs and PTLs Who Will Teach a Language Other than English  
12:30–4:00 p.m. • Rutgers Academic Building (15 Seminary Place), Room 5141  
This is the first session in this week’s series of four workshops required for all new language TA/PTLs (full schedule distributed upon check-in at this event).

* School of Graduate Studies Orientation and Staying in Legal Status  
1:00–4:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room  
School of Graduate Studies students must attend this session to learn about registration, academic integrity, fellowships, benefits, and academic policies. A Staying in Legal Status session will also be presented by the Center for Global Services, where you will learn about legal obligations and receive necessary paperwork for on-campus employment. You must be checked-in before attending this session.

Visit the resource fair and find more about Rutgers units and services.  
10:00–11:30 a.m.
Bring your passport, I-20 or DS-2019, and job offer letter (if any). Do not leave this session without getting your International Payroll Form signed. TAs, GAs, and fellows must attend this session today; others should attend Tuesday.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS I (1:30 p.m.)**

**Health and Wellness at Rutgers**
1:30–2:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Learn how to maintain your health and wellness at Rutgers and discuss topics that contribute to positive health behaviors. Repeated Wednesday, August 30, at 2:30 p.m.

**Sponsored Student Welcome**
1:30–2:30 p.m. • 30 College Avenue
If you are a sponsored student (on a visa sponsored by an outside organization such as IIE, LASPAU, AMIDEAST, USAID, or VEF), attend this session to receive a summary of program requirements, general Rutgers information, and expectations for the year ahead.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS II (2:30 p.m.)**

**Safety on Campus**
2:30–3:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Presented by Rutgers University Police Department, learn about the role of the university police, campus safety, crisis situations, and resources and services for students. Repeated Tuesday, August 29, at 2:30 p.m.

**Opening a Bank Account**
2:30–3:15 p.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211
Discuss opening a bank account in the United States with a group of experienced student volunteers. Repeated Wednesday, August 30, at 11:00 a.m.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS III (3:30 p.m.)**

**RU Roommate Ready? Successful On-Campus Living with Residence Life**
3:30–4:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Residence Life leads this discussion on how to have your best experience living on campus with a roommate.

**Computing on Campus**
3:30–4:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 123
Receive an introduction to all the computing and technology services available at Rutgers. Learn where the computer labs are located, where and how to print, where to buy computing related items, and more. You will also learn many useful and fun apps to use as a Rutgers student!
Bus Tour of Rutgers–New Brunswick  
3:30–4:30 p.m. • Meet in front of the College Avenue Student Center  
Tour Rutgers–New Brunswick with experienced guides. Repeated at 4:30 p.m. today or Tuesday, August 29, at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Bus Tour of Rutgers–New Brunswick  
4:30–5:30 p.m. • Meet in front of the College Avenue Student Center  
Tour Rutgers–New Brunswick with experienced guides. Repeated Tuesday, August 29, at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

**AFTER HOURS FUN**

**Vendor Fair**  
4:30–6:00 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Fireside Lounge  
Meet local businesses including various U.S. banks, cell phone companies, food markets, and university vendors that can help you with your transition to the United States.

**Dinner at the Yard on College Avenue**  
5:30–8:00 p.m. • The Yard  
Join us for a Rutgers-themed celebration filled with food, games, and a chance to socialize with fellow new students and university administrators! Don’t miss the chance to get your picture taken with the Scarlet Knight and win prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt! After the social, end your night with a fun outdoor movie showing. Bring your meal voucher from your orientation folder with you.

**Share your photos/ videos of the festivities:**  
Snapchat: use the chat to send your photos and videos to RutgersGlobal  
Instagram: share with RutgersGlobal

Join us at the recently opened Yard on College Avenue for fun, friends, and food! 5:30–8:00 p.m.
Check-In Support
9:00–11:00 a.m. • Academic Building, Room 1210 and 1220
F-1 and J-1 students are required by U.S. immigration regulations to complete a check-in procedure at their host institutions. You will need to submit an online form to complete this process. Please note that your record cannot be activated in the SEVIS database until this process is completed. You can access the form through our online student portal at RGLOBAL. If you have any questions or need assistance, our expert orientation volunteers will be available to guide you at this campus computing lab during this time. Remember to bring with you:
- Passport
- U.S. visa (Canadians will not have a visa)
- DS-2019 or I-20 issued by Rutgers
- I-94 record (access this on CBP’s website)
This session is repeated daily.

