

INTL	International Students
PAR	Parents
TCK	Third Culture Students



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Tuesday, August 25, 2020

8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.



International Student Orientation Check-In

All students should check in for International Student Orientation, pick up ID cards and room keys, sign up for shopping trips, purchase a phone or SIM card, and move into Residence Hall.

(INTL- please bring passport, F-1 visa, and I-20)

Eisenhower Campus Center

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.



Get settled!

Take some time to get settled in your dorm room and campus.

Martin Commons in Lottie Nelson Dining Hall

11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



Messiah University Ceremony

Meet at Eisenhower Campus Center to walk to campus main entrance circle for a special ceremony to celebrate the transition from Messiah College to Messiah University.

Eisenhower Campus Center and campus main entrance

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Celebration Lunch

Join the Messiah University community for a special lunch to celebrate the transition from Messiah College to Messiah University.

Rec Fields

(Rain location: Martin Commons)

1:15 p.m.-1:45 p.m.



Welcome Session

TBA

2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



Shopping Trip to Walmart!

Bring your \$\$ to get school and dorm room supplies at Walmart. We will provide transportation for students and families.

(Optional event; advanced sign-up required online and at check-in.)

Departs from Eisenhower Circle

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.



Welcome Dinner, hosted by President Kim Phipps

Orchard Hill

(Rain location: Martin Commons)

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.



Continental Breakfast with IMPAs and Transitioning to Messiah University

Come together for an opportunity to get to know the other international, MK/TCK students. Hear from your IMPAs about the things they have loved most during their time at Messiah University.

Boyer 131

10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.



Banking with Truist

Representatives from Truist Bank (formerly BB&T) will be present for you to sign up for a checking account. They offer online banking and two ATMs on campus.

(Bring your completed banking paperwork, passport, visa, student ID, and be certain you know your unit number!)

Boyer 131

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.



Welcome Session with Admissions Staff

Boyer 130

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



Student Payroll

Student Employment will be present to help you correctly complete paperwork for on-campus work-study positions.

Boyer 337

(Bring: Passport, F-1 visa, I-94)

12:00 p.m.- 1:30 p.m.



Picnic Lunch

Enjoy lunch outdoors by the Yellow Breeches!

(Rain location: Larsen Student Union)

1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.



Social Security Numbers

Representatives from the United States Social Security Administration will be present to process applications for students who do not yet have Social Security numbers.

Boyer 231

(Bring: Completed SSN application, passport, F-1 visa)

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.



MK/TCK Transitions

Ellen Shaffer, a MK/TCK and Messiah University Alumni.

Boyer 134

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.



Session with International Admissions, Dean of Students, and Intercultural Office

Meet with International Admissions along with Dean of Students and the Intercultural Office who will provide a summary of services available for your student and will introduce you to key personnel. Topics include Student Success and Engagement, F-1 visa services, and the role of the Intercultural Office.

Boyer 130

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.



F-1 Visa Advising

Review F-1 visa regulations and how stay in status while in the USA.

Boyer 231

3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



Walking Tour of Messiah University

Tour the college by foot and visit a variety of campus offices. Learn about the programs and services available to Messiah College students.

Leave from Boyer

5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Dinner with your IMPA Mentors Remember your meal card/ID card. <i>Lottie Nelson Dining Hall</i>
INTL TCK	
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Dinner <i>Meet outside of Lottie Nelson Dining Hall</i>
PAR	
6:10 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	Trindle Bowl Prepare for a fun night of bowling with your IMPA mentors! (Bring socks to wear with your bowling shoes.) <i>Depart from Larsen Student Union</i>
INTL TCK	

Thursday, August 27, 2019

7:00 a.m.-8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Remember your meal card/ID card. <i>Lottie Nelson Dining Hall</i>
INTL TCK	
8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.	TB Check at the Engle Center Stop by the Engle Center and get your TB test results checked. <i>Engle Center</i>
INTL TCK	
8:45 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Day Trip to Lancaster with International Admissions Staff (Advanced sign-up required on Sunday at check-in; please dress modestly) <i>Depart from Eisenhower Campus Center. Upon return, International Admissions staff will drop you off at the Wingate Hotel.</i>
PAR	
9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Textbook Tutorial IMPAs share their wisdom on where to buy textbooks, when to keep them, and more! <i>Boyer 131</i>
INTL TCK	
10:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.	Postal Services at Messiah Learn all you need to know to about your mail box and the services provided by the Messiah University Post Office. <i>Boyer 131</i>
INTL TCK	
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.	Luncheon, hosted by the Vice Provost for Student Success and Engagement We will be joined by the incoming Multicultural Students. <i>Larsen Student Union</i>
INTL TCK	
1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	ISA/MuKappa/Multicultural Council Get to know some of your fellow students during this fun time planned by the Loft. <i>Larsen Student Union Lawn; Rain Location: Sawyer Gym</i>
INTL TCK	
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Writing Assessment Students previously notified by email will meet with Professor Christine Perrin, Director of Writing, for their writing exam. <i>Boyer 337</i>
By invitation only	
5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.	Dinner with your IMPA Mentors Remember your meal card/ID card. <i>Lottie Nelson Dining Hall</i>
INTL TCK	
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.	Coffeehouse/Game Night with IMPA Mentors & Incoming Multicultural Students Prepare for a fun night of performances and games with your IMPA mentors! <i>Larsen Student Union</i>
INTL TCK	

Friday, August 28, 2019

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.



Welcome Week Check-in and Registration

*All students must check-in and attend all mandatory Welcome Week events.
Brubaker Auditorium

10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.



Complimentary Meal Service

Enjoy complimentary breakfast, lunch and dinner at Lottie throughout the day.
We suggest avoiding peak meal times such as 12:00 and 5:00 pm.
Lottie Nelson Dining Hall

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.



Lunch

Lottie Nelson Dining Hall

6:15 p.m.-7:45 p.m.



Candle Lighting Worship Service

Doors open at 5:45 p.m. Intercultural Office Staff will reserve seats for international, MK, TCK and Multicultural students, along with their families, and IMPA mentors. Please make your way inside to the reserved seating by 6:15 p.m.
Hitchcock Arena, Sollenberger Sports Center

8:15 p.m.-9:00 p.m.



First Year Student Gatherings

Brubaker Auditorium

Transfer Student Gatherings

Larsen Student Union

Saturday, August 29, 2019 – Thursday, September 3



Welcome Week

All International Students are expected to participate in Welcome Week 2020, a time for all new and transfer students to Messiah University. You can find out more about Welcome Week and consult a schedule at https://www.messiah.edu/info/21334/welcome_week
