Orientation Tent
For general information and directions, please feel free to stop by the Orientation tent on Seelye Lawn, 9 a.m.—4 p.m., Friday, September 2—Wednesday, September 7, and talk with an orientation leader.

Smith To Do
Smith To Do will be facilitating fun activities in the Campus Center!
- Friday, September 2, 10 a.m.—2 p.m.
- Monday, September 5, noon—2 p.m.
- Tuesday, September 6, 10 a.m.—noon.
### Program

**Friday, September 2**

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| 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. | Central Check-In and Move-In for New Students Indoor Track and Tennis Facility (ITT)  
|               | All students must attend central check-in prior to going to their houses to move in. In addition to receiving your room keys, course registration materials and college ID card, you can talk with representatives from various campus departments and services. |
| 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. | Lunch for New Students and Families Chase/Duckett, Cushing/Emerson, Cutter/Ziskind, King/Scales, Lamont, Morrow/Wilson, Northrop/Gillet and Tyler House dining rooms  
|               | New students and families are invited! Lunch will be served buffet style, so feel free to come at any point during this time. |
| 1:30–3 p.m.   | Class Dean’s Welcome for First-Year Students  
|               | Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall  
|               | Jane Stangl, dean of the first-year class, welcomes the class of 2020 into the Smith College academic community. This meeting is critical for your academic success at Smith! All first-year students are required to attend. This meeting is for students only. |
| 3–4 p.m.      | Smith Music: Welcome and Information Hour  
|               | Sweeney Concert Hall, Sage  
|               | Everything you need to know, or want to ask, about music at Smith. Find out about courses, lessons, auditions for ensembles, chamber music and more. |
| 3–4 p.m.      | ASSETS Information Session  
|               | Sceney 201  
|               | Jane Stangl, dean of the first-year class, and Laura Rauscher, director of disability services, will help students with disabilities—learning, ADHD, physical, mental health and other conditions—as well as their parents and families understand how to enhance 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 |

### Parent Orientation

A program for parents, 1:30–4:30 p.m., will address the joys and anxieties of sending your daughter to college. A schedule will be available at central check-in.
accommodations at Smith, requirements for disability documentation, and students’ rights and responsibilities.

3–4:30 p.m. Lounge on the Lawn
Seeyle Lawn
Meet your orientation leaders and spend some time hanging out with other first-year students while your parents attend their own orientation.

5–5:30 p.m. President’s Welcome to Smith’s Global Community
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 guests include:
- Kathleen McCartney, president of the college
- Donna Lisker, vice president for campus life and dean of the college
- Jonathan Hirsh, senior lecturer, music department
- Jerry Noble, lecturer, music department
- Janis Luke, SGA president

5:30–7 p.m. Welcome Reception and BBQ
Chapin Lawn (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 p.m. Parents and Families Depart

7–9 p.m. Settle Into Your New Room

9–10 p.m. Nuts and Bolts of Living on Campus.
House living rooms
Gather with your fellow housemates for this multifaceted information session. All first-year students should attend. 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

7:30–9:30 a.m. Breakfast for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
Please refer to the end of this program for a list of open dining rooms.

8:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. Orientation Group Programs
Please see the program locations listed in your orientation folder.

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5:30–7 p.m. Dinner for Residential Board-Paying Students
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7–10 p.m. Smith To Do
Campus Center 208 (Carroll Room)
Come join your orientation leaders and other first-year students for Smith To Do! Show your creative skills by making room decorations and other arts and crafts. There will be live music and snacks.
Sunday, September 4

7:30–9:30 a.m. Breakfast for Residential Board-Paying Students
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8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Orientation Group Programs
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11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Lunch for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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4–5:30 p.m. Living in a Diverse Community
Sage Hall
Smith is a global community right here in Massachusetts. You are joining a diverse group of individuals with different backgrounds, values and ideas. This session will introduce you to what living in a diverse community means and how you can participate in and enjoy the benefits of the Smith experience. Join our alumnae panel in a discussion about their experiences. All students are required to attend these sessions.

