International Student Orientation

CLASS OF 2026

COLGATE UNIVERSITY
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If your flight is delayed or if you need non-emergency assistance during International Student Orientation (ISO), please contact us during business hours, 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. at 315-228-6131 or oiss@colgate.edu. For emergency services and after hours: 315-228-7333 (Campus Safety).

If you are taking the OISS shuttle from Syracuse Airport:
A Colgate University representative will meet you at the baggage claim area and assist you in getting on the shuttle to campus. When you arrive on campus, ISO volunteers will help you get your room key and ‘Gate Card and help you find your room.

If you are providing your own transportation to campus:
Every effort should be made to arrive during Office of Residential Life operating hours (Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.). If you arrive during normal operating hours, you can pick up your ‘Gate Card and room key from the residential life office. If you arrive outside of operating hours, contact Campus Safety’s non-emergency number to be let into your room for the night. You will need to pick up your key from the residential life office the next morning.

7:30–9 a.m.
**Breakfast available 🍳**
Frank Dining Hall
Use your ‘Gate Card to swipe in. Guests who have accompanied you to campus can also dine free of charge.
8 a.m.–5 p.m.
**Computer support**
ITS Support Desk in Case-Geyer Library
Service will be available to help you set up your accounts and get connected to the Internet. Bring your device. You may contact them at itshelp@colgate.edu.

10 a.m.–1:00 a.m. (on August 17)
**The Hangout**
101 McGregory Hall - OISS
If you would like to connect with other international students, or need assistance, stop by.
Snacks will be available. Contact your CG, they can introduce you to the space.

11 a.m.–2 p.m.
**Lunch available**
Frank Dining Hall
Use your 'Gate Card to swipe in. Guests who have accompanied you to campus can also dine free of charge.

4:30–7:30 p.m.
**Dinner available**
Frank Dining Hall
Use your 'Gate Card to swipe in. Guests who have accompanied you to campus can also dine free of charge.

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

Please bring the following with you for the immigration check-in with OISS: passport, visa (if applicable) and I-20. If you would like to open a bank account, bring all of the above, along with cash for your initial deposit.

7:30–9 a.m.
**Breakfast available**
Frank Dining Hall
Use your 'Gate Card to swipe in.

8 a.m.–5 p.m.
**Computer support**
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9:30–10 a.m.
**ISO Registration**
O'Connor Campus Center (the Coop)

10–10:30 a.m.
**Welcome and introductions**
O'Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Office of Admission, OISS, and orientation leaders
10:30–11:15 a.m.
Team-building session facilitated by Outdoor Education
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)

11:15–11:30 a.m.
Group photo
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)

11:30 a.m.–1 p.m.
Group lunch with Community Leaders (CLs)
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Enjoy lunch with CLs and CGs. Instructions on afternoon activities will be provided.

1:30–5 p.m.
Team-based errands
Various locations
Immigration check-in, opening a bank account, visiting the mailroom, Student Health Services and campus tours. Please stay with your assigned team and be on time.

4:30–7:30 p.m.
Dinner available
Frank Dining Hall

7–10 p.m.
The Hangout
113 Broad Street - OISS Kitchen
If you would like to connect with other international students stop by. Snacks will be available. Contact your CG to find the location.

Thursday, August 18, 2022

7:30–9 a.m.
Breakfast available
Frank Dining Hall

9:30–10:00 a.m.
ISO Registration and Group Activity

10–10:15 a.m.
Welcome
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Welcome remarks by Dorsey Spencer, Dean of Students.

10:15–11 a.m.
Immigration 101 Seminar
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
OISS staff will guide you through all of the important regulatory information you need to know to maintain your immigration status.

11:10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Academic concerns seminar
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
In this seminar, the writing center staff will discuss the important topics of writing and the cultural transition to academic norms in a U.S.-specific academic culture.
Friday, August 19, 2022

7:30–9 a.m.
Breakfast Available
Frank Dining Hall

9:30–10 a.m.
ISO Registration and Group Activity
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Orientation leaders will lead a group activity.

10–11:45 a.m.
Crossing Cultures Workshop
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
In this interactive workshop, Counseling and Psychological Services staff will discuss the stages of culture shock and tips for navigating the process of adjusting to life at Colgate. Talk through real-life scenarios that will help you prepare for the road ahead.

11:45 a.m.–1 p.m.
Campus Resources Fair and Lunch
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Meet campus and community partners and learn about the many resources available to you. Get your “campus resources passport” stamped to be entered in a raffle for great prizes. 

12-1 p.m.
Lunch Available
Frank Dining Hall

1:15 p.m.
Boarding for Shopping Trip
Board the bus outside Donovan’s Pub (James C. Colgate Building)
Be sure to bring money and your ID (passport recommended) for the shopping trip.
Do not be late!

1:15 p.m.
Boarding for New Hartford and Dinner
The bus will stay in the parking lot so you are welcome to put your purchased items into it before you go to the next store. Be sure to label the bags with your name. Although the bus will be monitored, we are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Refer to the shopping guide for store descriptions and lists of suggested items to purchase. Petty cash will be given to help purchase your own dinner. There are several venues on site.

