



## Office of International Students and Scholars (OISS)

# Spring 2016 Calendar of Orientation Events

Color Code:

Freshmen

Transfer

Undergraduate Exchange

Graduate

All Students (Includes freshmen, transfer, undergraduate exchange, and graduate students)

### Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

2:00pm-4:00pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>F-1 Graduate Immigration Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	New F-1 graduate students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, I-20) to complete their immigration check-in.
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### Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

10:00am-12:00pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>F-1 Graduate Immigration Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	New F-1 graduate students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, I-20) to complete their immigration check-in.
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### Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

<b>ALL DAY</b> <b>All Students</b>	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b>	<b>National holiday. USD campus is CLOSED.</b>
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### Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

10:00am-10:00pm <b>All Students</b>	<b>Move-in Begins</b> <i>Missions Crossroads</i>	International students are able to move into on-campus housing as early as 10:00am on this day. Please visit the Missions Crossroads building to pick up your room key. <b>*Residential students only</b>
2:00pm-4:00pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>F-1 Graduate Immigration Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	New F-1 graduate students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, I-20) to complete their immigration check-in.

### Wednesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>

8:45am-1:00pm <b>Freshmen and Transfer</b>	<b>Immigration &amp; Health Insurance Orientation</b> <i>Serra Hall 215</i>	This mandatory session for F-1 freshmen and transfer students will cover topics including: maintaining your student immigration status, navigating the U.S. health care system, and health insurance reminders. Be sure to bring all of your travel documents (passport, I-20) to this morning session as they will be collected and reviewed in preparation for the afternoon immigration check-in.
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1:00pm-2:00pm Freshmen	<b>F-1 Freshmen Meet with I-Team</b> <i>Serra Hall 215</i>	Meet the International Orientation Team! This is a great opportunity to ask questions and get advice.
1:00pm-2:00pm Transfer	<b>F-1 Transfer Student Immigration Check-In</b> <i>Serra Hall 156A</i>	All new transfer students will complete mandatory immigration check-in at this time. Be sure to bring your travel documents (passport, I-20) with you.
2:00pm-4:00pm Freshmen	<b>F-1 Freshmen Immigration Check-In</b> <i>Serra Hall 156A</i>	All new freshmen students will complete mandatory immigration check-in at this time. Be sure to bring your travel documents (passport, I-20) with you.
5:30pm-6:30pm All Students	<b>Residential Life Dinner &amp; Community Meeting</b> <i>Mission Crossroads</i>	*Residential students only
6:30pm Freshmen, Transfer and Undergraduate Exchange	<b>Evening Social</b> <i>Alcala Vista Apartments, Paloma Hall</i>	*Event open to all undergraduate students

## Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00am-9:30am Freshmen and Transfer	<b>Orientation Check-In</b> <i>KIPJ Rotunda</i>	New freshmen and transfer students must check in to receive their Spring Orientation information and enjoy a continental breakfast.
9:30am-10:30am Freshmen and Transfer	<b>New Student Convocation</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	An official welcome to the USD community.
9:30am-11:30am Undergraduate Exchange	<b>J-1 Undergraduate Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	New undergraduate J-1 students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, DS-2019) to complete their immigration check-in.
10:30am-11:30am Transfer	<b>Transferring Process</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	New transfer students will join their student leader to attend a session designed specifically to ease the transition and adjustment to USD.
10:30am-11:30am Freshmen	<b>Preceptorial Class Meeting</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	New freshmen students will join their student leader to attend a session designed specifically to ease the transition and adjustment to USD.
11:30am-12:30pm Freshmen and Transfer	<b>Small Group Meeting</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	New freshmen and transfer students will meet their small group leader and fellow classmates.
11:30am-2:00pm Undergraduate Exchange	<b>J-1 Undergraduate Reception</b> <i>Serra Hall 215</i>	This session will cover need-to-know topics about living in San Diego, as well as practical topics like how to obtain a USD identification card. Lunch will be provided.
12:30pm-1:15pm Freshmen and Transfer	<b>Lunch</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	New freshmen and transfer students enjoy lunch with other new students and student leaders.
1:15pm-2:15pm Freshmen and Transfer	<b>Community at USD</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	New freshmen and transfer students learn how to be well and successful at USD.
2:15pm-3:30pm Transfer	<b>Liberal Education Overview and Where to Go &amp; College-Specific Academic Success Workshop for Transfer Students</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	Transfer students learn about the importance of a liberal arts education and hear more about their specific college.
2:15pm-3:30pm Freshmen	<b>Liberal Education Overview and Where to Go &amp; How to Get There Tour for 1st Year</b>	Freshmen students learn about the importance of a liberal arts education and hear more about their

