



Montclair State University-International Engagement

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ORIENTATION



International Student Orientation Schedule Spring 2020



Office of International Engagement

F - Freshman

T - Transfer

G - Graduate

E - Exchange

Monday, January 13th

8:30 AM – 6:00 PM F T G E	Arrive at Montclair State & Check In to Housing Assignment Check in at your assigned Residence Hall. Should you have any questions, you can visit the Office of International Engagement Staff in the Student Center Annex, Room 207.	Assigned Residence Hall
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM F T G E	Dinner & International Trivia with Global Ambassadors Enjoy dinner and meet new people! If you don't reside in the Village at Little Falls, you can take the campus shuttle directly to Alice Paul Hall.	The Village at Little Falls (Alice Paul Hall, 1st Floor Lounge)

Tuesday, January 14th

All of the events listed below are MANDATORY, except the optional trips/activities!

8:15 AM - 8:20 AM F T G E	Shuttle to Orientation There will be a shuttle to take students to International Student Orientation. It will depart from the Village at Little Falls (Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop) at 8:15 AM for Village residents, and then stop at the Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop at 8:20 AM for those residing on the main campus. There will be Global Ambassadors stationed around campus to guide you.	The Village at Little Falls - Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop (8:15 AM) Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop (8:20 AM)	
8:30 AM F T G E	Check In & Breakfast Enjoy breakfast and receive a welcome from the Office of International Engagement.	School of Business (Room 140)	
9:00 AM – 9:15 AM F T G E	Meet the Global Ambassadors & Other Students! Meet the student leaders who will serve as a resource to you during International Student Orientation and at Montclair State and get to know new international students through various games and activities.	School of Business (Room 140)	
9:15 AM - 9:45 AM F T G E	Title IX & Student Conduct Hear about the resources available on campus for combating and/or coping with sexual assault, harassment, and violence, as well as important policies and safety measures in place for students.	School of Business (Room 140)	
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM F T G E	Group Picture with Rocky Meet and take a picture with Montclair State University's mascot, Rocky the Red Hawk!	School of Business (Lobby)	

Tuesday, January 14th Continued

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM F T G E	My Life as a Residential Student: If you will be <u>living on campus</u> , this is your session! Learn about life in the residence halls and discuss common issues and resources available to you. Commuter Student: If you will be <u>commuting to campus</u> , this is your session! Learn about Commuter Services available alongside information on parking and public transportation.	School of Business (Residential Student, Room 140) (Commuter Student, Room 101)
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM F T G E	Document Check-In F-1 and J-1 students will complete their mandatory SEVIS check-in and learn about submitting immigration forms/requests through the International Engagement portal.	School of Business (Room 120)
11:15 AM - 11:45 AM F T G E	Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS) Learn more about Counseling & Psychological Services, a resource for support on campus. Services are free and confidential. CAPS can help with your adjustment to Montclair State, at a time of transition that can be stressful for many students.	School of Business (Room 140)
11:45 AM – 12:15 PM F T G E	Resource Fair Speak to representatives from University offices and local businesses/services, including a bank, phone company, etc. Use this time to sign up for our various trips (detailed on page 7).	School of Business (Lobby)
12:15 PM – 1:15 PM F T G E	Lunch	School of Business (Room 140)
1:15 PM F T G	ESL Test The test consists of four parts: a multiple-choice structure test, a multiple-choice listening comprehension test, a one-page reading selection with 5 short answer questions, and a written summary of the reading selection. The test is in paper-and-pencil format. There is no practice test on the web to access. Please complete this student demographic information form, prior to arriving for the test: https://msuintlservices.wufoo.com/forms/student-demographic-information/ The following students are required to take the ESL test, regardless of TOEFL/IELTS score: • Undergraduate students with a native language other than English **Exception: If you are an undergraduate student transferring from another U.S. school and have completed English Composition I and II • Graduate students with a native language other than English • Graduates of an ESL program • Fulbright students **If after taking the ESL test you are required to take remedial English courses, you will have to register and pay for the courses. These courses will not count towards your overall degree requirements.	Dickson Hall (Room 177)