5:30–7 p.m. Dinner for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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7–9 p.m. Athletics and Recreation Fair and Fun
Meet club leaders and coaches of our club sports programs as well as the staff of the Outdoor Program. Crew coaching staff will also be available to give you information about the novice crew team. These meetings will be in the fieldhouse, next to the turf field. Also, on the turf, the coaches and Athletic Department staff will be hosting fun activities. Have a great time and make new friends.

Monday, September 5

7:30–9:30 a.m. Breakfast for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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8–10 a.m. Departmental placements
Visit www.smith.edu/placement for the schedule of placement exams, auditions and portfolio reviews.

10–11 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 Janis Luke, president of the SGA; Katie Chong, vice president of the SGA and chair of senate; Sidni Standard, chair of the Academic Honor Board; and Elizabeth Nolasco, 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 a.m.–noon Class of 2020 photo
Burton Lawn (Rain location: ITT)
One of the many traditions that Smithies cherish.

Noon–1 p.m. Lunch for Ada Comstock Scholars and Their Peer Mentors

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Lunch for Residential Board-Paying Students
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1–2:30 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 trees from all over the world. Join us at Lyman Conservatory for an introduction to the botanical treasures around you and propagate some new plants to decorate your room.
1–2 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.

1–2 p.m. Neilson Library Exploration for Ada Students Only
Neilson Browsing Room
This interactive session will orient you to Neilson Library, the main social sciences and humanities library. 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.

1–2 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 study abroad opportunities. The session will explain who can study abroad, study abroad destinations and locations, different types of programs, length of the study abroad experience and transferring credit toward the major, as well as how to prepare for study abroad.

2–3 p.m. Smith College Libraries Exploration
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2–3 p.m. Spiritual Life, Ethical Reflection and Social Justice
Helen Hills Chapel
Meet staff and associates of the Center for Religious and Spiritual Life, who will explain the resources that are available for religious community, spiritual exploration and social activism. The center welcomes those from all religious and nonreligious 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 show you ways to combine your passion for service and social justice with spirituality, and will provide resources for interfaith exploration.

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4–5 p.m. Health, Counseling and Wellness
Seelye 106
Join Pam McCarthy, director of the Schacht Center for Health and Wellness; Dr. Leslie Jaffe, college physician; Kristin Evans, director of counseling services; and Kristina Merreigh, director of wellness education, to hear about the resources available at Smith.

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5:30–7 p.m. ASSETS Pizza Party
Campus Center 102
An opportunity for students with all types of disabilities—mobility, chronic health, mental health or other conditions—to get to know other students and alumnae. We want to welcome you to the Smith community and share ideas and interests, offer support and suggestions, and do everything we can to get you connected and make sure your time here is the best it can be.
5:30–7 p.m. Dinner for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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7–8:30 p.m. Ruth Ozeki Discussion
John M. Greene Hall

8:30–10 p.m. Something Fun for Everyone!
Various Locations
Join your fellow classmates in various activities around campus. Choose what interests you most, or go to all of them. The idea is fun here, folks!
- Speed Friending: Campus Center Carroll Room (208)
- Board Games: Campus Center 103/104
- Orientation Leader Panel: Campus Center 205
- Glow in the Dark Ultimate Frisbee: Chapin Lawn

Tuesday, September 6

7:30–9:30 a.m. Breakfast for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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9–10 a.m. What Does It Mean to Be A Smithie?
Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall
President Kathleen McCartney, Provost Katherine Rowe and Dean of the College Donna Lisker will discuss the college’s history and intellectual and co-curricular opportunities. You will leave inspired to begin your journey! **All students are required to attend this session.**

10–11 a.m. Liberal Arts Advising: How to Be an Effective Advisee
Sweeney Auditorium, Sage Hall
A Smith education has many important components. From major course work to cultural competency, you have several choices to make. Scott Bradbury, director of faculty advising, and Jane Stangl, dean of the first-year class, will lead this informational meeting to help you learn to make the most of academic advising and the open curriculum and to determine what path is best for you. **Recommended for all students regardless of intended major.**

11 a.m.–noon

11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Lunch for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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Noon–1 p.m. AEMES Orientation (by invitation only)
Chase/Duckett Special Dining Room A and B

1–3 p.m. Physics Fest 2016
McConnell Foyer
Lasers, spinning bicycle wheels, lazy magnets, and more fun demos and toys. Come experience the magic of physics. 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.