School of Graduate Studies Orientation
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room
If you are a School of Graduate Studies student and you didn’t attend the School of Graduate Studies Orientation on Monday, August 28, you must attend this session to learn about registration, academic integrity, fellowships, benefits, and academic policies and procedures.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS I (9:30 a.m.)

Study Abroad 101
9:30–10:15 a.m. • Milledoler Hall, Room 100
Attend this session to learn about study abroad programs, scholarship opportunities, and the application and visa process for international students.

Staying in Legal Status
9:30–10:30 a.m. • Scott Hall, Room 123
Come and learn about work, study, and travel for international students; legal obligations; and benefits of nonimmigrant visa holders. You must be checked in before attending this session. Bring your passport, I-20 or DS-2019, and job offer letter (if any). Do not leave this session without getting your International Payroll Form signed. Repeated daily.

Zumba with Rutgers Recreation
9:30–10:30 a.m. • College Avenue Gym, Upper Gym
Start the day with a high-energy Zumba class! This exhilarating, easy to follow, Latin-inspired exercise will keep you dancing and smiling throughout. At the end of the class, learn about all the fitness classes Rutgers Recreation offers and how you can continue to work on your fitness beyond orientation.

Bus Tour of Rutgers–New Brunswick
9:30–10:30 a.m. • Meet in front of the College Avenue Student Center
Tour Rutgers–New Brunswick with experienced guides. Repeated today at 11:00 a.m.

SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE BUS
10:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. • Scott Hall or 180 College Avenue  (Bus will depart from Scott Hall at 10:45 a.m.; subsequent departures will leave from 180 College Avenue and run on a loop. Last departure is at 2:00 p.m.)
You must have an on-campus job to be eligible to apply for a Social Security Number (SSN). You must have checked in and attended the Staying in Legal Status session before applying for an SSN. A bus will take you to the SSN office.

You MUST bring all of the following documents to this session:
- Original passport
- I-20 or DS-2019 (original)
- SSN job confirmation letter or TA/GA/Fellowship offer letter or job-offer letter (continued, next page)
J-1 students on a non-Rutgers visa sponsorship MUST also bring:

- Letter from sponsoring agency authorizing on-campus work

Repeated on Thursday, August 31, at 10:30 a.m.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS II (11:00 a.m.)**

**Finding Off-Campus Housing**
11:00–11:45 a.m. • Milledoler Hall, Room 100
Learn about issues related to living off-campus, like legal rights of tenants and sharing bills.

**Paying Student Bills**
11:00–11:45 a.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211
Receive information about bill-paying procedures, billing cycles, special payment plans, late charges, and other billing matters.

**Graduate Student Panel**
11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Transitioning to a new country isn’t easy. Current students will share their experiences and answer your questions.

**Bus Tour of Rutgers–New Brunswick**
11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Meet in front of the College Avenue Student Center
Tour Rutgers–New Brunswick with experienced guides.

**LUNCH**
11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • Brower Commons
Grab a quick lunch before the next sessions. Bring your meal voucher from your orientation folder with you.

*** Academic Integrity for Graduate Students**
1:30 –2:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Hosted by the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistant’s Program (GradELL& ITA), the workshop reviews Rutgers’ principles of academic integrity with regard to the graduate student experience and provides academic resources so that students can effectively adhere to these principles. If you cannot attend today, you must attend the session on Thursday, August 31, at 2:00 p.m.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS III (2:30 p.m.)**

**Student Health Insurance**
2:30–3:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 123
Learn the ABCs of Student Health Insurance Plans: A-Advantages of the plan, B-Benefits explanation as to what is covered or not covered and how much you have to pay, and C-Comprehension of the steps from selecting a provider, to how a claim is processed, and your out of pocket expenses. Get tips on comparing the Student Health Insurance Plan to other plans. If you cannot attend today, you must
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**Safety on Campus**
2:30–3:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Presented by Rutgers University Police Department, learn about the role of the university police, campus safety, crisis situations, and resources and services for students.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS IV (3:30 p.m.)**
**Introduction to University Career Services**
3:30–4:15 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Learn about the online tools, workshops, and advising sessions University Career Services offers in this session on what they do and how they can help you make the connection between your academic experience and career path. Repeated on Wednesday, August 30, at 11:00 a.m.