Tuesday, January 14th Continued

1:15 PM - 1:45 PM E	Billing and Payments for Exchange/Visiting Students This session is designed to answer any questions exchange/visiting students have regarding their bill, payment plans, payment deadlines, etc.	School of Business (Room 140)
4:30 PM – 7:30 PM F T G E	Clifton Commons Shopping Center Trip ***Optional There will be a shuttle to take students to Clifton Commons, departing from the Village at Little Falls (Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop) at 4:30 PM and from the Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop at 4:35 PM for those on the main campus. The shuttle will pick up promptly at 7:30 PM from Clifton Commons, making stops at both the Village at Little Falls (Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop) and the Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop. Please see page 7 for details, as ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED!	The Village at Little Falls - Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop (4:30 PM) Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop (4:35 PM)

Wednesday, January 15th

8:30 AM – 9:30 AM F T G E	Breakfast On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations		
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM F T G E	On-Campus Employment: F-1 & J-1 Are you interested in working on-campus? This session will go over how to find on-campus employment, how to obtain a Social Security number, and the restrictions/procedures for on-campus employment for F-1 and J-1 students.	School of Business (Room 140)		
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM F T G E	My Life as an International Student Learn how to adapt to U.S. culture and subcultures and about U.S. diversity, cultural norms, etiquette, and combating culture shock.	School of Business (Room 140)		
10:15 AM – 10:45 AM F T G E	Understanding U.S. Academic Culture This session is designed to give an overview of higher education culture in the U.S Topics will include, academic integrity and plagiarism, grading, classroom behavior, email greetings, reading a syllabus, etc.	School of Business (Room 140)		
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM F T G E	10 Things Every Montclair State Student Should Know Learn about NEST, Health Insurance, Tutoring Services, Shuttle Services, Meal Plans, HawkSync, Canvas, and more!	School of Business (Room 140)		
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM F T G E	MANDATORY Maintaining Your Status: F-1 & J-1 Learn about maintaining your visa status and specifics of your F-1 or J-1 visa. Attendance is required to activate your SEVIS record. Failure to attend will result in cancellation of your status.	School of Business (F-1 Students, Room 140) (J-1 Students, Room 101)		

Wednesday, January 15th Continued

12:15 PM – 1:15 PM F T G E	Lunch On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations
1:30 PM – 3:00 PM F T G	Academic Advisement Meet with advisors within your major and/or Academic College to discuss more major-specific information to help you register for classes.	School of Business (Room 140)
3:15 PM – 4:00 PM F T G E	Campus Tour ***Optional Learn to navigate campus with the help of Global Ambassadors.	Meet at the School of Business (Room 140)
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM F T G E	Dinner On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations

Thursday, January 16th

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM F T G E	Breakfast On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Montclair State University Placement Test This placement test is designed to determine competency levels in Reading, Writing, and Elementary Algebra. You are required to take this test if: • You are an undergraduate student with less than 24 semester hours • You are an undergraduate transfer student with fewer than 24 semester hours Registration for the Placement Test is not required, but please arrive before the test starts.	Webster Hall (Room 117)
11:30 AM – 4:00 PM F T G E	Upper Montclair Trip ***Optional The shuttle will depart at 11:30 AM from Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop and will pick up at 4:00 PM from outside of Bank of America. To open a bank account on this visit, please bring your I-20 or DS-2019 and passport. Please see page 7 for details, as ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED!	Machuga Heights (Shuttle Stop)
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM F T G E	Dinner On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations

Friday, January 17th

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM F T G E	Breakfast On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations	
12:30 PM – 2:45 PM F T G E	Bowling Trip ***Optional The bus will leave from outside the Red Hawk Parking Deck promptly at 12:30pm. The price is \$10 per student (cash, non-refundable). The price includes two hours of bowling, bowling shoe rental, and pizza, chicken wings, and soda. The bus will depart from the bowling alley at 2:45pm. Please see page 7 for details, as ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED!	Outside of Red Hawk Parking Deck	
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM F T G E	Dinner On Your Own See page 8 for locations and hours. Please note that this meal would be a personal expense.	Various On-Campus Locations	

Mailing Addresses

Residence Hall	Mailing Address		
Blanton Hall Bohn Hall Sinatra Hall Freeman Hall Russ Hall The Village at Little Falls The Heights	Your Name Montclair State University 1 Normal Avenue Your Residential Building Name & Room Number Montclair, NJ 07043		
Hawk Crossings	Your Name Montclair State University 65 Clove Road, Apt. # Little Falls, NJ 07424		

Questions?

Please email the Office of International Engagement at intserv@montclair.edu or call (973) 655-6862.

