Friday, September 2

8:30- Central Check-In and move in for new students
12:30 p.m. Indoor Track and Tennis Facility (ITT)
   All students must attend Central Check-In prior to arriving at their house to move in. In addition to receiving your room keys, course registration materials and college ID card, you will have the opportunity to connect with various campus departments and services.

11:30- Lunch for all new students and families
1:30 p.m. Chase/Duckett, Cushing/Emerson, Cutter/Ziskind, King/Scales, Lamont, Morrow/Wilson, Northrop/Gillet, and Tyler house dining rooms
   New students and families are invited to join us! Lunch will be served buffet style, so feel free to come at any point during this time.

1:30- Parent Orientation-see Parent Orientation schedule for details
4:00 p.m.

1:30- Class Dean’s welcome for first-year students
3:00 p.m. Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall
   Jane Stangl, dean of the first-year class, welcomes the Class of 2019 into Smith College academic community. This meeting is critical to your academic success at Smith! All first-year students are required to attend. This meeting is for students only.

   Class Dean’s welcome for transfer, visiting, exchange students and Ada Comstock Scholars
   Graham Hall, Hillyer
   The Ada Dean will share important academic information and will be joined by Sid Dalby, Associate Director of Admission/Ada Comstock Advisor and student leaders. The meeting will conclude with the official Ada Comstock Scholars class photo. All transfer, visiting, exchange students and Ada Comstock Scholars are required to attend. This meeting is for students only.

3:00- Smith Music: Welcome and Information Hour
4:00 p.m. Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage
   Everything you need to know, or want to ask, about music at Smith. Courses, lessons, auditions for ensembles, chamber music, and more. Featuring brief performances by students and faculty.

See you there!
3:00-4:00 p.m. ASSETS information session
Jane Stangl, dean of the first-year class, and Laura Rauscher, director of disability services, will help students with disabilities including, learning, ADHD, physical, mental health, and other conditions, as well as help parents understand how to enhance their success in the Smith learning environment. This session will cover academic requirements, social expectations, Smith’s academic support services and residential program, disability services and accommodations at Smith, requirements for disability documentation, and students’ rights and responsibilities.

5:00 – President’s welcome to Smith’s Global Community 2016
5:30 p.m. John M. Greene Hall
All entering students and their families are invited to the president’s first community address of the academic year. Speakers and guest include:

- Kathleen McCartney, president of the college
- Donna Lisker, vice president for campus life and dean of the college
- Amanda Huntleigh, lecturer, music department
- Senior lecturer, music department
- SGA president

5:30-7:00 p.m. Welcome reception (BBQ)
Chapin (Rain location: Campus Center)
New students and their families are invited to meet members of the faculty and administration, returning students, and each other.

7:00 p.m. PARENTS AND FAMILIES DEPART
7:30 p.m. Settle into your new room
8:30 p.m.
8:30-9:00 p.m. Student Academic Adviser (SAA) introduction
House Living Rooms
As house representatives, student academic advisers will begin one of several conversations about academic life at Smith.

9:00 p.m. – Nuts and Bolts of Living on Campus rooms. All first years should attend
10:00 p.m. House living
Gather with your fellow housemates for this multifaceted information session. House reps will cover:
- Campus life resources–Heads of New Students (HONS)
- Academic resources and policies–Student Academic Advisers (SAA)
- Residential policies and procedures–Head Resident (HR)
- House life–House Community Adviser (HCA) and House President (HP)

Saturday, September 3

8:30 a.m. – Orientation Group Programs taking place – program locations are listed in your Orientation Folder
5:30 p.m.

5:30- Dinner for residential board-paying students
Sunday, September 4

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Orientation Group Programs taking place – program locations are listed in your Orientation Folder

4:00- 5:30 p.m.  
Living in a Diverse Community  
Sage Hall  
Smith is a global community right here in Massachusetts! You are joining a community of people who are diverse in every sense of the word. This session will introduce you to what living in a diverse community is about and how you can participate in and enjoy the benefits of the Smith experience. All students are required to attend these sessions.

5:30- 7:00 p.m.  
Dinner for residential board-paying students  
Open dining rooms  
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

7:00- 9:00 p.m.  
Athletics and Recreation Fair and Fun

Monday, September 5

8:00- 10:00 a.m.  
Departmental placements  
The schedule of placement exams, auditions, and portfolio reviews can be found on the Registrar’s Office website http://www.smith.edu/registrar/entering_placement.php

10:00- 11:00 a.m.  
Being a Member of the Smith Community - Welcome to the SGA  
Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall  
What is the Student Government Association? How do you get involved and make a difference? What is expected of you as a member of the Smith Community? Join the president of the SGA, Rose Goueth, vice-president of the SGA and Chair of Senate, Nabilah Ahmed, chair of the Academic Honor Board and Maggie King, chair of the Conduct Board as they address your role, the privileges and the responsibilities that come with being a Smithie. To officially mark your entrance into the Smith community, you will sign the Academic Honor Code and Code of Social Conduct at this time. All students are required to attend this session.

