International Students Pre-Orientation (ISP) Schedule

August 24 – August 30, 2017
Thursday, August 24, 2017
Welcome to Smith College!
Arrival Day

**NOTE:** We purposely have a loose schedule today, since travel plans vary greatly from student to student. If you arrive earlier in the day, feel free to settle in and unpack your belongings.

Our first “official” event will happen after dinner, at 7pm. Until then, we’ll have a few informal activities happening in and around our Registration at Ziskind House.

10:00 am – 10:00pm  **Registration and Check-In**  
_Ziskind House_
Shuttles from Bradley International Airport, Hartford, CT to Smith College  
_Enter building from Henshaw Street (use 1 Henshaw Street, Northampton, MA for GPS)._  

11:30 – 1:30 pm  **Lunch**  
_Cutter-Ziskind House_
We encourage families to eat in the Campus Center or downtown.

1:00pm, 3:00pm  **Campus Tours**  
_Admission Office_
Join a regularly scheduled campus tour with a student tour guide.

2:00 – 5:00 pm  **Various Activities led by ISP Leaders**
Sign-up sheets and more information will be available at Registration.

5:00 – 6:00 pm  **Dinner**  
_Cutter-Ziskind House_

7:00 – 8:00 pm  **Group Introductions with ISP Leaders**  
_Ziskind Living Room_
Come meet your leaders and your fellow ISP participants. Play games, learn about Smith traditions, and meet new classmates.

8:30 – 9:30pm  **Group Discussion and Q&A**  
_Ziskind Living Room_
Get a chance to talk about the upcoming program and ask any questions about living at Smith or how to buy your essentials. We’ll discuss shopping and budgeting tips!
### Friday, August 25, 2017
#### STUDENT SCHEDULE

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<td>If your family is on campus, join them at the International Parents’ Tea to say your goodbyes. The rest of the week will be jam-packed with student activities!</td>
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<td>Find all your housing needs at the local mall! Bring your shopping list.</td>
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**Getting there:**
- 6:00 pm  Buses 1 & 2 departs from Smith, *John M. Green Hall*
- 6:45 pm  Bus 3 departs from Smith, *John M. Green Hall*

**Getting back:**
- 8:30 pm  Bus 1 departs from Holyoke Mall
- 9:30 pm  Buses 2 & 3 depart from Holyoke Mall

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Tentative PARENT SCHEDULE

8:30 – 9:30 am  **Parent Registration & Open House  *Wright Hall***
Registration will be held in the lobby. Open House will be held in the Lewis Global Studies Center. Required for all families. Coffee, tea, & pastries available.

9:30 – 10:30 am  **Program Overview & Welcome Session with President Kathleen McCartney  *Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall***
A joint session for families and students. Welcome remarks by Dean of the College Donna Lisker.

10:15 – 11:15 pm  **The First-Year Experience  *Alumnae House Conference Hall***
A panel discussion about the Smith experience featuring Dean of Students and Associate Dean of the College Julianne Ohotnicky, Dean of the First-Year Class Jane Stangl, & Director of the Lazarus Center for Career Development Stacie Hagenbaugh

11:30 – 12:30 pm  **Lunch Break**
We encourage families to eat at one of the many establishments in downtown Northampton.

12:45 – 1:45 pm  **Tour Choice**
Please join the tours highlighted on the family schedule so that the tour guides can accommodate the appropriate number of guests.

- **Museum of Art Tours** *(Smith College Museum of Art lobby)*
- **Campus Tours** *(beginning at the Office of Admission)*

2:00 – 3:00 pm  **Campus Choice Panel** *(Counseling, Campus Police, Support Services)*

3:15 – 3:45 pm  **All About the Lewis Center  *Alumnae House Conference Hall***
Join Co-Director of the Lewis Global Studies Center and Dean for International Study, Rebecca Hovey, for information on international and global opportunities while at Smith.

4:00 – 5:00 pm  **International Parents’ Tea  *Alumnae House Living Room***
An opportunity to get to know other international parents and meet staff from around campus. Students will join at 4:45 pm to say goodbye.

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Saturday, August 26, 2017

TODAY YOU WILL NEED: (Bring all items with you to breakfast.)
- Passport
- Visa
- I-20 Form
- At least $25 USD (in cash) to open a bank account

7:30 – 8:30 am  Breakfast  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

8:45 – 9:30 am  Morning Yoga

10:00 – 11:15 am  Where are International Smithies now?  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Hear from recent Smith alumnae about what they are doing now that they’ve graduated. Bring your questions and concerns about life post-Smith!