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Office of International Engagement Trips

PLEASE NOTE: YOU CANNOT JUST SHOW UP FOR THESE TRIPS. ADVANCE SIGNUP IS REQUIRED, AS SPACE IS

LIMITED! To sign up for any of these trips, please visit the table in the School of Business Lobby (outside of the Orientation room) during either of the following times:

Tuesday, January 14th 8:30am-1:15pm OR Wednesday, January 15th 9:15am-12:15pm

Clifton Commons Shopping Center Trip

Description: Experience a New Jersey Shopping Center! There is a store where you can purchase toiletries and bedding (Target), groceries (Stop & Shop), clothing (Target or Burlington), books (Barnes & Noble), and school supplies (Staples). You can also grab a bite to eat at one of the many restaurants!

Date: Tuesday, January 14th **Time (Departing from Campus):**

4:30PM from the Village at Little Falls - Alice Paul Hall Shuttle Stop

4:35PM from the Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop

Time (Leaving from Clifton Commons - Outside of Target): 7:30PM

Cost: FREE!

Upper Montclair Trip

Description: Come explore all that Upper Montclair has to offer, including restaurants, coffee shops, and stores to buy clothing, gifts, and more! You can also purchase groceries (Acme and/or Kings), mail packages or purchase stamps/postcards (Shopping Plus), or go to the pharmacy (CVS). Want to open a U.S. bank account? Bank of America will have associates on site to help you--bring your I-20 or DS-2019 and passport!

Date: Thursday, January 16th

Time (Departing from Campus): 11:30AM from the Machuga Heights Shuttle Stop Time (Leaving from Upper Montclair - Outside of Bank of America): 4:00PM

Cost: FREE!

Bowling Trip

Description: Meet other incoming international students over a game of bowling! Two hours of bowling, bowling shoe rental, and pizza, chicken wings, and soda are included.

Date: Friday, January 17th

Time (Departing from Campus): 12:30PM from outside the Red Hawk Parking Deck

Time (Leaving from the Bowling Alley): 2:45PM Cost: \$10 per student (cash only, non-refundable)

Lion King on Broadway

Description: The Lion King on Broadway is the winner of 70 MAJOR THEATRE AWARDS INTERNATIONALLY and is the 3RD LONGEST RUNNING BROADWAY SHOW--you won't want to miss this!

Date: Thursday, February 27th

Time (Departing from Campus): 4:00PM Time (Leaving from the Theater): 9:45PM

Cost: \$55 per student (cash only, non-refundable) **This is a GREAT deal!



Montclair State Dining Hours of Operation Winter Break January 2020

All Dining Locations will be CLOSED on December 30, December 31, 2019 and January 1st, 2020. Happy New Year!

WEEK OF DECEMBER 30th - JANUARY 5th, 2020

LOCATION	MON 12/30	TUES 12/31	WED I/I	THURS 1/2	FRI 1/3	SAT 1/4	SUN 1/5
Outtakes Market Express at Student Center	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	8:00am - 3:00pm	8:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Au Bon Pain at Cafe Diem (Sprague Library)	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	8:00am - 4:00pm	8:00am - 4:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
University Hall Cafe	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	7:00am - 3:00pm	7:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
The Venture Cafe	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	7:30am - 3:00pm	7:30am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Red Hawk Diner	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED

WEEK OF JANUARY 6th - 12th, 2020

LOCATION	MON 1/6	TUES 1/7	WED 1/8	THURS 1/9	FRI 1/10	SAT I/II	SUN 1/12
Outtakes Market Express at Student Center	8:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED				
Au Bon Pain at Cafe Diem (Sprague Library)	8:00am - 4:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED				
University Hall Cafe	7:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED				
The Venture Cafe	7:30am - 3:00pm	CLOSED	CLOSED				
Red Hawk Diner	7:30am - 6:00pm	10:30am - 6:00pm	10:30am - 6:00pm				

WEEK OF JANUARY 13th - 18th, 2020

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LOCATION	MON 1/13	TUES 1/14	WED 1/15	THURS 1/16	FRI 1/17	SAT 1/18
Outtakes Market Express at Student Center	8:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED				
Au Bon Pain at Cafe Diem (Sprague Library)	8:00am - 4:00pm	CLOSED				
University Hall Cafe	7:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED				
The Venture Cafe	7:30am - 3:00pm	CLOSED				
Dunkin' Donuts at Blanton Plaza	7:00am - 3:00pm	CLOSED				
Red Hawk Diner	7:30am - 6:00pm	10:30am - 6:00pm				

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Hours Subject to Change