2:30–7 p.m.
Shopping in New Hartford and Dinner
The bus will stay in the parking lot so you are welcome to put your purchased items into it before you go to the next store. Be sure to label the bags with your name. Although the bus will be monitored, we are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Refer to the shopping guide for store descriptions and lists of suggested items to purchase. Petty cash will be given to help purchase your own dinner. There are several venues on site.

7 p.m.
Board the bus
Parking lot
Do not be late!

8 p.m.
Return to Colgate
1–1:45 p.m.
**On-campus Employment, Social Security Number (SSN), and Tax Seminar**
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
OISS and human resources, staff will guide you through all of the important information you need to know on how to obtain a Social Security number, pay your taxes, and find on-campus jobs.

1:45–2 p.m.
**Administrative Deans Introductions**
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Meet your administrative dean.

2:00–2:45 p.m.
**Appreciating Differences Seminar**
With a new home environment comes new experiences. The Office of Diversity and Equity staff will begin to explore how our unique identities and intersections add value to the larger campus community.

3:00–5:00 p.m.
**Group Activities**
Your Core Group Leader will share their individual experiences as an international student at Colgate and answer your questions about student life on the hill.

4:30–7:30 p.m.
**Dinner Available**
Frank Dining Hall

8:00 p.m.
**Evening group activity**
Making S’mores around campfire! Meet your group at Frank Dining Hall (In case of weather, the event may be moved to Saturday).
Saturday, August 20, 2022

7:30–9 a.m.
Breakfast available
Frank Dining Hall

8:30 a.m.–noon
Hamilton Farmers’ Market
Village Green
Hamilton Farmers’ Market runs every Saturday through the end of October. Enjoy vendors selling locally grown produce, flowers, cheese, baked goods, crafts, and so much more.

11 a.m.–2 p.m.
Lunch available
Frank Dining Hall

3:15 p.m.
Bowling Trip
Caz Sports Bowl, Cazenovia
Board the bus outside Donovan’s Pub (James C. Colgate Building). Be sure to bring socks! Don’t be late.

4–6:00 p.m.
Bowling Social
Caz Sports Bowl, Cazenovia
Enjoy Bowling! Dinner will be served.

6:30 p.m.
Return to Colgate
Sunday, August 21, 2022

7:30–9 a.m.
Breakfast available 🍳
Frank Dining Hall

10–11:30 a.m.
Closing of the ISO and Raffle
O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
Remarks by Paul J. Mcloughlin II. Vice President and dean of the college. Raffle drawing — you must be present to win.

Refer to the Class of 2026 Orientation Schedule for the complete list of scheduled events and activities.
University buildings and grounds
Explore a campus that is frequently referred to as one of the most beautiful in the nation.

1. 94 Broad Street
2. 100 Broad Street
3. 113 Broad Street (Brigham House, Read House, Shepardson House, Whitnall House)
4. 100 Hamilton Street
5. ALANA Cultural Center
6. Alumni Hall
7. Andrews Hall
8. Asia Interest House (118 Broad St.)
9. Base Camp
10. Benton Hall
11. Beta Theta Pi (88 Broad St.)
12. Brehmer Theater
13. Bryan Complex (Cobb House, Crawshaw House, Parke House, and Russell House)
14. Buildings and Grounds
15. Bunche House (90 Broad St.)
16. Burke Hall
17. Campus Safety
18. Case-Geyer Library
19. Chapel House
20. Colgate Memorial Chapel
21. Counseling Center (Conant House)
22. Curtis Hall
23. Cushman House (102 Broad St.)
24. Dana Arts Center
25. Delta Upsilon (66 Broad St.)
26. Donovan’s Pub
27. Drake Hall
28. East Hall
29. Foggy Bottom Observatory
30. Frank Dining Hall
31. Gamma Phi Beta (72 Broad St.)
32. Gate House
33. Hascall Hall
34. Hieber Cafe
35. Ho Science Center
36. Human Resources
37. Interfaith House (104 Broad St.)
38. James B. Colgate Hall
39. James C. Colgate Student Union
40. Jane Pinchin Hall
41. Kappa Kappa Gamma (40 Broad St.)
42. La Casa (1934 House, 49 Broad St.)
43. Lathrop Hall
44. Lawrence Hall
45. Little Hall
46. Linsley Geology Museum
47. The Loj (70 Broad St.)
48. Longyear Museum of Anthropology
49. McGregory Hall
50. Merrill House
51. Newell Apartments
52. O’Connor Campus Center (the Coop)
53. Office of Undergraduate Studies (OUS)
54. Olin Hall
55. PAC House (110 Broad St.)
56. Parker Apartments
57. Persson Hall
58. Phi Delta Theta (74 Broad St.)
59. Phi Kappa Tau (92 Broad St.)
60. Picker Art Gallery
61. Preston Hill Apartments
62. Raab House
63. Ryan Studio
64. Sapenstein Jewish Center
65. Shaw Wellness Institute
66. Speare House
67. Stillman Hall
68. Student Health Center
69. Theta Chi (52 Broad St.)
70. Townhouse Apartments
71. Tri Delta (64 Broad St.)
72. University Court Apartments
73. West Hall
74. Wynn Hall
75. Nearby: Beattie Reserve, Bewkes Center, Community Garden, Community Memorial Hospital, Olmstead House

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Campus Map