**Library Services**
3:30–4:15 p.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211
Learn how the Rutgers Libraries can help you succeed in your studies and research. We will introduce you to the spaces, the services, the amazing collections (of books, journals, media, and data), and the helpful librarians of Rutgers! Repeated on Wednesday, August 30, at 1:30 p.m.

**Understanding the American Classroom**
3:30–4:30 p.m. • Milledoler Hall, Room 100
Presented by the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistant’s Program (GradELL& ITA), this workshop presents the academic norms, expectations, responsibilities, rights, and resources in the American classroom, and, in particular, at Rutgers. Students are presented with resources and support tips to enhance their graduate experience at Rutgers. Repeated on Wednesday, August 30, at 2:30 p.m.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS V (4:30 p.m.)**
**Student Legal Services**
4:30–5:00 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Learn about the free legal services offered through the Office of Student Legal Services at Rutgers. Assistance is available on a range of questions about apartment leasing, driver licensing and motor vehicle issues, car insurance coverage, protecting your identity from fraud, and more.

**AFTER HOURS FUN**
**Dinner at Livingston Plaza**
5:30–7:30 p.m. • Livingston Plaza, Livingston Campus
Join us for another night of fun, food, games, crafts, and prizes! Volunteers will introduce you to American football, and Rutgers Athletics will be at this event to get you excited for your first football game on Friday!

**Shopping Trip**
6:30–9:00 p.m. • Livingston Plaza, Livingston Campus *(bus departs from front of Livingston Plaza)*
Shopping event provided by Bed Bath & Beyond. Find everything you need for campus living: apartment essentials, health and beauty aids, kitchen must-haves, paper products, laundry and cleaning items, and much more. Please see the flyer in your folder. Repeated on Wednesday, August 30, at 6:00 p.m.

**Rutgers Game Show**
7:30–8:30 p.m. • Livingston Student Center, Livingston Campus
Get in on the action in this fun game-show-style program! Use your newly acquired Rutgers knowledge while competing against our biggest rivals.
* TA Orientation  
8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • College Ave Student Center, Multipurpose Room  
If you are a new international teaching assistant (TA), you are required to attend this session on Rutgers’ instructional practices, its diverse undergraduate population, and the role of the TA. Contact the TA Project at tap.rutgers.edu/orientation if you have not yet registered. Breakfast will be served during this session.

Check-In Support  
9:00–11:00 a.m. • Academic Building Room 1210 and 1220  
F-1 and J-1 students are required by U.S. immigration regulations to complete a check-in procedure at their host institutions. You will need to submit an online form to complete this process. Please note that your record cannot be activated in the SEVIS database until this process is completed. You can access the form through our online student portal at RGLOBAL. If you have any questions or need assistance, our expert orientation volunteers will be available to guide you at this campus computing lab during this time. Remember to bring with you:  
• Passport  
• U.S. visa (Canadians will not have a visa)  
• DS-2019 or I-20 issued by Rutgers  
• I-94 record (access this on CBP’s website)  
This session is repeated daily.

* Staying in Legal Status  
9:30–10:30 a.m. • Scott Hall, Room 123  
Come and learn about work, study, and travel for international students; legal obligations; and benefits of nonimmigrant visa holders. You must be checked in before attending this session. Bring your passport, I-20 or DS-2019, and job offer letter (if any). Do not leave this session without getting your International Payroll Form signed. Repeated daily.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS I (11:00 a.m.)  
Introduction to University Career Services  
11:00–11:45 a.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135  
Learn about the online tools, workshops, and advising sessions University Career Services offers. This information session focuses on University Career Services, what they do, and how they can help you make the connection between your academic experience and career path.