1–2:30 p.m. An Introduction to Design Thinking
Capen Annex
Some first-year students are both nervous and excited about working with others on projects. Some like to think through complex problems but don’t always know where to start. Some are still trying to figure out if they are creative spirits. Your first year at Smith is a time of discovery, and working with empathy will help you shape it. In this session, led by Zaza Kabayadondo, director of Smith’s Design Thinking Initiative, you’ll find out about a style of creative and collaborative problem solving called design thinking. Come early and be ready for a fast-paced, hands-on design challenge that puts empathy into action.

1–2:30 p.m. A Brief Introduction to College Writing
Stoddard Auditorium
For some students, college writing is a lot like the writing they did in high school. For others, college requires more papers, longer papers and different kinds of papers. Do you know what makes a good college paper? How do successful student writers go about writing strong papers?
What distinguishes strong papers from average ones? Join Peter Sapira from the Jacobson Center for Writing, Teaching and Learning for a discussion of these and any of your other questions about writing papers.

1–2 p.m. Mathematics, Statistics and You
Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall
Join Julianna Tymoczko, associate professor of mathematics and statistics, for this informational meeting to help you determine which mathematics courses best address your background and interests. Strongly recommended for all students regardless of intended major.

1:30–3 p.m. A World of Opportunities: Learning Another Language
Chapin Lawn (rain location: Campus Center Carroll Room)
“Learning a foreign language is the key to understanding a new culture.” Meet the language faculty and learn more about Smith’s offerings in Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

2–3 p.m. Health Professions Information Session
McConnell 103
The Board of Prehealth Advisers will offer a presentation and Q&A for students interested in the health professions.

3–4 p.m. Engineering Information Session
Ford Hall 240
Andrew Guswa, director of the Picker Engineering Program, 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 p.m. A Brief Introduction to College Writing
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4–5:30 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 p.m. Dinner for Residential Board-Paying Students
Open dining rooms
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7–8 p.m. Summer Reading Group Discussions
House Living Rooms
The summer reading assignment, *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki, 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.

8–9 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.

9–10:30 p.m. Movie Night: *Guardians of the Galaxy*
Weinstein Auditorium
In the far reaches of the galaxy, a gang of criminal misfits must form an alliance to keep a powerful artifact out of the hands of the villainous Ronan the Accuser—who seeks to control the universe! Join us for this screening of the 2014 adventure *Guardians of the Galaxy.*
Wednesday, September 7

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| 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m. | Individual Advising Appointments  
Various locations
You will meet with your academic adviser to discuss your interests and prepare for course selection. |
| 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. | Lunch for Residential Board-Paying Students  
Open dining rooms
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| 2:30–4:30 p.m. | Online Registration  
Seelye 212 is reserved for students who need computer access |
| 3:30–5:30 p.m. | Dining Services Shift Sign-Up  
Online sign-up |
| 4:30–5:30 p.m. | Dining Sign-up for Shifts Meeting  
Weinstein Auditorium, Wright Hall
All new students who have work-study must attend this meeting. |
| 5:15–7 p.m. | Celebration Picnic  
Two Locations: Davis Lawn and Quad Lawn
You’re invited to pack a picnic in the open dining rooms. We hope that you’ll join the other residents of your house and eat together as a house community. |
| 7–8 p.m. | Convocation  
John M. Greene Hall
Students and faculty gather under one roof to signal the start of the academic year. |
| 8–10 p.m. | Convocation Kick-Off Carnival  
Following Convocation, celebrate the beginning of another academic year with games, music and food. The Student Event Committee, WOZQ, SGA, Dining Services, the dean of the college and the Division of Student Affairs have planned this lively event. Families should use discretion when making a decision to bring children; more than 2,000 very excited Smith undergraduates are expected to attend.  
(Rain location: Campus Center) |

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| 8 a.m. | Classes Begin |

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## Open Dining Rooms

Students may dine in any open dining room by using their OneCards. Check for meal times and menus at www.smith.edu/diningservices. Unless noted otherwise, meal times are: breakfast, 7:30–9:30 a.m.; lunch, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.; dinner, 5:30–7 p.m.

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