11:00- 12:00 p.m.  
Class of 2020 photo  
Burton Lawn (Rain location: ITT)
One of the many traditions that Smithies cherish.

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch for Ada Comstock Scholars and their Peer Mentors

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch for residential board-paying students

1:00 p.m. Open dining rooms

Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

1:00-2:30 p.m. Botanic Garden Exploration

Lyman Plant House, College Lane

Did you know your new home is a Botanic Garden? Smith’s campus was designed by Frederick Olmsted (designer of Central Park) and contains thousands of beautiful and unusual plants and gorgeous mature trees from all over the world. Join us at Lyman Plant House for an introduction to the botanical treasures all around you, and propagate some new plants to decorate your room.

1:00-2:00 p.m. Study skills workshop and introduction to the Jacobson Center

Seelye 106

Reinforce your learning habits and strengthen your study skills! Learn about the services offered by the Jacobson Center for Writing, Teaching and Learning.

1:00-2:00 p.m. Smith College Libraries Exploration

Neilson Browsing Room

This interactive session will orient students to Neilson Library, the main social sciences and humanities library at Smith. All students are expected to attend one library session. All new students attending will receive a gift, courtesy of the Friends of the Smith College Libraries.

1:00-2:00 p.m. Experiencing the Global Community beyond Smith: Study Abroad Info Session

Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall

Led by Lisa Johnson, Assistant Dean for International Study, this informational meeting for all entering students will provide an overview of Smith’s wide range of study abroad opportunities. The session will provide students with information about who can study abroad, study abroad destinations and locations, different types of programs, length of the study abroad experience, transferring credit towards the major, as well as what students need to know in order to prepare to study abroad.

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2:00-3:00 p.m. Spiritual Life, Ethical Reflection, and Social Justice

Helen Hills Chapel

Come and meet staff and associates of the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, who will orient you to what kinds of resources are available for religious community, spiritual exploration, and social activism at Smith. The Center welcomes those from all religious and non-religious backgrounds and strives to nurture ethical reflection, introspection, and a commitment to the greater good of the world; regardless of orientation or belief system. This session will introduce students to ways to connect passion for service and social justice with spirituality, and provide resources for interfaith exploration.

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4:00-5:00 p.m.  Learn about Health, Counseling, and Wellness at Smith
Seeyle 106
Learn about interesting health and wellness facts during this session. Join Dr. Leslie Jaffe, Director of Health Services; Pam McCarthy, Director of Counseling Services; and Dr. Emily Nagoski, Director of Wellness Education to hear about the resources available at Smith.

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5:30-7:00 p.m.  ASSETS Pizza Party
Campus Center 102
Meet and greet opportunity for students with all types of disabilities, mobility, chronic health, mental health or other conditions. Get to know other students and meet upper class students and alums! We are a community at Smith and want to welcome you, share ideas, interests, offer support, suggestions and do everything we can to get you connected and make sure your time at Smith is the best.

5:30-7:00 p.m.  Dinner for residential board-paying students
Open dining rooms
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

7:00-8:30 p.m.  Ruth Ozeki Lecture
John M. Greene Hall

8:30-10:00 p.m.  Social Program
Tuesday, September 6

9:00-10:00 a.m.  What Does It Mean to Be A Smithie?
Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall
You have no doubt heard a great deal about your Smith education. President Kathleen McCartney, Provost Katherine Rowe, and Dean of the College Donna Lisker will join you to discuss the history, intellectual and co-curricular opportunities of this wonderful college. You will leave inspired to begin your journey. All students are required to attend this session.

10:00-11:00 a.m. Liberal Arts Advising: How to Be an Effective Advisee
Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall
A Smith education has many important components. From major coursework to cultural competency there are several choices to be made. Kate Queeney, faculty director of advising and Jane Stangl, dean of the first year class, will lead this informational meeting designed to help students learn how to make the most of academic advising and the open curriculum to determine what path is best for them. **Recommended for all students regardless of intended major.**

11:00-12:00 a.m. Group meetings with academic advisers
Various locations
All first year students, transfers, visiting students, exchange students, and Ada Comstock Scholars will meet with their academic advisers in designated locations, which you will find in the course registration materials you received at Central Check-In. **All students are required to attend this session. This meeting is for students only.**

11:30-1:00 p.m. Lunch for residential board-paying students
Open dining rooms
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

1:00-3:00 p.m. Physics Fest 2016
McConnell Foyer
Lasers, spinning bicycle wheels, lazy magnets, and more fun demos and toys. Come experience the magic. Students and faculty in the physics department will be present. Stop by anytime and spend as much time as you want playing with the demos or just chatting. Hope to see you at our orientation fest.