Opening a Bank Account  
11:00–11:45 a.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211  
Discuss opening a bank account in the United States with a group of experienced student volunteers.

LUNCH  
11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • Voorhees Mall  
Grab a lunch box at Voorhees Mall on College Avenue before heading to afternoon sessions. Bring your meal voucher from your orientation folder with you.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS II (1:30 p.m.)  
Library Services  
1:30–2:15 p.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211  
Learn how the Rutgers Libraries can help you succeed in your studies and research. We will introduce you to the spaces, the services, the amazing collections (of books, journals, media, and data), and the helpful librarians of Rutgers!

Converting Cultural Shock to Cultural Enrichment  
1:30–2:15 p.m. • Milledoler Hall, Room 100  
Develop a plan for adjusting to life at Rutgers and in the United States at your own pace.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS III (2:30 p.m.)  
Understanding the American Classroom  
2:30–3:30 p.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135  
Presented by the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistant's
Program (GradELL & ITA), this workshop presents the academic norms, expectations, responsibilities, and rights in the American classroom, and at Rutgers. You’ll learn about resources and tips to enhance your graduate experience at Rutgers.

Health and Wellness
2:30–3:15 p.m. • Voorhees Hall, Room 105
Learn how to maintain your health and wellness at Rutgers University and discuss topics that contribute to positive health behaviors.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS IV (3:30 p.m.)
Getting Around: Public Transportation
3:30–4:15 p.m. • Van Dyck Hall, Room 211
Learn about local and long-distance transportation options that will help you maximize your mobility around New Brunswick and the surrounding area.

International Friendship Program (IFP)
3:30–4:30 p.m. • Voorhees Hall, Room 105
Get involved with IFP, bringing international students together with American friends from Rutgers and its surrounding communities for the purpose of sharing friendship, cross-cultural exchange, and language practice.

AFTER HOURS FUN
All-American Pizza Party!
4:30–6:30 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center, Multipurpose Room
This festive pizza party features a variety of American pizza flavors and fun games showcasing some iconic American states. Come for food, fun, and prizes!

Shopping Trip
6:00–9:00 p.m. • College Avenue Student Center (bus departs from front of student center)
Shopping event provided by Bed Bath & Beyond. Find everything you need for campus living: apartment essentials, health and beauty aids, kitchen must-haves, paper products, laundry and cleaning items, and much more. Please see the flyer in your folder.

Rutgers Volleyball vs. Siena College
7:00–9:00 p.m. • College Avenue Gym
Come cheer on the Rutgers volleyball team as they take on Siena College. Admission is free; make sure you wear a Rutgers shirt to support our Scarlet Knights!

Movie Night
7:00–10:00 p.m. • Rutgers Cinema, Livingston Campus
Come enjoy the latest movies, screened just for you, at the state-of-the-art cinema right on Livingston Campus. Admission is free—first come, first serve. You will receive one movie ticket, a bag of popcorn, and a soda. Parents and families are welcome to join.
For those of you looking to go to New York or Philadelphia, please make sure you don’t have any other commitments and have already attended the mandatory Academic Integrity and Student Health Insurance sessions earlier in the week.

Trip to New York
8:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Spend a fun day in New York City your way! Visit the famous landmarks, restaurants, and shops in the Big Apple. Tickets include transportation to New York City and back to your campus. Check your orientation folders for ticket sales information.

Trip to Philadelphia
8:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Visit historical sites, museums, shops, cafés, and parks on the banks of the Delaware River. Tickets include transportation to Philadelphia and back to your campus. Check your orientation folders for ticket sales information.