11:30 – 12:30 pm  Mixer Lunch  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

1:00 – 2:00 pm  Groups 1, 2, 3: Immigration Workshop I: Documents & Maintaining Status  *Stoddard Auditorium*
*Required for all students in F-1 visa status*
Please bring your passport, visa, and I-20.

1:00 – 2:30 pm  Groups 4, 5, 6: US Bank Accounts & Downtown Northampton (Optional)  *Bank of America, 144 Main St., Northampton*
Bank of America will be open to help ISP participants open new accounts.
**If you prefer to open an account with another bank, information about other local banks is included in your welcome packet!**
Bring your passport, visa, and I-20, plus at least $25 in USD for deposit.

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Group 5  1:30 pm
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Before or afterwards, take some time to explore and shop in Northampton on your own!

2:30 – 4:00 pm  Groups 1, 2, 3: US Bank Accounts & Downtown Northampton (Optional)  *Bank of America, 144 Main St., Northampton*
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*Stoddard Auditorium*  
*Required for all students in F-1 visa status*  
Please bring your passport, visa, and I-20.

5:00 – 6:00 pm  **Dinner**  
*Cutter-Ziskind House*

7:00 – 8:15pm  **Introduction to International Orgs**  
*Stoddard Auditorium*  
Come hear from returning international students about student organizations in which they take part! Learn about ways to get involved throughout the year.

8:30 – 9:30 pm  **Welcome to Your House!**  
*House Living Rooms*  
You’re not alone! Meet your Residence Life staff, as well as other students who have returned to campus early. Ask any questions you have regarding housing and living in Smith’s diverse community!
Sunday, August 27, 2017

7:30 – 8:30 am  **Breakfast**  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

**Varied**  
**Religious Services** (optional)  
See *Religious Life* page in the back of this booklet. *Off-campus*

8:45 – 11:30 am  **Optional Activities with ISP Leaders**  *Various locations*
Check sign-up sheets at Registration

11:30 – 12:30 pm  **Mixer Lunch**  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

12:45 – 2:15 pm  **The Genki Spark Performance**  *Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall*
The Genki Spark is a multi-generational, pan-Asian women’s arts and advocacy organization that uses Japanese taiko drumming, personal stories, and creativity to build community, develop leadership, and advocate respect for all.

2:30 – 4:00 pm  **Cultural Transitions Workshop**  *Stoddard Auditorium*

4:15 – 5:15 pm  **Immigration Workshop II: Employment in the US**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
*Required for all students in F-1 visa status*

5:30 – 6:30 pm  **Barbecue with Smith Bridge Program**  *Davis Lawn (behind Cutter-Ziskind)*
Meet other members of the Class of 2020 who are on campus early, too! We’ll have a traditional American summer barbecue dinner.  *(Rain location: Cutter-Ziskind Dining Hall)*

6:45 – 8:00 pm  **Dessert Reception with your Heads of New Students (HONS)**

8:15 pm – 10:00pm  **Movie Night**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Monday, August 28, 2017

**TODAY YOU WILL NEED:**
Groups 1 - 3: Passport, Visa, Form I-20

7:30 – 8:30 am **Breakfast** Cutter-Ziskind House

8:40 – 11:30am **GROUPS 1-3:**
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**Smith is Global** Lewis Center, Wright Hall
Register your documents with ISSO, and learn about Smith’s global community. Bring your passport, visa, and I-20!

**Health Services** Schacht Health & Wellness Center, 21 Belmont Avenue
Visit the Health & Wellness Center, TB blood test required for some students.

**I-94/Pink Sheet** Bass Hall 103
Print your I-94 Arrival Record, and complete information sheet.

8:45am – 11:30 am **GROUPS 4-6:**
Writing Morning Stoddard Auditorium

8:45 – 9:30 am: **Standards, Expectations, & Performance for College-Level Writing**
Meet Julio Alves, Director of the Jacobson Center for Writing, Teaching, & Learning. Learn about writing at Smith College and resources available to help improve your writing throughout your four years.

9:45 – 10:30 am: **Reflecting on your Journey**
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10:30 – 11:30 am: **Reflection Session**
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11:30 – 12:30 pm **Picnic Mixer Lunch** Cutter-Ziskind House

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12:45 – 2:15 pm  **Race & Ethnicity 101**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
What does it mean to be a *Student of Color* at Smith? Learn more about race relations in the US, and how racial and ethnic diversity plays a role in campus conversations.