1:00-2:30 p.m. A Brief Introduction to College Writing – Peter Sapira
Stoddard Auditorium
For some students, college writing is not so different from high school writing. For others, it is very different: they may be asked to write more papers, longer papers, and/or different kinds of papers than they have before. Do you know what makes for a good college paper? How do successful student writers go about writing strong papers? What specific characteristics most distinguish strong from fair to middling papers? Join us for a discussion of these and any other questions you have about writing papers.
1:00-2:00 p.m. Mathematics, Statistics, and You at Smith College – Julianna Tymoczko
Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall
Informational meeting to help students determine which mathematics courses are appropriate for their background and interests. *Strongly recommended for all students regardless of intended major.*

3:00-4:00 p.m. Engineering Information Session
Ford Hall 240
The director of engineering will offer a presentation and Q&A for students interested in the engineering major. Engineering requires certain courses to be taken during the first year and has specific limitations on advanced placement in math and science courses. *Prospective engineering majors are highly encouraged to attend.*

2:30-4:00 p.m. A Brief Introduction to College Writing
Stoddard Auditorium
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4:00-5:30 p.m. Conversations with faculty
Indoor Track and Tennis facility (ITT)
Informal discussions with faculty members from each department and program regarding course content and selection. Bring your questions! *Recommended for all students regardless of intended major.*

5:30-7:00 p.m. Dinner for residential board-paying students
Open dining rooms
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

7:00-8:30 p.m. Summer Reading Group Discussions
House Living Rooms
The summer reading assignment is the first opportunity for Smith students, faculty and staff to engage with each other as an intellectual, scholarly community. Members of the faculty and staff will host discussions about the summer reading selection. *All students are expected to attend this session.*

8:30-10:00 p.m. Social Program

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**Wednesday, September 7**

8:00 a.m. Individual advising appointments
2:00 p.m. Various locations
You will meet with your academic adviser to discuss your interests and prepare for course selection.

11:30- Lunch for residential board-paying students
1:00 p.m. Open dining rooms
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

2:30- Online Registration
4:30 p.m. Dining Services Shift Sign-Up
3:30- On-line sign-up
5:30 p.m. Dining Sign-up for shifts meeting
4:30- Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall
   All new students who have work-study must attend this meeting.
5:30- Celebration Picnic
7:00 p.m. Two Locations: Davis Lawn and King/Scales
   Students are invited to pack up a picnic in the open dining rooms. We hope that students will return to their houses and eat together as a house community.

7:00- Convocation
8:00 p.m. John M. Greene Hall
   Students and faculty gather under one roof to signal the start of the academic year.
8:00- Smith College Convocation Kick-Off Carnival
10:00 p.m. Following Convocation everyone will be directed to the Convocation Carnival happening in front of the Campus Center and Chapin Lawn (inside the Campus Center in the event of rain). The Student Event Committee, WOZQ, SGA, Dining Services, the Dean of the College and the Division of Student Affairs have come together to plan a celebration marking the beginning of another academic year at the college. The event will be filled with games, music and food as we celebrate our community together. Families should use discretion when making a decision to bring children; we do expect more than 2000 very excited Smith undergraduates to be in attendance. (Inside the Campus Center in the event of rain.)

Thursday, September 8

8:00 a.m. Classes begin

Open Dining Rooms

Students may dine in any open dining room by using their OneCard IDs. Check for meal times and menus at: www.smith.edu/diningservices. Unless noted otherwise, meal times will be: Breakfast – 7:30 – 9:30, Lunch – 11:30 – 1:30, Dinner – 5:30 – 7:00 pm
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Lamont: breakfast, lunch, dinner  
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**Monday, September 7th**

King/Scales: breakfast, lunch  
Cushing/Emerson: breakfast, lunch  
Chase/Duckett: breakfast, lunch  
Tyler: breakfast, lunch, Cutter/Ziskind: breakfast, lunch  
Northrop/ Gillett: breakfast, lunch  
Lamont: breakfast, lunch  
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*Dinner will be a BBQ on the Quad and Davis Lawn for all students*

**Tuesday, September 8th – First Day of Classes**

King/Scales: breakfast, lunch, dinner  
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Dawes: breakfast, lunch, dinner  
Chapin: breakfast, lunch, dinner  
Hubbard: breakfast, lunch, dinner  
Comstock/Wilder: dinner