Check-In Support
9:00–11:00 a.m. • Academic Building, Room 1210 and 1220
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Walking Tours of Individual Campuses
10:00–11:30 a.m. • Multiple Locations
Take a guided walking tour of the campus of your choice—tours will leave from their point of origin (see below) promptly at 10:00 a.m. You can take the Rutgers bus to get to your campus.
College Avenue: Meet in front of the College Avenue Student Center
Busch: Meet in front of the Busch Student Center
Livingston: Meet in front of the Livingston Student Center
Cook/Douglass: Meet in front of the Douglass Student Center

**SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE BUS**
10:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. • 180 College Avenue
(Bus will depart from 180 College Avenue and run on a loop. Last departure is at 2:00 p.m.)
You must have an on-campus job to be eligible to apply for a Social Security Number (SSN). You must have checked in and attended the Staying in Legal Status session before applying for an SSN. A bus will take you to the SSN office.

You MUST bring all of the following documents to this session:
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**J-1 students on a non-Rutgers visa sponsorship MUST also bring:**
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**Student Health Insurance**
11:00–11:45 a.m. • Scott Hall, Room 135
Learn the ABCs of Student Health Insurance Plans: A-Advantages of the plan, B-Benefits explanation as to what is covered or not covered and how much you have to pay, and C-Comprehension of the steps from selecting a provider, to how a claim is processed, and your out of pocket expenses. Get tips on comparing the Student Health Insurance Plan to other plans.

**Academic Integrity for Graduate Students**
2:00–2:45 p.m. • Voorhees Hall, Room 105
Hosted by the Graduate English Language Learners and International Teaching Assistant's Program (GradELL& ITA), the workshop reviews Rutgers' principles of academic integrity. It also explores the centrality of academic integrity to the graduate student experience and provides academic support and resources so that students can effectively adhere to these principles. If you did not attend the session on Tuesday, August 29, 2017, you must attend today.

**AFTER HOURS FUN**
**International Friendship Program (IFP) Ice Cream Dance Party!**
4:00–6:00 p.m. • Deiner Park, College Ave
Ice cream, music, and fun! A DJ spins the latest hits and dance superstars, Rutgers HARU (K-Pop) and Chinese Dance Troupe, perform.
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• I-94 record (access this on CBP’s website)

* Staying in Legal Status
9:30–10:30 a.m. • Milledoler Hall, Room 100
Come and learn about work, study, and travel for international students; legal obligations; and benefits of nonimmigrant visa holders. You must be checked in before attending this session. Bring your passport, I-20 or DS-2019, and job offer letter (if any). Do not leave this session without getting your International Payroll Form signed.

BodyFlow with Rutgers Recreation
9:30–10:30 a.m. • College Avenue Gym, Upper Gym
Start the day with a fitness class inspired by Yoga, Pilates, and Tai Chi that focuses on strength, flexibility, and controlled breathing. You’ll learn about all the fitness classes Rutgers Recreation offers and how you can work on your fitness beyond orientation.

Zimmerli Art Museum: Open Hours
10:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. • 71 Hamilton Street
The Zimmerli Art Museum at Rutgers is one of the largest and most distinguished university-based art museums in the country. It collects, preserves, researches, and exhibits world-class works of art to provide the university community and diverse audiences with direct experience of the visual arts. Free admission.

Downtown New Brunswick Walking Tour
10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • 180 College Avenue
Tour will depart from 180 College Avenue. Take a walking tour of vibrant downtown New Brunswick and see all it has to offer.
AFTER HOURS FUN
Football Game: Rutgers vs. University of Washington
7:00–11:00 p.m. • High Point Solutions Stadium (or meet in front of one of the student centers)
Come out and cheer on the Scarlet Knights for their first home game of the season! Your free football ticket is in your orientation folder courtesy of Rutgers Athletics. If you would like to attend the football game with fellow students and orientation volunteers, meet in front of any of the student centers (Douglass, College Avenue, Livingston, or Busch) at 7:00 p.m. Make sure you wear a Rutgers shirt to the game!
The Graduate English Language Learners (ELL) Program offers academic course work, support, and assessment for graduate students who are speakers of other languages and are matriculated in a graduate program. The English language proficiency assessment is required for graduate students whose admission letter requires them to take the assessment, are subject to a departmental language requirement, and/or intend to work as a teaching assistant (TA). Graduate students are assessed with the Versant English Proficiency Test (VEPT), a globally recognized standardized English language proficiency assessment that evaluates students’ integrated language skills. Students are also evaluated using the Graduate ELL Writing Assessment, an academic evaluation tool that assesses students’ academic writing skills in English.