2:30 – 3:30 am  **How to Use Health Services & US Insurance**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Leslie Jaffe, MD, College Physician & Director of Health Services
Premila Nair, Nurse Practitioner

3:45 – 4:15 pm  **Class of 2020 and Exchange Students: Meet with Residence Life**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Ashavan Doyon, Student Affairs Administrative Assistant

3:45 – 4:15 pm  **AMS, Transfer, and Ada Comstock Students: Meet with Residence Life**  *Lewis Center, Wright Hall*
Becky Shaw, Assoc. Dean of Students/Director of Residence Life

5:00 – 6:00 pm  **Dinner**  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

6:00 – 10:00 pm  **Second Chance Shopping!**
We’ll visit Hampshire Mall for another night to pick up your dorm essentials. (Target and Walmart both available.)

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6:00 – 10:00 pm  **On-Campus Entertainment**
Do you have your room all set? …
Tuesday, August 29, 2017

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11:30 – 12:30 pm  **Mixer Lunch**  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

12:45 – 2:45 pm  **Gender & Sexuality at Smith & Group Discussions**  *Davis Ballroom*
Toby Davis, Assistant Director, School for Social Work
Annie Cohen, Area Coordinator, Student Affairs

3:00 – 3:45 pm  **Counseling Center staff**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Emily Nagoski, Director of Wellness Education

4:00 – 5:00 pm  **Tea/Reception with Faculty**
Have a chance to meet and talk with faculty members from a variety of departments. Get lots of those questions answered!

5:00 – 6:00 pm  **Dinner**  *Lamont House*

6:15 – 7:30 pm  **Academics at Smith**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Learn more about academics at Smith from a panel discussion your ISP leaders! Bring and ask any questions you have!

7:45 – 10:00 pm  **Karaoke Night & Ice Cream Social!**  *Cutter-Ziskind dining room*
Come enjoy an ice cream sundae (with all the toppings!) and join in a long-loved ISP tradition – KARAOKE!

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Wednesday, August 30, 2017 (CLOSING DAY)

7:30 – 8:30 am  **Breakfast**  *Cutter-Ziskind House*

8:45 – 9:30 am  **Honor Code**  *Stoddard Auditorium*
Jane Stangl, First-year Class Dean

9:45 – 10:15 am  **Student Campus Employment**  *Stoddard Auditorium*

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Meet Valerie Schumacher, Student Employment and Fund Coordinator, to learn more about student employment on campus.

10:15 – 11:15 am **Student Financial Services (required if receiving Financial Aid)**  
*Stoddard Auditorium*  
David Belanger, Director of Student Financial Services (SFS)  
Michael Ireland, Associate Director of Student Financial Services  
*Bring financial aid documentation included in your packet.*

11:30 – 1:15 pm **Lunch** *Cutter-Ziskind House*

12:45 – 2:45 pm **Social Security Registration & Tax Paperwork** *Lewis Center, Wright Hall*  
(REQUIRED FOR FINANCIAL AID RECIPIENTS AND AMS STUDENTS)  
Bring your passport, visa, and I-20.

1:30 – 3:00 pm **Talent Show planning** *Various locations*  
Put your “thinking cap” on and figure out how you would like to participate in our closing talent show. Skits, poems, musical numbers, dances – all talents are welcome!

3:00 – 3:30 pm **ISP Evaluations** *Various Locations*  
Meet with your orientation group for one last time to fill out ISP Evaluations and spend time together!

4:45 pm **ISP Group Photograph** *Steps of John M. Green Hall*  
You are encouraged to wear your traditional festive clothing!  
**Please arrive promptly (or a few minutes early!) to ensure we can get to dinner quickly.**

6:00 – 7:00 pm **Closing Dinner** *Cutter-Ziskind House*

7:00 pm **ISP Talent Show!** *Stoddard Auditorium*  
Sing, dance, read a poem, tell a tale -- show us about your experience at ISP!
Thursday, August 31, 2017
FREE DAY!

Use this day to settle in and rest. You’ve been very busy this week, and All-Student Orientation will be fast-paced, too. Enjoy a day of relaxation, and dive into New Student Orientation tomorrow! Share your new campus knowledge with other entering students.

Friday, September 1, 2017
All-student orientation begins

8:30am – 12:30pm **Central Check-in Indoor Track and Tennis Facility (ITT)  
**REQUIRED for all first-years and transfers**
All first-year students must attend Central Check-In. You will receive information about course registration, and you will have the opportunity to connect with various campus departments and services.

**For more information on the rest of the all-student orientation schedule, check out the Smith College app for First-Year Experience or search "Orientation" on the Smith homepage.**

Check meal times, menus, and open dining rooms at www.smith.edu/diningservices.

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