	<b>Students</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	specific college.
2:30pm-5:30pm <b>Undergraduate Exchange and Graduate</b>	<b>Shopping Trip</b> <i>Meet at Law Circle</i>	Go shopping for dormitory essentials, mobile phones and other necessities. Transportation will be provided.
3:00pm-4:30pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>J-1 MBA and F-1 Graduate Student Immigration Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	J-1 MBA and F-1 students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, I-20 or DS-2019) to complete the immigration check-in.
3:30pm-4:30pm <b>Freshmen and Transfer</b>	<b>Student Life and Resources Panel</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	Hear from current students and get informed about campus resources. It is also time to get your FREE USD t-shirt
4:30pm <b>Freshmen and Transfer</b>	<b>New Student Social</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	Mingle with incoming and current students.
4:30pm <b>Transfer</b>	<b>Optional "Where to go &amp; How to Get There Tour"</b> <i>KIPJ</i>	Take an optional campus tour with a current USD student for help finding your classes & other key buildings on campus.
7:00pm-9:00pm <b>All Students</b>	<b>Pizza and Game Night</b> <i>ISO Lounge (4<sup>th</sup> floor SLP)</i>	Come to the ISO (International Student Organization) Lounge for some fun and pizza with new and continuing international students.

## Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:30am-11:00am <b>Undergraduate Exchange and Graduate Exchange</b>	<b>J-1 Immigration and Health Insurance Orientation</b> <i>Legal Research Center 132</i>	*This event is a mandatory session for J-1 undergraduate exchange and J-1 MBA students only. This session will cover topics including: maintaining your student immigration status, navigating the U.S. health care system, and health insurance reminders.
12:00pm-1:30pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>Graduate Student Immigration Orientation</b> <i>Serra Hall 318</i>	This mandatory session will cover topics including: maintaining your student immigration status, navigating the U.S. health care system, and health insurance reminders.
2:00pm-4:00pm <b>Graduate</b>	<b>F-1 Graduate Immigration Check-In</b> <i>International Center, Serra Hall 315</i>	New F-1 graduate students must report to the International Center with all travel documents (passport, I-20) to complete their immigration check-in.
Time TBD <b>Freshmen</b>	<b>Math and English Placement Exams</b>	

## Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

10:30am-3:00pm <b>All Students</b>	<b>SD Neighborhood Tour</b> <i>Meet at Law Circle</i>	Join new incoming international students in touring San Diego on an old-fashioned trolley. This tour will pick up / drop off students on campus and provide a spectacular overview of the city and its unique landmarks. Tickets will be available for purchase in the International Center during orientation week. Lunch is included and space is limited.
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## Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

<b>All Day</b>	<b>Spring 2016 Classes Begin!</b>	
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All Students

## Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>

7:30pm-10:00pm  
Undergraduate  
Exchange

**Buddy Matching Event**  
*Andres Restaurant*  
*1235 Morena Blvd., San Diego*  
*Carpool to meet at 7:00pm behind Serra Hall*  
*near the parking lot.*

\*Only for students in the International Buddy Program (IBP). Attend a welcome event and meet your new USD buddy!

## Thursday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

12:15pm-1:30pm  
All Students

**All Faith Service**  
*Shiley Theater*

This celebration brings together in prayer the leaders of faith communities, faculty, staff and students.

## Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

11:30am-2:30pm  
All Students

**Alcalá Bazaar**  
*UC Forums A, B, and C*

The Alcalá Bazaar highlights the vast array of USD clubs and organizations and all the ways to become involved on campus. This event is open to all students and is free of charge.

## Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Before 5:00pm  
All Students

**Last Day to Add or Drop Classes Without a "W"**

Deadline to enroll in classes or to drop classes without a "Withdrawal" notation on your academic record.

## Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

12:30pm-2:00pm  
All Students

**1<sup>st</sup> ISO Coffee Hour**  
*ISO Lounge (4<sup>th</sup> floor SLP)*

Join the International Student Organization (ISO) for their first coffee hour of the spring semester! This is a casual event where both international students and U.S. students can mingle.

7:00pm-9:00pm  
All Students

**New Student Dinner Reception**  
*Salomon Hall*

Celebrate the start of the new semester and meet other new international students.

## Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm-9:00pm  
All Students

**International Athlete Night**

Details for this event will follow in the Office of International Students and Scholars email newsletter.

## Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>

5:30pm-8:00pm  
Graduate

**Graduate Student Happy Hour**

Details for this event will follow in the Office of International Students and Scholars email newsletter.

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## Look out for the **International Newsflash!**

The International Newsflash is a bi-weekly email newsletter sent to the USD International community and contains valuable information regarding immigration updates as well as upcoming programs, activities and essential information for all international students and scholars.