Graduate students will be assessed on multiple dates. To pre-register for an assessment session, please visit ell.rutgers.edu and click on “Fall 2017 English Language Assessment.” For additional information, please contact gradell@english.rutgers.edu.

**TUESDAY August 29**

GradELL & ITA English Language Proficiency Assessment  
2:00–4:30 p.m. • Academic Building, Room 1230  
Take the Versant English Proficiency Test (VEPT), a globally recognized standardized English test.

**WEDNESDAY August 30**

GradELL & ITA English Language Proficiency Assessment  
2:00–4:30 p.m. • Academic Building, Room 1230  
Take the Versant English Proficiency Test (VEPT), a globally recognized standardized English test.

**THURSDAY August 31**

GradELL & ITA English Language Proficiency Assessment  
2:00–4:30 p.m. • Academic Building, Room 1230  
Take the Versant English Proficiency Test (VEPT), a globally recognized standardized English test.
FRIDAY September 1

GradELL & ITA English Language Proficiency Assessment
10:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m. • Academic Building, Room 1230
Take the Versant English Proficiency Test (VEPT), a globally recognized standardized English test.

Meet international and domestic students at the weekly International Friendship Program. Learn more at global.rutgers.edu
SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ON-CAMPUS STUDENTS

RESIDENCE LIFE "WELCOME HOME" SPECIAL EVENTS
International Student Orientation started your transition to Rutgers, and these events will continue to help you get prepared for life as a Rutgers student living on campus.

MONDAY August 28
Busch Campus International Student Welcome
8:00–10:00 p.m. • Werblin Recreation Center
Games, prizes, arts and crafts, photo booth, snacks, racquet ball, volleyball, basketball, and other great fun!

Livingston Campus: DIY Decorate Your Room Welcome and Social
9:00–11:00 p.m. • Livingston Apartments, Building B, Reading Room
Meet new friends and create fun decorations for your room!

TUESDAY August 29
College Avenue Campus Paint Knight!
9:00–11:00 p.m. • Frelinghuysen Main Lounge
Students can paint on canvases to help decorate their rooms, meet the College Avenue Campus Residence Life staff and other international students also living on College Avenue Campus. Refreshments provided.

WEDNESDAY August 30
Cook/Douglass Campus Party on the Patio: The Cook/Douglass International Student Welcome
8:00–10:00 p.m. • PAL Building
Cotton candy and popcorn, board and video games, and tie dye!
SATURDAY September 2

New Student Convocation
4:00–6:00 p.m. • High Point Solutions Stadium
Receive an official welcome event from the Rutgers–New Brunswick chancellor. Hear speeches, see performances, grab some food, and enjoy fun games designed for new students. If you live in a residence hall, you will be traveling together as a group, so please check with your resident assistant for meeting time and transportation instructions.

MONDAY September 4

Fall Involvement Fair
3:00–6:00 p.m. • College Avenue
Fall Involvement Fair is a great way to learn more about all the student organizations, fraternities and sororities, and numerous departments on campus. Visit the displays, talk with members, ask questions, pick up information and sign up to learn more on how to get involved at Rutgers. Rain date is Friday, September 8.

FRIDAY September 8

LGBTQIA International Brunch
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • Center for Social Justice Education and LGBTQ Communities | 17 Bartlett Street, New Brunswick
Join us for this free brunch and networking session for international lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and ally students.

FRIDAY September 15

International Friendship Program (IFP) Fall Welcome Party and Speed Friending Event
5:00 p.m. • Busch Student Center, Multipurpose Room
Join current IFP members and recently returned study abroad students as we welcome you to Rutgers! The event includes a fast-paced speed friending activity—a fun way to meet people from around the world! For more information on IFP and our annual calendar of events, see the IFP handout in your packet. Like us at facebook.com/RutgersIFP or contact cgsifp@global.rutgers.edu to join our email list.

TUESDAY September 19

Study Abroad Fair
3:00–6:00 p.m. • Morrell Street (outside College Avenue Student Center)
We’ve been running study abroad programs since the 1960s, and since then, thousands of students just like you have taken advantage of these life-changing cultural and social learning experiences. Come to our Fall 2017 Study Abroad Fair to find out more about our program offerings and how international exposure can give you a competitive edge in your job hunt. We’ll have food, music, and giveaways—including application fee waivers and scholarships—so be sure to sign up for our raffle before the event. To enter the raffle for a $1,000 scholarship, students must complete the form at bitly.com/rutgersabroad17.
DINING OUT Food options during orientation week

BUSCH CAMPUS CENTER
Convenience Store
Monday–Thursday, 8:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
732-463-8488

Moe’s Southwest Grill (Mexican food)
Monday, 10:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Tuesday–Friday, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-463-0100

Gerlanda’s Pizza and Café
Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-463-1616

Szechwan Ichiban (Asian food)
Monday and Tuesday, 11:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
Wednesday and Thursday, 11:00 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Friday, 10:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-463-8880

COLLEGE AVENUE STUDENT CENTER
Gerlanda’s Pizza and Café
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-846-9375

King Pita (Middle Eastern food)
Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-846-9375

Subway (sandwiches)
Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-296-1122

Currito’s Burritos (Mexican-Asian fusion)
Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-640-2222

Wendy’s
Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
732-545-5545

DOUGLASS STUDENT CENTER
Red Pine Pizzeria
Monday–Friday, 10:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m

Dunkin’ Donuts
Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m

LIVINGSTON STUDENT CENTER
Convenience Store
Monday–Friday, 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Dunkin’ Donuts
Monday–Saturday, 8:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

THE PLAZA LIVINGSTON CAMPUS
Kilmer’s Market
Monday–Friday, 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
848-445-0106

Qdoba (Mexican food)
Monday–Friday, 11:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
732-839-2024

16 Handles (Frozen yogurt)
Monday–Friday, 12:00–10:00 p.m.
732-369-0800

Hoja (Chinese food, delivery available)
Monday–Friday, 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Saturday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
732-463-0800

Henry’s Diner
Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
848-445-3232

Starbucks
Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
848-445-7239

THE YARD ON COLLEGE AVENUE
Bella’s Burger Shack
Monday–Saturday, 11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00–8:00 p.m.
732-658-6067
Honeygrow
Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
732-214-9182

Jersey Mike’s
Sunday–Thursday, 10:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.
732-448-7300

Krispy Pizza
Monday–Sunday, 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.
732-658-3800

RU Hungry
Monday–Sunday, 7:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
732-246-2177

Scarlet Sweets
Monday–Sunday, 8:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.

Starbucks
Sunday–Thursday, 6:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday, 6:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

Noodle Gourmet (Chinese)
43 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick
732-828-8188

Chapati House (Indian)
349 A George Street, New Brunswick
732-416-8787

KBG Korean BBQ & Grill
6 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick
732-626-5406

Veganized (Organic vegan food)
9 Spring Street, New Brunswick
732-342-7412

Edo (Japanese food)
68 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick
732-514-0700

**NEW BRUNSWICK AND HIGHLAND PARK**

Efé Mediterranean Grill (Middle Eastern)
32 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick
732-342-7412

Indochine Restaurant (Vietnamese)
371 George Street, New Brunswick
732-745-2928

My Way Korean Restaurant
351 George Street, New Brunswick
732-545-5757

Hunan Manor (Chinese food)
239 Raritan Avenue, Highland Park
732-247-8813

Stuff Yer Face (American food)
49 Easton Avenue, New Brunswick
732-247-1727

**DINING HALLS**

Brower Commons (College Avenue Campus)
Thursday, August 31, 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Friday, September 1, 9:00 a.m–8:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Busch Dining Hall
Thursday, August 31, 4:00–8:00 p.m.
Friday, September 1, 7:30 a.m–8:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Livingston Dining Hall
Thursday, August 31, 4:00–8:00 p.m.
Friday, September 1, 9:00 a.m–8:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Neilson Dining Hall (Douglass Campus)
Thursday, August 31, 9:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.
Friday, September 1, 9:00 a.m–8:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 2, 9:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
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